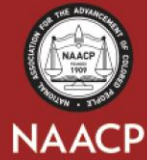




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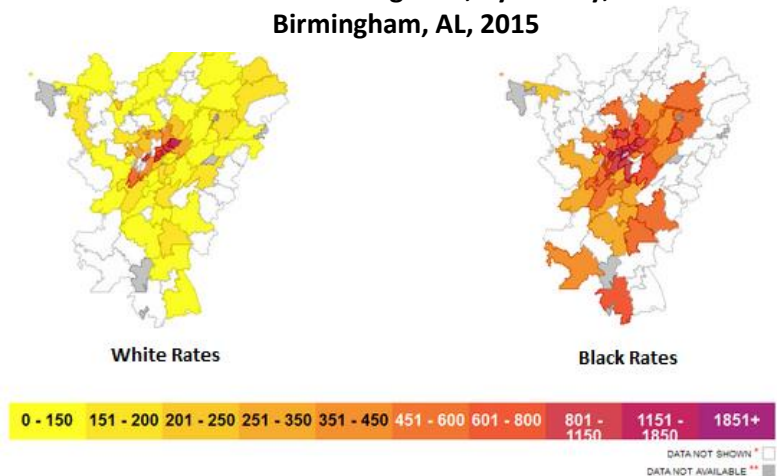
## HIV in Birmingham

### HIV Landscape

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there are more than 12,439 people living with an HIV diagnosis in Alabama. Below is a snapshot of the epidemic in Birmingham:

- People living with HIV in Birmingham (2014): 3,811
- New HIV diagnoses in Alabama (2015): 481
- New HIV diagnoses in Birmingham (2015): 173
- 75% of people living with an HIV diagnosis in Birmingham in 2014 were men, 25% were women
- 65% of people living with an HIV diagnosis in Birmingham in 2014 were black, 2% Hispanic/Latino, and 29% white
- In 2014, 65.2% of Birmingham-area HIV cases in men were from male-to-male sexual contact, 3.9% were from injection drug use, and 4.2% were from injection drug use and male to male sexual contact
- In 2014, 44.9% of Birmingham-area HIV cases in women were from heterosexual contact, and 8% were from injection drug use

**Rates of Black & White Persons Living with an HIV Diagnosis, by County, Birmingham, AL, 2015**



### The Importance of HIV Testing

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that more than 1.1 million people in the United States are living with HIV, yet nearly 1 in 7 people living with HIV are unaware of their status. In the United States, the Black community bears the greatest burden of the HIV epidemic, more than any other racial or ethnic group. While African Americans represent just 12% of the total population, they account for 41% of all people living with HIV and 44% of all new infections.

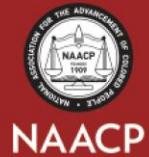
Experts recommend voluntary, opt-out routine HIV screening in health-care settings for all adults, and repeat screening at least annually for those at high risk. Pregnant women and newborns whose mother’s HIV status is unknown should also be tested.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force gives a “Grade A” recommendation for HIV testing for everyone 15 to 65 years old. Younger adolescents and older adults with increased risk should also be tested. This is in line with the 2006 CDC HIV testing recommendations, and is a positive step forward in making HIV screening a routine medical practice. For more information, visit [www.TheBlackChurchandHIV.org](http://www.TheBlackChurchandHIV.org).





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## Birmingham Testing Sites

The following list of HIV testing sites is at <http://AIDSVu.org/Testing>.

### **Birmingham Health Care**

712 25th St N  
Birmingham, AL 35203  
205-323-5311

### **Birmingham AIDS Outreach**

205 32nd St S  
Birmingham, AL 35233  
205-322-4197

### **Childrens of Alabama**

1600 5th Ave S  
Birmingham, AL 35233  
205-638-2357

### **Family Clinic**

1600 5th Ave S  
Birmingham, AL 35233  
205-638-9400

### **Jefferson County Department of Health**

1400 6th Ave S  
Birmingham, AL 35233  
205-933-1871

### **University of Alabama Birmingham**

908 20th St S  
Birmingham, AL 35294  
205-934-1917

### **AIDS Alabama**

3521 7th Ave S  
Birmingham, AL 35222  
205-324-9822

### **Planned Parenthood Southeast Incorporated**

1211 S 27th Pl S  
Birmingham, AL 35205  
205-322-2121

### **Alabama Regional Medical Services**

7001 Crestwood Blvd Ste 822  
Birmingham, AL 35210  
205-212-5700

### **North Jefferson Womens Center**

1209 Decatur Hwy  
Fultondale, AL 35068  
205-808-9001

### **Eastern Health Center**

601 W Boulevard Roebuck  
Birmingham, AL 35206  
205-591-5180

### **Jefferson County Department of Health**

1700 Ave E Ensley  
Birmingham, AL 35218  
205-788-3321

### **Jefferson County Department of Health**

631 Bessemer Super Hwy  
Midfield, AL 35228  
205-715-6121

### **Jefferson County Department of Health**

590 Morris Majestic Rd  
Morris, AL 35116  
205-933-4242

### **Shelby County Health Department**

2000 County Services Dr  
Pelham, AL 35124  
205-664-2470

