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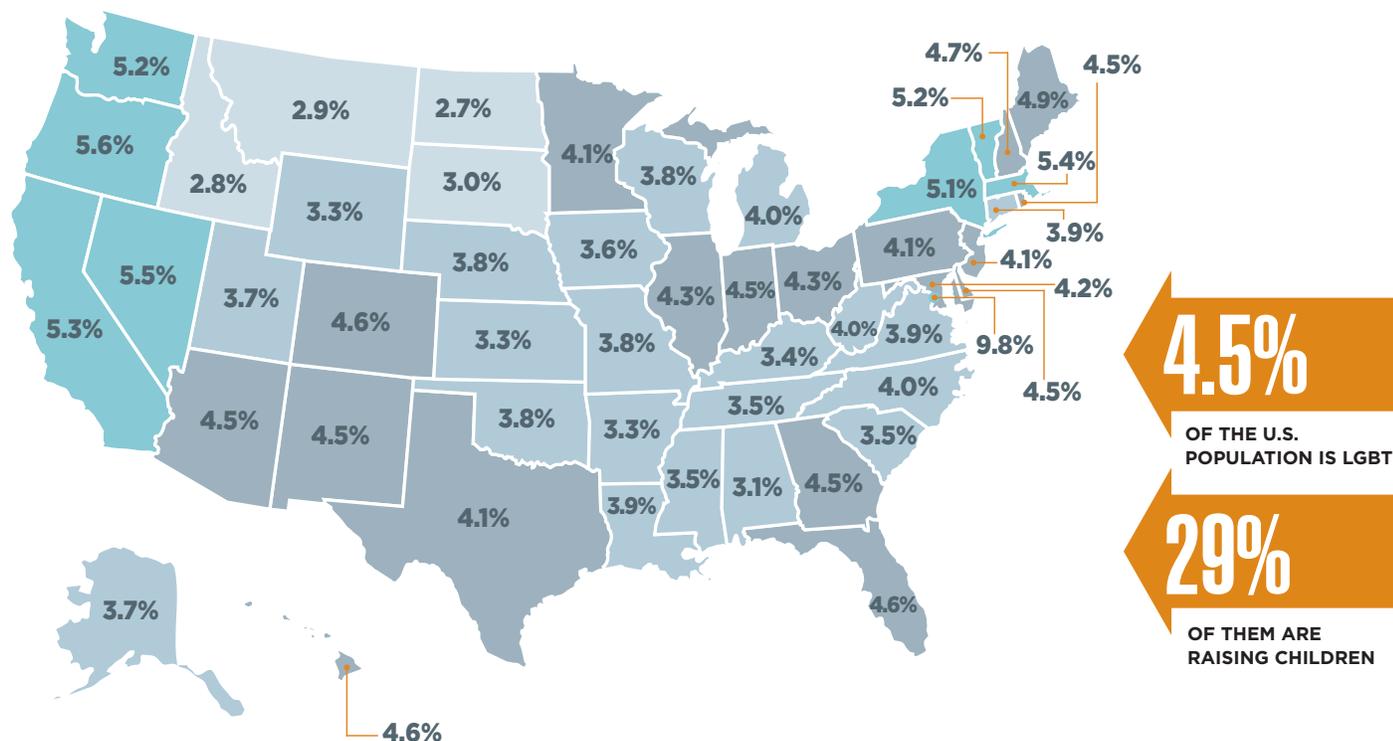
Data in Review

The Williams Institute

RESEARCH THAT MATTERS

We believe in data. At a time when perspective often poses as evidence, the Williams Institute remains committed to rigorous, independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity. For 17 years, we have provided data that illuminate the impact of law and policy on the lives of LGBT people. 2018 was no different. Take a look at some of the most groundbreaking and informative findings to come out of the Williams Institute in the past 12 months and how they relate to the year in LGBT news.

LGBT PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION



Source: bit.ly/WILGBData

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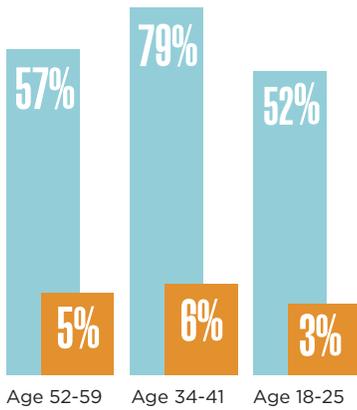
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February

► President Trump proposed cutting \$58 million from the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program in the fiscal year 2019 budget.

