



LUCAS COUNTY HIV/AIDS STATISTICS Updated November 2018

- As of December 31, 2017, there were 1,014 persons known to be living with HIV/AIDS in Lucas County. Twenty-five percent of the people living with HIV/AIDS are female.*
- In Lucas County, approximately 42% of persons living with HIV/AIDS are white not Hispanic, 49% are African American, 6% are Hispanic/Latinx, 2% are Multi-Race, and 1% Asian/Pacific Islander. Lucas County is approximately 74% white, 20% African American, 7% Hispanic/Latinx, 1.8% Asian, and 3.2% two or more races.
- Male/male sexual contact continues to be the leading risk factor for HIV/AIDS and 74% of newly diagnosed infections in 2017 were in this group. Sharing needles during injection drug use did not account for any Lucas County infections in 2017. There were no cases of perinatal transmission of HIV in Lucas County in 2017.
- Toledo-Lucas County has the lowest rate in Ohio (235 cases per 100,000) for persons known to be living with HIV/AIDS when compared to the four other largest metropolitan areas in the state. Infection rates per 100,000 people in Ohio's largest, metropolitan counties in 2017 are as follows: Franklin-398, Cuyahoga-395, Hamilton-391, Montgomery-281, Lucas-235. In the past five years Lucas County has averaged 36 new HIV infections per year.
- Young people ages 15-24 in Lucas County accounted for 19% of the HIV/AIDS cases in 2017. The age group of 25-39 had 40% of the new cases. Young men of color, and gay and bisexual men of all races and ethnicities, continue to be at greatest risk. In 2017, 88% of HIV infections were in men, and 12% were female.
- For the years of 2013 to 2017, an average of 4% of the yearly HIV infections were in African American females. In comparison, 21% of Lucas County cases were in African American women in 2011. A nationwide decrease in HIV infections among African American women was first reported in 2011, and this trend apparently continues.¹ However, this group is still disproportionately affected compared to women of other races and ethnicities. In 2017, African American females accounted for the following percentages of all new HIV cases in Ohio metropolitan areas: Montgomery County – 8%, Cuyahoga County – 17%, Hamilton County – 14%, Lucas County – 2%, Franklin County – 16%.

***All statistics are based on HIV/AIDS cases reported to the Ohio Department of Health. All data is provisional. Unless otherwise noted, all data reflects statistics from the Ohio Department of Health HIV/AIDS Surveillance Program. Data reported through June 30, 2018.**

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¹ CDC-http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/aa/PDF/HIV_among_African_Americans_final.pdf