

# Vital Statistics Republic of Ireland 2003

## The Gay Men's Sex Survey

### REPUBLIC OF IRELAND HEALTH BOARD OF RESIDENCE DATA REPORT (March 2004)

The *Gay Men's Sex Survey* 2003 was conducted by Sigma Research in collaboration with health promoters throughout Britain and Ireland. This data is intended to provide HIV health promotion planners with information about their local gay population. The report contains data from men who live in the **Republic of Ireland** and for whom Health Board of residence is known. Respondents are grouped according to the Health Board in which they live.

#### *The data*

In the Republic of Ireland the survey used a single data collection method over the summer of 2003:

(1) on a specific website <<http://www.sigmasurvey.org.uk>>, promoted via links on 35 gay and HIV related websites (4 serving Republic of Ireland men specifically).

To be included in this sample respondents must:

- be male
- be living in the Republic of Ireland
- have had sex with a man in the last year and / or expect to have sex with a man in the future.
- have completed at least one demographic question and one other question.

Differences between the number of surveys returned and the number of men who appear in the sample are due to these exclusions.

#### The tables

Groups of men living in the same Health Board appear as a line in the tables. The bottom line of each table gives the result for all men living in the Republic of Ireland. The first table shows (in ascending order of size) the number of men recruited to the survey living in each Health Board and the size of the sub-samples in the rest of the tables. Health Boards with less than 20 respondents are not reported on further. The tables show the proportions (%) of each sub-sample for that variable (less missing data). Rows (lines across) add up to 100%. The only exception to this layout is the table of Age Averages (table3).

#### *Questionnaires*

The contents page identifies a booklet question number (Q) each table is derived from. A similar booklet used in the British survey is available to download at: [www.sigmaresearch.org.uk/downloads/survey13.pdf](http://www.sigmaresearch.org.uk/downloads/survey13.pdf). Those few questions that differ from the British booklet are written in full in the contents page below.

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It is intended to produce a more comprehensive Republic of Ireland report along with 2004 data. Further queries on Vital Statistics 2003 in the Republic of Ireland should be made to [mick.quinlan@maild.hse.ie](mailto:mick.quinlan@maild.hse.ie)

## SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

- 1a. Health Board of residence.
- 1b. Health Board and County of residence.
- 1c. Web distribution.
2. Age groups; Q1 grouped into ten year age bands.
3. Age averages; from Q1 the age of the youngest and oldest man, their median age (line them up by size and pick the one in the middle), mean age (add them up and divide by how many there are), and a measure of how spread out along the range they are (the standard deviation).
4. Ethnicity;

**What is your ethnic group? (Tick one)**

White Irish  
White British  
White - Any other White background  
Mixed White and Black Caribbean  
Mixed White and Black African  
Mixed White and Asian  
Mixed - Any other mixed background  
Asian or Asian Irish Indian  
Asian or Asian Irish Pakistani  
Asian or Asian Irish Bangladeshi  
Asian or Asian Irish - Any other Asian background  
Black or Black Irish Caribbean  
Black or Black Irish African  
Black or Black Irish - Any other Black background  
Chinese  
Other - Any other ethnic group

5. Formal education; from

**Which of the following educational qualifications do you have? (Tick as many as apply)**

I have no educational qualifications  
Primary level  
Secondary level 1 (Intermediate, Junior, O- levels/CSEs)  
Secondary level 2 (Leaving Certificate or A-levels)  
Recognised Training/Apprenticeship  
Third level (PLC, Degree or Diploma)  
Other

6. Annual income;

**What is the gross income (before any deductions for Income Tax contributions) that you receive from all sources? (Tick one)**

Less than €7000 per year (less than €135 per week)  
€7,000 - €11,999 per year (€135 - €230 per week)  
€12,000 - €16,999 per year (€231 - €326 per week)  
€17,000 - €21,999 per year (€327 - €423 per week)  
€22,000 - €26,999 per year (€424 - €519 per week)  
€27,000 - €31,999 per year (€520 - €615 per week)  
€32,000 - €36,999 per year (€616 - €711 per week)  
€37,000 - €41,999 per year (€712 - €807 per week)  
€42,000 - €46,999 per year (€808 - €904 per week)  
€47,000 - €51,999 per year (€905 - €999 per week)  
€52,000 or more per year (€1,000)

7. Perceived financial management ; Q12.
8. HIV testing history; Q16.
9. GP registration; Q32.
10. Awareness by GP staff of sex with men (those who are registered with a GP); Q33.

