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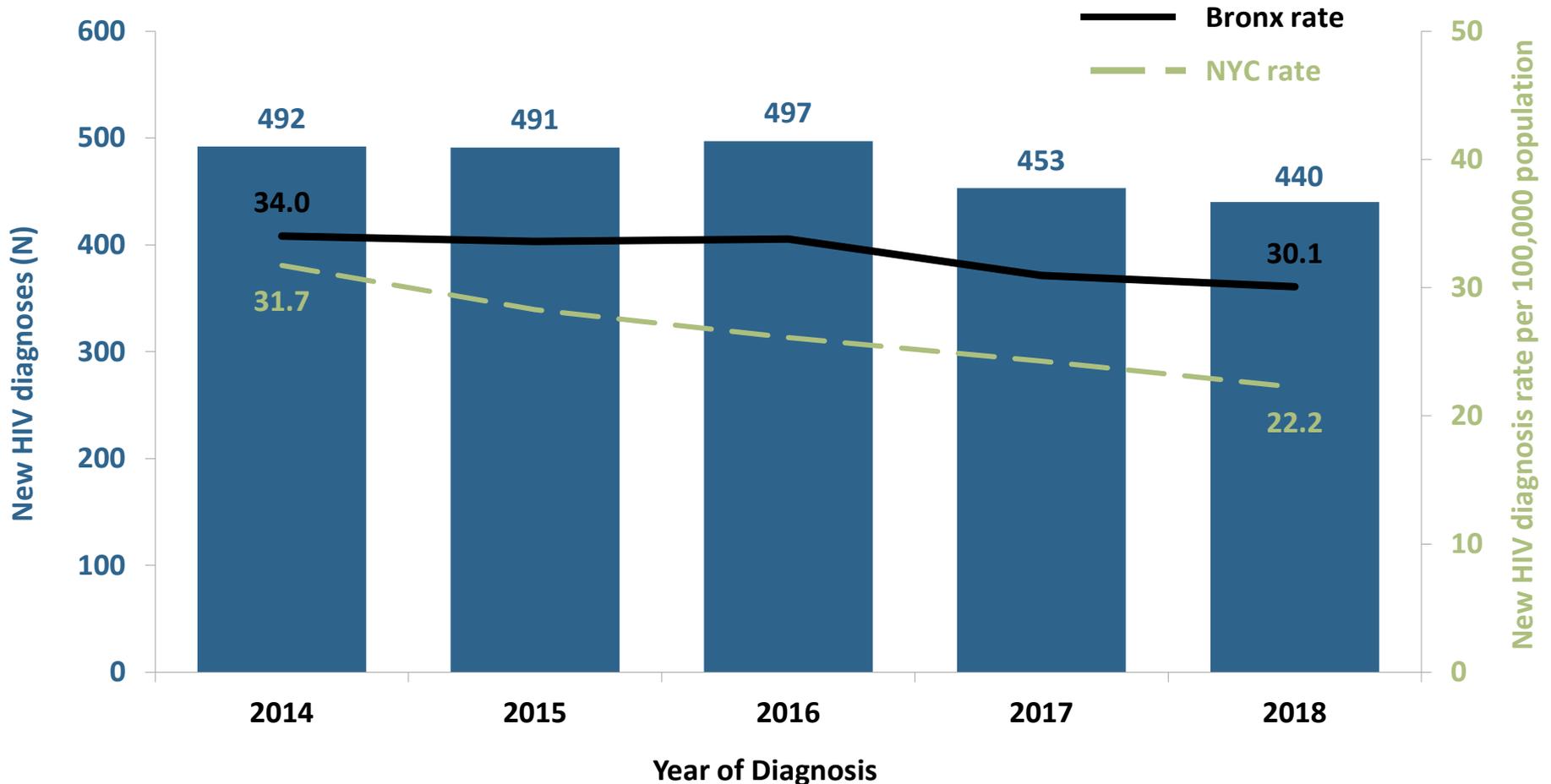
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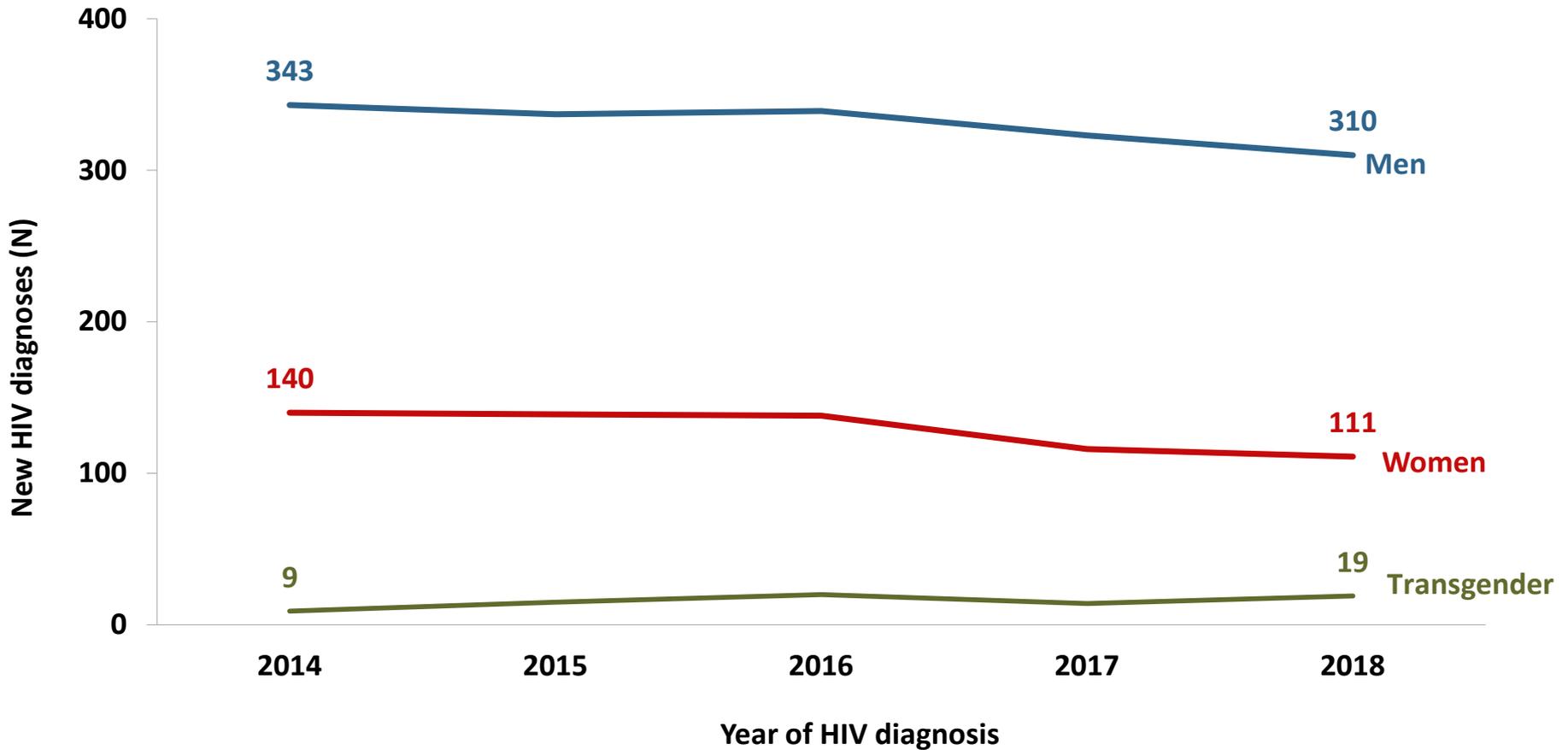
- **17% of all New Yorkers live in the Bronx**
- **440 new HIV diagnoses**
 - 23% of all HIV diagnoses in NYC
 - Includes 81 HIV diagnoses concurrent with an AIDS diagnosis (18%)
- **355 new AIDS diagnoses**
- **469 deaths among people with HIV**
 - 9.9 deaths per 1,000 people with HIV¹

NEW HIV DIAGNOSES IN THE BRONX, 2014-2018



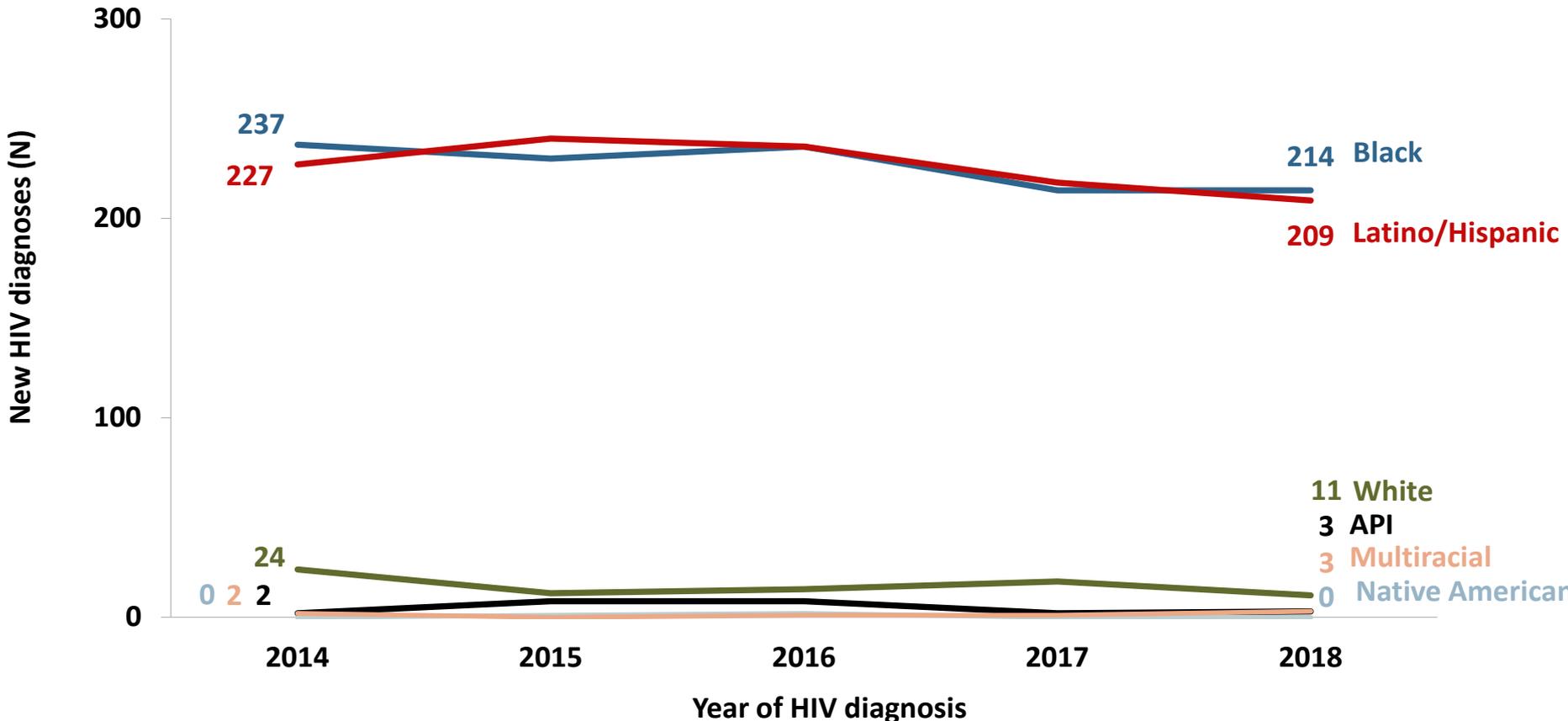
The number and rate of new HIV diagnoses decreased in the Bronx between 2014 and 2018. The HIV diagnosis rate was higher in the Bronx than in NYC overall.

NUMBER OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES BY GENDER IN THE BRONX, 2014-2018



Between 2014 and 2018, the number of new HIV diagnoses among both men and women decreased in the Bronx but increased among transgender people.

