

Merced County – Chronic Hepatitis C  
Cases and Rates of Newly Reported Cases in 2011

TOTAL	Chronic Hepatitis C						Population	
	County			California				
	Percent State		Rate <sup>1</sup>	Percent State		Rate <sup>1</sup>	County	California
	Cases	Cases	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Cases <sup>2</sup>	Cases	Rate <sup>1</sup>		
	122	0.37%	47.3	33,190	100.0%	88.3	280,997	37,578,616

BY GENDER & AGE	Chronic Hepatitis C						Population			
	County			California			County		California	
	Cases	Percent <sup>3</sup>	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Cases	Percent <sup>3</sup>	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Number	Percent <sup>3</sup>	Number	Percent <sup>3</sup>
<b>Female Total</b>	53	43.4%	38.0	10,546	33.3%	53.1	139,301	49.6%	19,850,841	50.1%
Ages										
<18	1	1.9%	2.4	119	1.1%	2.4	41,300	29.6%	4,898,460	24.7%
18-24	2	3.8%	12.0	494	4.7%	23.9	16,681	12.0%	2,068,296	10.4%
25-34	4	7.5%	18.9	1,064	10.1%	41.8	21,155	15.2%	2,543,524	12.8%
35-44	9	17.0%	51.4	1,394	13.3%	51.9	17,522	12.6%	2,685,041	13.5%
45-54	22	41.5%	133.1	3,229	30.8%	114.5	16,533	11.9%	2,820,904	14.2%
55-64	12	22.6%	100.2	2,817	26.8%	123.4	11,976	8.6%	2,281,994	11.5%
65+	3	5.7%	21.2	1,377	13.1%	53.9	14,134	10.1%	2,552,622	12.9%
Not Specified	0	0.0%	–	52	0.5%	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Male Total</b>	69	56.6%	48.7	21,091	66.7%	106.7	141,696	50.4%	19,758,868	49.9%
Ages										
<18	0	0.0%	0.0	111	0.5%	2.2	42,841	30.2%	5,107,572	25.8%
18-24	1	1.4%	5.6	925	4.4%	41.7	17,957	12.7%	2,217,360	11.2%
25-34	2	2.9%	8.4	2,694	13.0%	99.5	23,920	16.9%	2,707,759	13.7%
35-44	11	15.9%	60.1	3,388	16.3%	123.0	18,290	12.9%	2,754,135	13.9%
45-54	29	42.0%	178.4	6,309	30.3%	222.6	16,252	11.5%	2,834,748	14.3%
55-64	22	31.9%	189.7	5,638	27.1%	261.9	11,597	8.2%	2,152,450	10.9%
65+	4	5.8%	36.9	1,731	8.3%	87.2	10,839	7.6%	1,984,844	10.0%
Not Specified	0	0.0%	–	295	1.4%	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Gender Not Specified</b>	0	–	–	1,552	–	–	–	–	–	–

BY RACE/ETHNICITY	Chronic Hepatitis C						Population			
	County			California			County		California	
	Cases	Percent <sup>3</sup>	Rate	Cases	Percent <sup>3</sup>	Rate	Number	Percent <sup>3</sup>	Number	Percent <sup>3</sup>
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0.0%	–	76	1.3%	–	1,241	0.4%	246,768	0.6%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	5.6%	–	237	3.9%	–	16,522	6.0%	4,927,222	12.7%
African American/Black	1	5.6%	–	764	12.6%	–	6,940	2.5%	2,297,878	5.9%
Hispanic/Latino	11	61.1%	–	1,692	28.0%	–	159,907	57.7%	14,859,017	38.3%
White	5	27.8%	–	3,284	54.3%	–	92,331	33.3%	16,444,726	42.4%
Other/Multi/Not Specified	104	85.2%	–	27,137	81.8%	–	–	–	–	–

<sup>1</sup> Overall county rates were calculated using July 1, 2011 county population estimates from the California Department of Finance.

