



San Diego HIV Planning Group
Priority Setting & Resource Allocation Committee
2023 Key Data Findings
Unaware Estimate/Unmet Need Estimate
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Unaware Estimate:

- The estimate of persons living with HIV disease (PLWH) and **unaware of their status** in San Diego County in 2022 is **1,272 (9%)***(of 14,133 estimated # of PLWH in San Diego County).

Methodology/Limitations: This Unaware estimate was previously based on the proportion CDC estimates unaware nationwide- this is no longer supported. Current recommendations are to develop a method based on local data. The new method is based on the proportion unaware from National HIV Behavioral Surveillance survey conducted in San Diego. One of the limitations is the NHBS survey does not use a random sample or weighted sample; self-reported status subject to social desirability bias.

*The number of PLWH and Unaware of their status in San Diego County was calculated by multiplying the percent unaware of HIV status in most recent NHBS survey by the prevalence from the most recent HIV Care Continuum dataset by each subgroup to get the estimate of those unaware of their status;1,272.

Unmet Need Estimate:

- The estimate of **Unmet Need** among PLWH (person who live with HIV disease, are aware of their status, but are not in care) in San Diego County for 2021 is **4,240 (30%)** (of 14,133 estimated # of PLWH in San Diego County).