NUMBER OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES BY RACE/ETHNICITY IN THE BRONX, 2014-2018

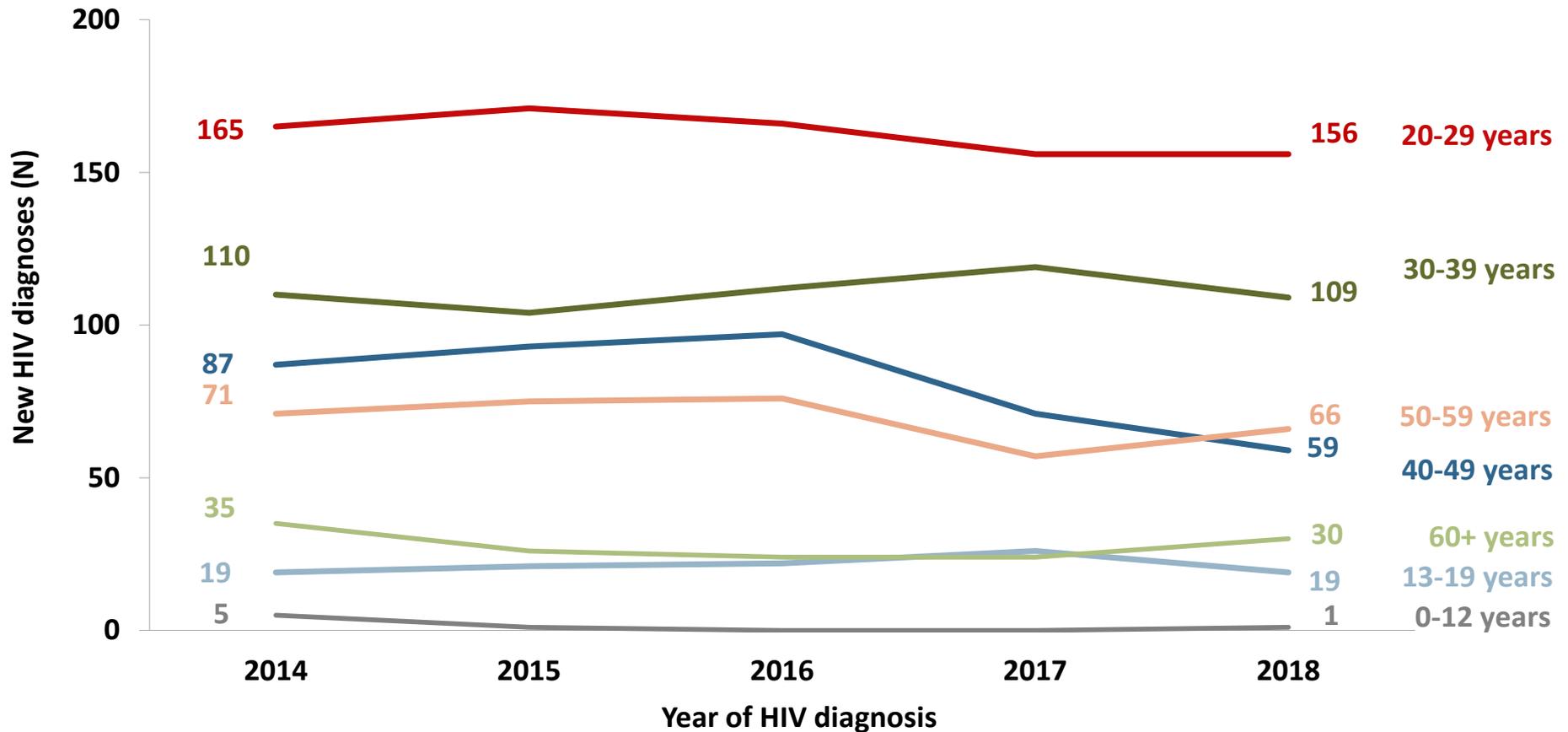


Between 2014 and 2018, HIV diagnoses decreased among Black, Latino/Hispanic, and White people. Black and Latino/Hispanic people accounted for most new diagnoses in the Bronx.



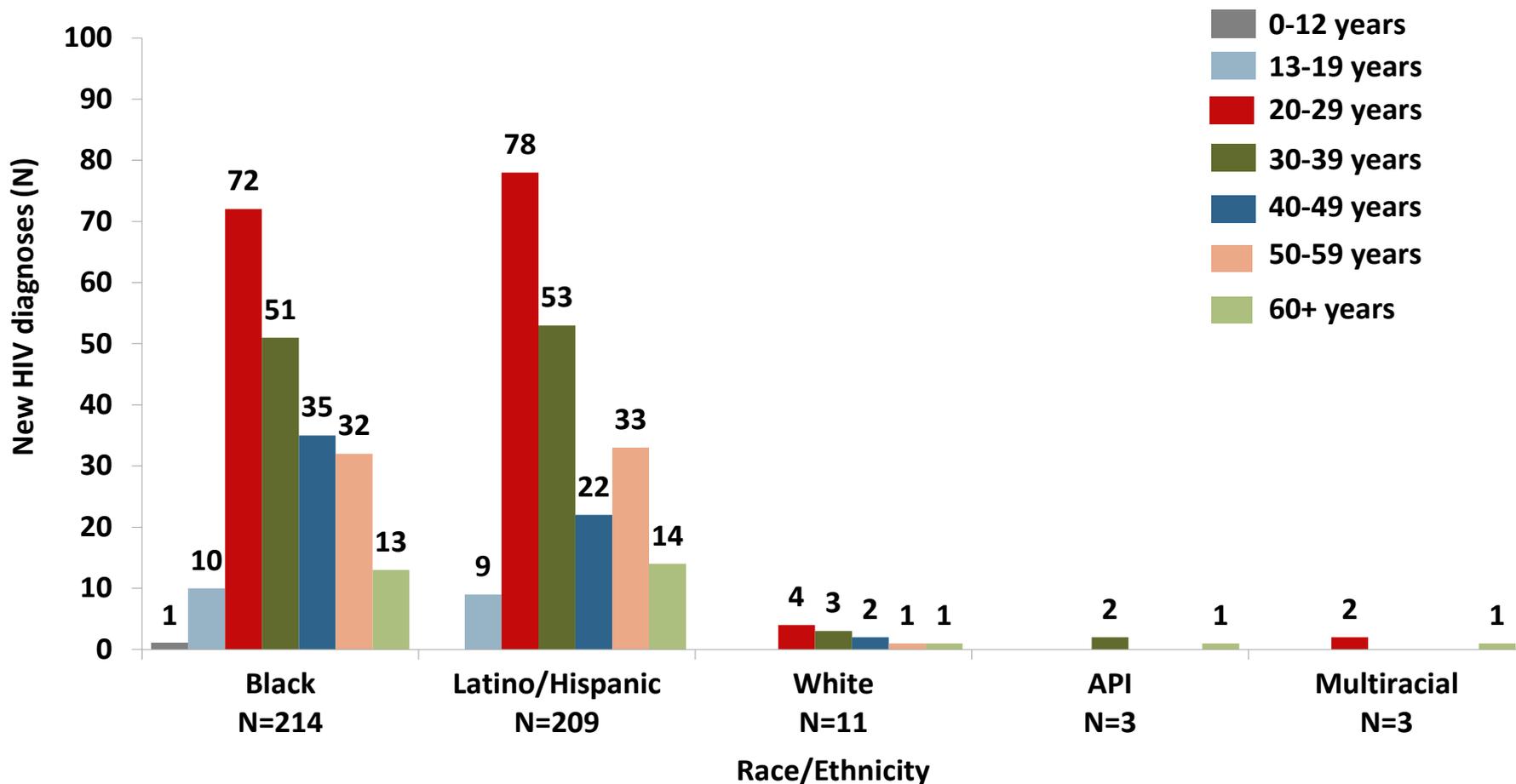
API=Asian/Pacific Islander.
 Among Native Americans living in the Bronx, there were N=1 new HIV diagnoses in 2015, and N=2 new HIV diagnoses in 2016.
 As reported to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene by March 31, 2019.

NUMBER OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES BY AGE IN THE BRONX, 2014-2018



Between 2014 and 2018, people ages 20 to 29 years had the highest numbers of new HIV diagnoses in the Bronx. New diagnoses decreased among most age groups.

NUMBER OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES BY RACE/ETHNICITY AND AGE IN THE BRONX, 2018



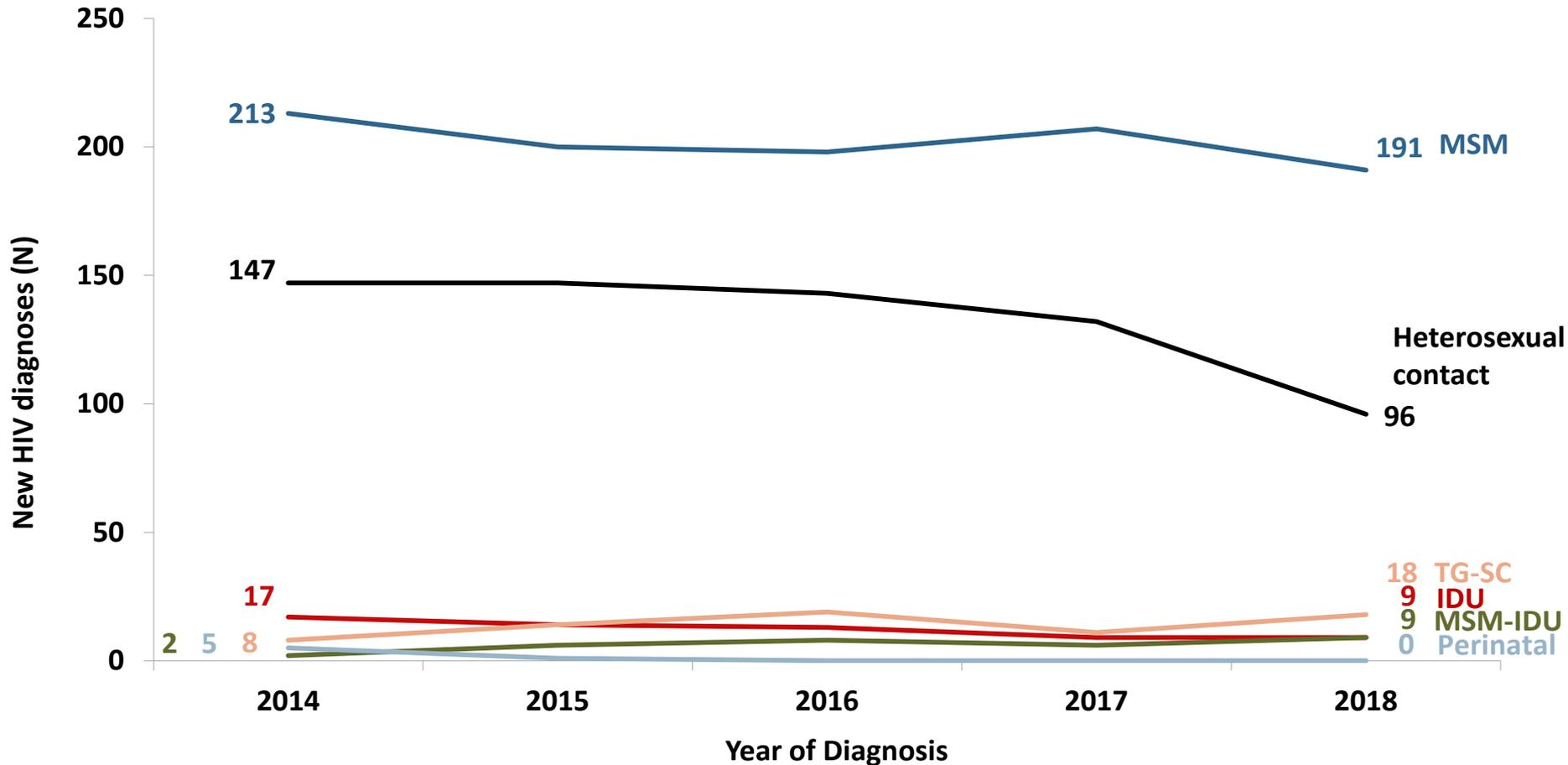
Black and Latino/Hispanic people ages 20 to 29 years and 30 to 39 years accounted for the largest proportion of new HIV diagnoses in the Bronx in 2018.

API=Asian/Pacific Islander.

Native Americans not shown. There were no new diagnoses among Native Americans in the Bronx in 2018.

As reported to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene by March 31, 2019.

