

KEY FACTS ON HIV EPIDEMIC IN SLOVENIA AND PROGRESS IN 2011

(pop. 2 055 496)

Slovenia is a low-level HIV epidemic country. By the end of 2011, Slovenia had reported a cumulative total of 543 HIV cases to the WHO Regional Office for Europe and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC); 190 of infected individuals had developed AIDS, including 87 who had died. For the year 2011, 55 HIV cases, 15 AIDS cases, and 1 death among AIDS cases were reported. The rate of newly diagnosed HIV infections in 2011 was 2.7 per 100 000 population. Of the newly reported infections with information about transmission mode in 2011 (78%), 16.3% were infected through heterosexual contact, 81.4% through sex between men and 2.3% through mother-to-child transmission. The majority (87%) of newly diagnosed cases were male. In total, 6 mother-to-child transmission cases have been reported in Slovenia, including 1 in 2011.

Taking undiagnosed infections into account, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and WHO estimate that under 1 000 people were living with HIV in Slovenia in 2011 and that under 100 people died from AIDS-related causes during 2011.

According to the most recent report from 2007, any medical doctor in Slovenia can provide free HIV testing. According to national HIV testing policies, partner notification was not mandatory and HIV testing was systematically offered to military recruits, sexually transmitted infection patients, people who inject drugs and blood donors.

At the end of 2007 (most recent available data), 225 people living with HIV were receiving medical care, while 157 people were on antiretroviral therapy.

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