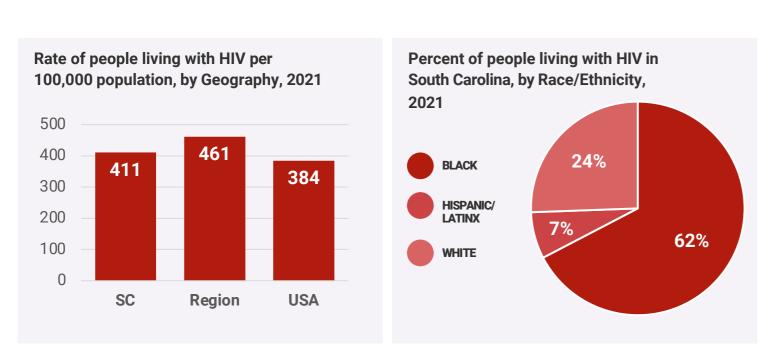
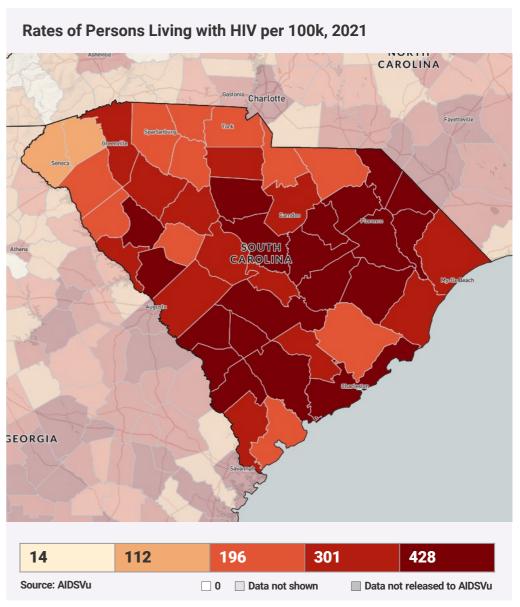
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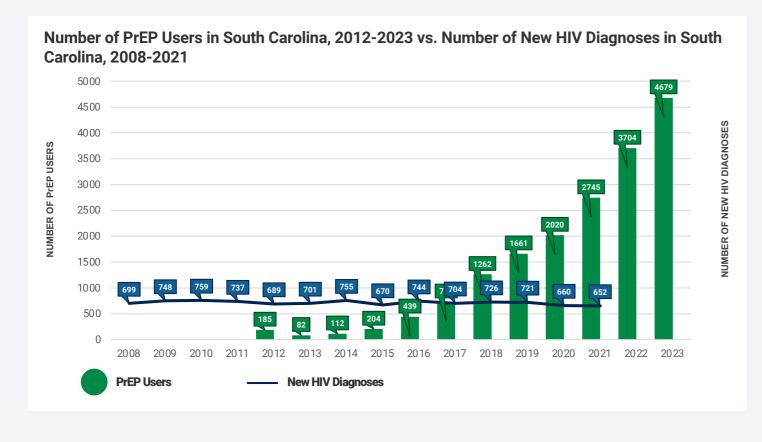
In 2021, there were **18,109 people living with HIV** in South Carolina. That same year, **652 people were newly diagnosed with HIV**.

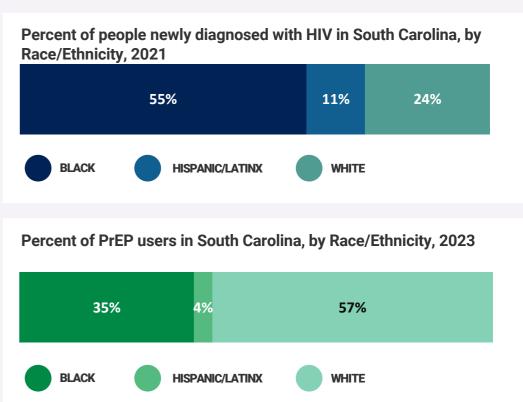




New HIV Diagnoses & PrEP Use

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 half (49%) of new HIV diagnoses in the South, yet were only 21% of PrEP users in the region**.





Viral HIV Suppression

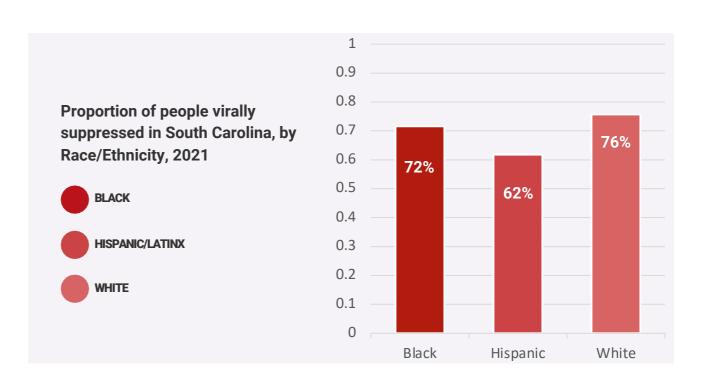
Viral suppression is defined as **those living with diagnosed HIV who had suppressed HIV viral load** (<200 copies/mL).

Number of people living with HIV who were virally suppressed in South Carolina, 2021:

12,679

Percent of people living with HIV who were virally suppressed in South Carolina, 2021:

73%



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