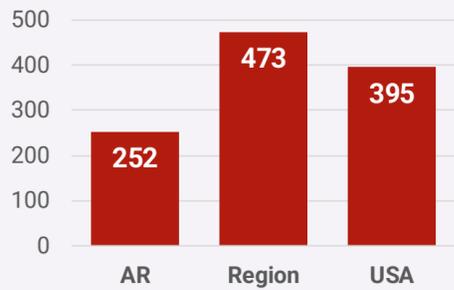


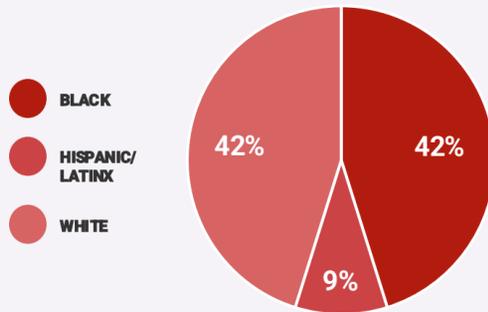
# HIV IN ARKANSAS

In 2023, there were 6,493 people living with HIV in Arkansas. That same year, 304 people were newly diagnosed with HIV.

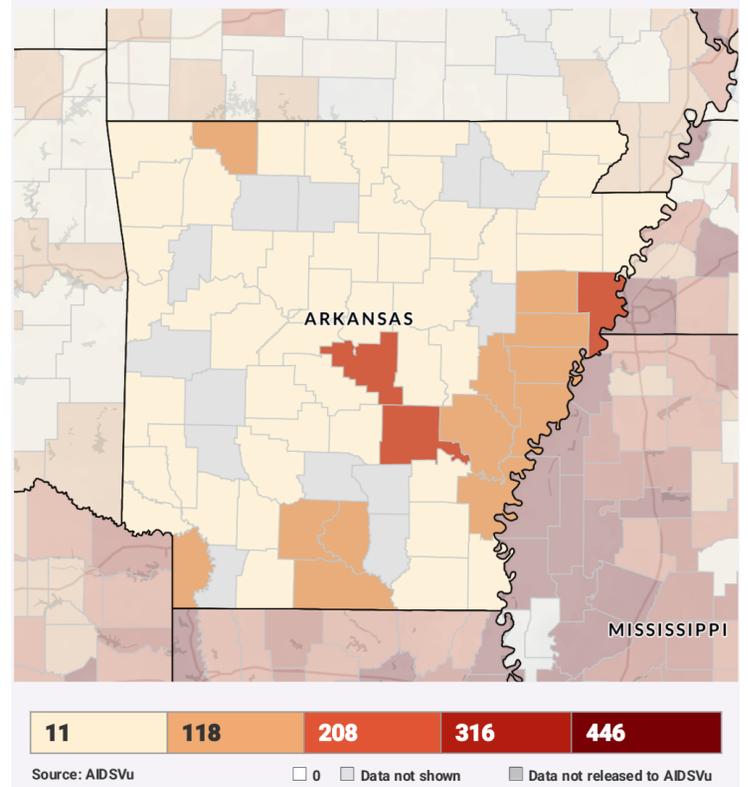
Rate of people living with HIV per 100,000 population, by Geography, 2023



Percent of people living with HIV in Arkansas, by Race/Ethnicity, 2023



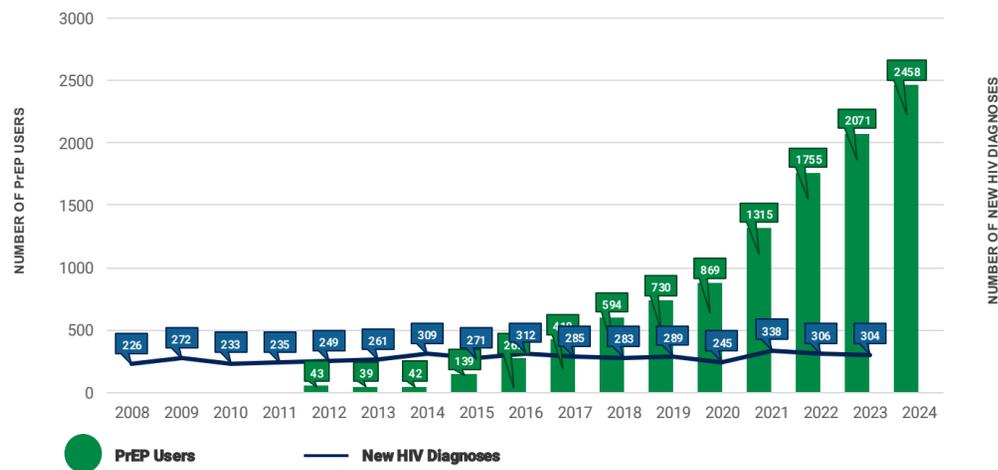
Rates of Persons Living with HIV per 100k, 2023



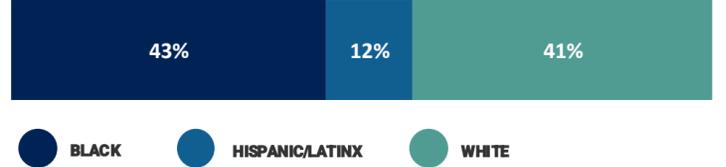
## New HIV Diagnoses & PrEP Use

Pre-exposure prophylaxis, or PrEP, can protect people from acquiring HIV. We know that PrEP works in reducing new HIV diagnoses. Yet, PrEP use is not equitable. For example, Black people represented nearly half (47%) of new HIV diagnoses in the South, yet were only 23% of PrEP users in the region.

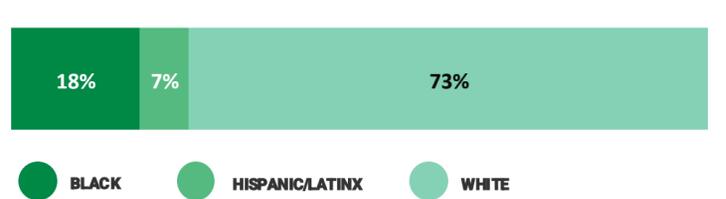
Number of PrEP Users in Arkansas, 2012-2024 vs. Number of New HIV Diagnoses in Arkansas, 2008-2023



Percent of people newly diagnosed with HIV in Arkansas, by Race/Ethnicity, 2023



Percent of PrEP users in Arkansas, by Race/Ethnicity, 2024



## Viral HIV Suppression

Viral suppression is defined as those living with diagnosed HIV who had suppressed HIV viral load (<200 copies/mL).

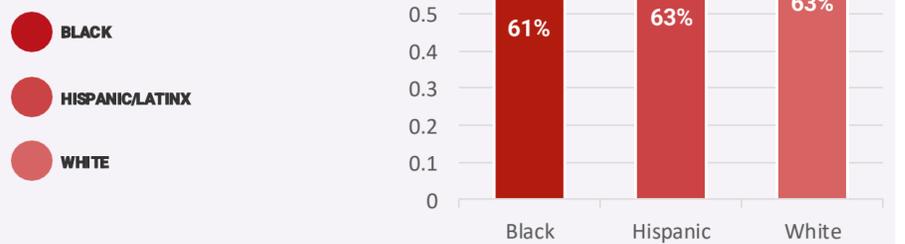
Number of people living with HIV who were virally suppressed in Arkansas, 2023:

**3,903**

Percent of people living with HIV who were virally suppressed in Arkansas, 2023:

**63%**

Proportion of people virally suppressed in Arkansas, by Race/Ethnicity, 2023



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