

African Health and Sex Survey (2014)

Standard response sets:

Set 1: Knowledge response set

- 1 = I knew this before today
- 2 = I wasn't sure if this was true or not
- 3 = I didn't know this
- 4 = I don't understand this statement

Set 2: Recency response set

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Rarely
- 3 = Sometimes
- 4 = Often
- 5 = Very often
- 6 = Always

This survey was published on-line only. Questions were served based on responses given. Therefore there is no routing of questions included in this version of the questionnaire.

This short survey is about sex and sexual health. The findings will help charities and health care workers to better meet the needs of black African people living in England. This is a great chance to have your voice heard and we would really appreciate you taking part!

- Most people will take less than 10 minutes to complete the survey. Your answers will only be saved when you click 'Submit Answers' at the end of the survey
- This survey is completely ANONYMOUS and voluntary. We do not want your name or address. No data that could identify you is recorded (your IP address is not logged and no cookies are left).
- Please try to give an answer for every question. If you do not wish to answer a question, please leave it blank and continue with the next question. However a few questions are compulsory and you will need to answer them to complete the survey.
- Please fill in this survey only once this autumn / winter. The survey closes on the 31st January 2014.
- This survey is being run by Sigma Research, part of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. To find out more about this project, call Adam Bourne on 020-7927 2793 or go to www.sigmaresearch.org.uk
- Sigma Research complies with the Data Protection Act. You can read our confidentiality policy at www.sigmaresearch.org.uk/about/privacy

Please tick the box to say that you have read and understood what the questionnaire is about and that you agree to take part.

I have read and understood the information provided and I wish to take part in this survey.

FIRSTLY, SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT YOURSELF...

What country are you in right now?

- England
- Any other country (including Scotland, Wales or Ireland)

LIVING OUTSIDE ENGLAND EXIT PAGE

You have said that you are not in England. This survey is only for people who are currently living in England. Thank you for your interest in our work.

For more information about this project please visit www.sigmaresearch.org.uk or contact gary.hammond@sigmaresearch.org.uk

For information about HIV and sexual health, including where you can take a HIV test, please click on the 'Continue' button below.

What is your ethnic group?

- Black African
- Black African British
- African Asian
- African Arab / Maghreb / North African
- White African
- African Caribbean
- Mixed race African
- Any other ethnic group

Please say which Mixed Race African ethnic group:

[type answer]

Please say which other ethnic group:

[type answer]

This survey is for people who consider themselves African. Please do not fill it in if you do not consider yourself African. If you do fill in the survey unfortunately we cannot use your data.

How old are you?

- under 16
- 16
- 17
- ...
- 99
- 100
- over 100

[Under 16 exit page](#)

This survey is for people aged 16 and over. Please do not fill it in if you are under the age of 16.

What country were you born in?

[See Appendix A]

Please say which [other] country you were born in?

[type answer]

Are you...

- A man
- A woman

MORE ABOUT YOURSELF

How long, in total, have you lived in England?

(Please answer even if you have lived in England all your life).

- 1 year or less
- More than 1 year but less than 3 years
- More than 3 years but less than 6 years
- More than 6 years but less than 10 years
- More than 10 years
- All my life

What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

- None
- Primary / Elementary School
- Secondary / High School
- University / College
- Other

Please say what other education you have received...

[type answer]

What local authority do you live in?

[type answer]

(e.g. Lambeth, Bolton). If you don't know your local authority, please give the **FIRST HALF** and the first number of your home postcode (e.g. E17 1; SW2 3) or the name of your area (e.g. Stockwell, Whalley Range) You share this part of your postcode with about 6,000 people so it can't identify the street where you live

For example: NW10 4, S9 7, LU4 0

SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV AND AIDS TREATMENT

All of the following statements are TRUE - did you know this before today?

(Tick one box for each statement)

There is no cure for HIV infection once someone has it.

At least 1-in-20 of all Africans living in England have HIV infection.

There are medicines that can help people with HIV to stay healthy.

