Seattle and King County Monthly Syphilis Report: June 2023

Public Health Seattle & King County

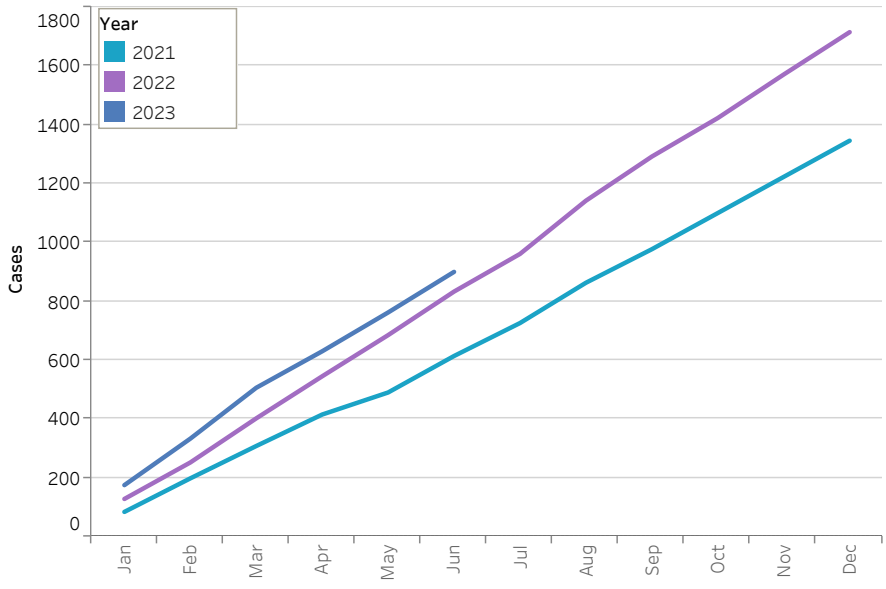## Syphilis Cases by Stage, King County July 2021-June 2023
