



# San Francisco Monthly STD Report

Data for December, 2015  
Report prepared February 2, 2016

Table 1. STDs among residents, December, 2015.

	2015		2014	
	month	YTD	month	YTD
Gonorrhea	397	4,270	329	3,278
Male rectal gonorrhea	133	1140	89	874
Chlamydia	644	7,239	528	5,972
Male rectal chlamydia	168	1788	118	1408
Syphilis (adult total)	125	1410	113	1287
Primary & secondary	52	497	43	460
Early latent	56	723	62	654
Unknown latent	1	32	2	10
Late latent	16	158	6	163
Neurosyphilis	1	16	4	14
Congenital syphilis	0	1	0	0
PID	4	82	13	110

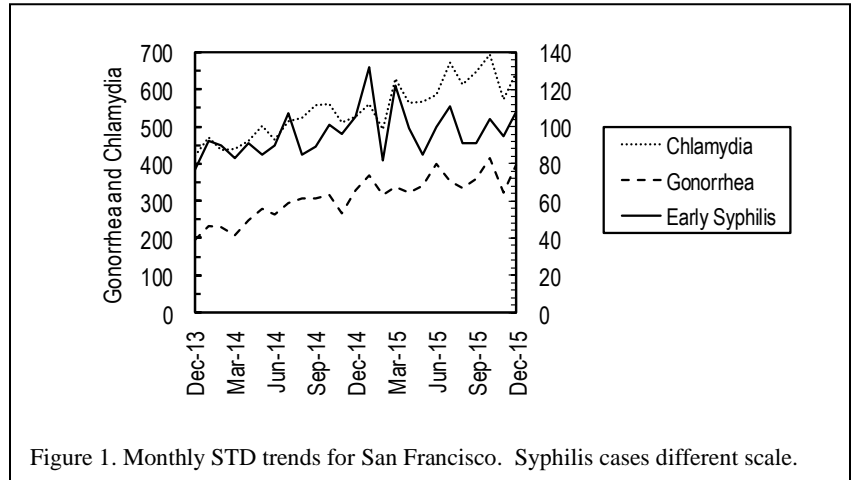


Figure 1. Monthly STD trends for San Francisco. Syphilis cases different scale.

Table 2. Selected STD cases and rates for San Francisco by age and race/ethnicity, 2015 through December. Rates equal cases per 100,000 residents per year based on 2000 US Census data.

	(All races)		Asian/PI		African American		Hispanic		White	
	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate
All ages										
Chlamydia	7,239	932.0	872	345.5	762	1,189.3	1,032	942.4	2,674	789.0
Gonorrhea	4,270	549.7	387	153.3	510	796.0	694	633.8	1,986	586.0
Early syphilis	1,220	157.1	98	38.8	124	193.5	279	254.8	612	180.6
Under 20 yrs										
Chlamydia	495	963.6	45	206.5	142	2,156.6	124	1,119.2	73	658.0
Gonorrhea	89	173.3	14	64.2	28	425.3	15	135.4	15	135.2
Early syphilis	10	19.5	1	4.6	4	60.8	4	36.1	0	0.0

Table 3. HIV testing among City Clinic patients, December, 2015.

	2015		2014	
	month	YTD	month	YTD
Tests	655	6,406	450	5,971
Antibody positive	5	58	3	53
Acute HIV infection	0	7	0	4

Note: All statistics are provisional until the annual report is released for the year. Morbidity is based on date of diagnosis. Totals for past months may change due to delays in reporting from labs and providers.

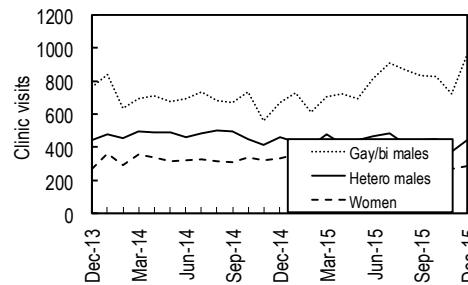


Figure 2. City Clinic visits by gender and orientation.

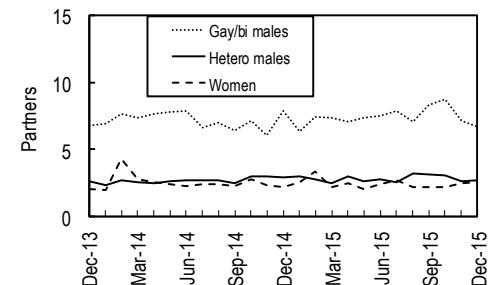


Figure 3. Average number of recent\* sex partners for City Clinic visits by gender and sexual orientation. \*Recall period is 3 months.

## Preliminary 2015 San Francisco Data Show Continuing Increases in Reported STDs

Preliminary year-end 2015 data on reportable STDs once again show annual increases for chlamydia, gonorrhea and early syphilis. Chlamydia increased by 21.2% between 2014 and 2015, from 5972 to 7239 cases. Male rectal chlamydia increased from 1408 to 1788 cases, a 27% annual increase. Gonorrhea increased by 30.3% from 3278 to 4270 cases. Compared to last year's 10.1% increase, rectal gonorrhea among men increased steeply in 2015, by 30.4%, from 874 to 1140 cases. In 2015, early (infectious) syphilis increased 9.5% from 1114 to 1220 cases.

The proportionate increases by age group were greater among 15-25 year-olds than those 26 and over. Among 15-25 year-olds in 2015, compared to 2014, there were 2360 cases of chlamydia (12% increase), 863 gonorrhea cases (22%), and 103 early syphilis cases (17.0%). Increases among those ages 26 and over were similar or smaller in 2015 compared to 2014: 4852 chlamydia cases (26.6% increase), 3400 gonorrhea cases (32.6%), and 1116 early syphilis cases (9.0%).

The San Francisco Department of Public Health is planning approaches to improve sexual health and reduce rates of STDs, including expanding access to STD/HIV screening and supporting condoms as one effective option for STD/HIV prevention. We continue to recommend that all sexually active men who have sex with men be screened every 3-6 months for syphilis, chlamydia, and gonorrhea. Additionally, all women 25 years old and younger should be screened for chlamydia and gonorrhea annually. STD screening is available at San Francisco City Clinic, through community clinics, and with private providers.

More comprehensive data will be available when the 2015 annual summary is published later this year. The San Francisco Sexually Transmitted Disease Annual Summary, 2014 is now available at <https://www.sfdph.org/dph/files/reports/StudiesData/STD/SFSTDAnnSum2014.pdf>. TQN/RPK