HIV/AIDS

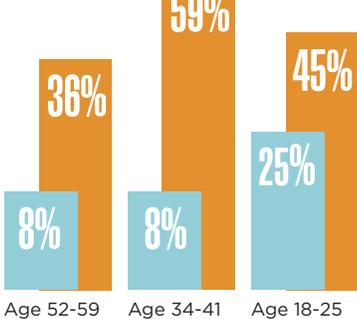
FAMILIARITY & USE OF PREP



● Familiarity ● Use

► Overall, only 4% of sexually active gay and bisexual men in the U.S. use Truvada as pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).

HIV TESTING



● Never tested ● Annual testing

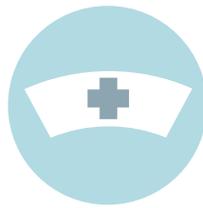
► 25% of young sexually active gay and bisexual men have never been tested for HIV.

Source: bit.ly/PREPuse

March

► The Trump administration issued a policy that would ban transgender people from serving in the military.

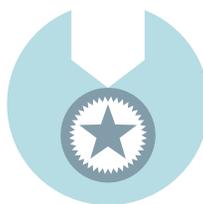
MILITARY



► The mental and physical health of transgender veterans is similar to cisgender veterans.



► Transgender veterans experience higher rates of poverty and lower educational attainment.



163,000

U.S. VETERANS IDENTIFY AS TRANSGENDER

Source: bit.ly/TransVeterans

April

► The state of Washington passed a law banning licensed healthcare professionals from practicing conversion therapy on youth. Another four states adopted similar laws throughout the year.

CONVERSION THERAPY

698,000

LGBT ADULTS (AGES 18-59) HAVE RECEIVED CONVERSION THERAPY

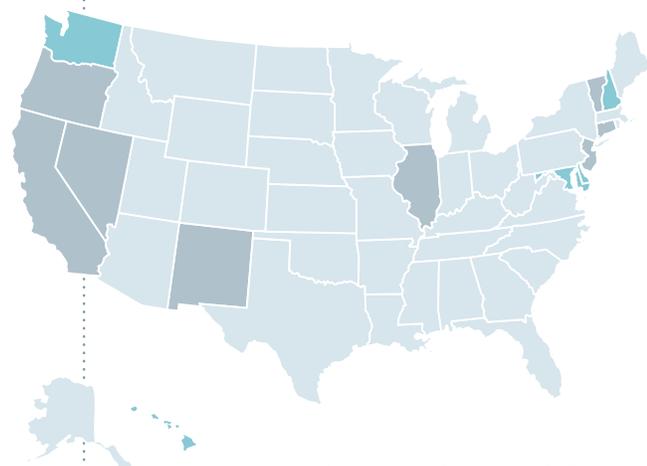
350,000

RECEIVED IT AS ADOLESCENTS



STATES THAT HAVE BANNED CONVERSION THERAPY BY LICENSED HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

● 2018 ban ● Bans pre-2018 ● No ban



Source: bit.ly/ConversionLGBT

May

► Kansas and Oklahoma enacted laws that allow child welfare agencies to deny services to LGBT people based on religious objection.

June

► New Hampshire enacted a law prohibiting discrimination based on gender identity. Arizona and Florida, along with 15 other states, considered legislation that would have protected LGBT people from discrimination.

August

► California passed a law ensuring that LGBT seniors have equal access to services and programs.

PARENTING



► 86,000 female couples | 28,000 male couples

PARENTS RAISING ADOPTED AND FOSTER CHILDREN



● Same-sex parents



● Male/female parents

► Same-sex parents are 7 times more likely to be raising adopted and foster children than male/female parents.

DISCRIMINATION



203,000

LGBT ADULTS

+

45,500

LGBT YOUTH AT RISK OF DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT

► LGBT adults in Arizona are almost twice as likely to be diagnosed with a depressive disorder as non-LGBT adults.



\$249 million

BENEFIT TO FLORIDA'S ECONOMY EACH YEAR IF THE STATE REDUCED STIGMA-RELATED HEALTH DISPARITIES

► 78% of Floridians support passing federal laws to protect LGBT people from employment discrimination.

AGING ADULTS

431,800

CALIFORNIANS AGE 50 AND OLDER IDENTIFY AS LGB



CALIFORNIA'S LGB SENIORS

► California's aging LGB adults are more likely to live alone than straight older adults.



