County of San Diego Monthly STD Report

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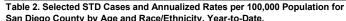




Table 1. STDs Reported Among Co	ounty of San Diego	Residents, by Month and
Previous 12 Months Combined.		
	2024	2025

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		2025					
		Previous 12-					
	April	Month Period*	April	Month Period*			
Chlamydia	1420	17189	1345	15768			
Female age 18-25	475	5564	425	5118			
Female age ≤ 17	50	618	47	589			
Male rectal chlamydia	120	1592	72	1030			
Gonorrhea	501	6304	393	5677			
Female age 18-25	55	616	30	495			
Female age ≤ 17	3	83	4	83			
Male rectal gonorrhea	121	1503	80	1369			
Early Syphilis (adult total)	54	893	27	593			
Primary	5	122	2	96			
Secondary	8	252	8	168			
Early latent	41	519	17	329			
Congenital syphilis	2	30	2	30			

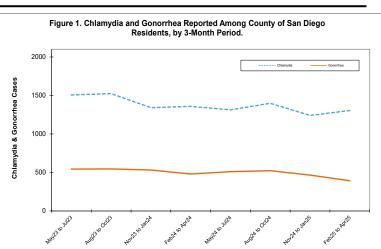
^{*} Cumulative case count of the previous 12 months.

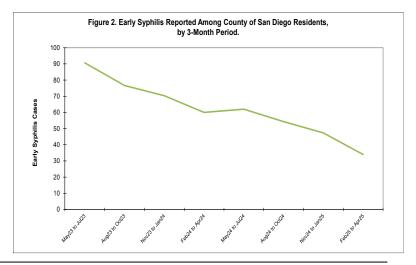


	All Races*		Asian/PI		Black		Hispanic		White	
	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate	cases	rate
All ages										
Chlamydia	5252	478.8	158	113.6	224	435.1	584	153.2	686	144.5
Gonorrhea	1668	152.1	60	43.1	116	225.3	368	309.0	311	65.5
Early Syphilis	152	13.9	5	3.6	22	42.7	65	17.0	39	8.2
Under 20 yrs										
Chlamydia	826	302.2	13	45.0	38	301.2	64	53.7	110	116.1
Gonorrhea	75	27.4	3	10.4	10	79.3	13	10.9	5	5.3
Early Syphilis	4	1.5	0	0.0	2	15.9	1	0.8	1	1.1

Note: Rates are calculated using 2023 Population Estimates; County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services Division, Community Health Statistics Unit. 01/2025.

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: Brief STI and HIV Updates

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released provisional 2024 national sexually transmitted infection (STI) surveillance data on September 24, 2025. Over 2.2 million cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis were reported in 2024, representing a 9% decline in overall STI morbidity compared to 2023 and three consecutive years of decrease. Cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and primary and secondary syphilis decreased by 8%, 10%, and 22%, respectively, since 2023. Despite these encouraging trends, CDC emphasized that there is still more work to do, since congenital syphilis cases increased by 2% since 2023, with over 4,000 cases reported in 2024, and the overall STI case burden in the United States remains 13% higher than it was a decade ago.
- A recently published <u>randomized</u>, <u>controlled</u>, <u>open-label</u>, <u>noninferiority trial</u> demonstrated that <u>treatment of early (i.e., primary</u>, <u>secondary</u>, <u>and early latent</u>) <u>syphilis</u> <u>with one dose of 2.4 million units of benzathine penicillin G was noninferior to treatment with three weekly 2.4-million-unit doses in achieving a serologic response six months <u>after treatment</u>. When stratified by HIV infection status, there was no apparent difference in the percentage of participants in each arm with serologic response to treatment. This trial, which excluded pregnant persons and persons with neurosyphilis and enrolled a low number of women, supports current CDC early syphilis treatment recommendations.</u>
- CDC published new clinical recommendations for twice-a-year injectable lenacapavir as an additional option for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis.
- The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has accepted priority review of two oral agents for treatment of uncomplicated gonorrhea. Planned action dates for <u>gepotidacin</u> and <u>zoliflodacin</u> are December 11, 2025 and December 15, 2025, respectively. These agents were described previously in <u>Volume 16, Issue 4</u> of this report.

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