

Teens and Sex

American Indians/Alaska Natives

Know the Numbers:

- On average, American Indian and Alaska Native teens acquire STDs more often than teens of other ethnicities.
- 1 of every 4 sexually active teens will get an STD this year.
- 1 in 10 sexually active adolescents has chlamydia.
- Among American Indians and Alaska Natives, chlamydia and gonorrhea rates are highest among 15 to 24 year olds.
- Two U.S. teens are infected with HIV every hour of every day.
- 1 of every 5 sexually active teen females will get pregnant this year.

Know the Facts:

- If you have had unprotected sex, you may have an STD and not know it.
- If your partner has had unprotected sex, your partner may have an STD and not know it.
- STDs like chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis are curable. While diseases like HIV, HPV, herpes and hepatitis B are treatable.
- If left untreated, STDs can lead to long-term consequences, like infertility, long-term pain, or cancer.



CDC National STD Hotline

Anonymous, confidential information on STDs.
1-800-227-8922 - Available 24/7

Know your Score - Take the Quiz!

1. Have you talked to your partner about Sexual Health?
2. Do you have sex with a condom or barrier on every occasion?
3. Are you sure your current partner is free of Sexually Transmitted Diseases?
4. Do you know for sure if any of your past partners have had an STD?
5. Has your partner shown you STD test results?

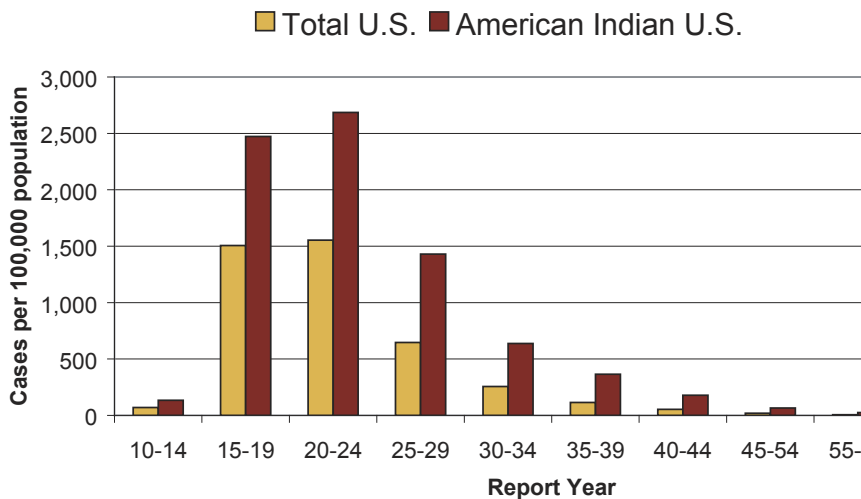
If you answered "No" or "Not Sure" to any of these questions, visit your clinic to receive confidential testing.

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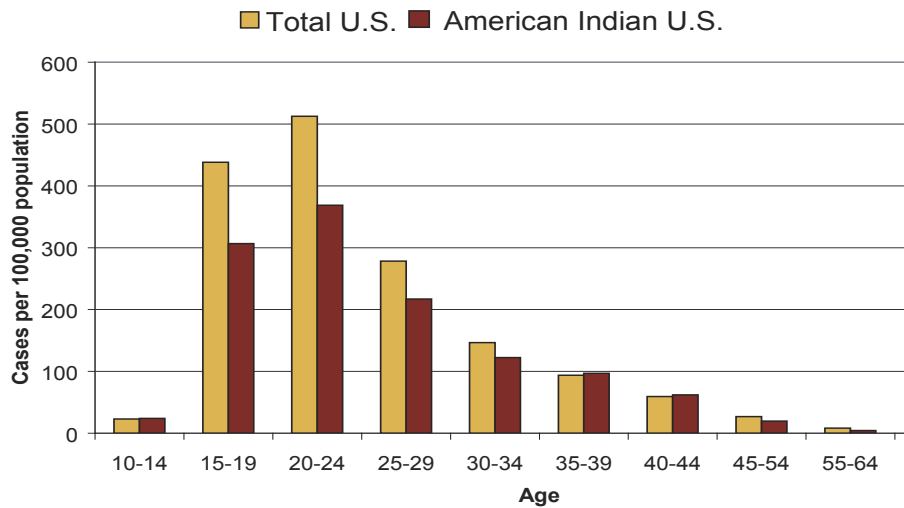
**Total and AI Chlamydia Rates by Age Group
2003
United States**



Nationally, American Indians and Alaska Natives are two times more likely than the total population to test positive for chlamydia, and six times more likely than Whites. The majority of cases occur among 15-24 year olds.

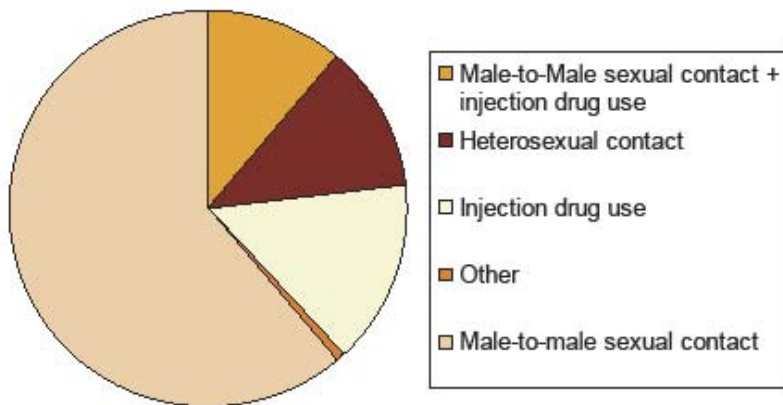
**Total and AI/AN Gonorrhea Rates, by Age Group - 2003
United States**

Nationally, American Indians and Alaska Natives are less likely than the total population to test positive for gonorrhea, but three times more likely than Whites. The majority of cases occur among 15-24 year olds.

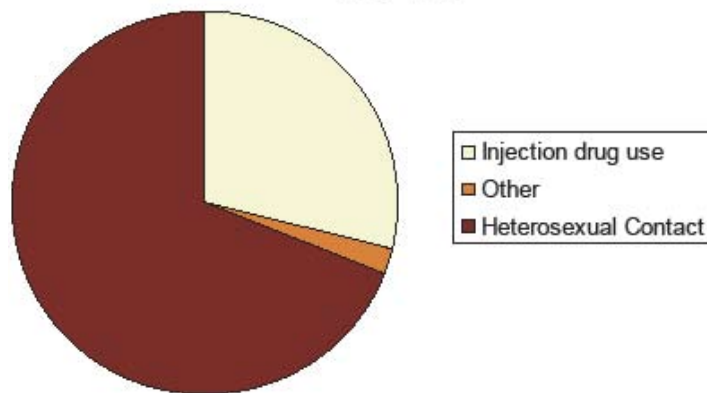


**Transmission categories of
American Indians/Alaska Natives given a
diagnosis of HIV/AIDS, 2000-2003**

**Males
No. = 505**



**Females
No. = 210**



Note: Based on data from 32 states with long-term, confidential name-based HIV reporting.