## **SOCIO-SEXUAL CONTEXT**

11. Gender of sexual partner in the last year; Q20.
12. Number of male sexual partners in the last year; Q22 (those who had sex with men).
13. HIV concordancy of regular relationship; Q13 & Q15.

## **SEXUAL RISK BEHAVIOURS**

14. Number of partners with whom had receptive unprotected anal intercourse (RUAI), in the last year (those who had male partners); Q23.
15. Likelihood of having RUAI with a man with a different HIV status (among those who had RUAI in the last year); Q24.
16. Number of partners with whom had insertive unprotected anal intercourse (IUI), in the last year (those who had male partners); Q25.
17. Likelihood of having IUI with a man with a different HIV status (among those who had IUI in the last year); Q26.

## **UNMET HIV PREVENTION NEEDS**

18. Sexual Assault in the last 12 months; Q27.
19. Difficulty getting hold of condoms; Q28.
20. Difficulty getting hold of water based lube; Q28.

## **CONDOM SOURCES**

- Experience of getting condoms in the previous 12 months; Q29
21. Bought condoms
  22. Got condoms free
  23. Sexual partners usually had condoms
  24. Friends usually gave condoms

## **HIV KNOWLEDGE**

25. Know that "An HIV negative man is more likely to pick up HIV by getting fucked by an HIV positive man than by fucking him."; Q31.
26. Know that "When fucking an HIV negative man without a condom, an HIV positive man is more likely to pass on HIV infection if either of them already has another sexually transmitted infection"; Q31.
27. Know that "Men can have HIV without knowing it"; Q31.
28. Know that "When fucking an HIV negative man without a condom, an HIV positive man is more likely to pass on HIV infection if he ejaculates (cums) in his partner"; Q31.
29. Know that "Condoms are less likely to break if you use a water-based lubricant"; Q31.
30. "An HIV positive man who has undetectable viral load (in his blood) can still pass on HIV"; Q31.

## **POST EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS**

31. Heard of Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP); Q45.
32. Tried to get PEP; Q46.
33. Ever taken PEP; Q47.
34. Know anyone who received PEP; Q48.
35. "If you thought you had been exposed to HIV would you consider trying to get PEP?" (those not tested HIV positive); Q49.

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## The Gay Men's Sex Survey

### Republic of Ireland Health Board of Residence data report

#### Sample description

Males living in the Republic of Ireland who had sex with a man in the last year or expect to in the future.

#### 1a. Health Board of residence

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
North Eastern Health Board	14	2.0	2.5	2.5
Midland Health Board	17	2.5	3.0	5.5
North Western Health Board	17	2.5	3.0	8.5
South Eastern Health Board	25	3.6	4.4	12.9
Mid-Western Health Board	34	4.9	6.0	18.9
Western Health Board	37	5.4	6.5	25.5
Southern Health Board	64	9.3	11.3	36.8
Eastern Regional Health Authority	357	51.7	63.2	100.0
Total	565	81.9	100.0	
Health Board of Residence unknown	125	18.1		
Total	690	100.0		

#### 1b. Health Board and County of residence

Count

	Health Board									Total
	Eastern Regional Health Authority	Midland Health Board	Mid-Western Health Board	North Eastern Health Board	North Western Health Board	South Eastern Health Board	Southern Health Board	Western Health Board	Health Board of residence unknown	
County unknown									125	125
Carlow						4				4
Clare			8							8
Cork							55			55
Donegal					11					11
Galway								25		25
Kerry							9			9
Kildare	11									11
Kilkenny						6				6
Laois		5								5
Leitrim					3					3
Limerick			17							17
Longford		1								1
Louth				6						6
Mayo								10		10
Meath				7						7
Monaghan				1						1
Offaly		3								3
Tipperary			9							9
Roscommon								2		2
Sligo					3					3
Waterford						8				8
Westmeath		8								8
Wexford						7				7
Wicklow	17									17
Dublin	329									329
Total	357	17	34	14	17	25	64	37	125	690