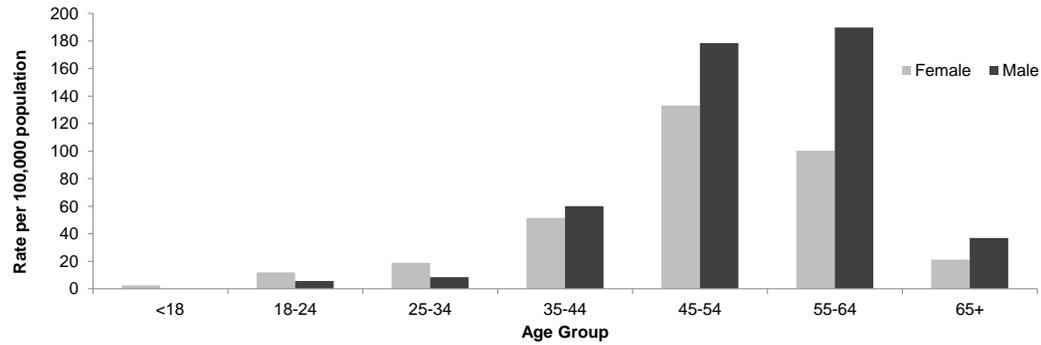
<sup>2</sup> Includes one transgender chronic hepatitis C case newly reported in 2011, which is not reflected in totals for male cases, female cases or cases for which gender was unknown. Rates were not calculated for transgender persons because information on transgender identity was not consistently collected in 2011.

<sup>3</sup> Percent calculations for gender-specific age groups and race/ethnicity exclude individuals for whom age or race/ethnicity was "Not Specified" from the denominator. Caution should be used when interpreting percentages by race/ethnicity, since race/ethnicity information was not reported for the majority of chronic viral hepatitis cases in 2011.

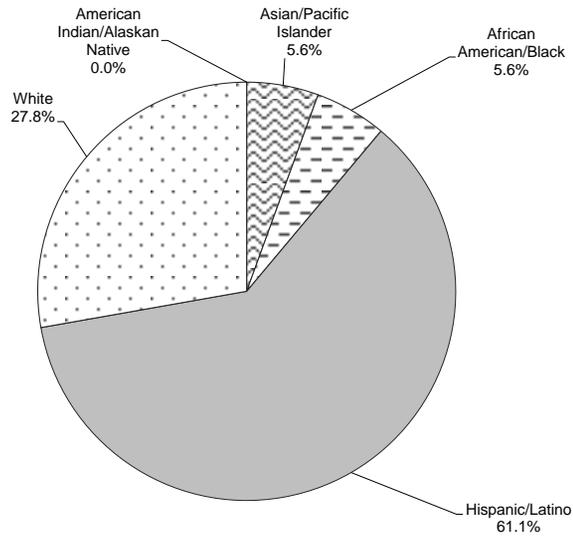
- Notes:
- Rates are per 100,000 population.
  - Dash (–) indicates when a rate or percentage was not calculated. Rates by race/ethnicity were not calculated since race/ethnicity was not known for the majority of cases.
  - For counties with city health jurisdictions, the data shown include cases from city health jurisdictions; Alameda County includes City of Berkeley, and Los Angeles County includes Long Beach and Pasadena.
  - These data exclude cases reported from state prisons because people are typically incarcerated in a different county than the one in which they would otherwise live.
  - These data do NOT measure prevalence or incidence of chronic viral hepatitis infections in California due to the asymptomatic nature of chronic HBV or HCV infections, varied levels of completeness of surveillance reporting, and because it remains unknown how many of the cases described in this report are currently living.

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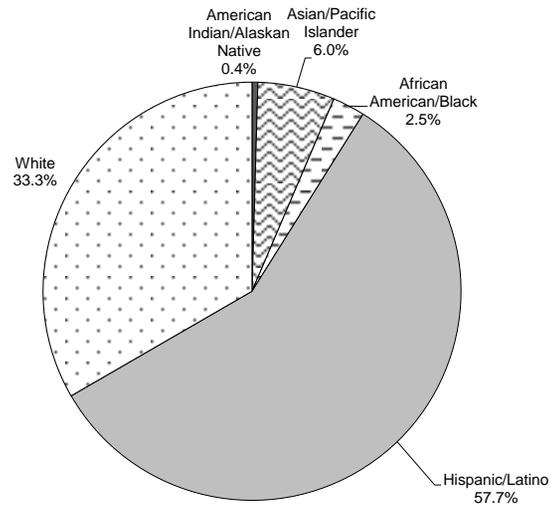
**Chronic Hepatitis C – Rates of Newly Reported Cases by Age and Gender, 2011, Merced County**



**Chronic Hepatitis C Cases by Race/Ethnicity, 2011, Merced County**



**General Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2011, Merced County**



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  - Percent calculations for race/ethnicity exclude individuals for whom race/ethnicity was "Not Specified" from the denominator. Caution should be used when interpreting percentages by race/ethnicity, since race/ethnicity information was not reported for the majority of chronic viral hepatitis cases in 2011.

Source: California Department of Public Health, STD Control Branch, Office of Viral Hepatitis Prevention