

HIV Infection, Prevention, and Health Behaviors Among People Who Inject Drugs (PWID) in San Diego, CA

National HIV Behavioral Surveillance (NHBS), 2015



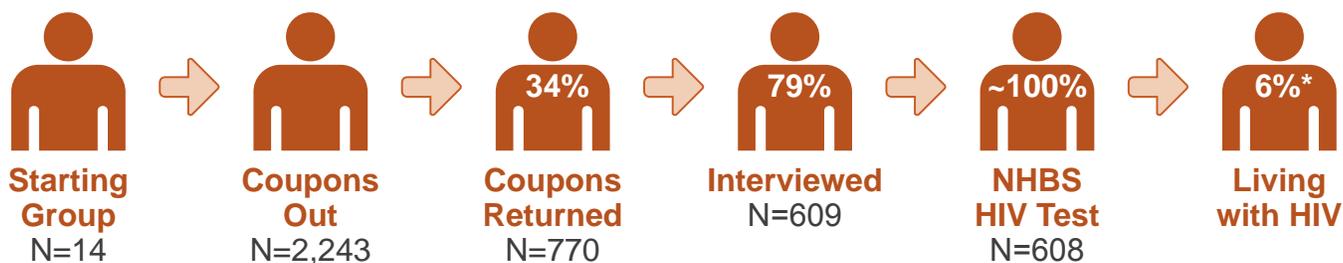
NHBS is a project that performs HIV testing and interviews about health behaviors among groups of people who are especially vulnerable to getting HIV: people who inject drugs (PWID); low-income heterosexual people living in urban areas; and gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men.

In 2015, NHBS among PWID was funded by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and carried out by the California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS in San Diego with assistance from the Chicano Federation. Los Angeles and San Francisco counties also conduct NHBS projects.

For the 2015 survey data presented in this fact sheet, recruitment started with 14 PWID living in San Diego who gave recruitment coupons to other PWID whom they knew. Each person who brought in a coupon and completed an interview got up to 5 recruitment coupons to give to other PWID.

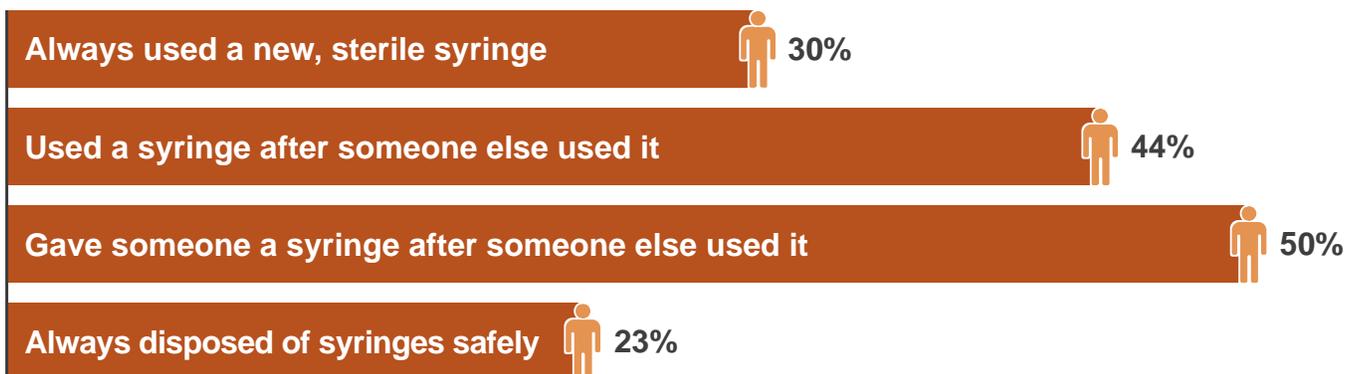
Participants gave out over 2,200 recruitment coupons and 770 people brought their coupon to a study site. A total of 609 PWID who brought back coupons were eligible and completed interviews and nearly 100% of them received an HIV test.

Figure 1: People Who Inject Drugs Recruitment, Interview, and HIV Testing Flow Chart
National HIV Behavioral Surveillance, San Diego, CA, 2015.



*Percentage is weighted to account for the complex sampling design.

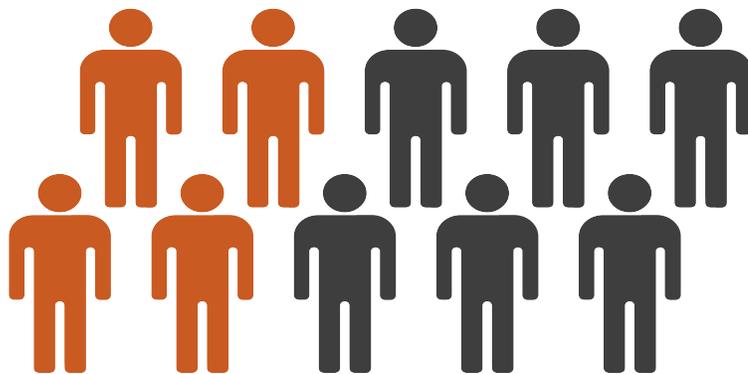
Figure 2: Syringe Sharing and Disposal Among People Who Inject Drugs*
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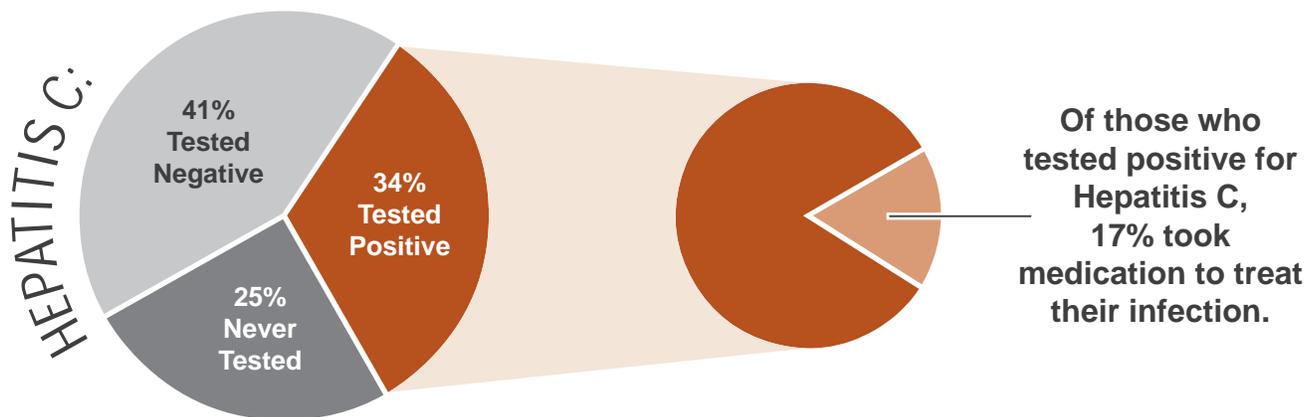
Figure 3: Past Year HIV Testing Among People Who Inject Drugs*
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4 out of 10
PWID tested
for HIV in the
last year.



*Excluding participants who self-reported that they were living with HIV.

Figure 4: People Who Inject Drugs Reporting Hepatitis C Testing, Diagnosis, and Treatment in Their Lifetime*, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance, San Diego, CA, 2015.



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Figure 5: Past Year Condomless or Exchange Sex Among People Who Inject Drugs*
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A casual partner is a sex partner that someone does not feel committed to or does not know very well.