### 1c. Web Distribution

Count

	Health Board of residence									Total
	Eastern Regional Health Authority	Midland Health Board	Mid-Western Health Board	North Eastern Health Board	North Western Health Board	South Eastern Health Board	Southern Health Board	Western Health Board	All other Irish men	
Web address unknown							3		4	7
Gay.com	60	5	5	3	6	4	15	5	20	123
Gaydar.co.uk	124	4	16	10	6	10	25	16	60	271
gayderry.com					1					1
www.gaire.com	46	4	6		2	7	8	4	12	89
Gay Men's Health Project	55	1	4			2	6	1	12	81
Irish Gay community news	18	1	1		2	1	3	7	2	35
Irish Gay health network	16							2	8	26
GayIreland.com	22	2	2				1	1		28
Outhouse Ireland	11			1		1			4	17
Metromate	1								2	3
Queer youth alliance									1	1
Rainbow project	2									2
sigmahome	1						1			2
sigmasurvey	1							1		3
Gay men's health project Wiltshire and Swindon							1			1
<b>Total</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>690</b>

### 2. Age groups

% within Health Board of residence

	Age					Total
	<20	20s	30s	40s	50+	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	9.6%	48.8%	30.9%	7.9%	2.7%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	24.1%	51.7%	20.7%		3.4%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	23.5%	47.1%	11.8%	5.9%	11.8%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	20.8%	52.1%	16.7%	8.3%	2.1%	100.0%
Western Health Board	20.0%	53.3%	20.0%	3.3%	3.3%	100.0%
All other Irish men	11.4%	39.8%	28.5%	15.4%	4.9%	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.8%</b>	<b>47.4%</b>	<b>27.3%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### 4. Ethnicity

% within Health Board of residence

	Ethnicity			Total
	White	Black	Mixed and other	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	98.6%	.3%	1.1%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	100.0%			100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	100.0%			100.0%
Southern Health Board	95.3%		4.7%	100.0%
Western Health Board	100.0%			100.0%
All other Irish men	98.8%		1.2%	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>98.5%</b>	<b>.1%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## 5. Formal Education

% within Health Board of residence

	demog Eire HEQ original (web)							Total
	no educational qualification	Primary level	Secondary level 1 (intermediate, Junior, O-levels/CSEs)	Secondary level 2 (Leaving Certificate or A-levels)	Recognised Training/ Apprenticeship	Third level (PLC, Degree or Diploma)	Other	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	.3%		3.1%	16.0%	5.6%	74.7%	.3%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board			2.9%	20.6%	14.7%	61.8%		100.0%
South Eastern Health Board			16.0%	20.0%	8.0%	56.0%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	4.7%	1.6%	6.3%	17.2%	1.6%	65.6%	3.1%	100.0%
Western Health Board			8.1%	18.9%	5.4%	62.2%	5.4%	100.0%
All other Irish men		1.7%	4.1%	15.7%	11.0%	65.7%	1.7%	100.0%
Total	.6%	.6%	4.4%	16.6%	7.1%	69.6%	1.2%	100.0%

## 6. Annual income

% within Health Board of residence

	Annual income				Total
	less than €17 000	€17 000 - €31999	€32000 - €51999	€52000 and greater	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	22.4%	34.9%	29.8%	12.8%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	45.2%	32.3%	16.1%	6.5%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	33.3%	25.0%	33.3%	8.3%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	46.8%	29.0%	14.5%	9.7%	100.0%
Western Health Board	40.5%	37.8%	18.9%	2.7%	100.0%
All other Irish men	26.0%	29.0%	27.8%	17.2%	100.0%
Total	28.0%	32.6%	26.8%	12.6%	100.0%

## 7. Perceived financial management

% within Health Board of residence

	How are you managing financially?					Total
	Living comfortably	Doing alright	Just about getting by	Finding it quite difficult	Finding it very difficult	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	31.2%	43.8%	21.1%	3.1%	.8%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	14.7%	47.1%	29.4%	5.9%	2.9%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	44.0%	32.0%	24.0%			100.0%
Southern Health Board	29.7%	34.4%	25.0%	7.8%	3.1%	100.0%
Western Health Board	30.6%	47.2%	19.4%	2.8%		100.0%
All other Irish men	30.8%	39.1%	23.1%	6.5%	.6%	100.0%
Total	30.6%	41.7%	22.4%	4.4%	1.0%	100.0%

## 8. HIV testing history

% within Health Board of residence

	HIV testing history			Total
	Tested positive	Last test negative	Never tested	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	2.5%	52.7%	44.8%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board		41.2%	58.8%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board		52.0%	48.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	1.6%	39.1%	59.4%	100.0%
Western Health Board	8.1%	29.7%	62.2%	100.0%
All other Irish men	3.5%	50.6%	45.9%	100.0%
Total	2.8%	49.1%	48.2%	100.0%

