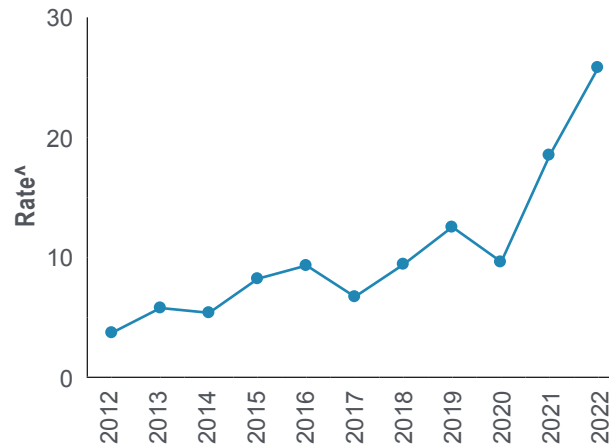


Infectious syphilis in Fraser Health – 2022

524
new
diagnoses

↑ 39% rate
increase
from 2021

Highest annual count on record.



Rates by gender*

Males had the highest rate[^]
(41 per 100,000)

Females had the largest rate[^] increase
(11 per 100,000)



Key trends

90% of females were diagnosed during **childbearing years[~]**



Congenital syphilis on the rise since 2019
after no diagnoses in 2014-2018

44% of total diagnosis are **gbMSM^{**}**

Here's how you can help:

Encourage **routine syphilis testing** for all sexually active individuals.

Create **safe and inclusive spaces** for people seeking sexual health care.

Ensure all pregnant individuals **receive syphilis testing** during first trimester and at delivery.

Data Sources: BC Centre for Disease Control Sexually Transmitted Infections and Blood Borne Infections Data Mart and Intrahealth Profile Electronic Medical Record.
BC Stats Population Estimates.

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BC case definitions available [here](#)
*Includes genders with 5 diagnoses or greater
[^]Rate per 100,000 people

~15-49 years of age

**Gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men. Includes male cases with male sexual partner only or male and female sexual partners.

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Rates per 100,000 people in 2022



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