NUMBER OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES BY TRANSMISSION RISK IN THE BRONX, 2014-2018



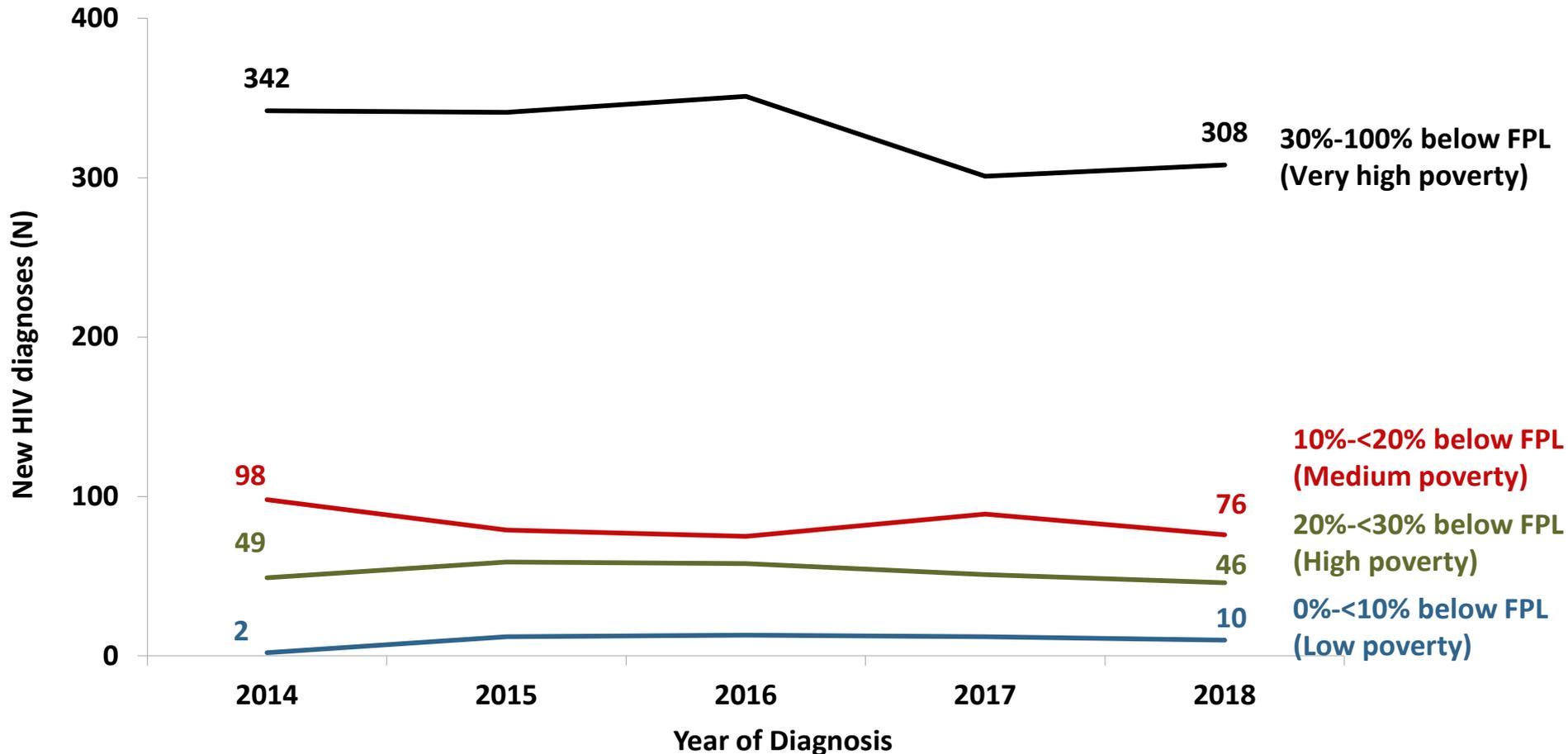
Between 2014 and 2018, the number of new HIV diagnoses decreased among all transmission risk groups except people with TG-SC and MSM-IDU transmission risk in the Bronx.

MSM=men who have sex with men; IDU=history of injection drug use; TG-SC=transgender people with sexual contact.

People with unknown transmission risk are not shown. There were 116 people with unknown risk newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018.

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NUMBER OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES BY AREA-BASED POVERTY LEVEL IN THE BRONX, 2014-2018

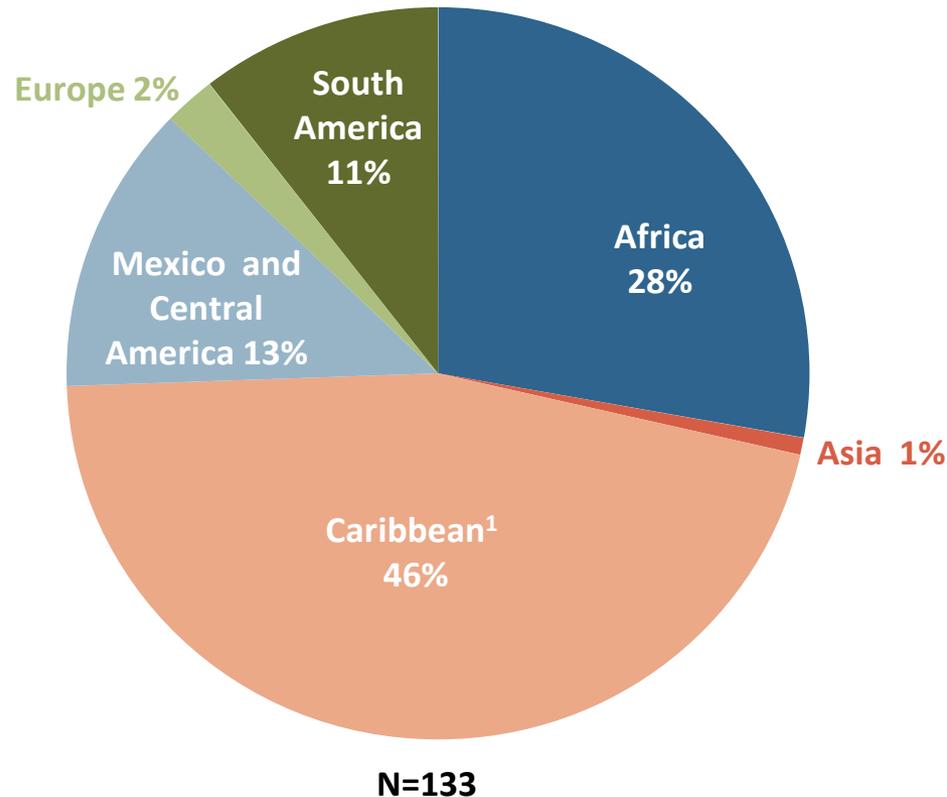


Between 2014 and 2018, the number of new HIV diagnoses was highest in neighborhoods with very high poverty in the Bronx.

FPL=Federal Poverty Level.

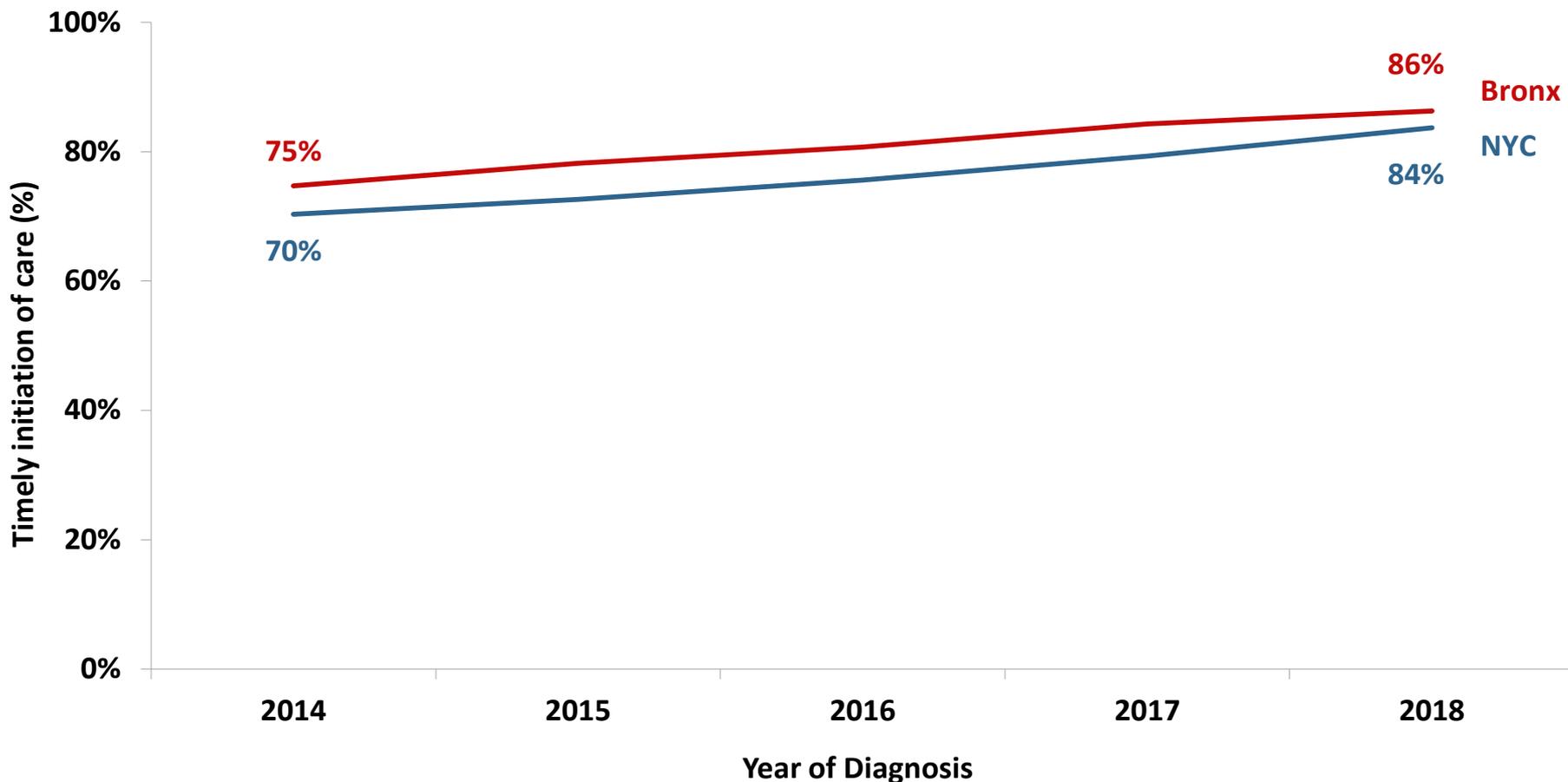
Unknown poverty category is not shown and includes people newly diagnosed with HIV and missing ZIP code at diagnosis. There were 0 people with unknown ZIP code at diagnosis in the Bronx in 2018. As reported to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene by March 31, 2019.

