

Republic of Mauritius

Statistics on HIV/AIDS (as at end of December 2014)

During the month of December 2014, 23 new cases of HIV/AIDS were registered among the Mauritian population by the Virology Laboratory Services of the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life. The monthly average of new cases was 46 in the year 2006 to 2010 compared to 27 in the period 2011 – 2013; in 2014, the figure stood at 27 equally, indicating a stabilization in the trend.

Table A

MONTHLY NUMBER OF HIV/AIDS CASES REPORTED						
MONTH	MAURITIAN			NON-MAURITIAN		
	MAN	WOMAN	BOTH SEXES	MAN	WOMAN	BOTH SEXES
January 2014	20	8	28	0	0	0
February 2014	15	17	32	1	0	1
March 2014	21	14	35	0	0	0
April 2014	16	12	28	0	0	0
May 2014	10	6	16	1	0	1
June 2014	18	18	36	0	0	0
July 2014	12	7	19	0	0	0
August 2014	16	8	24	2	2	4
September 2014	14	15	29	1	1	2
October 2014	16	15	31	0	1	1
November 2014	16	5	21	0	0	0
December 2014	16	7	23	2	0	2

HIV tests carried out by the Virology Laboratory Services of the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life and positivity rates are as follows:

Year	No. of tests	Number of positive HIV cases detected including foreigners	HIV Positivity Rate(%)
2010	84,432	580	0.69
2011	85,858	417	0.49
2012	86,028	327	0.38
2013	88,151	271	0.31
2014	86,063	333	0.39

The yearly number of cases reported among Mauritians since 2004 is given in Table B. Between 2004 and 2010, an average of 545 cases has been registered every year except in 2005 when 921 cases were reported mainly among prison inmates. 401 cases have been registered in 2011 compared to 568 in 2010. A yearly average of 327 cases have been registered in the period 2011-2013 compared to 322 in 2014. The cumulative total since October 1987, when the first case of HIV/AIDS was reported, to December 2014, stood at 6,090.

Table B

PERIOD	NEW CASES OF HIV / AIDS NOTIFIED								
	MAURITIAN			NON-MAURITIAN			TOTAL		
	MAN	WOMAN	BOTH SEXES	MAN	WOMAN	BOTH SEXES	MAN	WOMAN	BOTH SEXES
1987 - 2004	869	255	1124	87	22	109	956	277	1233
2005	815	106	921	5	2	7	820	108	928
2006	455	87	542	9	4	13	464	91	555
2007	452	94	546	16	6	22	468	100	568
2008	402	136	538	12	7	19	414	143	557
2009	436	112	548	6	1	7	442	113	555
2010	433	135	568	8	4	12	441	139	580
2011	298	103	401	10	6	16	308	109	417
2012	215	105	320	6	1	7	221	106	327
2013	151	109	260	7	4	11	158	113	271
2014	190	132	322	7	4	11	197	136	333
TOTAL	4716	1374	6090	173	61	234	4889	1435	6324

Since 1987, of all Mauritian HIV/AIDS cases, 68.9% of transmission was due to injecting drug. In the year 2000, only 2% of the new infected cases were among Injecting Drug Users (IDU). This mode of transmission rapidly increased from 7% in 2001 to 92% in 2005; it then started to decrease and was 47.2% in 2012. In 2014, it stood at 31.1% compared to 38.1% in 2013.

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