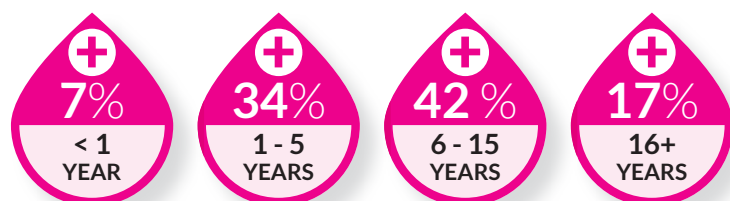


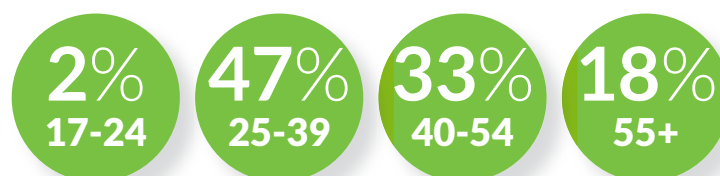
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### NUMBER OF YEARS DIAGNOSED HIV POSITIVE



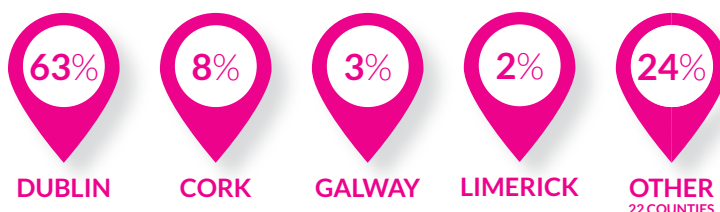
### YOUR AGE



### WHERE YOU WERE FIRST DIAGNOSED



### WHERE YOU LIVE



### WHERE YOU WERE BORN

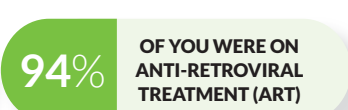
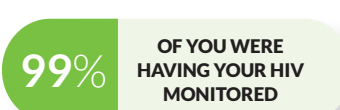
69% IRELAND 31% 18 OTHER COUNTRIES



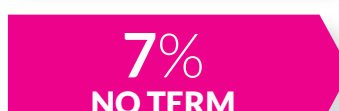
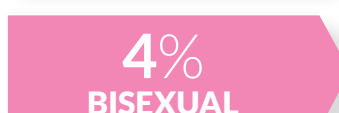
### YOUR VIRAL STATUS



### YOUR HIV TREATMENT



### YOUR SEXUAL IDENTITY



### YOUR OUTNESS





## YOUR RELATIONSHIPS

57%  
SINGLE37%  
STEADY  
RELATIONSHIP6%  
OTHER TYPES OF  
RELATIONSHIP/S

## STI DIAGNOSIS IN PREVIOUS YEAR

Of the 120 of you who had tested for STIs in previous year

18% HAD  
GONORRHOEA15% HAD  
CHLAMYDIA13% HAD  
SYPHILIS

## WAYS YOU MET-UP FOR SEX WITH YOUR LAST NON-STEADY SEX PARTNER

68% SMARTPHONE / INTERNET

10% GAY SAUNA

9% GAY CAFÉ, BAR, DISCO OR NIGHT CLUB

7% BACKROOM OF BAR OR GAY SEX CLUB

4% PRIVATE SEX PARTY

1% PORN CINEMA

## OF THE 51 HIV+ MEN IN A STEADY RELATIONSHIP

59% HAVE A PARTNER WHO IS HIV NEGATIVE

41% HAVE A PARTNER WHO IS ALSO LIVING WITH HIV

## OF THE HIV+ MEN WHO HAD SEX IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR

25% OF YOU HAD CONDOMLESS ANAL INTERCOURSE BECAUSE YOU DID NOT HAVE A CONDOM

59% OF YOU HAD CONDOMLESS ANAL INTERCOURSE WITH 2 OR MORE NON-STEADY PARTNERS

56% OF YOU WHO HAD ACCESSED CONDOMS, GOT THEM FREE (FROM CLINICS, BARS, SAUNAS OR COMMUNITY ORGANISATION)

17% OF YOU WERE CONSISTENT CONDOM USERS WHEN HAVING SEX WITH NON-STEADY MALE PARTNERS

## U=U KNOWLEDGE

7% of you did not know that a person with HIV who is on effective treatment (called 'UNDETECTABLE viral load') cannot pass their virus to someone else during sex (= UNTRANSMITTABLE).

\*41% did not know this among all survey respondents (see Community Report Part One). This highlights the need for continued promotion about U=U among all MSM and health providers.