HIV medication is available free of charge to anyone in the UK who has diagnosed HIV.

HIV medicines work better if people with HIV start taking them early (before they start getting ill).

Effective treatment of HIV, using medication, significantly reduces the risk of HIV being passed on to others.

A person with HIV can pass it to a partner during sexual intercourse, without a condom.

HIV is never passed on through shaking hands or touching people.

[Set 1: Knowledge response set]

TESTING FOR HIV

Have you ever personally received an HIV test result?

- No
- Yes

What was your most recent HIV test result?

- Negative (I don't have HIV)
- Positive (I do have HIV)

NEVER TESTED FOR HIV

Why have you never tested for HIV? (Tick as many as apply)

- It's not important to me to know my HIV status
- I don't know where to get tested
- I am too afraid I might have HIV
- I am afraid of being treated differently if I take a test
- I am afraid of being treated differently if I have HIV

- It would cause problems in my relationship
- I have no reason to think I have HIV
- I've never had intercourse
- Other reason

What are the other reason/s that you have never tested for HIV..?

[type answer]

How confident are you that you could get a test for HIV if you wanted one?

- Very confident
- Quite confident
- A little confident
- Not at all confident
- I don't know

If you were to have an HIV test in the future, where would you prefer to test?

- At a GUM, STD or sexual health clinic
- At a GP surgery / local doctor
- At a Private health care clinic
- At an HIV or African organisation
- At an antenatal clinic
- At home using a sampling kit that I sent to the lab for a result
- At home using a testing kit that would give me an immediate result
- Elsewhere / other

Where else would you prefer to test in the future?

[type answer]

LAST HIV TEST NEGATIVE

When was your most recent negative HIV test result?

- Within the last month
- Within the last year but not the last month
- Within the last five years but not in the last year
- More than five years ago

Why have you not tested within the last 5 years? (Tick as many as apply)

- It's not important to me to know my HIV status
- I don't know where to get tested
- I am too afraid I might have HIV
- I am afraid of being treated differently if I take a test
- I am afraid of being treated differently if I have HIV
- It would cause problems in my relationship
- I have no reason to think I have HIV
- I've never had intercourse
- Other reason

Please say why else you have not tested within the last 5 years...

[type answer]

LAST HIV TEST NEGATIVE

Where did you have your last HIV test?

- At a hospital in a GUM, STI / sexual health or HIV clinic
- At a hospital at another type of out-patient clinic
- In hospital at Accident & Emergency (A&E)
- In hospital on a ward (as an in-patient)
- At an antenatal clinic (during pregnancy)
- At a GP surgery / local doctor
- At a Private health care clinic
- While donating blood
- At an HIV or African organisation
- I used a home sampling kit that I sent to the lab for a result
- Elsewhere / other

Please say where else you went for your last HIV test?

[type answer]

Why did you test on that occasion? (Tick as many as apply)

- I became ill
- I like to test regularly
- It was part of routine health screening
- It was part of an antenatal screening
- Because of a particular risk I took
- My doctor suggested that I take a test
- Because I am a member of a high risk group
- Because my partner wanted me to test
- Because my partner told me they were HIV positive
- Other reason

Please say why else you tested on that occasion..?

[type answer]

You said that your doctor suggested you take a test, was this doctor...

- Your local family doctor (your GP)?
- A doctor in a GUM, STD or sexual health clinic?
- A doctor in a maternity unit or ward?
- A doctor in another hospital setting?

PREVIOUSLY TESTED HIV NEGATIVE CONFIDENCE

How confident are you that you could get another test for HIV if you wanted one?

- Very confident
- Quite confident
- A little confident
- Not at all confident
- I don't know

If you were to have an HIV test in the future, where would you prefer to test?

- At a GUM, STD or sexual health clinic
- At a GP surgery/local doctor

- At a Private health care clinic
- At an HIV or African organisation
- At an antenatal clinic
- At home using a sampling kit that I sent to the lab for a result
- At home using a testing kit that would give me an immediate result
- Elsewhere / other

Where else would you prefer to test in the future?

