New HIV Diagnoses in Maryland

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- In 2017, there were 1,040 total reported HIV diagnoses in Maryland. Of those, 149 were born in a foreign country. Persons born in Africa accounted for 9.5% of the total newly reported HIV diagnoses and 66.4% of the foreign-born diagnoses.
- Of the 99 diagnoses born in Africa, 63.6% were female and 36.4% were male.
- 90.4% of African-born diagnoses had an exposure of HET, followed by 7.6% with an exposure of MSM.
- 34.3% were diagnosed with AIDS within 12 months, indicating they were likely infected for years.

Characteristics of African-Born Persons Living with Diagnosed HIV in Maryland

At the end of 2017, there were 1,827 living African-born residents with diagnosed HIV.

- Of the 30,566 persons living with diagnosed HIV, 2,914 were foreign-born. African-born residents account for 6.0% of the total persons living with HIV and 62.7% of the foreign-born cases.
- African-born persons living with HIV were born in 39 countries. The most common countries were Cameroon (26.5%), Ethiopia (16.1%), Nigeria (12.5%), Kenya (6.5%), Sierra Leone (4.3%), and Liberia (4.0%).
- 73.4% of the 1,827 African-born persons living with HIV had a recent viral load test result reported in 2017. Of these 1,341 individuals, 88.8% had a suppressed viral load.