

SOUTH CAROLINA HIV/AIDS STATISTICS*

Provided by the South Carolina HIV/AIDS Council

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- **South Carolina ranks 8th in the nation in the rate of new AIDS cases annually.**

The CDC considers SC one of its top 10 “Hot Spots” nationally – see chart below.
Ranking based on January-December 2007 rate.

- **Our capital, Columbia, ranks 9th in the nation**

among larger metropolitan areas in the rate of new AIDS cases annually. Charleston is 22nd and Greenville is 68th. Result? Our 3 major metro areas are consistently among the nation’s top 100. Rankings based on January-December 2007 rate.

- **For three years running, the SC HIV Testing Reports show the age group 20-29 with the highest percentage of newly diagnosed HIV positive people in South Carolina.**

Our youth are our future. What will you do?

Based on SC HIV Test Reports 2006-2008.

- **South Carolina currently ranks 1st in the nation in the percentage of cumulative cases of AIDS from heterosexual contact.** Based on Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts “Reported AIDS Cases among Adults and Adolescents, by Transmission Category, Cumulative through 2007.”

- **Among South Carolinians newly diagnosed with HIV who identify their risk factors, the modes of transmission are:**

Men who have sex with men = 50%, Heterosexual = 40%, Injecting drug users = 9%.

Based on 2006-2007 newly reported adult and adolescent cases.

- **The rate of reported new HIV/AIDS cases among African American South Carolinians is eight times that of whites.**

Based on 2006-2007 newly reported adult and adolescent cases.

- **Top 10 rankings:**

NATIONAL RANKINGS BY STATE

Rank	State
1	District of Columbia
2	New York
3	Maryland
4	Florida
5	Louisiana
6	Delaware
7	Georgia
8	South Carolina
9	Connecticut
10	Pennsylvania

Based on 2007 AIDS cases in the 50 US States and District of Columbia

NATIONAL RANKINGS BY MSA*

Rank	*Metropolitan Statistical Area
1	Miami, FL
2	New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner. LA
3	Baton Rouge, LA
4	Washington, DC-VA-MD-WV
5	Baltimore—Towson, MD
6	New York, NY-NJ-PA
7	Jackson, MS
8	San Francisco, CA
9	Columbia, SC
10	Jacksonville, FL

Based on 2007 AIDS cases in US Metropolitan Statistical Areas

SC RANKINGS BY COUNTY

Rank	SC County
1	Richland
2	Bamberg
3	Orangeburg
4	Sumter
5	McCormick
6	Williamsburg
7	Charleston
8	Allendale
9	Edgefield
10	Barnwell

Based on HIV & AIDS cases in SC cumulative through December 2008

RESOURCES

- www.cdc.gov - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- www.scdhec.gov/stdhiv - Click SC Plans or HIV/AIDS/STD Surveillance Reports for comprehensive data on HIV/AIDS and other STDs in SC
- www.statehealthfacts.org - Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts
- www.schivaidsCouncil.org - SC HIV/AIDS Council and its many programs including **FREE** Testing and Counseling, Medical Case Management and Support Groups, and Project F.A.I.T.H. (Fostering AIDS Initiatives That Heal)

SC AIDS/STD Hotline: 1 (800) 322-AIDS (2437)

Know your status. Get tested!

* Statistics cited: most recent data available on SCDHEC and Kaiser Family Fdt. websites 8/20/2009. For more information: SC HIV/AIDS Council, (803) 254-6644.