PERCENTAGE OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSES AMONG PEOPLE BORN OUTSIDE OF THE US BY REGION OF BIRTH, BRONX, 2018



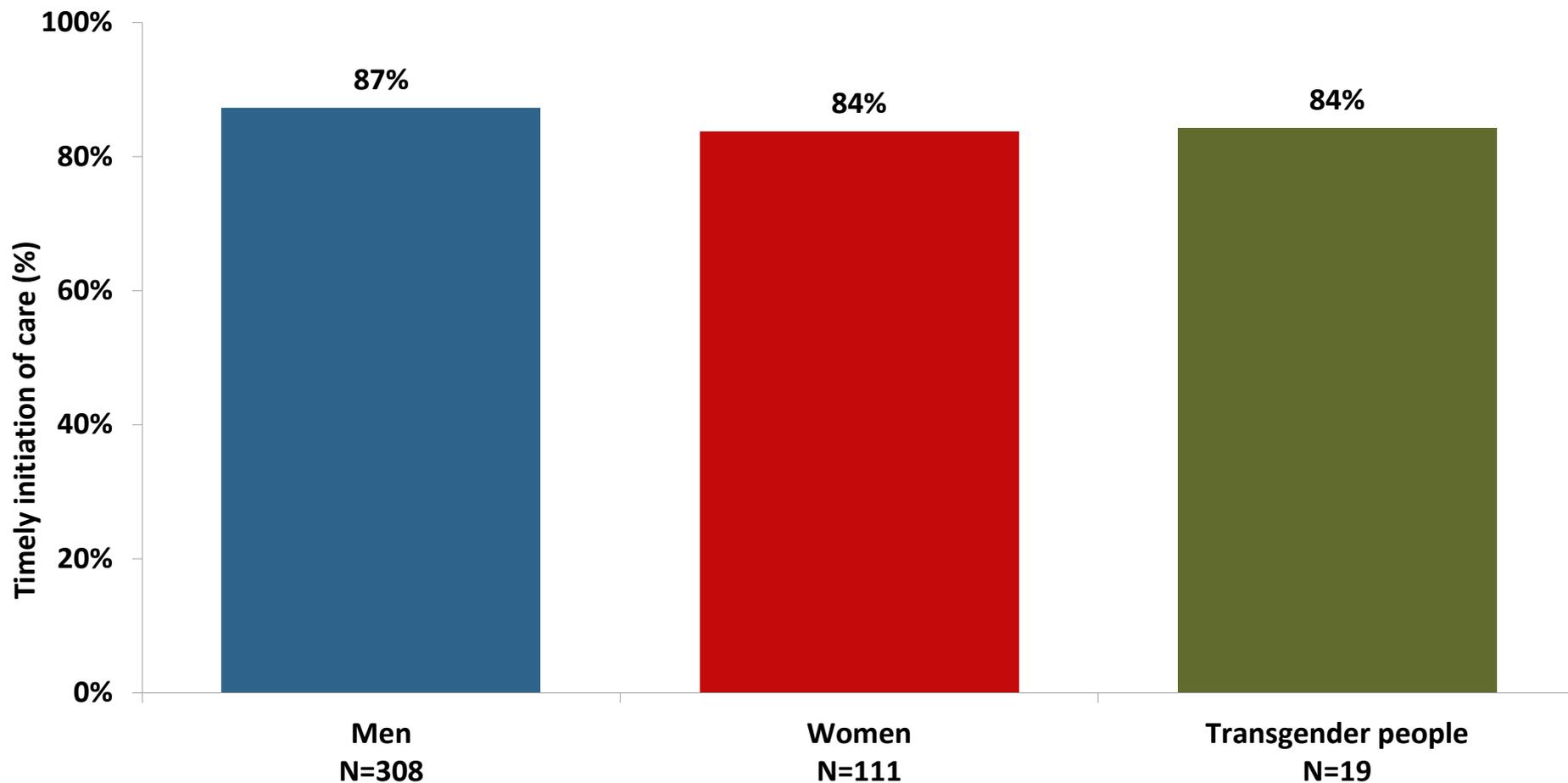
People born outside the US accounted for 30% of new HIV diagnoses in the Bronx in 2018. People born in the Caribbean¹, Mexico and Central America, and South America accounted for 69% of these new HIV diagnoses.

TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV IN NYC AND THE BRONX, 2014-2018



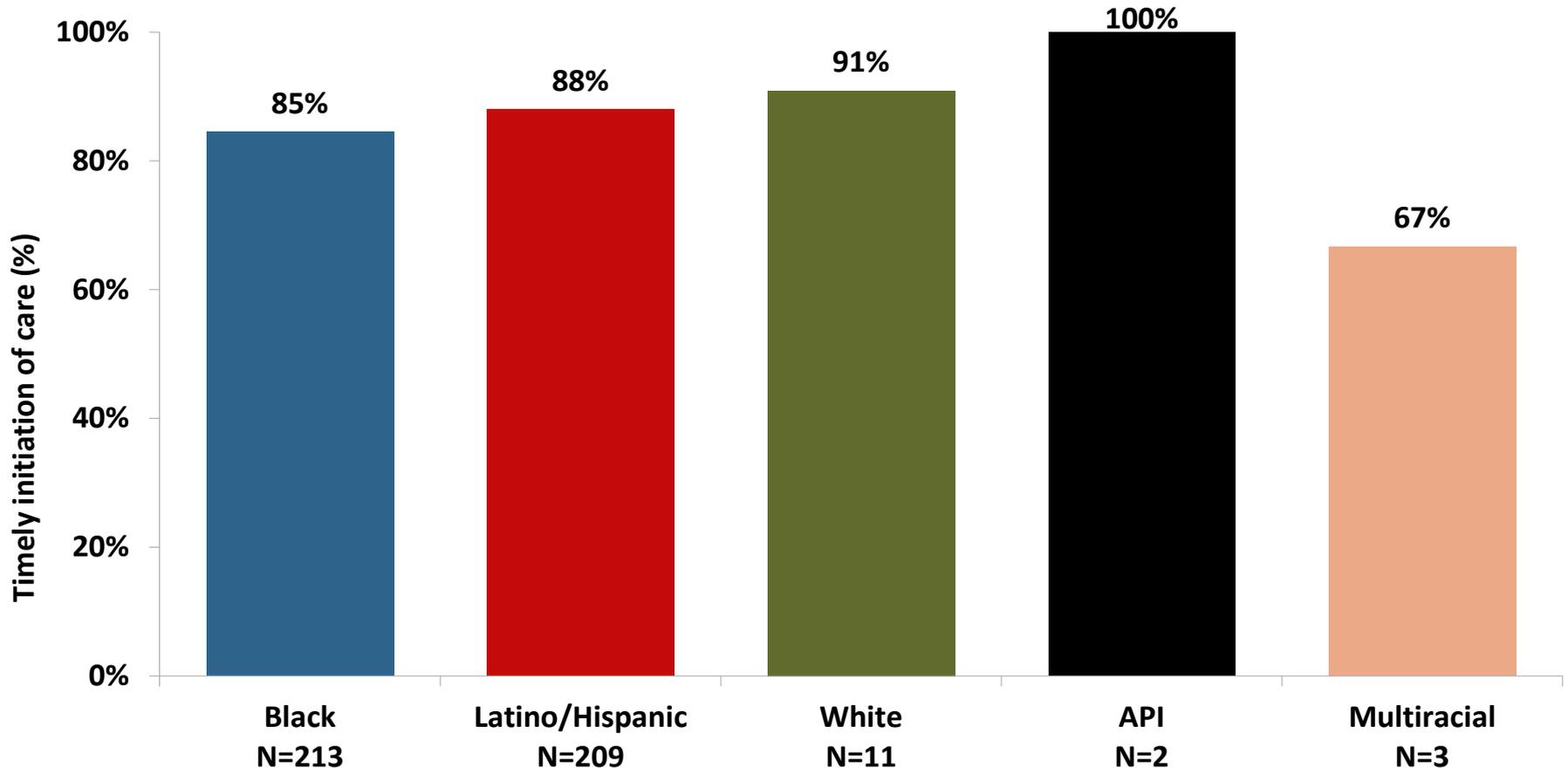
Between 2014 and 2018, timely initiation of care among people newly diagnosed with HIV increased in the Bronx and in NYC overall.

TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY GENDER IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018, a smaller proportion of transgender people and women were linked timely to care than men.

TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY RACE/ETHNICITY IN THE BRONX, 2018



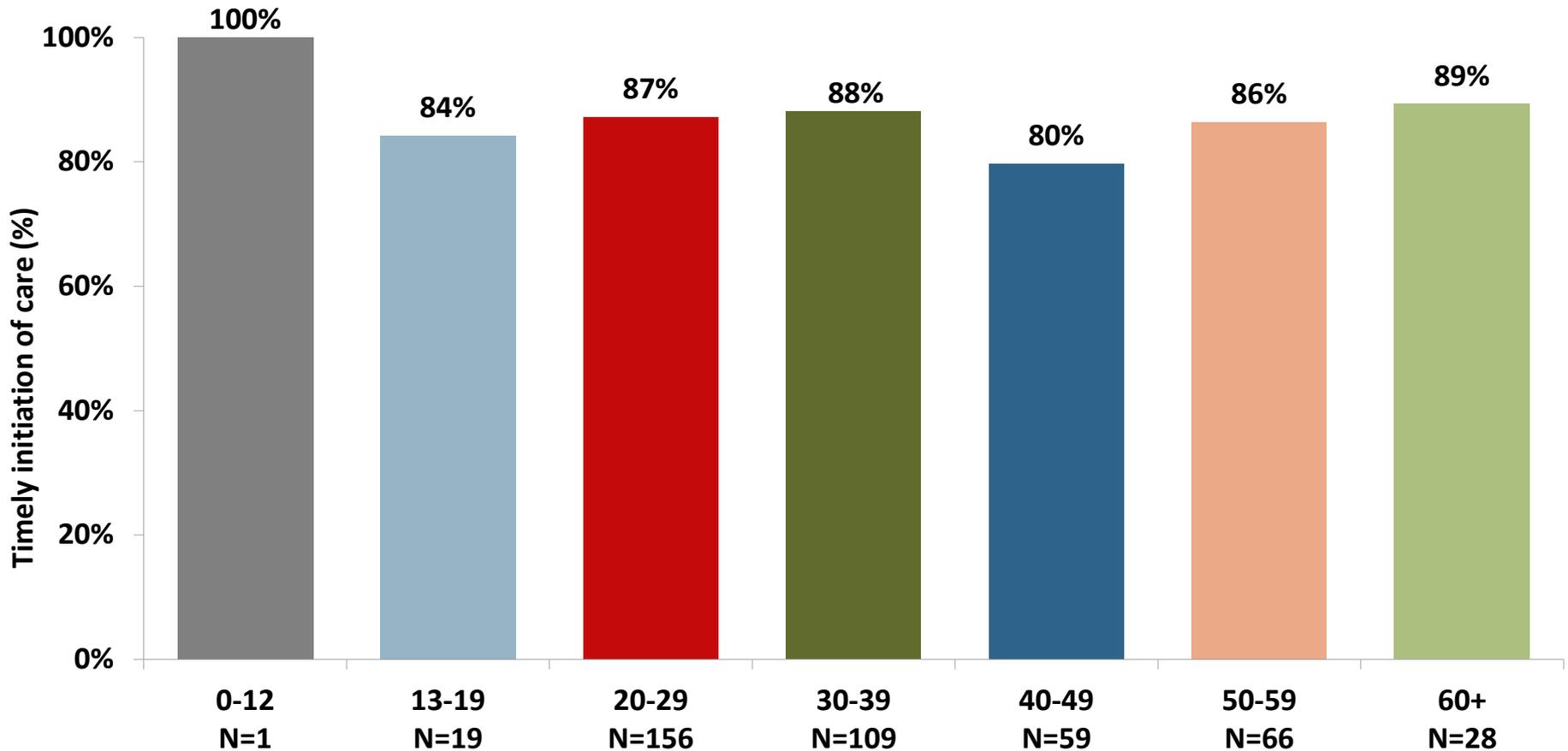
Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018, a larger proportion of White people and Asian/Pacific Islander people were linked timely to care.

Timely initiation of care is defined as first CD4, viral load, or genotype drawn within 30 days of HIV diagnosis. People diagnosed at death have been excluded.

Native American people not shown. There were no new diagnoses among Native American people in NYC in 2018.

