#### **HIV Prevention and MSM of Color**

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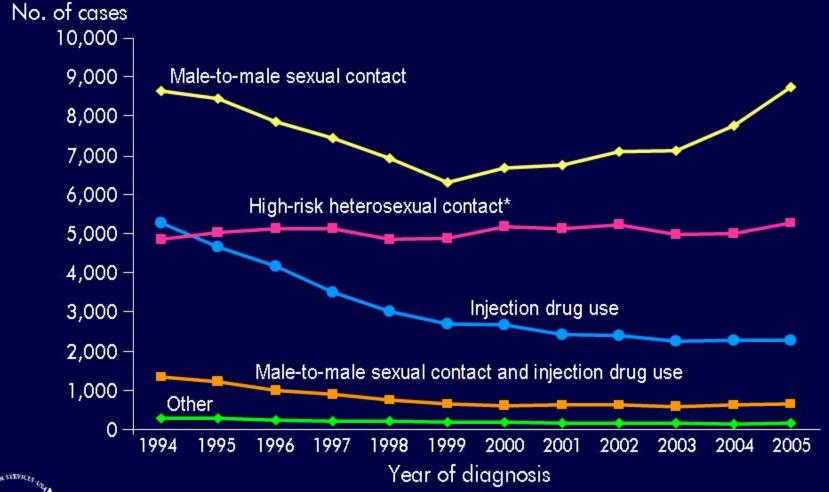
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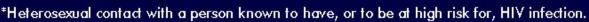


## HIV/AIDS Cases among Adults and Adolescents, by Transmission Category, 1994–2005—25 States



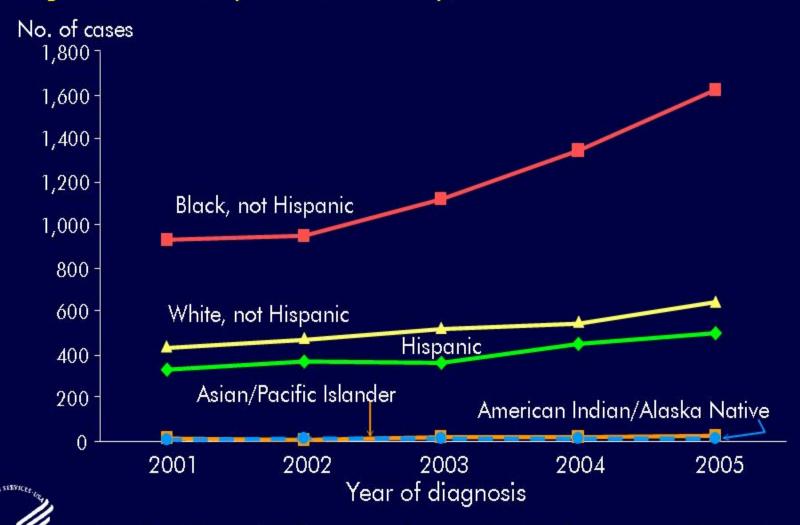


Note. Data statistically adjusted for reporting delays and redistribution of cases in persons initially reported without an identified risk.





## HIV/AIDS Cases among Men Who Have Sex with Men Aged 13–24, by Race/Ethnicity, 2001–2005—33 States



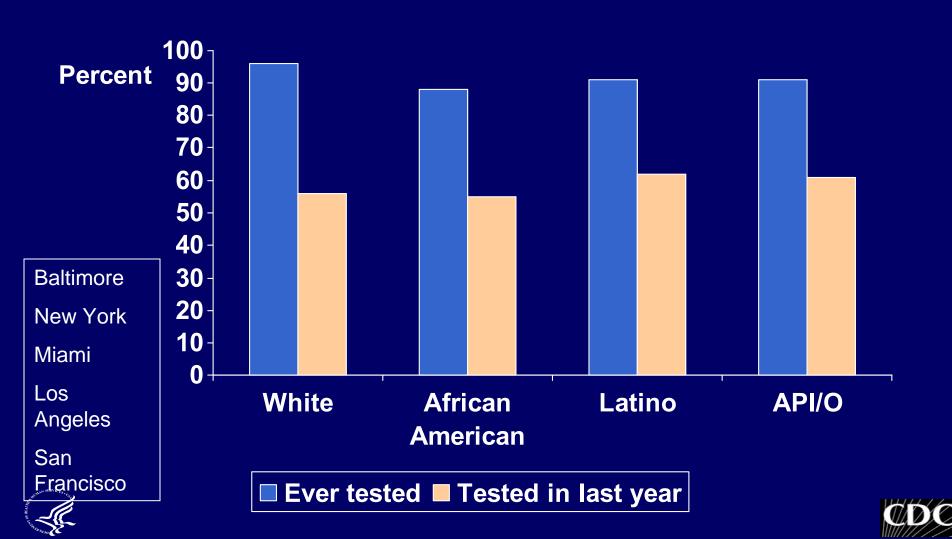


# Comparisons of MSM of Color & White MSM





## Percent of MSM reporting ever tested, tested in last year, 5 US cities



## HIV Prevalence and Proportion with Undiagnosed HIV Infection in MSM in 5 Cities – NHBS, 2004-2005

Characteristic	Total Tested	HIV Prevalence N (%)		Undiagnosed HIV Infection N (%)	
Total	1767	450	(25)	217	(48)
Age					
18-24	410	57	(14)	45	(79)
25-29	303	53	(17)	37	(70)
30-39	585	171	(29)	83	(49)
40-49	367	137	(37)	41	(30)
≥ 50	102	32	(31)	11	(34)
Race					
White	616	127	(21)	23	(18)
Black	444	206	(46)	139	(67)
Hispanic	466	80	(17)	38	(48)
API	95	7	(7)	2	(29)
NA/AN	<10	<10	(29)	<10	(100)
Multiracial/Other	123	25	(20)	13	(52)

