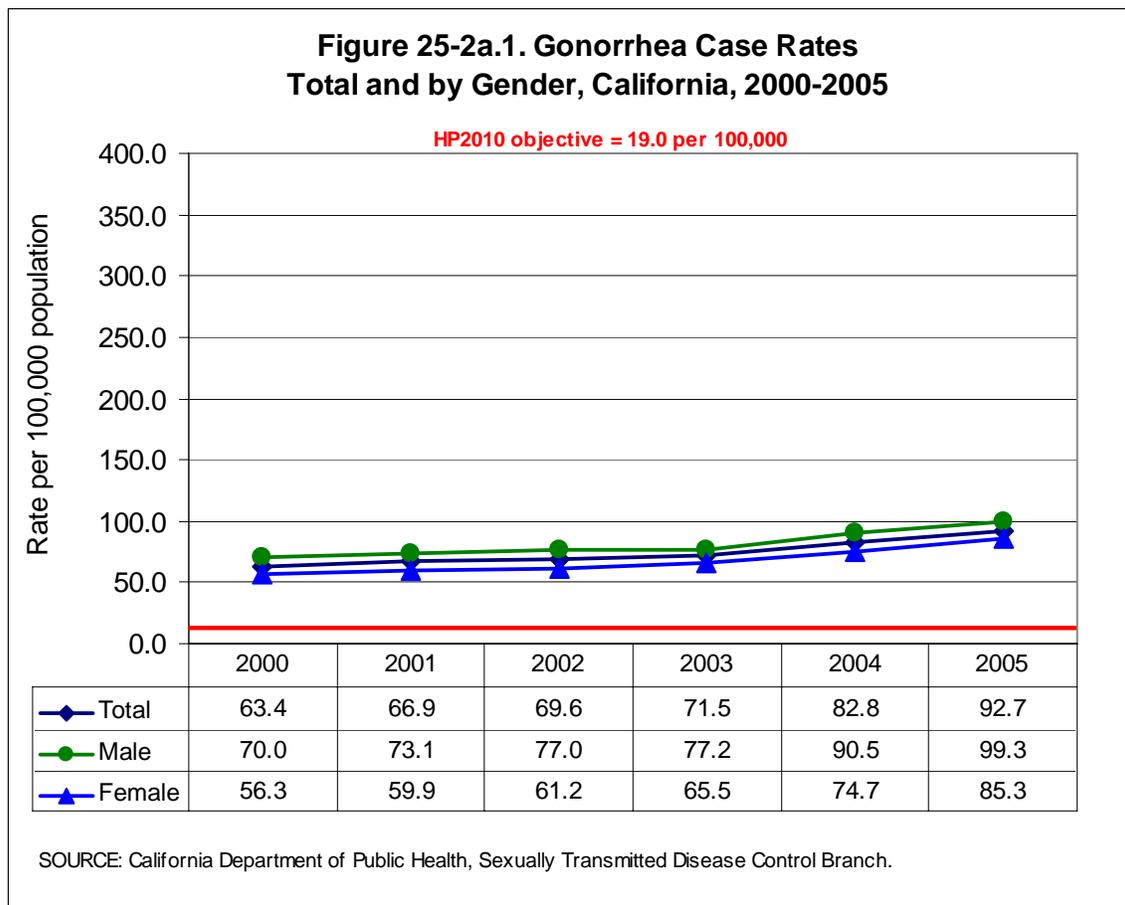


**Focus Area 25: Sexually Transmitted Diseases**

**Objective 25-2a. Reduce new cases of gonorrhea in the total population. Target = 19.0 per 100,000 population [State Data Source: State and local health department STD Control Programs]**

Data available from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) STD Control Branch indicate that the gonorrhea case rate increased significantly from 63.4 per 100,000 population in 2000 to 92.7 per 100,000 in 2005, a statistically significant trend (**Figure 25-2a.1, Table 25-2a**). California's 2005 case rate was nearly nine times greater than the HP2010 objective, and rates were moving away from the HP2010 target.



Data by gender (**Figure 25-2a.1, Table 25-2a**) show that males experienced significantly higher gonorrhea case rates than females across all years examined (99.3 per 100,000 males in 2005 versus 85.3 per 100,000 females in 2005). The HP2010 objective was not being achieved for either gender as of 2005, and rates for both genders were moving away from the target.