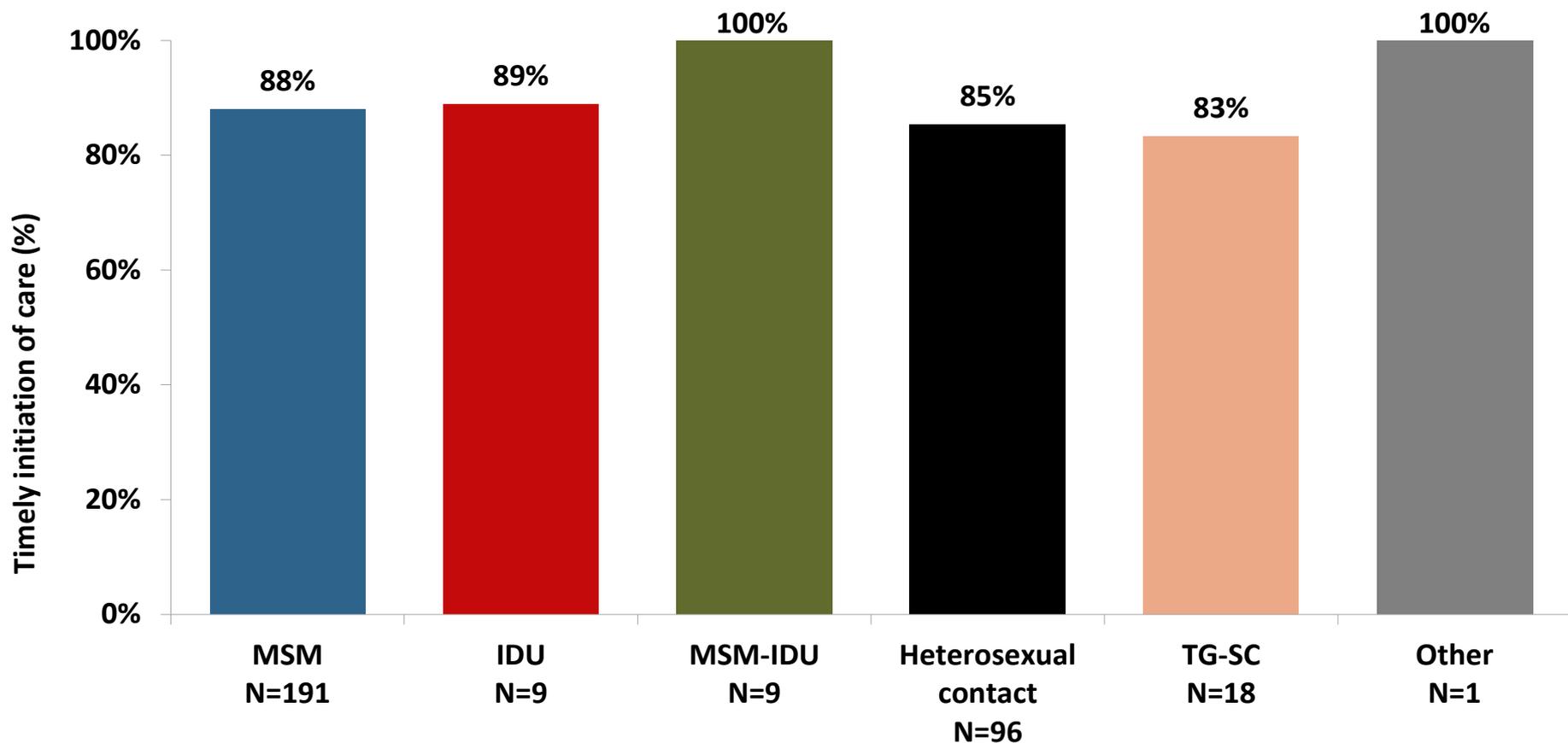
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TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY AGE IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018, people ages 13 to 19 years and 40 to 49 years had the lowest proportion with timely initiation of care.

TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY TRANSMISSION RISK IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018, transgender people with sexual contact had the smallest proportion with timely initiation of care.

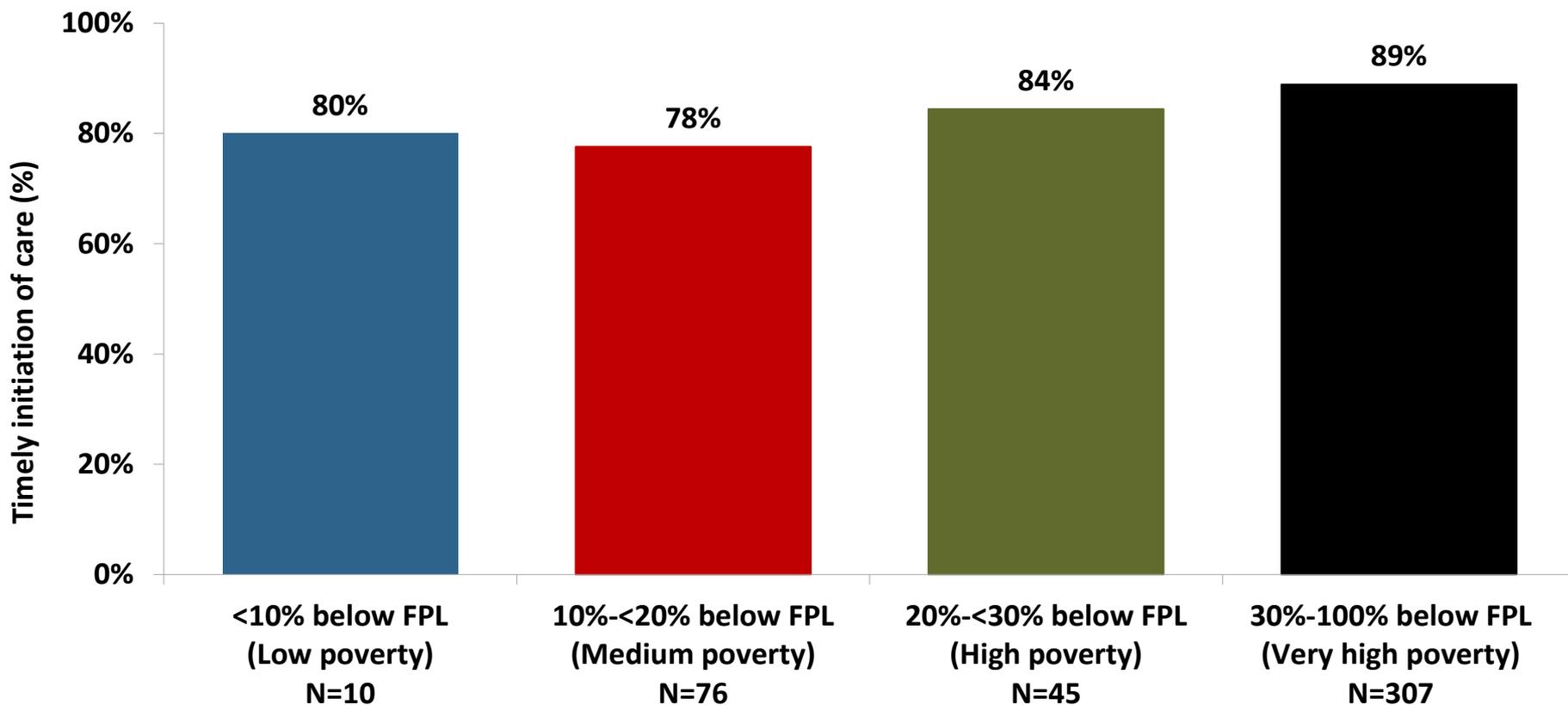
MSM=men who have sex with men; IDU=history of injection drug use; TG-SC=Transgender people with sexual contact.

Timely initiation of care is defined as first CD4, viral load, or genotype drawn within 30 days of HIV diagnosis. People diagnosed at death have been excluded.

New diagnoses with unknown transmission risk (N=116) are not displayed.

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TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY AREA-BASED POVERTY IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018, those living in very high poverty areas had the largest proportion timely linked to care.

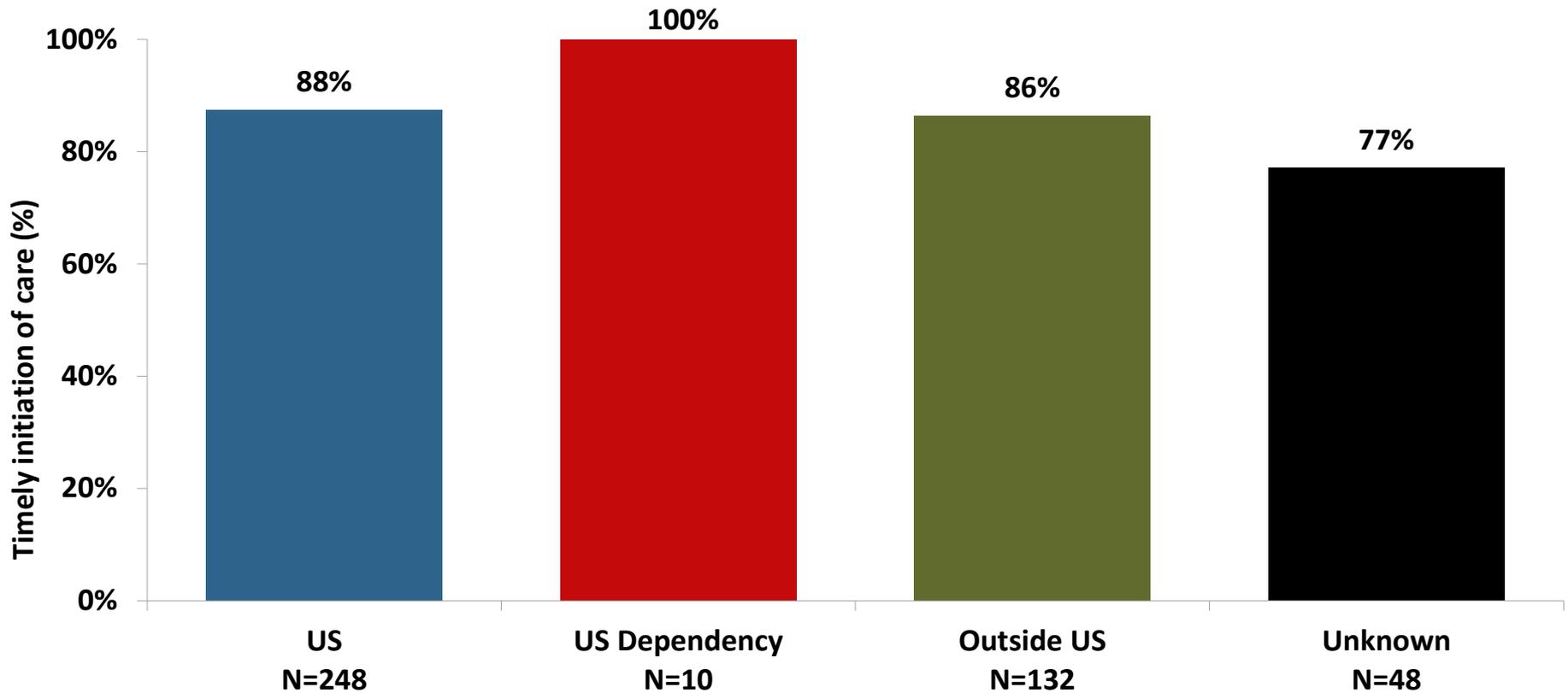
FPL=Federal Poverty Level.

Timely initiation of care is defined as first CD4, viral load, or genotype drawn within 30 days of HIV diagnosis. People diagnosed at death have been excluded.

New diagnoses without area-based poverty information not displayed.

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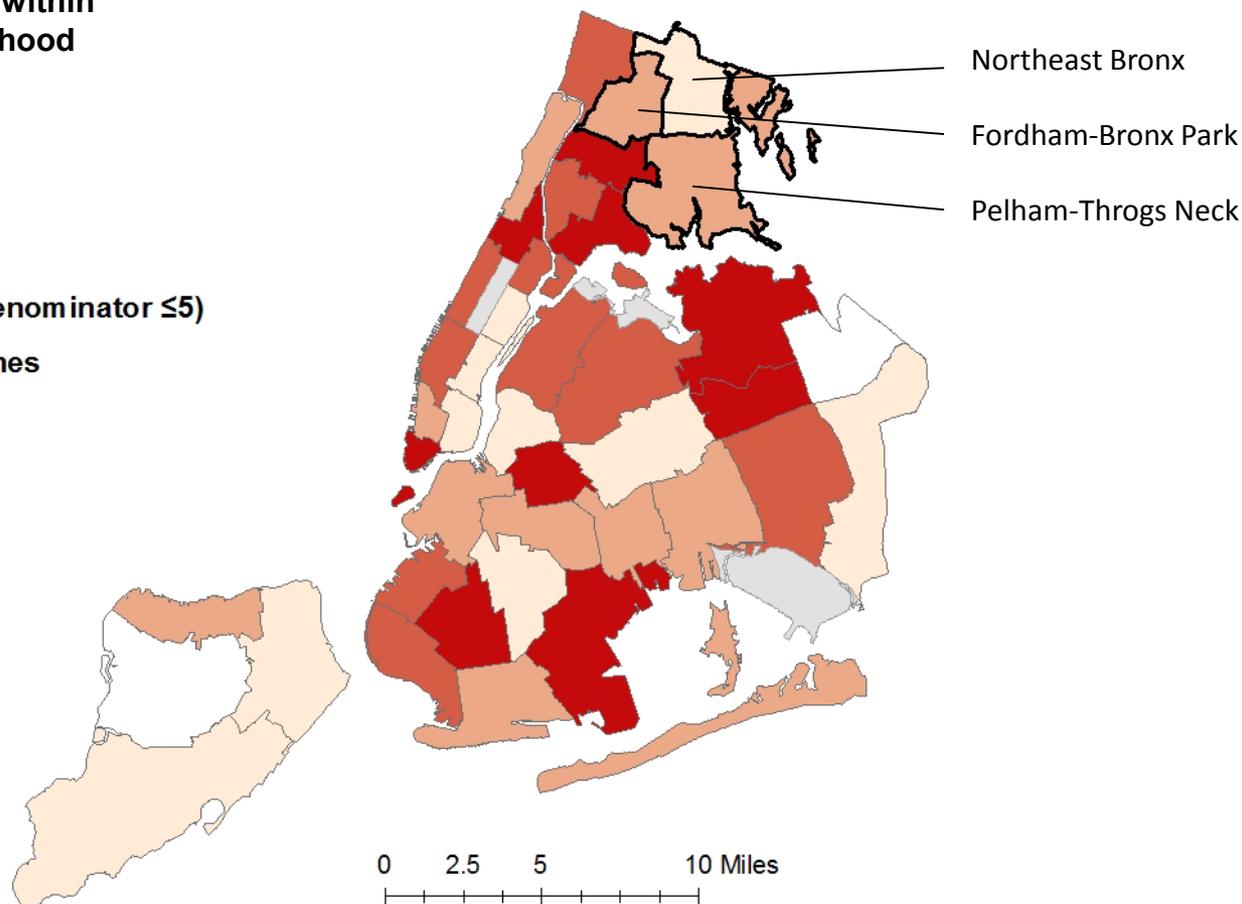
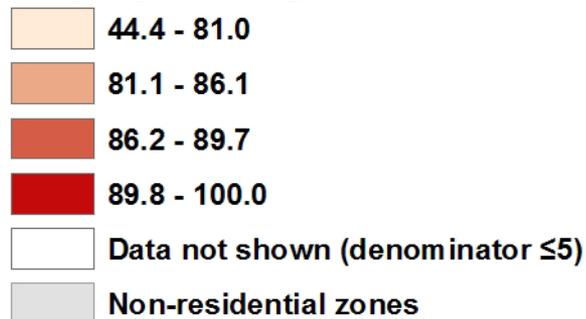
TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Bronx in 2018, people born outside the US had a smaller proportion timely linked to care than people born in the US or in a US Dependency.

