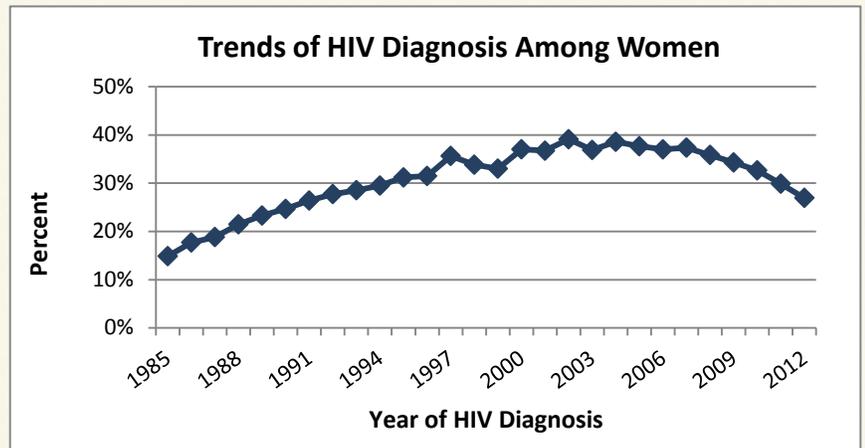




HIV AMONG WOMEN IN MARYLAND, 2012

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- Women made up **26.9% (395)** of the **1,466** reported adult/adolescent HIV diagnoses (age 13+) in Maryland in **2012**.
- The proportion of HIV diagnoses in Maryland has **increased** in women from **14.9% in 1985** to **26.9% in 2012**.
- **84.8%** of the **395** reported HIV diagnoses among women (age 13+) in 2012 were among non-Hispanic (NH) blacks, **8.4%** NH white, **2.5%** Hispanic, and **4.3%** other races.
- Most HIV diagnoses in women in 2012 were from **heterosexual** contact (**85.4%**).



Characteristics of Women Living with HIV

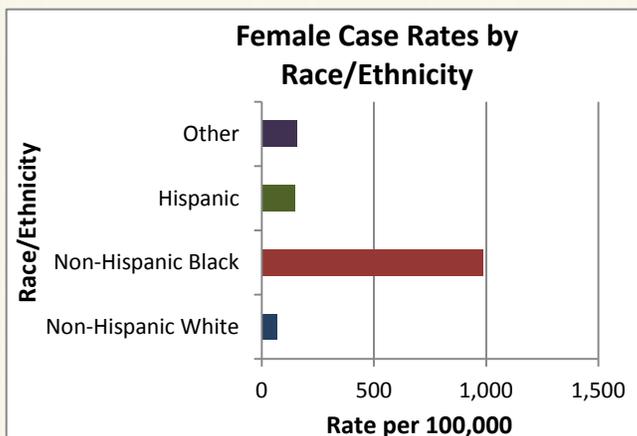
Exposure Category

- **66.8% HET**
- **32.6% IDU**
- **0.6% OTHER**



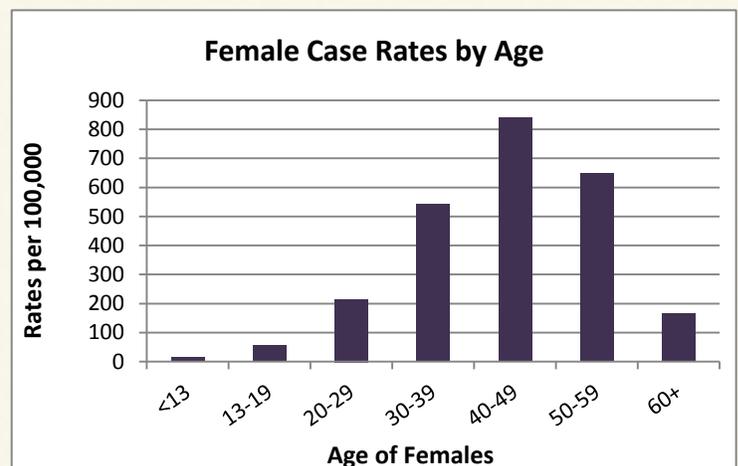
Race/Ethnicity

- **83.1% NH Black**
- **9.8% NH White**
- **3.3% Hispanic**



- Of the 29,553 total living HIV cases reported in Maryland, **35.6% (10,529)** of those were among women. In other words, **1 in 243 women** were reported to be living with HIV in Maryland.

- Total living HIV case rates in Maryland females (all ages) were **6 to 15 times higher** among NH blacks (**983.0 cases per 100,000**) as compared to Hispanics (**145.6**), non-Hispanic whites (**65.0**), and other races (**157.4**). In other words, **1 in every 101 NH black females** in Maryland was reported to be living with HIV.
- Total living HIV case rates in Maryland women were **highest among women in their 40's** (839.2 cases per 100,000 on 12/31/2012).



HET: Heterosexual
IDU: Injection Drug User