Table 25-2a. Gonorrhea Cases and Case Rates, California 2000-2005

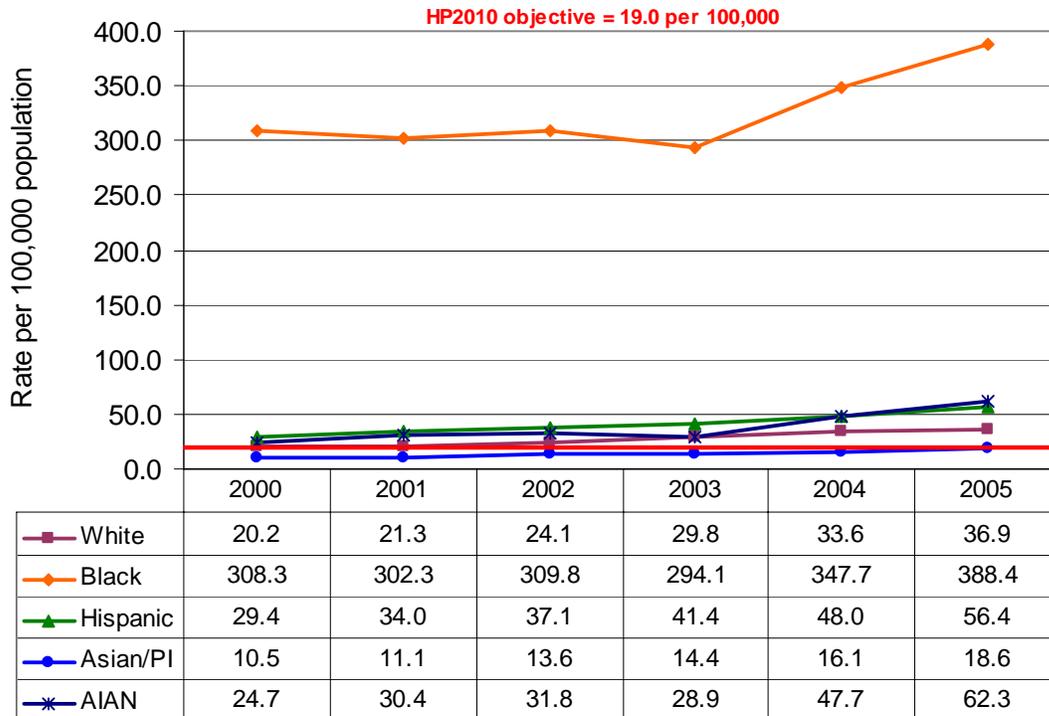
HP2010 Objective 25-02a	2000		2001		2002	
	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
<b>HP2010 Target</b>		<b>19.0</b>		<b>19.0</b>		<b>19.0</b>
<b>Statewide Total</b>	21,628	63.4	23,277	66.9	24,625	69.6
<b>Gender</b>						
Male	11,896	70.0	12,678	73.1	13,601	77.0
Female	9,629	56.3	10,445	59.9	10,860	61.2
<b>Race-Ethnicity</b>						
American Indian or Alaska Native (AIAN)	46	24.7	59	30.4	64	31.8
Asian or Pacific Islander (PI)	407	10.5	445	11.1	562	13.6
Black or African American	6,838	308.3	6,767	302.3	6,971	309.8
Hispanic or Latino	3,253	29.4	3,890	34.0	4,387	37.1
White	3,262	20.2	3,459	21.3	3,925	24.1
Other/Multirace/Unknown	7,822	n/a	8,657	n/a	8,716	n/a

HP2010 Objective 25-02a	2003		2004		2005	
	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
<b>HP2010 Target</b>		<b>19.0</b>		<b>19.0</b>		<b>19.0</b>
<b>Statewide Total</b>	25,754	71.5	30,258	82.8	34,259	92.7
<b>Gender</b>						
Male	13,858	77.2	16,495	90.5	18,311	99.3
Female	11,814	65.5	13,667	74.7	15,790	85.3
<b>Race-Ethnicity</b>						
American Indian or Alaska Native (AIAN)	60	28.9	101	47.7	134	62.3
Asian or Pacific Islander (PI)	611	14.4	696	16.1	819	18.6
Black or African American	6,643	294.1	7,861	347.7	8,760	388.4
Hispanic or Latino	5,058	41.4	6,028	48.0	7,285	56.4
White	4,877	29.8	5,514	33.6	6,061	36.9
Other/Multirace/Unknown	8,505	n/a	10,058	n/a	11,200	n/a

SOURCES: California Department of Public Health, Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Branch; California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit, Population Projections (July 2007).  
 NOTES: Rates are per 100,000 population; n/a Population denominator data not available.

Examined by race and ethnicity (**Figure 25-2a.2, Table 25-2a**), the highest gonorrhea case rates were found for African Americans/Blacks (388.4 per 100,000 in 2005), which is nearly 19 times greater than the HP2010 target. The next highest gonorrhea case rate was found for American Indians or Alaska Natives (AIAN) (62.3 per 100,000 in 2005), followed by Hispanics or Latinos (56.4 per 100,000 in 2005). The lowest gonorrhea case rates were found for Asians or Pacific Islanders (PI) (18.6 per 100,000 in 2005). This HP2010 objective was only being achieved for the Asian/PI population as of 2005, and rates for all populations were moving away from the target.

**Figure 25-2a.2. Gonorrhea Case Rates  
By Race and Ethnicity, California, 2000-2005**



SOURCE: California Department of Public Health, Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Branch.

For more information on STDs in California, visit the CDPH Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Branch Web site at:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/std/Pages/default.aspx>

For more information on Healthy People 2010 objective 25-2a, please visit:

<http://www.healthypeople.gov/Document/HTML/Volume2/25STDs.htm>

and the DATA2010 Web site at: <http://wonder.cdc.gov/data2010/>