



# STDs in American Indians and Alaska Natives NEVADA

## State Population & AI/AN, 2000

Population Group	Male	Female	Total	%
AI/AN	151,133	158,039	309,172	13.5
State	1,164,107	1,128,851	2,292,958	100.0

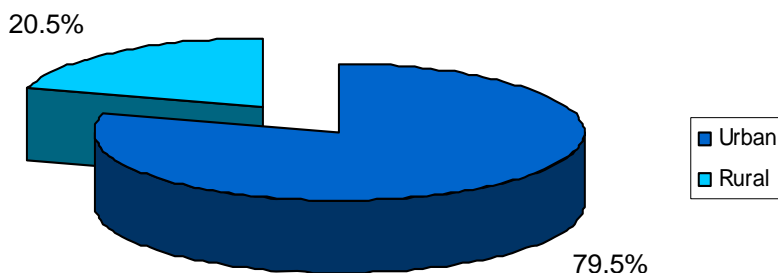
\* American Indian population figures based on affiliation with American Indian alone and in combination with other races.

Nevada STD Program Website: <http://health2k.state.nv.us/hiv/STD.htm>

CDC Project Area



## Nevada Urban and Rural AI/AN Populations, 2000



AI/AN population data includes those with two or more races in combination with AI/AN.  
Source: US Census Bureau

## STDs in the AI/AN Population

National STD rates among AI/ANs are 2 to 6 times higher than rates for whites. In some states with AI/AN populations over 20,000, gonorrhea and syphilis rates are twice as high as among other ethnic groups. Below find Nevada- specific STD rates and percentages for the AI/AN population.

### Nevada Chlamydia New Cases, 2005

Population Group	Male	Female	Total	%	Rate per 100,000
AI/AN	19	61	80	1.1	284.2
State	1,955	5,362	7,317	100.0	303.3

Source: CDC Data Request. Rate calculated on American Indian alone affiliation.

### Nevada Gonorrhea New Cases, 2005

Population Group	Male	Female	Total	%	Rate per 100,000
AI/AN	8	8	16	0.5	56.8
State	1,535	1,343	2,878	100.0	119.3

Source: CDC Data Request. Rate calculated on American Indian alone affiliation.

### Nevada P&S Syphilis New Cases, 2005

Population Group	Male	Female	Total	%	Rate per 100,000
AI/AN	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
State	85	24	109	100.0	4.5

Source: CDC Data Request. Rate calculated on American Indian alone affiliation.

\*The term AI/AN is used in the text to refer to the American Indian and Alaska Native population

### Nevada HIV New Cases, 2003

Population Group	Male	%	Female	%	Total	%	Rate per 100,000
AI/AN	1	0.5	1	2.6	2	1.0	6.5
State	170	100.0	39	100.0	209	100.0	9.1

*Source: AIDS & HIV in Nevada, Epidemiological Profile (2004) Nevada State Health Division, Bureau of Community Health.  
Rate calculated on American Indian alone affiliation.*

### Nevada AIDS New Cases, 2004

Population Group	Male	%	Female	%	Total	%	Rate per 100,000
AI/AN	4	1.6	1	<0.1	5	1.6	0.0
State	243	100.0	61	100.0	304	100.0	16.0

*Source: CDC HIV/AIDS Surveillance Supplemental Report, AIDS Cases by Geographical Area of Residence and Metropolitan Statistical Area of Residence 2004.  
Rate calculated on American Indian alone affiliation.*

### Nevada Hepatitis New Cases

*Data is not available at this time*

Select Nevada Demographics

Births

2004	Number of Births	%	% of Births to Mothers <19	% w/ <12 yrs education	% Unmarried Mothers
AI/AN	531	11.0	13.2	28.0	57.8
State	35,200	100.0	11.0	27.4	39.7

*Source: CDC National Vital Statistics System*

Economics

2004	Median Household Income (USD)	% Below Poverty Level
AI/AN	31,084	21.1
State	44,646	12.6

*Source: US Census Bureau*

Education

2004-2005	Enrollment % (K-12)	Actual Enrollment (K-12)	Dropout Rate %
AI/AN	n/a*	n/a	4.4
State	100.0	400,083	5.2

*Source: National Center for Education Statistics*

Resources/ Potential Partners/ Special Issues

**Nevada Tribes:** For a list of Nevada Tribes please see [http://500nations.com/Nevada\\_Tribes.asp](http://500nations.com/Nevada_Tribes.asp) or <http://indiancommission.state.nv.us/> for their recognition status.

**Tribal Health Programs:** For a list of Tribal Health programs please see <http://www.gbpc.org/thc.htm>.

**Urban Health Programs:** Nevada Urban Indians, Inc., 5301 Longley Lane, Suite 178, Bldg. E, Reno, NV 89511, <http://www.nevadaurbanindians.org/>.

**IHS Health Programs:** Owyhee Service Unit, Owyhee PHS Indian Hospital PO Box 130, Owyhee, NV 89832, (775) 757-2415; Schurz Service Unit PHS Indian Health Center, Drawer A, Schurz, NV 89427, (775) 773-2345; Elko Service Unit, PHS Indian Health Center, 515 Shoshone Circle, Elko, Nevada 89801, (775)738-2252.

**Inter-Tribal Health Programs:** Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc. (ITCN), 680 Greenbrae Dr., Suite 280, Sparks, Nevada 89431, (775) 355-0600, <http://www.itcn.org/>.

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**IHS Tribal Epidemiology Centers:** Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona Epi Center, 2214 North Central Avenue, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85004, (602) 258-4822, <http://www.itcaonline.com/epi/>.

**Tribal Colleges:** Not available.

**State Health Native American Liaison:** Office of Minority Health, Nevada State Health Division, 505 East King Street, Room 201, Carson City, Nevada 89701, (775) 684-4200, <http://health2k.state.nv.us/minority/index.htm>.

**Special Issues:**

- Tribal Health Departments are not required to report STDs, thus creating an undercount in the statistics.
- AI/ANs are often misclassified in race/ethnicity STD data. This misclassification increases with lower percentage of AI/AN ancestry.
- One needs to also consider the common mobility/migration of AI/ANs from reservation setting to other areas and back again.
- Like many other tight-knit communities, confidentiality can be difficult to maintain in AI/AN communities, especially in rural areas. This can be a barrier to testing, discussing sexual practices, obtaining treatment, or buying condoms in local stores.
- AI/AN prevention services are severely underfunded, and those that exist may not reach those at most risk.

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