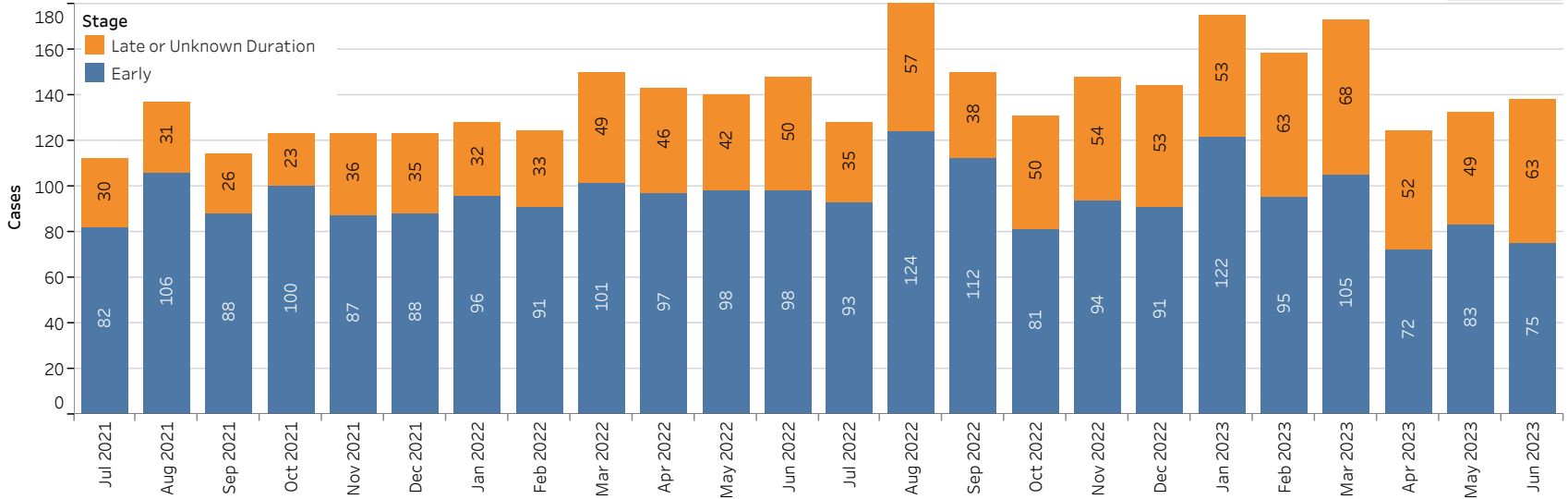
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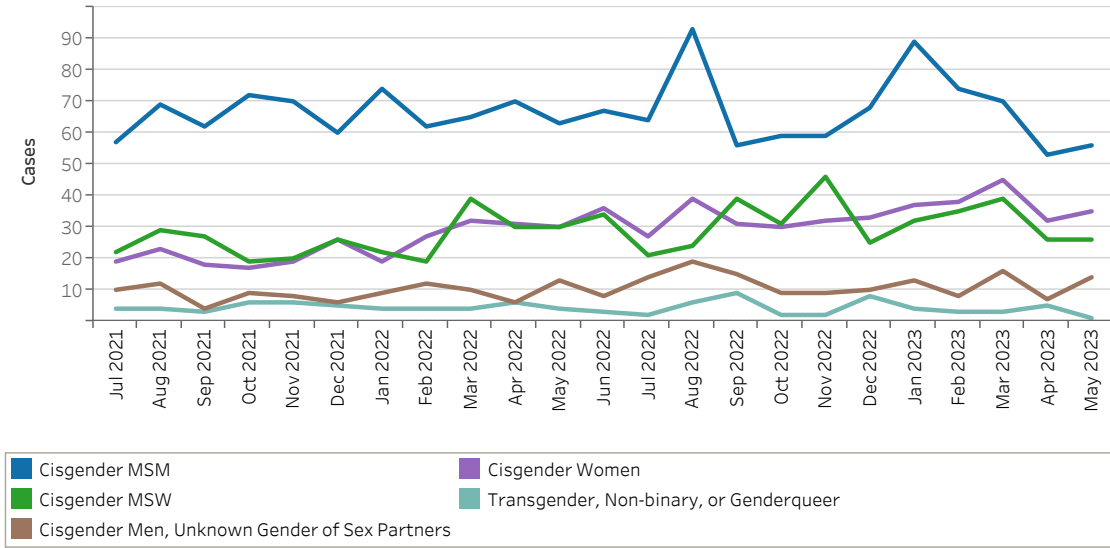
MSM = men who have sex with men
MSW = men who have sex with women only

