



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.

	2015		2016	
	Nov	Previous 12-Month Period*	Nov	Previous 12-Month Period*
Chlamydia	1464	17191	1658	18955
Female age 18-25	581	6928	628	7295
Female age ≤ 17	66	786	78	773
Male rectal chlamydia	59	571	58	589
Gonorrhea	281	3637	475	4926
Female age 18-25	33	484	65	652
Female age ≤ 17	8	65	7	106
Male rectal gonorrhea	45	494	55	650
Early Syphilis (adult total)	52	822	83	956
Primary	15	171	23	178
Secondary	18	319	31	335
Early latent	19	332	29	443
Congenital syphilis	0	7	2	12

* Cumulative case count of the previous 12 months.

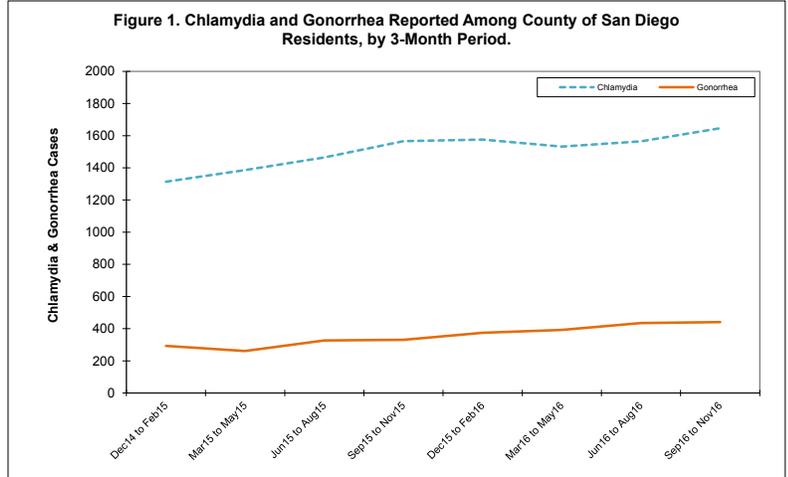
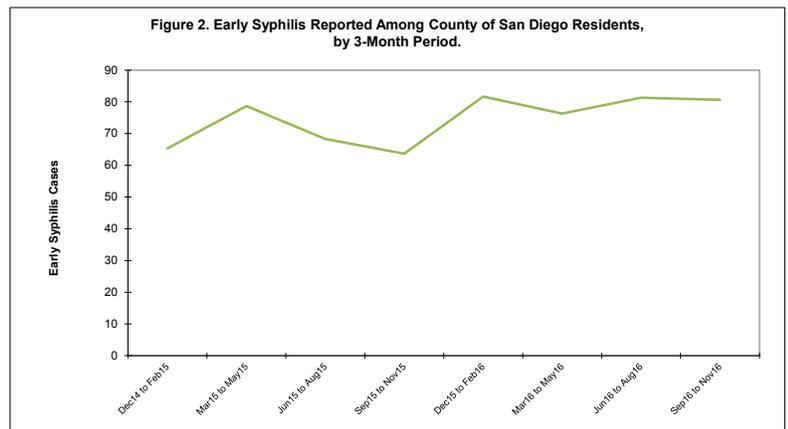


Table 2. Selected STD Cases and Annualized Rates per 100,000 Population for San Diego County by Age and Race/Ethnicity, Year-to-Date.

	All Races*		Asian/PI		Black		Hispanic		White	
	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate
<i>All ages</i>										
Chlamydia	17443	612.6	111	32.5	365	288.1	1209	122.2	846	60.9
Gonorrhea	4570	160.5	75	21.9	472	372.6	1028	103.9	989	71.2
Early Syphilis	887	31.2	30	8.8	80	63.1	345	34.9	348	25.0
<i>Under 20 yrs</i>										
Chlamydia	2736	371.0	9	11.0	55	166.0	191	54.7	82	30.0
Gonorrhea	377	51.1	5	6.1	51	153.9	106	30.4	41	15.0
Early Syphilis	30	4.1	2	2.4	2	6.0	21	6.0	5	1.8

Note: Rates calculated using 2015 SANDAG population estimates.

* 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.

Editorial Note: April is STD Awareness Month!

April is STD Awareness Month, and this year's prevention and outreach efforts are focused on addressing the resurgence of syphilis. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will promote the theme of **Syphilis Strikes Back**, and each week their social media and web-based outreach efforts will focus on different themes of syphilis prevention, which include the following:

- (April 1-8): **Syphilis in the U.S.**—An overview of what it is, how it's affecting specific communities, and why this potentially dangerous health issue needs attention
- (April 9-15): **Syphilis among gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men (MSM)**—Focus on the group hardest hit by syphilis and what individuals and healthcare providers can do to help
- (April 16-22): **Syphilis among women, pregnant women, and newborns**—Focus on the increases among women and its impact on pregnant women and newborns, as well as what individuals and healthcare providers can do to help
- (April 23-30): **Disrupt Syphilis!**—The final week will focus on what actions are needed to tackle syphilis moving forward.

The [CDC's STD Awareness Month website](#) features basic information about syphilis and [prevention resources](#) for providers. These include promotional materials, sample social media posts, infographics, fact sheets, and much more. Slides describing local syphilis epidemiology for 2010-2015 are available on the [County of San Diego website](#) (2016 data slides will be available in summer of 2017). Case numbers and rates may vary slightly by source due to case review findings and delays in reporting.

Thank you for your efforts to prevent syphilis and other STDs in San Diego County!



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