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White MSM	Young @1st sex	Drug use





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Gay identity	9	2684	4172	0.29*	(0.17–0.48)
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# Comparisons of MSM of Color and General Racial/Ethnic Communities





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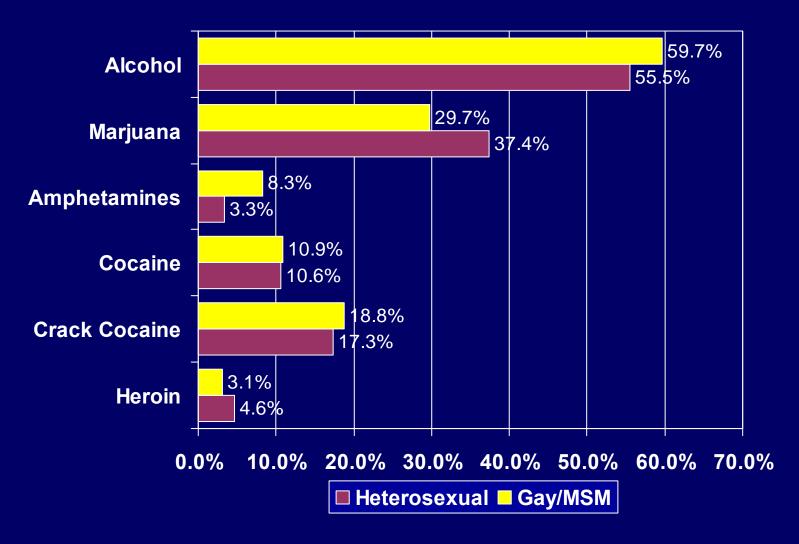
#### Drug use: Blacks vs. Whites generally

- Blacks generally less likely to use club drugs
- Blacks generally more likely to use marijuana and crack





## African American Men: Drug Use by Sexual Behavior in Los Angeles County





(Caldwell, 2006)

# Differences among MSM of Color





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#### Black MSM

- Mixed race (Valleroy, 2000; Harawa, 2004)
- Born in U.S. (Wheeler, 2008)
- Geography (Sullivan, 1998; Mashburn, 2004)

#### API MSM

- Born in U.S. (Yoshikawa, 2004)
- S Asian vs. E Asian
   (Yoshikawa, 2004)
- Mixed race vs. E Asian
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#### Latino MSM

- Born in U.S. (Jarama, 2005)
- Drug use (Dolezal, 2000)





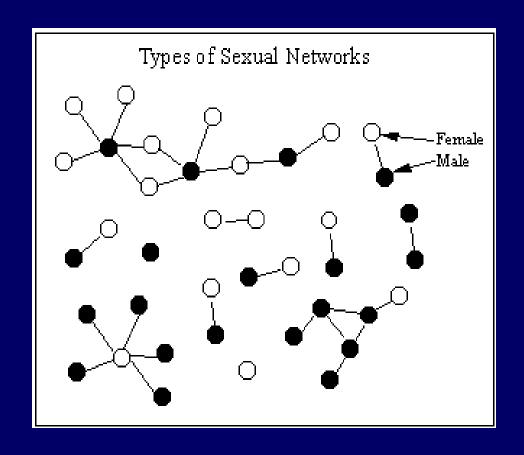
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# Unexplored and Underexplored Topics

- Sexual networks
- Serosorting
- Healthcare access for positive men
  - Not HIV prevention services
- Poverty



Immunogenetics (CCR5, Duffy antigen, etc.)





# Underexplored topics, contd: Discrimination

#### Latino MSM

- Experience with discrimination associated with greater rates of sexual risk (Jarama, 2005)
- Homophobia, racism, poverty, psychological distress
   explained 19% of sexual risk (Diaz, 2004)

#### Black MSM

 History of discrimination associated with greater sexual risk (Zamboni, 2006)

#### **API MSM**

- Anti-immigrant discrimination experiences associated with UAI
- Conversations with friends or family about discrimination associated with lower rates of UAI (Yoshikawa, 2004)





### Summary

- HIV epidemic is not uniform across MSM by race/ ethnicity
  - Risk factors vary by race/ ethnicity
  - Need more research of risk factors for future interventions
  - Research on resiliency
- MSM of color are not homogenous
  - HIV risk factors vary by geography, ethnicity, acculturation, etc
- Context matters
  - individual-, interpersonal- and structural-level factors