Early syphilis includes primary, secondary, and early non-primary, non-secondary stages.

Cumulative Syphilis (all stages) Cases by Month and Year, King County 2021-2023

Syphilis (all stages) Cases by Gender and Gender of Sex Partners, King County July 2021-May 2023**

Legend:
- Cisgender MSM
- Cisgender MSW
- Cisgender Men, Unknown Gender of Sex Partners
- Cisgender Women
- Transgender, Non-binary, or Genderqueer

**Due to incomplete reporting cases for the most recent month are not shown by gender and gender of sex partners.

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Syphilis (all stages) cases by gender and gender of sex partners and year of diagnosis
Cases diagnosed January-June

	2022	2023
Cisgender MSM	401	391
Cisgender MSW	174	190
Cisgender Women	175	227
Cisgender Men, Unknown Gender of Sex Partners	58	70
Transgender, Non-binary, or Genderqueer	25	19

Pregnant and congenital syphilis cases, King County June 2021-May 2023
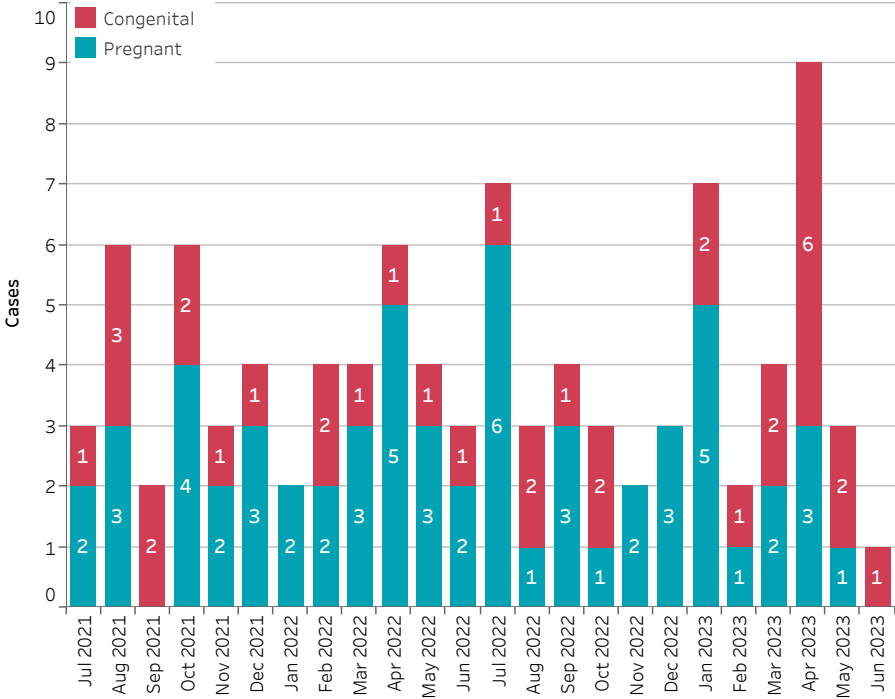
12 syphilis cases were **pregnant** at the time of diagnosis and **14 congenital** cases have been diagnosed in 2023.

Syphilis (all stages) cases by race/ethnicity, age, and risk among cisgender men who have sex with men (MSM), cisgender men who have sex with women (MSW), cisgender women, Seattle and South King County July 2021-June 2023*

Characteristics	Seattle				South King County			
	MSM		MSW and Women		MSM		MSW and Women	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total Cases	954	100%	578	100%	405	100%	622	100%
Race/ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaska Native	11	1%	16	3%	2	0%	17	3%
Asian	64	7%	32	6%	26	6%	24	4%
Black	86	9%	154	27%	59	15%	149	24%
Hispanic/Latinx	202	21%	74	13%	112	28%	119	19%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	8	1%	7	1%	10	2%	13	2%
White	431	45%	205	35%	126	31%	197	32%
Multiracial	19	2%	24	4%	8	2%	27	4%
Other/Unknown	133	14%	66	11%	62	15%	76	12%
Age								
10-14	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3	0%
15-19	4	0%	10	2%	9	2%	24	4%
20-24	66	7%	44	8%	41	10%	73	12%
25-29	148	16%	93	16%	51	13%	102	16%
30-34	203	21%	88	15%	81	20%	118	19%
35-44	268	28%	174	30%	106	26%	163	26%
45-54	168	18%	96	17%	71	18%	80	13%
>=55	97	10%	73	13%	46	11%	59	9%
Total Interviewed	127	13%	247	43%	74	18%	333	54%
Risk factors among interviewed cases**								
Homeless (past 3 months)	10	8%	93	38%	9	12%	74	22%
Injection Drug Use (past year)	3	2%	21	9%	1	1%	13	4%
Methamphetamine Use (past year)	16	13%	77	31%	8	11%	71	21%
Exchange Sex (past year)	3	2%	16	6%	4	5%	6	2%
No Risk Identified**	109	86%	123	50%	61	82%	231	69%

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**Risk factors are limited to cases interviewed by Public Health staff. Percentages shown are among interviewed cases. No risk indentitied includes cases with no reported homelessness, injection drug use, methamphetamine use, or exchange sex.