

County of San Diego Monthly STD Report

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Table 1. STDs Reported Among County of San Diego Residents, by Month and Previous 12 Months Combined.

	2019		2020	
	Feb	Previous 12-Month Period*	Feb	Previous 12-Month Period*
Chlamydia	1759	22213	1808	23282
Female age 18-25	642	8283	696	8536
Female age ≤ 17	68	953	67	819
Male rectal chlamydia	115	1107	83	1292
Gonorrhea	453	6119	493	6500
Female age 18-25	60	940	87	1053
Female age ≤ 17	9	105	8	93
Male rectal gonorrhea	79	774	55	787
Early Syphilis (adult total)	97	1117	108	1175
Primary	12	179	15	165
Secondary	42	386	39	385
Early latent	43	552	54	625
Congenital syphilis	1	17	0	20

* Cumulative case count of the previous 12 months.

Table 2. Selected STD Cases and Annualized Rates per 100,000 Population for San Diego County by Age and Race/Ethnicity, Year-to-Date.

	All Races*		Asian/PI		Black		Hispanic		White	
	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate
<i>All ages</i>										
Chlamydia	3959	708.7	89	120.8	128	455.9	403	221.1	352	139.8
Gonorrhea	1081	193.5	34	46.2	112	398.9	274	150.4	234	93.0
Early Syphilis	220	39.4	22	29.9	22	78.4	86	47.2	76	30.2
<i>Under 20 yrs</i>										
Chlamydia	642	444.2	6	37.5	26	370.5	67	110.6	47	89.5
Gonorrhea	92	63.7	6	37.5	9	128.3	33	54.5	11	20.9
Early Syphilis	4	2.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	5.0	1	1.9

Note: Rates are calculated using 2019 Population Estimates; County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services Division, Community Health Statistics Unit. 6/2020.

* Includes cases designated as "other," "unknown," or missing race/ethnicity.

Note: All data are provisional. Case counts are based on the earliest of date of diagnosis, date of specimen collection, and treatment date. Totals for past months might change because of delays in reporting from labs and providers.

Figure 1. Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Reported Among County of San Diego Residents, by 3-Month Period.

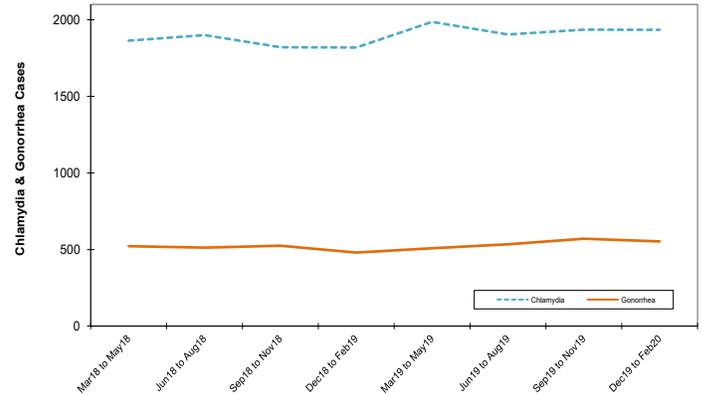
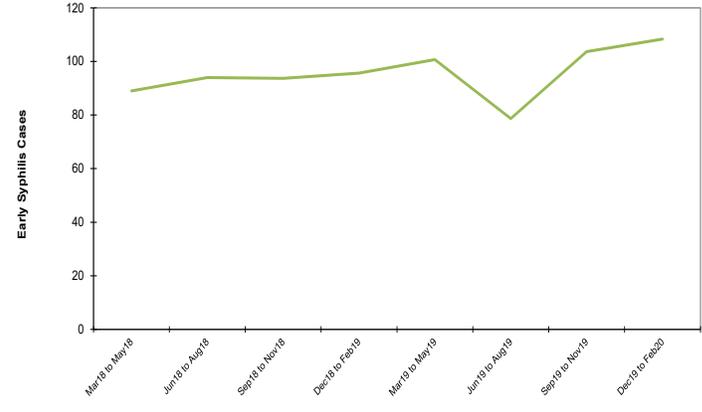


Figure 2. Early Syphilis Reported Among County of San Diego Residents, by 3-Month Period.



Editorial Note: Updates to Title 17, Sections 2500 and 2505 of the California Health and Safety Code

Effective immediately, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has updated [Title 17 Sections 2500 and 2505](#) of the Health and Safety Code as follows:

- Sexual orientation and gender identity are now **required** data elements for provider reports:
 - Current gender identity** (choices are: Male; Female; Trans male/Transman; Trans female/Transwoman; Genderqueer or non-binary; Identity not listed; Declined to answer; Unknown)
 - Sex assigned at birth** (choices are: Male; Female; Declined to answer; Unknown)
 - Sexual orientation** (choices are: Heterosexual or straight; Bisexual; Gay, lesbian, or same gender loving; Orientation not listed; Questioning/unsure/patient doesn't know; Declined to answer; Unknown)
- Race and ethnicity are now separate data elements in provider reports.
- Laboratories are required to report race and ethnicity information.

CDPH enacted these changes in order to better understand and address health disparities in California. Like many health conditions, STDs are associated with significant health disparities, with disproportionate impacts on youth, persons of color, and men who have sex with men (MSM). For further information about the impact of STDs on different communities in San Diego County, please refer to the [2018 STD Surveillance Data Slides](#). For more information, please refer to the **letter to healthcare providers from CDPH** (disseminated on July 28, 2020) that accompanies this report and [CDPH news release](#).

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