

Human Papillomavirus (HPV Statistics)

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General HPV Statistics

- HPV infects 75% of sexually active men and women in their lifetimes; that means that 3 out of 4 of your friends who are having sex will get it or already have it!!
- There are currently 20 million people in the United States who have HPV and 5.5 million more get it every year.
- HPV infects more people every year than any other sexually transmitted disease (STD) including HIV! See the table below for more information on how many people are infected each year and how many people are currently infected with common STDs.

The Number of People Currently Infected and the Number of People Who Become Infected Each Year with Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)		
STD	Number of People Infected Each Year	Number of People Who are Currently Infected
Chlamydia	3,000,000	2,000,000
Gonorrhea	650,000	N/A*
Hepatitis B	77,000	750,000
Herpes	1,000,000	45,000,000
HIV	20,000	560,000
HPV	5,500,000	20,000,000
Syphilis	70,000	N/A*
Adapted from: American Social Health Association, Sexually Transmitted Disease in America: How Many Cases and What Cost?, December, 1998		

*These numbers are not applicable (N/A) because gonorrhea and syphilis are easily detected and easily cured with antibiotics. Therefore, the number of people who are infected at anytime changes too much to be counted.

- For information on the other STDs in the above chart [click here](#).
- Between 9% and 18% of those who have HPV have genital warts.
- One out of every 1000 women with HPV will get cervical cancer.

HPV and Young Adults

- 2/3 of all STD cases occur in people who are 25 and younger.
- One in four teenagers contracts an STD every year.
- A study of female college students found that about 14% of college women get HPV every year.
- Between 28% and 46% of women under the age of 25 are infected with HPV.
- Young men get HPV just as frequently as young women, but very few studies have been done with young men since doctors did not think that HPV caused cancer in men until recently.