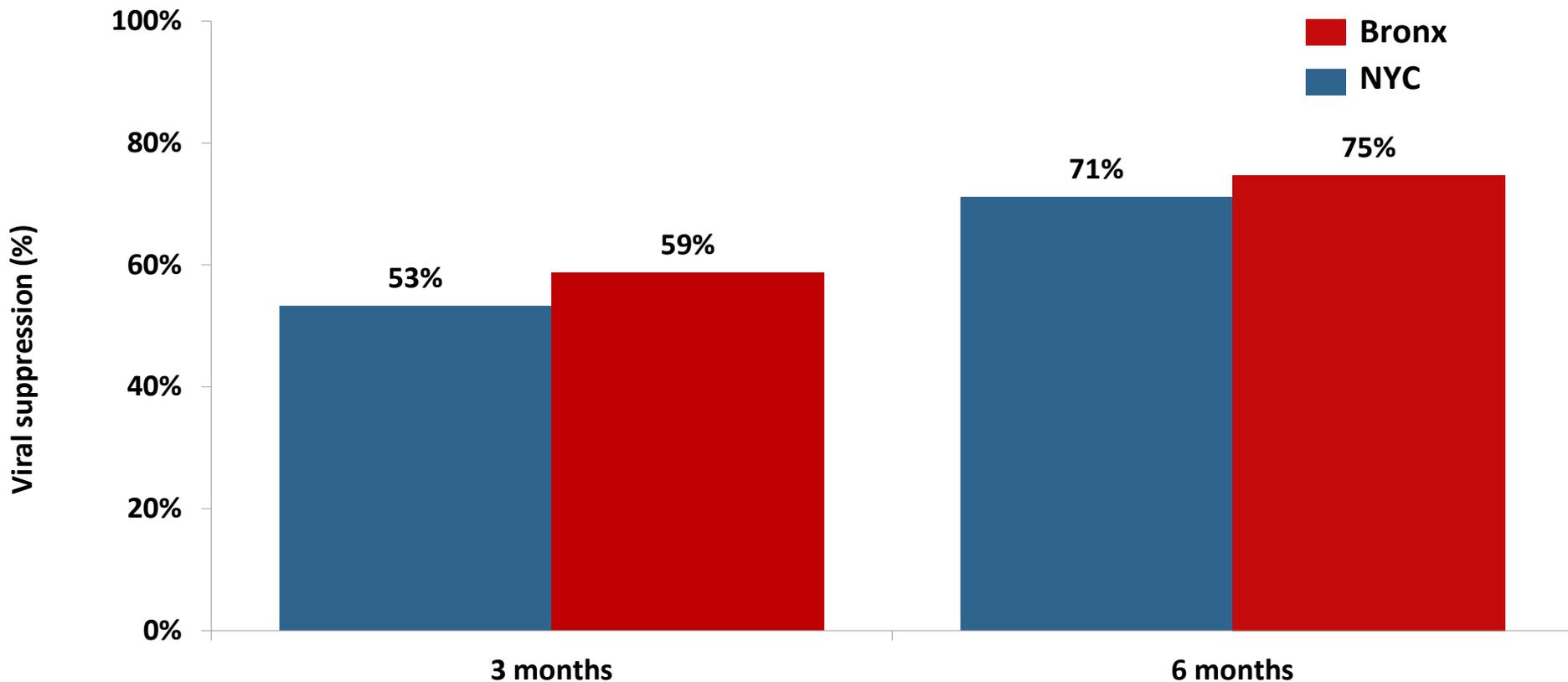
TIMELY INITIATION OF CARE AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV BY UHF NEIGHBORHOOD IN NYC, 2018

Proportion linked to care within 30 days by UHF neighborhood



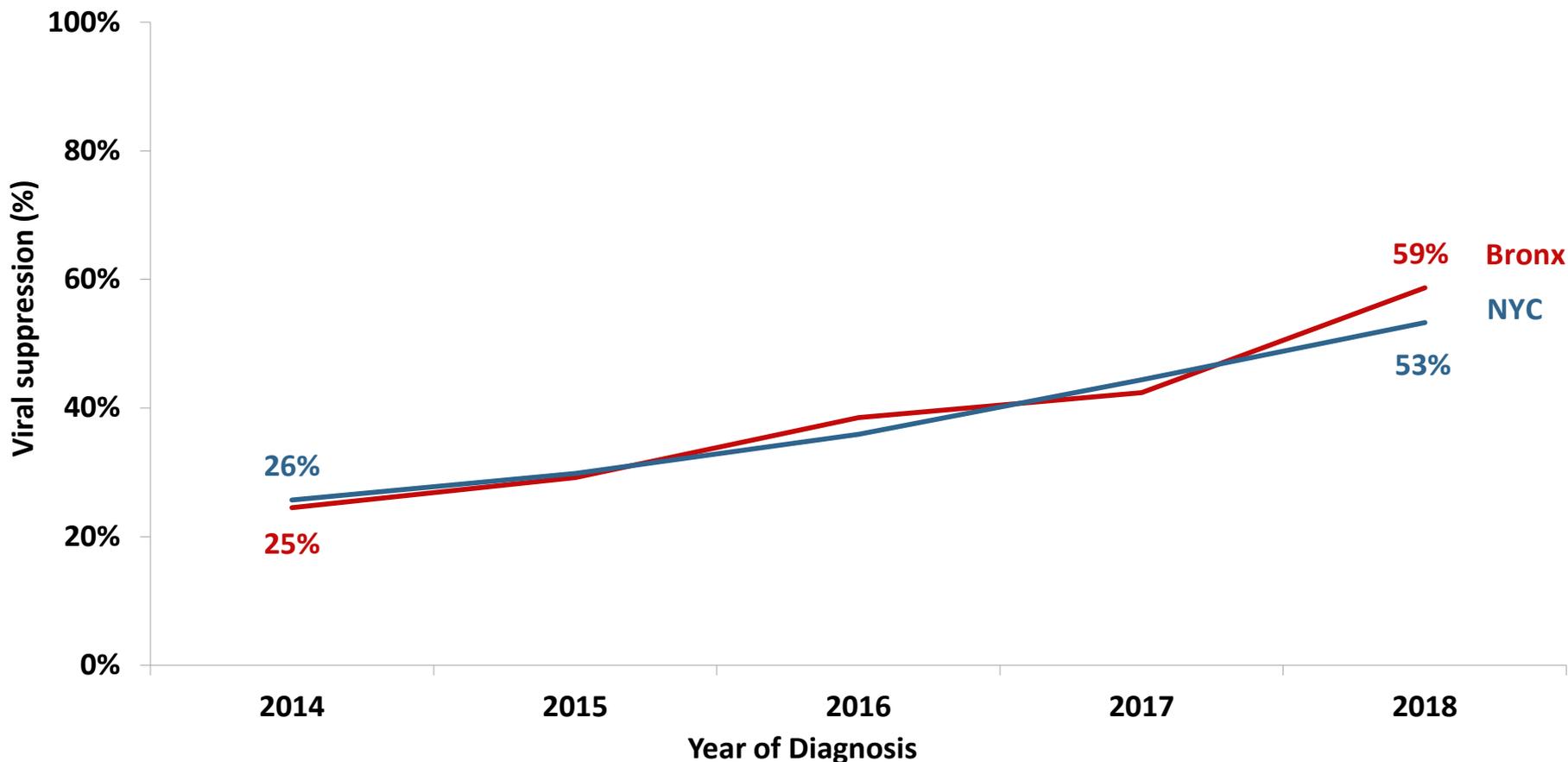
Bronx neighborhoods with the smallest proportions of people timely linked to care in 2018 were Northeast Bronx (74.5%), Pelham-Throgs Neck (82.3%), and Fordham-Bronx Park (83.3%).

VIRAL SUPPRESSION WITHIN 3 AND 6 MONTHS OF NEW HIV DIAGNOSIS IN NYC AND THE BRONX, 2018



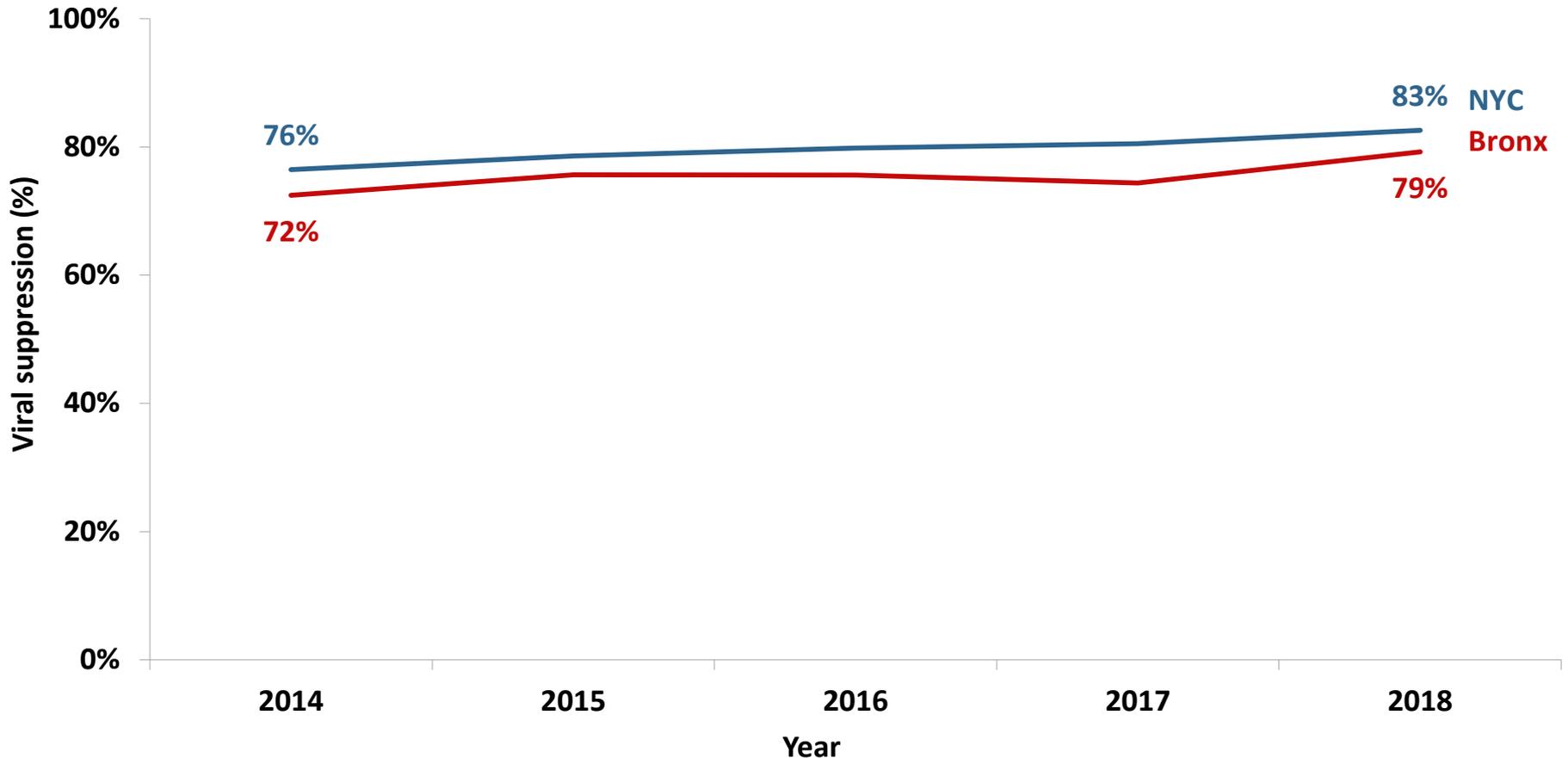
Among people newly diagnosed with HIV in 2018, a larger proportion of Bronx residents achieved viral suppression within 3 months and 6 months of diagnosis than for NYC overall.