[type answer]

TESTED HIV POSITIVE

In which year were you first diagnosed HIV positive?

- 1984
- 1985
- 1986
- ...
- 2011
- 2012
- 2013

Were you first diagnosed with HIV within the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

Where did you receive your positive HIV test result?

- At a hospital in a GUM, STI / sexual health or HIV clinic
- At a hospital at another type of out-patient clinic
- In hospital at Accident & Emergency (A&E)
- In hospital on a ward (as an in-patient)
- At an antenatal clinic (during pregnancy)
- At a GP surgery / local doctor
- At a Private health care clinic
- While donating blood
- At an HIV or African organisation
- I used a home sampling kit that I sent to the lab for a result
- Elsewhere / other

Please say where else you received a positive HIV test result..?

[type answer]

Why did you test for HIV on that occasion? (Tick as many as apply)

- I became ill
- I like to test regularly
- It was part of routine health screening
- It was part of an antenatal screening
- Because of a particular risk I took
- My doctor suggested that I take a test
- Because I am a member of a high risk group
- Because my partner wanted me to test
- Because my partner told me they were HIV positive
- Other reason

Please say why else you tested for HIV on that occasion..?

[type answer]

You said that your doctor suggested you take a test, was this doctor?

- Your local family doctor (your GP)
- A doctor in a GUM, STD or sexual health clinic
- A doctor in a maternity unit or ward
- A doctor in another hospital setting

Were you FIRST diagnosed with HIV in the United Kingdom?

- No
- Yes

What country were you first diagnosed with HIV in?

[see appendix A]

Please say in which country you were first diagnosed with HIV?

[type answer]

When did you last see a health professional in England for monitoring your HIV infection?

- Never
- Within the last 24 hours
- Within the last 7 days
- Within the last 4 weeks
- Within the last 6 months
- Within the last 12 months
- Within the last 5 years
- More than 5 years ago

Are you currently taking antiretroviral treatment (sometimes known as ART or HAART) for your HIV infection?

- No
- Yes

What was the result of your viral load test the LAST TIME you had your HIV infection monitored?

- Undetectable
- Detectable
- I was told but I don't remember the result
- It was measured but I was not told the result
- It was not measured
- I don't remember
- I don't understand what viral load means

ABOUT THE SEX YOU HAVE...

In this survey, we use "sex" to mean physical contact to orgasm (or close to orgasm) for one or both partners. 'Sex' includes but is not limited to vaginal and anal intercourse.

In the last 12 months, who have you had sex with?

- I have only had sex with men

- I have only had sex with women
- I have had sex with men and women
- I have not had any sex

QUESTIONS ABOUT SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH MALE PARTNERS

Do you currently have a REGULAR MALE sex partner (someone you have sex with on a regular basis)?

- No
- Yes

Does your regular MALE partner have the same HIV status as you? (If you have more than one steady partner, think about the one you have sex with the most)

- Yes, we are both HIV positive
- Yes, we are both HIV negative
- One of us has diagnosed HIV and the other does not
- I don't know

In this survey we use "sexual intercourse" to mean vaginal or anal sex where a penis is inserted into a vagina or anus.

Have you had sexual intercourse with this regular MALE partner in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

How often do you use condoms with this regular MALE partner?

[Set 2: Recency response set]

QUESTIONS ABOUT SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER MALE PARTNERS

In this survey we use "sexual intercourse" to mean vaginal or anal sex where a penis is inserted into a vagina or anus.

Have you had sexual intercourse with any other men in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

Have you had sexual intercourse with any men in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

In the past 12 months, how many MEN have you had sexual intercourse with in total?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 to 10
- 11-20
- 21 or more

In the past 12 months, how many OTHER MEN have you had sexual intercourse with in total?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 to 10
- 11-20
- 21 or more

How often have you used condoms with these sexual partners in the last 12 months?

[Set 2: Recency response set]

How often have you used condoms with this sexual partner in the last 12 months?