## SEXUAL HEALTH KNOWLEDGE

Your awareness and knowledge was higher than all survey respondents (see Community Report Part One), but there is a need to increase knowledge of the following among men living with HIV:

## PREP: 71% DID NOT KNOW

THAT IF A 'HIV NEGATIVE' PERSON KNOWS IN ADVANCE WHEN THEY WILL HAVE SEX, PREP NEEDS TO BE TAKEN AS A DOUBLE DOSE APPROX. 24 HOURS BEFORE SEX THEN AT BOTH 24 AND 48 HOURS AFTER THE DOUBLE DOSE.

## PEP: 33% DID NOT KNOW

THAT PEP IS A ONE-MONTH COURSE OF ANTI-HIV DRUGS

## STIs: 18% DID NOT KNOW

THAT MOST STIs CAN BE PASSED ON MORE EASILY THAN HIV

## HEPATITIS:

28% DID NOT KNOW THAT VIRUSES ARE THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HEPATITIS

22% DID NOT KNOW THAT HEPATITIS IS AN INFLAMMATION OF THE LIVER



Presented here are some of the stress factors and influences on our sexual health and wellbeing. If you are concerned or affected by any of the issues, please contact your local health provider or HIV treatment, substance use or LGBT+ services listed at [www.man2man.ie](http://www.man2man.ie)

### YOUR MINORITY STATUS

**22%** OF YOU WERE STRUGGLING FINANCIALLY

**35%** WERE NEITHER COMFORTABLE NOR STRUGGLING

**6%** OF YOU WERE UNEMPLOYED

**11%** RETIRED / LONG TERM SICK / OTHER

**11%** OF YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF AS A MEMBER OF AN ETHNIC OR RACIAL MINORITY

### SEXUAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OUTCOMES

**29%** OF YOU INDICATED THAT YOU WERE UNHAPPY WITH YOUR SEX LIFE

**26%** INDICATED THE SEX YOU HAVE ISN'T "ALWAYS AS SAFE AS YOU WANT IT TO BE"

**16%** DID NOT "FIND IT EASY TO SAY 'NO' TO SEX YOU DON'T WANT"

### EXTERNAL MINORITY STRESS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR

**3%** OF YOU WERE PHYSICALLY ASSAULTED

**20%** WERE VERBALLY INSULTED

**27%** WERE STARED AT OR INTIMIDATED

### INTERNAL MINORITY STRESS

**21%** OF YOU WERE NOT OUT OR ONLY OUT TO A FEW PEOPLE OR TO LESS THAN HALF OF THE PEOPLE YOU KNEW

### MENTAL HEALTH

Chapter 4 of the main report provides further details on mental health issues

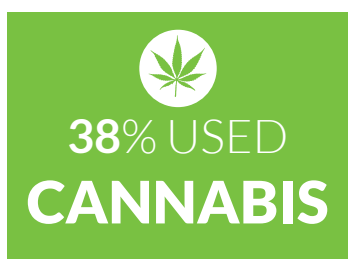
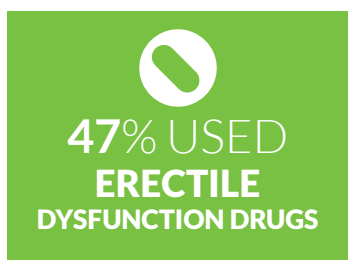
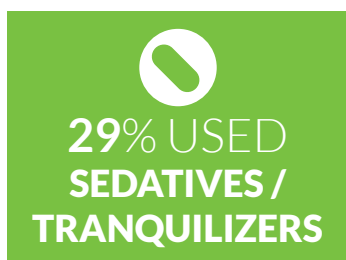
\*NOTE: A 'red flag' indicates a need for further assessment and diagnosis by a health professional.

**10%** OF YOU INDICATED A RED FLAG\* FOR ANXIETY

**8%** OF YOU INDICATED A RED FLAG\* FOR DEPRESSION

**29%** THOUGHT ABOUT 'HURTING YOURSELF' OR THOUGHT 'I WOULD BE BETTER OFF DEAD' WITHIN THE PREVIOUS TWO WEEKS OF UNDERTAKING THE SURVEY

**DRUG USE IN PREVIOUS YEAR**



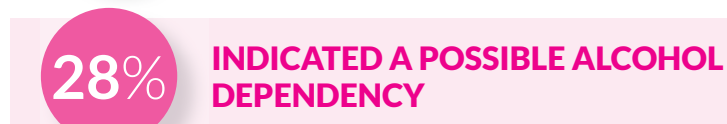
**CHEMSEX USE IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR**



**INJECTING**



**ALCOHOL & TOBACCO USE IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR**



**SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR**