VIRAL SUPPRESSION WITHIN 3 MONTHS AMONG PEOPLE NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH HIV IN NYC AND THE BRONX, 2014-2018



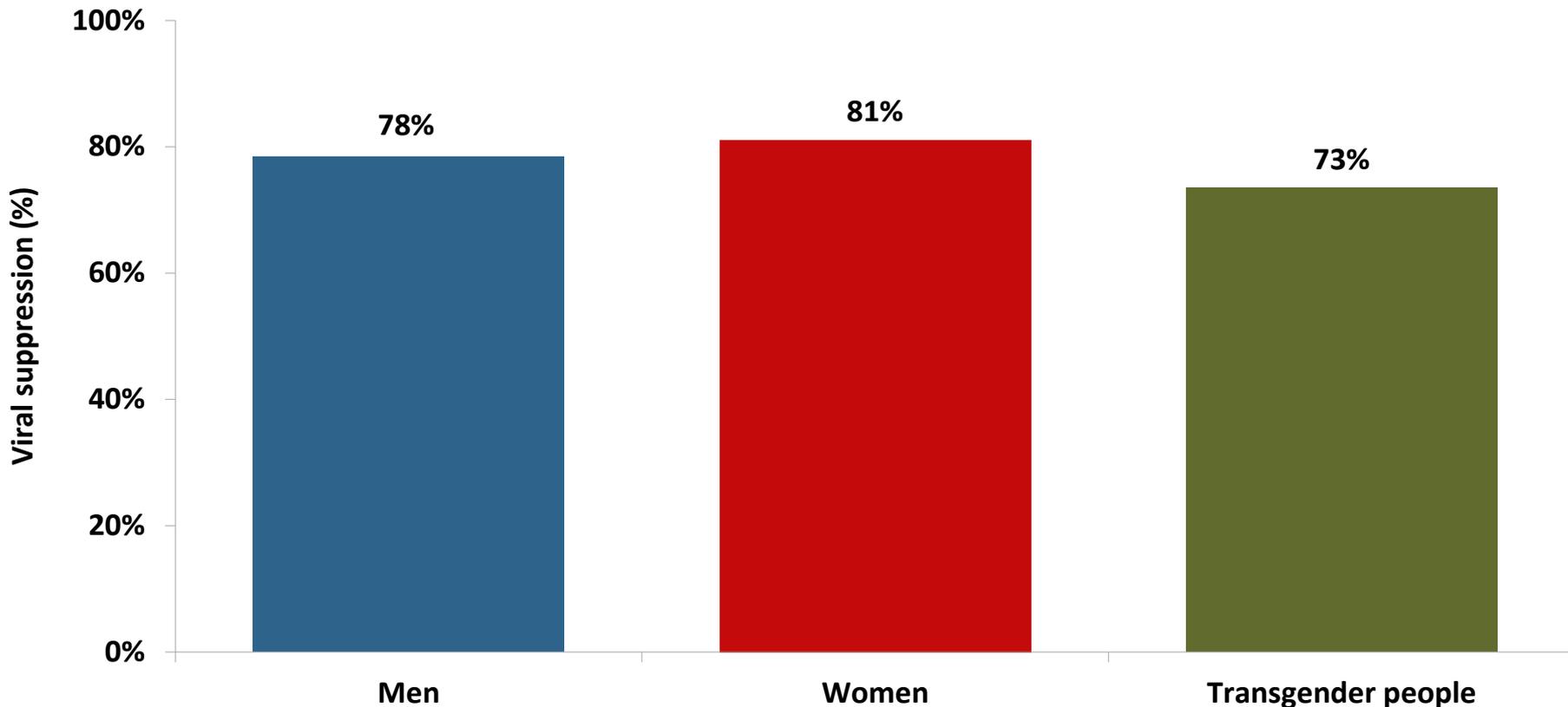
Between 2014 and 2018, viral suppression within 3 months among people newly diagnosed with HIV increased in the Bronx and in NYC.

VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH IN NYC AND THE BRONX, 2014-2018



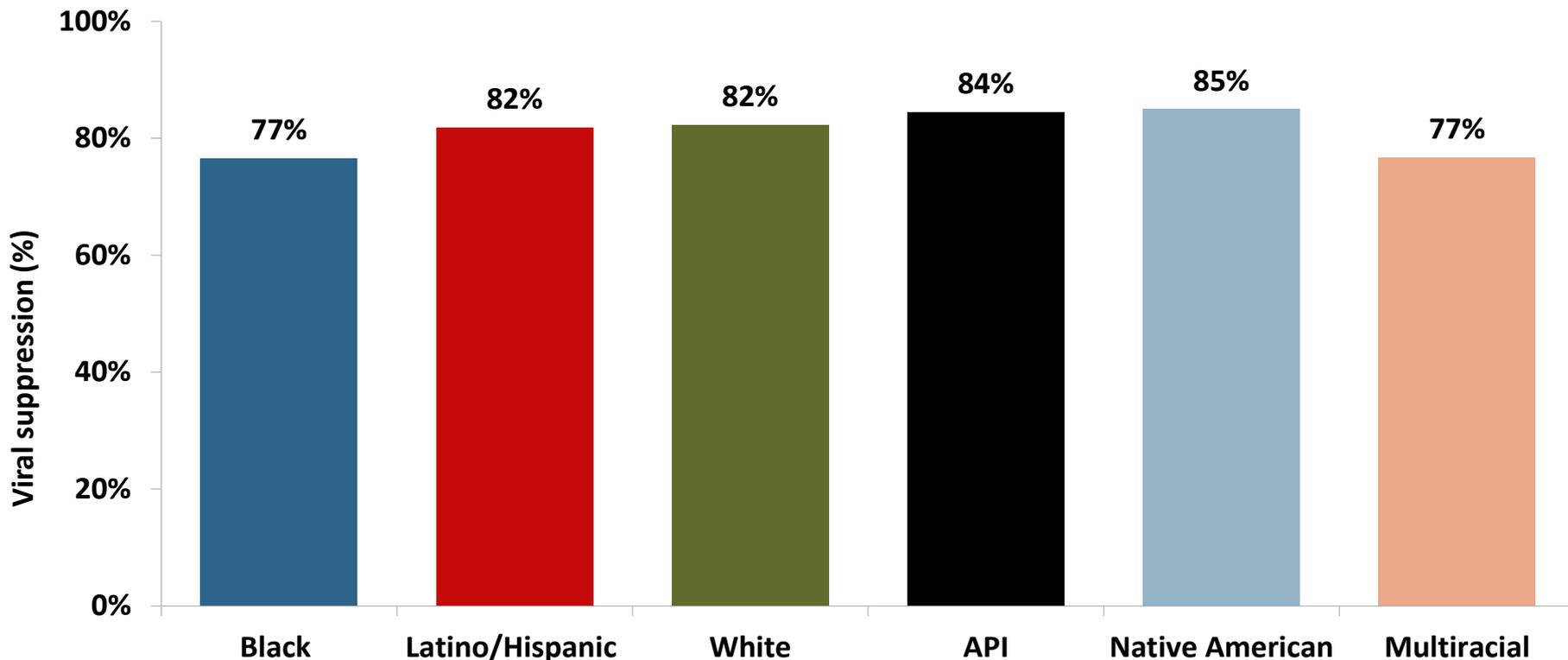
Between 2014 and 2018, viral suppression among all diagnosed PLWH increased in the Bronx and in NYC.

VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH BY GENDER IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among diagnosed PLWH in the Bronx, a smaller proportion of transgender people were virally suppressed compared to men and women.

VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH BY RACE/ETHNICITY IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among diagnosed PLWH in the Bronx, Asian/Pacific Islander people and Native American people had the largest proportion virally suppressed among all racial/ethnic groups.

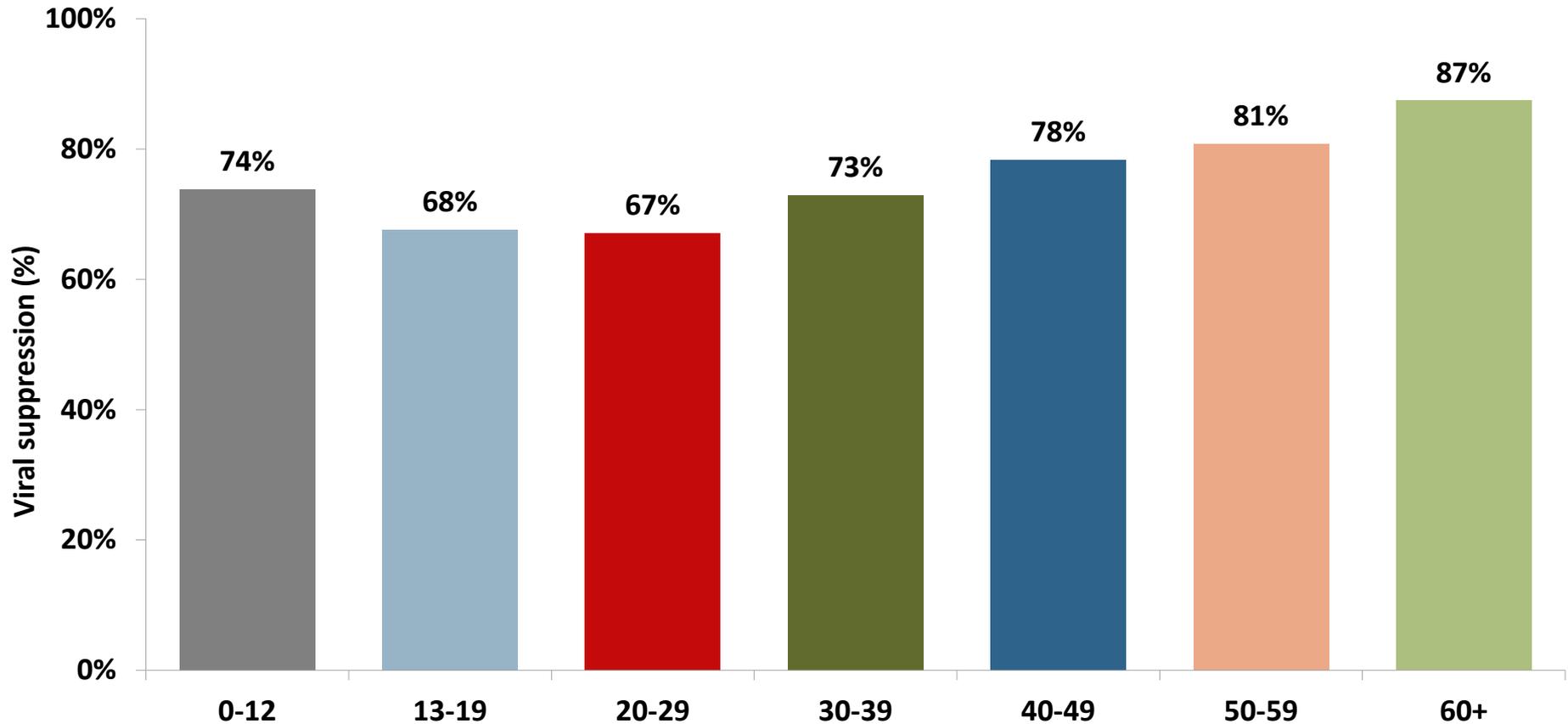
API= Asian/Pacific Islander.