[Set 2: Recency response set]

QUESTIONS ABOUT SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH FEMALE PARTNERS

Do you currently have a REGULAR FEMALE sexual partner (someone you have sex with on regular basis)?

- No
- Yes

Does your regular FEMALE partner have the same HIV status as you? (If you have more than one steady partner, think about the one you have sex with the most)

- Yes, we are both HIV positive
- Yes, we are both HIV negative
- One of us has diagnosed HIV and the other does not
- I don't know

In this survey we use "sexual intercourse" to mean vaginal or anal sex where a penis is inserted into a vagina or anus.

Have you had sexual intercourse with this regular FEMALE partner in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

How often do you use condoms with this regular FEMALE partner?

[Set 2: Recency response set]

QUESTIONS ABOUT SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER FEMALE PARTNERS

In this survey we use "sexual intercourse" to mean vaginal or anal sex where a penis is inserted into a vagina or anus.

Have you had sexual intercourse with any other women in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

Have you had sexual intercourse with any women in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

In the past 12 months, how many OTHER WOMEN have you had sexual intercourse with in total?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 to 10
- 11-20
- 21 or more

In the past 12 months, how many WOMEN have you had sexual intercourse with in total?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 to 10
- 11-20
- 21 or more

How often have you used condoms with these sexual partners in the last 12 months?

[Set 2: Recency response set]

How often have you used condoms with this sexual partner in the last 12 months?

[Set 2: Recency response set]

QUESTIONS ABOUT SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER FEMALE PARTNERS

Have you had sex with any other women in the last 12 months?

- No
- Yes

In the past 12 months, how many OTHER WOMEN have you had sex with in total?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 to 10
- 11-20
- 21 or more

In the past 12 months, how many WOMEN have you had sex with in total?

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ABOUT USING CONDOMS

Have you or a sexual partner had a condom break or come off during sexual intercourse IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS?

- No
- Yes

All of the following make condoms more likely to break or come off. Which have you or a partner done IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS? (Tick as many as apply)

- Using a condom that is past its expiry date
- Unrolling the condom before putting it on the penis
- Tearing the condom with jewellery or fingernails
- Not using additional water-based lubricant
- Using saliva as a lubricant
- Using a condom that's too short for the penis
- Using a condom that's too big or baggy
- Having intercourse for over half an hour without changing the condom
- None of the above

ABOUT USING CONDOMS...

**Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:
(Tick one box for each statement)**

I sometimes have a problem getting hold of condoms.

- strongly agree
- agree
- don't know / does not apply
- disagree
- strongly disagree

If I carried a condom I would worry about what people thought of me.

- strongly agree
- agree
- don't know / does not apply
- disagree
- strongly disagree

I can ensure condoms are used with a sexual partner if I want them to be used.

- strongly agree
- agree
- don't know / does not apply
- disagree
- strongly disagree

There are a wide range of types and sizes of condoms available (e.g. latex or plastic, different thickness, different lengths).

[Set 1: Knowledge response set]

Using the right size condom on a penis can reduce the likelihood of it breaking or slipping off.

[Set 1: Knowledge response set]

ABOUT USING FEMIDOMS (FEMALE CONDOMS)

Have you or a partner used a FEMIDOM (female condom) during sexual intercourse IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS?

- No
- Yes
- I don't know what a Femidom is

HAPPINESS WITH SEX

Are you currently happy with your sex life?

- No
- Yes

What (if anything) would make your sex life better? (Tick all that apply)

- I am happy with my sex life as it is
- Having sex with more people
- Having more sex with the partner I have
- Having better quality sex
- Having a regular sexual partner
- Feeling more emotionally connected during sex
- Feeling more confident about sex
- Trying out new types of sex
- Having sex in new places
- Other
- I am not sure

Please say what else would make your sex life better...?

[type answer]

IT STARTS WITH ME ADVERTS AND POSTERS

Below are two adverts or posters for a HIV ca



mpaign called "It Starts with Me".