## 9. GP registration

% within Health Board of residence

	Registered with a GP		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	20.2%	79.8%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	14.7%	85.3%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	8.0%	92.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	14.3%	85.7%	100.0%
Western Health Board	20.0%	80.0%	100.0%
All other Irish men	18.1%	81.9%	100.0%
Total	18.4%	81.6%	100.0%

## 10. Awareness by GP staff of sex with men (those who are registered with a GP)

% within Health Board of residence

	GP staff aware of sexuality			Total
	No	Yes	Don't know	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	58.9%	30.9%	10.2%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	72.4%	10.3%	17.2%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	52.2%	21.7%	26.1%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	71.7%	24.5%	3.8%	100.0%
Western Health Board	67.9%	28.6%	3.6%	100.0%
All other Irish men	64.0%	25.9%	10.1%	100.0%
Total	62.3%	27.5%	10.2%	100.0%

## Socio-sexual context

### 11. Gender of sexual partners in the last year

% within Health Board of residence

	Gender of sexual partners				Total
	no one	women only	men only	both men and women	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	6.7%	2.0%	81.2%	10.1%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	11.8%		64.7%	23.5%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	4.0%		80.0%	16.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	10.9%		71.9%	17.2%	100.0%
Western Health Board	8.1%		70.3%	21.6%	100.0%
All other Irish men	6.4%	4.6%	72.8%	16.2%	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>76.8%</b>	<b>13.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### 12. Number of male sexual partners in the last year (those who had sex with men)

% within Health Board of residence

	Number of partners					Total
	one	2,3 or 4	5 to 12	13 to 29	30+	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	17.8%	34.5%	27.4%	15.1%	5.2%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	26.7%	33.3%	20.0%	10.0%	10.0%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	17.4%	30.4%	43.5%	4.3%	4.3%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	17.5%	43.9%	26.3%	7.0%	5.3%	100.0%
Western Health Board	14.7%	41.2%	26.5%	5.9%	11.8%	100.0%
All other Irish men	18.4%	32.9%	25.0%	11.8%	11.8%	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>18.2%</b>	<b>35.1%</b>	<b>26.9%</b>	<b>12.4%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### 13. HIV concordancy of regular relationship

% within Health Board of residence

	HIV concordancy of regular relationship				Total
	Single	HIV concordant	HIV discordant	Concordancy unknown	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	59.7%	28.0%	.8%	11.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	63.6%	18.2%		18.2%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	33.3%	50.0%		16.7%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	56.3%	29.7%		14.1%	100.0%
Western Health Board	69.4%	13.9%		16.7%	100.0%
All other Irish men	56.4%	29.1%	1.2%	13.4%	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>58.3%</b>	<b>28.0%</b>	<b>.7%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Sexual Risk Behaviours [see contents for acronyms]

### 14. Number of RUAI partners in the last year (those who had male partners)

% within Health Board of residence

	Number of RUAI partners				Total
	none	one	two, three or four	5 or more	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	61.8%	24.9%	11.7%	1.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	73.3%	23.3%		3.3%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	47.8%	26.1%	26.1%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	59.6%	28.1%	8.8%	3.5%	100.0%
Western Health Board	60.6%	24.2%	9.1%	6.1%	100.0%
All other Irish men	65.8%	20.4%	9.9%	3.9%	100.0%
Total	62.6%	24.0%	10.8%	2.6%	100.0%

### 15. Likelihood of having RUAI with a man with a different HIV status (among those who had RUAI in the last year)

% within Health Board of residence

	Likelihood of having SdRUAI			Total
	Probably/Definitely have been	I may have, may not have been	Probably/definitely have not been	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	4.0%	15.3%	80.6%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board		25.0%	75.0%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board		25.0%	75.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	8.7%	21.7%	69.6%	100.0%
Western Health Board	7.7%	23.1%	69.2%	100.0%
All other Irish men	11.5%	26.9%	61.5%	100.0%
Total	6.0%	19.8%	74.1%	100.0%

### 16. Number of IUI partners in the last year (those who had male partners)

% within Health Board of residence

	Number of IUI partners				Total
	none	one	two, three or four	5 or more	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	60.1%	25.4%	11.1%	3.4%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	63.3%	20.0%	10.0%	6.7%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	39.1%	30.4%	26.1%	4.3%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	54.4%	24.6%	17.5%	3.5%	100.0%
Western Health Board	61.8%	11.8%	17.6%	8.8%	100.0%
All other Irish men	61.2%	24.3%	10.5%	3.9%	100.0%
Total	59.3%	24.2%	12.4%	4.0%	100.0%