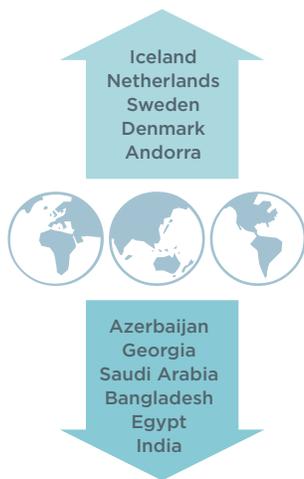
► Bisexual Californians, aged 65 and older, are twice as likely to live below 200% of the federal poverty level as gays and lesbians.



September

► The Supreme Court of India struck down the country's criminal prohibition of same-sex sexual activity.

ACCEPTANCE



► Average levels of acceptance for LGBT people and rights have increased globally since 1980, though acceptance has become more polarized, increasing in the most accepting countries and decreasing in the least.



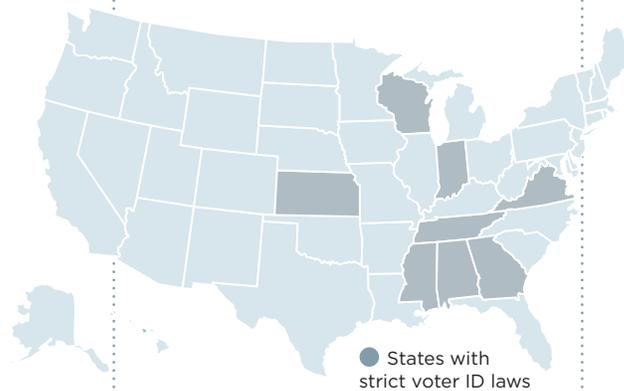
► Of the 141 countries studied, 80 have become more accepting.

Source: bit.ly/LGBTIndex

November

► Of the 34 states with voter ID laws, eight have strict laws that require voters to present a government-issued photo ID at the polls.

VOTING RIGHTS



78,000

TRANSGENDER PEOPLE without identification that reflects their correct gender could be disenfranchised in states with strict voter ID laws.

- 4,200 ► Kansas
- 6,600 ► Wisconsin
- 10,000 ► Indiana
- 8,300 ► Virginia
- 12,800 ► Tennessee
- 20,400 ► Georgia
- 10,700 ► Alabama
- 5,300 ► Mississippi

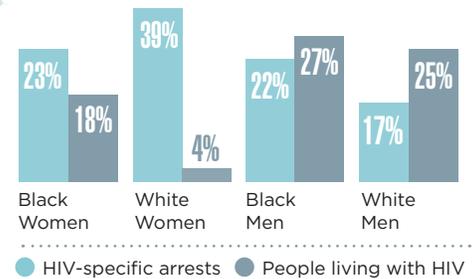
Source: bit.ly/transvoterID

December

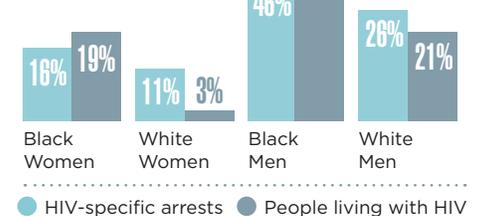
► Currently, 34 states have laws that criminalize otherwise legal conduct or increase penalties for illegal conduct based on a person's HIV-positive status.

HIV CRIMINALIZATION

FLORIDA ARRESTS

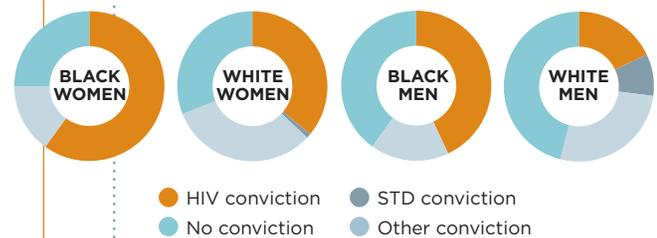


GEORGIA ARRESTS



► In Georgia and Florida, White women were disproportionately arrested for HIV-specific offenses.

FLORIDA SEX WORK CONVICTIONS



► In Florida, Black women were disproportionately convicted of HIV-specific offenses in the context of sex work.

Source: bit.ly/FLHIVcrim Source: bit.ly/GAHIVcrim