New HIV Diagnoses in Maryland

In 2017, there were 99 reported HIV diagnoses among persons born in Africa.

- In 2017, there were 1,040 total reported HIV diagnoses in Maryland. Of those, 149 were born in a foreign country. African immigrants accounted for 9.5% of the total newly reported HIV diagnoses and 66.4% of the foreign-born.
- Of the 99 cases who were born in Africa, 63.6% were female and 36.4% were male.
- 90.4% of African immigrants 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 Immigrants Living with HIV in Maryland

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

- Of the 30,566 total living HIV cases, 2,914 were foreign-born. African immigrants account for 6.0% of the total living cases and 62.7% of the foreign-born cases.
- African immigrant HIV cases 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 immigrant HIV cases had a recent viral load test result reported in 2017. Of these 1,341 individuals, 88.8% had a suppressed viral load.

HET: Heterosexual Contact  |  IDU: Injection Drug Use  |  MSM: Male-to-male Sexual Contact

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Multiple imputation was used to estimate and adjust for missing exposure category.
Data represents adults and adolescents (ages 13+) only.
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