



# Women and HIV 2018

## Globally: 2016 Data<sup>1,2</sup>

- 36.7 million people are living with HIV.
- 52% (18 million) are women and girls living with HIV and it is the leading cause of death for women of reproductive age.
- 3 in 10 people living with HIV are unaware of their status
- 1.8 million new HIV diagnosis in 2016, 5,000 a day
- Youth 15-24 are a third of new HIV diagnosis
- Many people globally do not have access to care or HIV treatment, and there is still no cure.

## United States: 2015 Data<sup>3,4</sup>

- More than 1.1 million people are living with HIV.
- 287,400 are women; this is 24% of the HIV+ population.
- 1 in every 7 people (15%) do not know they are living with HIV.
- 52 % of people living with HIV are not receiving regular HIV health care.
- 49 % are virally suppressed, a measure of successful HIV treatment
- Someone acquires HIV every 14 minutes.
- People of color, specifically women of color and trans women are disproportionately impacted by HIV. African American women account for 60% and Latinas were 17% of all women living with HIV.

## Teens<sup>5</sup>

- In 2015, 55% of new diagnosis were in people under 35, 22% were 13-24

## Women in Colorado 2015<sup>6,7</sup>

- 2.7 million women in Colorado, 14% live below the Federal Poverty level, 13% do not have health insurance
- 427 New HIV diagnosis, 50 were women and 8 were concurrently diagnosis with AIDS.
- 13,690 people living with HIV, 1722 are women
- 6,146 people living with HIV died, 448 were women

## **Colorado, “IF I WERE HIV+... I’D STILL BE ME” Campaign in partnership with BCAP<sup>9</sup>**

In 2018 women living with HIV and our allies will be wearing our pink shirts representing the estimated 1722 women (of the 13,690) living with HIV in Colorado.

Of these women:

- 1 of the 10 will not know their HIV status*
- 4 of the 10 will not be receiving HIV specific care*
- 4 of the 10 have not achieved viral suppression*
- 6 of the 10 have experience violence and trauma in their lives*
- 10 out of 10 still deserve love and respect*

**Positive Women’s Network-United States of America (PWN-USA) – PWN Colorado**

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## Colorado Regional Group

We are a national group of women living with HIV who advocate for ourselves and other women living with HIV. We welcome all allies who support the rights of women living with HIV.

[www.pwn-usa.org](http://www.pwn-usa.org)

## Stigma and Discrimination <sup>8</sup>-according to survey respondents

- 41% of Americans know someone who is living with HIV or has died of an AIDS related illness.
- 18% are uncomfortable working with someone who is living with HIV, 29% would be uncomfortable having their kids taught by a teacher living with HIV, 36% would not be comfortable having a roommate living with HIV and 45% would be uncomfortable having their food prepared by someone HIV living with HIV.
- One third of Americans believe one of these misconceptions about transmission: you can be infected from sharing a glass (25%), touching a toilet seat (16%) or swimming in a pool with someone who is positive (12%).

## Sources

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9) AIDSvu.org Colorado 2015 statistics

- please note that data is not collected for Trans women but incorrectly includes them in gender at birth categories

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Facebook group: [IF I WERE HIV+...](#) #NWGHAAD

**Thank you for standing against stigma and discrimination.  
Together we can change the world.**