### 17. Likelihood of having IUI with a man with a different HIV status (those who had IUI in the last year)

% within Health Board of residence

	Likelihood of SdIUI			Total
	Probably/Definitely have been	I may have, may not have been	Probably/definitely have not been	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	5.4%	16.3%	78.3%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board		9.1%	90.9%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	14.3%	21.4%	64.3%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	7.7%	15.4%	76.9%	100.0%
Western Health Board	15.4%	15.4%	69.2%	100.0%
All other Irish men	11.9%	23.7%	64.4%	100.0%
Total	7.9%	17.9%	74.2%	100.0%

# Unmet HIV Prevention Needs

## 18. Sexual Assault in the last 12 months

% within Health Board of residence

	Forced to have sex		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	95.5%	4.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	76.5%	23.5%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	88.0%	12.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	93.8%	6.3%	100.0%
Western Health Board	91.9%	8.1%	100.0%
All other Irish men	88.4%	11.6%	100.0%
Total	92.2%	7.8%	100.0%

## 19. " I sometimes have a problem getting hold of condoms"

% within Health Board of residence

	Problem getting hold of condoms			Total
	agree	not sure	disagree	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	9.8%	4.5%	85.7%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	17.6%	17.6%	64.7%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	20.0%	4.0%	76.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	14.3%	11.1%	74.6%	100.0%
Western Health Board	24.3%	2.7%	73.0%	100.0%
All other Irish men	17.4%	5.2%	77.3%	100.0%
Total	13.7%	5.8%	80.5%	100.0%

## 20. "Water-based lube is sometimes hard to get hold of"

% within Health Board of residence

	Problem getting hold of water-based lube			Total
	agree	not sure	disagree	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	20.2%	17.4%	62.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	38.2%	17.6%	44.1%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	36.0%	8.0%	56.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	22.2%	17.5%	60.3%	100.0%
Western Health Board	35.1%	32.4%	32.4%	100.0%
All other Irish men	33.1%	18.6%	48.3%	100.0%
Total	25.9%	18.2%	56.0%	100.0%

## Condom sources

### 21. "I bought them"

% within Health Board of residence

	Where got condoms - bought		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	46.5%	53.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	58.8%	41.2%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	36.0%	64.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	40.6%	59.4%	100.0%
Western Health Board	40.5%	59.5%	100.0%
All other Irish men	39.8%	60.2%	100.0%
Total	44.2%	55.8%	100.0%

### 22. "I got them free"

% within Health Board of residence

	Where got condoms - free		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	48.5%	51.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	58.8%	41.2%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	72.0%	28.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	57.8%	42.2%	100.0%
Western Health Board	70.3%	29.7%	100.0%
All other Irish men	63.2%	36.8%	100.0%
Total	55.5%	44.5%	100.0%

### 23. "My sexual partners usually had them"

% within Health Board of residence

	Where got condoms - partner		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	75.4%	24.6%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	64.7%	35.3%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	56.0%	44.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	67.2%	32.8%	100.0%
Western Health Board	83.8%	16.2%	100.0%
All other Irish men	83.6%	16.4%	100.0%
Total	75.9%	24.1%	100.0%

### 24. "My friends usually gave them to me"

% within Health Board of residence

	Where got condoms - friends		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	97.5%	2.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	94.1%	5.9%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	84.0%	16.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	98.4%	1.6%	100.0%
Western Health Board	97.3%	2.7%	100.0%
All other Irish men	97.7%	2.3%	100.0%
Total	96.9%	3.1%	100.0%

# HIV Knowledge

## 25. "An HIV negative man is more likely to pick up HIV by getting fucked by an HIV positive man than by fucking him"

% within Health Board of residence

	Knowledge negative RUA>IUA risk			Total
	I knew this	I wasn't sure	I didn't know this	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	77.2%	12.7%	10.1%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	76.5%	17.6%	5.9%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	80.0%	16.0%	4.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	75.0%	15.6%	9.4%	100.0%
Western Health Board	78.4%	16.2%	5.4%	100.0%
All other Irish men	76.0%	11.1%	12.9%	100.0%
Total	76.8%	13.1%	10.1%	100.0%

## 26. "When fucking an HIV negative man without a condom, an HIV positive man is more likely to pass on HIV infection if either of them already has another sexually transmitted infection"

% within Health Board of residence

	Knowledge >risk with existing STI			Total
	I knew this	I wasn't sure	I didn't know this	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	54.0%	18.6%	27.4%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	52.9%	26.5%	20.6%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	60.0%	36.0%	4.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	62.5%	7.8%	29.7%	100.0%
Western Health Board	62.2%	21.6%	16.2%	100.0%
All other Irish men	50.9%	14.0%	35.1%	100.0%
Total	54.6%	17.7%	27.7%	100.0%

