

Multiple HIV Transmission Risks by Gender Saskatoon Health Region, 2015

Highlights

- *Primary risk* identifies the *most likely mode* of HIV transmission, however most individuals report multiple risks. Figures 1 and 2 show the frequency of specific risks reported in 22 females and 29 males with newly reported HIV in 2015.
- Sex trade work was reported among both females and males (Figures 1 and 2), indicating increased risk for individuals who engage in the sex trade as well as those who rely on the sex trade to meet their needs.
- Women reported a history of previous sexually transmitted infection (STI) more frequently than men. The history of previously reported STIs among HIV positive individuals shows the importance of testing for HIV in combination with other STI tests.
- Both men and women indicated sexual contact with persons confirmed or suspected of being HIV positive, suggesting dependencies and vulnerabilities for individuals who are unable or unwilling to protect themselves from HIV.

Figure 1: Female HIV Transmission Risks, Saskatoon Health Region, 2015

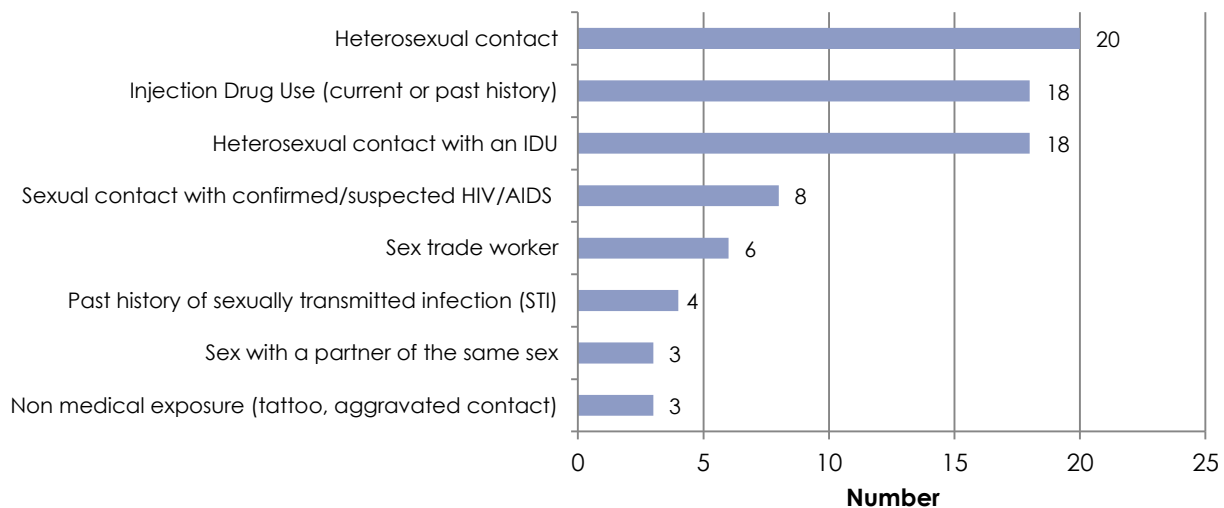
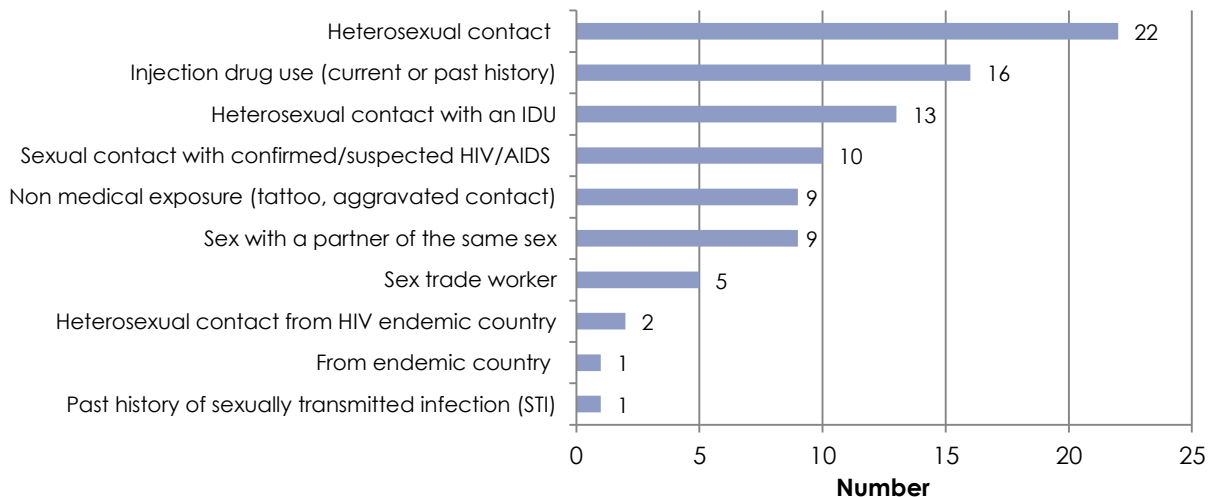


Figure 2: Male HIV Transmission Risks, Saskatoon Health Region, 2015



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