Do you remember seeing these or any other "It Starts with Me" adverts or posters?

- I recognise it but have never looked closely at or read it
- I've seen it and have read most or all of it
- No, I have not seen it

Where do you remember seeing an advert or poster? (Tick all that apply)

- In a printed Newspaper (e.g. Testify, Nigerian Watch)
- In a Magazine (e.g. The Promota)
- On a Website
- On Facebook
- On Twitter
- On the back of a bus
- At a GUM, STI or sexual health clinic
- I don't know where I saw them
- Somewhere else

Please say where else you saw the advert or poster?

[type answer]

Many thanks for taking part. Your answers will be saved when you click on "submit answers" and you will have finished the survey.

You will then be taken to a page which tells you information about sexual health and where you can have an HIV test.

Now please click on "submit answers".

APPENDIX A (COUNTRY LIST)

Afghanistan	Comoros	Haiti
Albania	Congo - Kinshasa	Honduras
Algeria	Congo - Brazzaville	Hungary
Andorra	Costa Rica	Iceland
Angola	Croatia	India
Antigua and Barbuda	Cuba	Indonesia
Argentina	Cyprus	Iran
Armenia	Czech Republic	Iraq
Australia	Denmark	Ireland (Republic of)
Austria	Djibouti	Israel
Azerbaijan	Dominica	Italy
Bahamas	Dominican Republic	Ivory Coast
Bahrain	Ecuador	Jamaica
Bangladesh	Egypt	Japan
Barbados	El Salvador	Jordan
Belarus	Equatorial Guinea	Kazakhstan
Belgium	Eritrea	Kenya
Belize	Estonia	Kiribati
Benin	Ethiopia	Korea, North
Bhutan	Fiji	Korea, South
Bolivia	Finland	Kosovo
Bosnia and Herzegovina	France	Kuwait
Botswana	France, Overseas	Kyrgyzstan
Brazil	Departments, Territories	Laos
Brunei	and Collectivities	Latvia
Bulgaria	Gabon	Lebanon
Burkina Faso	Gambia	Lesotho
Burundi	Georgia	Liberia
Cambodia	Germany	Libya
Cameroon	Ghana	Liechtenstein
Canada	Greece	Lithuania
Cape Verde	Greenland	Luxembourg
Central African Republic	Grenada	Macedonia (Former
Chad	Guatemala	Yugoslav Republic of)
Chile	Guinea	Madagascar
China	Guinea-Bissau	Malawi
Colombia	Guyana	Malaysia

Maldives	Portugal	Tanzania
Mali	Puerto Rico	Thailand
Malta	Qatar	Timor-Leste
Marshall Islands	Romania	Togo
Mauritania	Russia (Russian Federation)	Tonga
Mauritius	Rwanda	Trinidad and Tobago
Mexico	Saint Kitts and Nevis	Tunisia
Micronesia	Saint Lucia	Turkey
Moldova	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus
Monaco	Samoa	Turkmenistan
Mongolia	San Marino	Tuvalu
Montenegro	Sao Tome and Principe	Uganda
Morocco	Saudi Arabia	Ukraine
Mozambique	Senegal	United Arab Emirates
Myanmar	Serbia	UK, England
Namibia	Seychelles	UK, Northern Ireland
Nauru	Sierra Leone	UK, Scotland
Nepal	Singapore	UK, Wales
Netherlands	Slovakia	UK, British Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies
New Zealand	Slovenia	United States of America
Nicaragua	Solomon Islands	Uruguay
Niger	Somalia	Uzbekistan
Nigeria	South Africa	Vanuatu
Norway	Spain	Vatican City
Oman	Sri Lanka	Venezuela
Pakistan	Sudan	Vietnam
Palau	Suriname	Western Sahara
Palestine	Swaziland	Yemen
Panama	Sweden	Zambia
Papua New Guinea	Switzerland	Zimbabwe
Paraguay	Syria	Other
Peru	Taiwan	
Philippines	Tajikistan	
Poland		