## 27. "Men can have HIV without knowing it"

% within Health Board of residence

	Knowledge men can have unknown HIV infection			Total
	I knew this	I wasn't sure	I didn't know this	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	97.2%	2.0%	.8%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	85.3%	2.9%	11.8%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	92.0%	8.0%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	90.6%	1.6%	7.8%	100.0%
Western Health Board	81.1%	10.8%	8.1%	100.0%
All other Irish men	90.6%	4.1%	5.3%	100.0%
Total	93.3%	3.2%	3.5%	100.0%

## 28. "When fucking an HIV negative man without a condom, an HIV positive man is more likely to pass on HIV infection if he ejaculates (cums) in his partner"

% within Health Board of residence

	Knowledge >risk if IUAIO			Total
	I knew this	I wasn't sure	I didn't know this	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	93.5%	4.0%	2.5%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	90.9%	6.1%	3.0%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	88.0%	12.0%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	93.8%	1.6%	4.7%	100.0%
Western Health Board	94.6%	2.7%	2.7%	100.0%
All other Irish men	90.1%	7.6%	2.3%	100.0%
Total	92.4%	5.0%	2.6%	100.0%

**29. "Condoms are less likely to break if you use a water-based lubricant"**

% within Health Board of residence

	Knowledge condbreakage < water lube			Total
	I knew this	I wasn't sure	I didn't know this	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	82.0%	10.4%	7.6%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	76.5%	2.9%	20.6%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	80.0%	8.0%	12.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	84.4%	6.3%	9.4%	100.0%
Western Health Board	75.7%	8.1%	16.2%	100.0%
All other Irish men	77.1%	10.6%	12.4%	100.0%
Total	80.3%	9.5%	10.2%	100.0%

**30. "An HIV positive man who has undetectable viral load (in his blood) can still pass on HIV"**

% within Health Board of residence

	Knowledge transmission possible with undetectable viral load			Total
	I knew this	I wasn't sure	I didn't know this	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	58.3%	20.0%	21.7%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	47.1%	23.5%	29.4%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	52.0%	40.0%	8.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	59.4%	10.9%	29.7%	100.0%
Western Health Board	62.2%	10.8%	27.0%	100.0%
All other Irish men	56.7%	17.0%	26.3%	100.0%
Total	57.4%	18.8%	23.8%	100.0%

# Post Exposure Prophylaxis

## 31. Heard of Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)

% within Health Board of residence

	Health and Prevention tech - Heard PEP		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	73.3%	26.7%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	97.1%	2.9%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	74.6%	25.4%	100.0%
Western Health Board	81.1%	18.9%	100.0%
All other Irish men	80.5%	19.5%	100.0%
Total	77.0%	23.0%	100.0%

## 32. Tried to get PEP

% within Health Board of residence

	Health and Prevention tech - tried to get PEP		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	98.3%	1.7%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
Western Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
All other Irish men	98.2%	1.8%	100.0%
Total	98.7%	1.3%	100.0%

## 33. Ever taken PEP

% within Health Board of residence

	Health and Prevention tech - ever taken PEP		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	99.4%	.6%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
Western Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
All other Irish men	98.8%	1.2%	100.0%
Total	99.4%	.6%	100.0%

## 34. Know anyone who received PEP

% within Health Board of residence

	Health and Prevention tech - know anyone got PEP		Total
	No	Yes	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	96.1%	3.9%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
South Eastern Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
Southern Health Board	92.1%	7.9%	100.0%
Western Health Board	100.0%		100.0%
All other Irish men	97.6%	2.4%	100.0%
Total	96.6%	3.4%	100.0%

### 35. Consideration of getting PEP if exposed to HIV (those not tested HIV positive)

% within Health Board of residence

	Health and Prevention tech - would you try to get PEP			Total
	No	Yes	Maybe	
Eastern Regional Health Authority	.9%	79.5%	19.6%	100.0%
Mid-Western Health Board		70.6%	29.4%	100.0%
South Eastern Health Board		68.0%	32.0%	100.0%
Southern Health Board	4.8%	82.3%	12.9%	100.0%
Western Health Board	2.9%	70.6%	26.5%	100.0%
All other Irish men	1.3%	82.5%	16.3%	100.0%
Total	1.4%	79.2%	19.5%	100.0%

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