Viral suppression is defined as most recent viral load in 2018 was <200 copies/mL.

People with unknown race/ethnicity not shown. There were 15 PLWH in the Bronx in 2018 whose race/ethnicity was unknown.

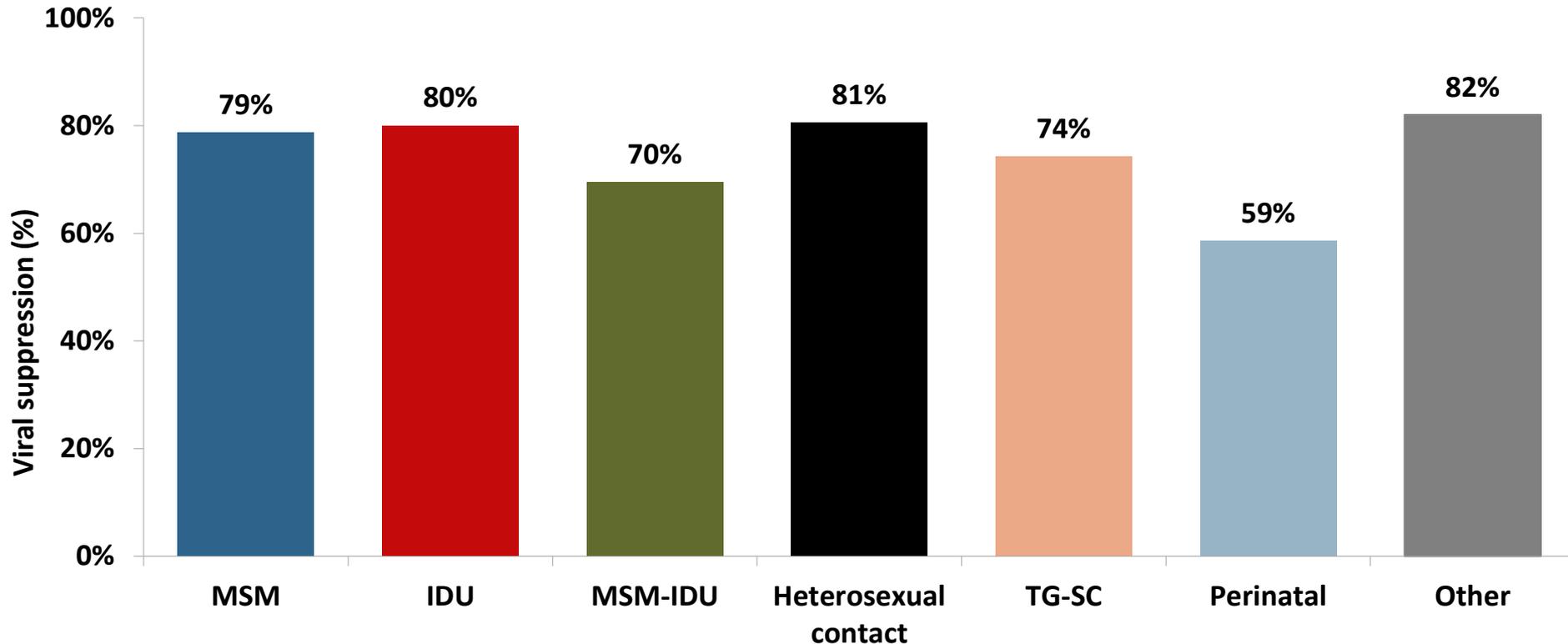
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VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH BY AGE IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among diagnosed PLWH in the Bronx, people ages 13 to 39 years had the smallest proportion virally suppressed and people ages 60 years and older had the largest.

VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH BY TRANSMISSION RISK IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among diagnosed PLWH in the Bronx, people with perinatal transmission risk had the smallest proportion virally suppressed followed by people with MSM-IDU and TG-SC transmission risk.

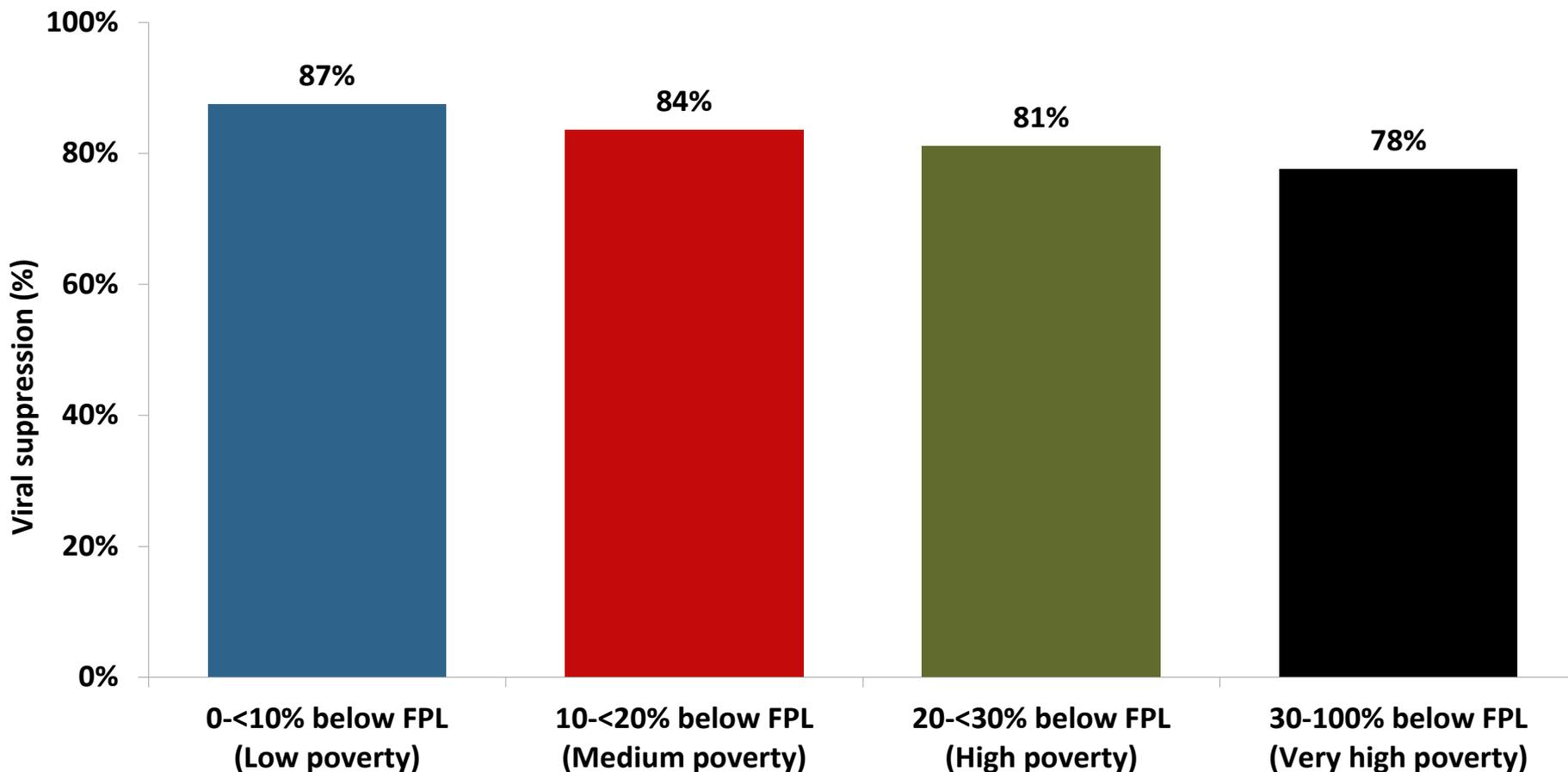
MSM=men who have sex with men; IDU=history of injection drug use; TG-SC=transgender people with sexual contact.

People living with HIV with unknown transmission risk are not displayed.

Viral suppression is defined as most recent viral load in 2018 was <200 copies/mL.

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VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH BY AREA-BASED POVERTY LEVEL IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among diagnosed PLWH in the Bronx, smaller proportions of people living in higher poverty neighborhoods were virally suppressed.

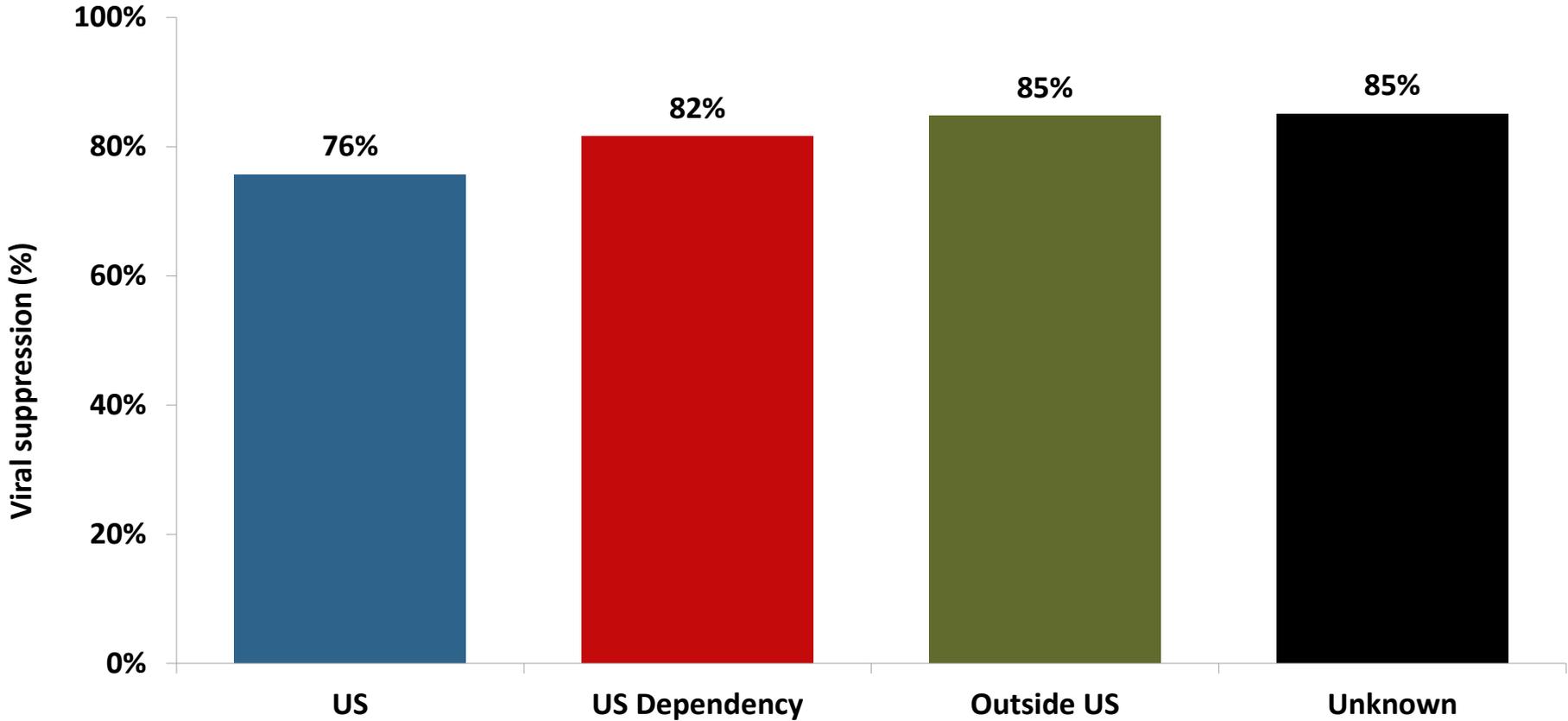
FPL=Federal Poverty Level.

Viral suppression is defined as most recent viral load in 2018 was <200 copies/mL.

PLWH without area-based poverty information not displayed.

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VIRAL SUPPRESSION AMONG DIAGNOSED PLWH BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH IN THE BRONX, 2018



Among diagnosed PLWH in the Bronx, a smaller proportion of people born in the US were virally suppressed compared to people born outside the US or born in a US Dependency.

VIRAL SUPPRESSION BY UHF NEIGHBORHOOD IN NYC, 2018

Proportion virally suppressed
by UHF neighborhood

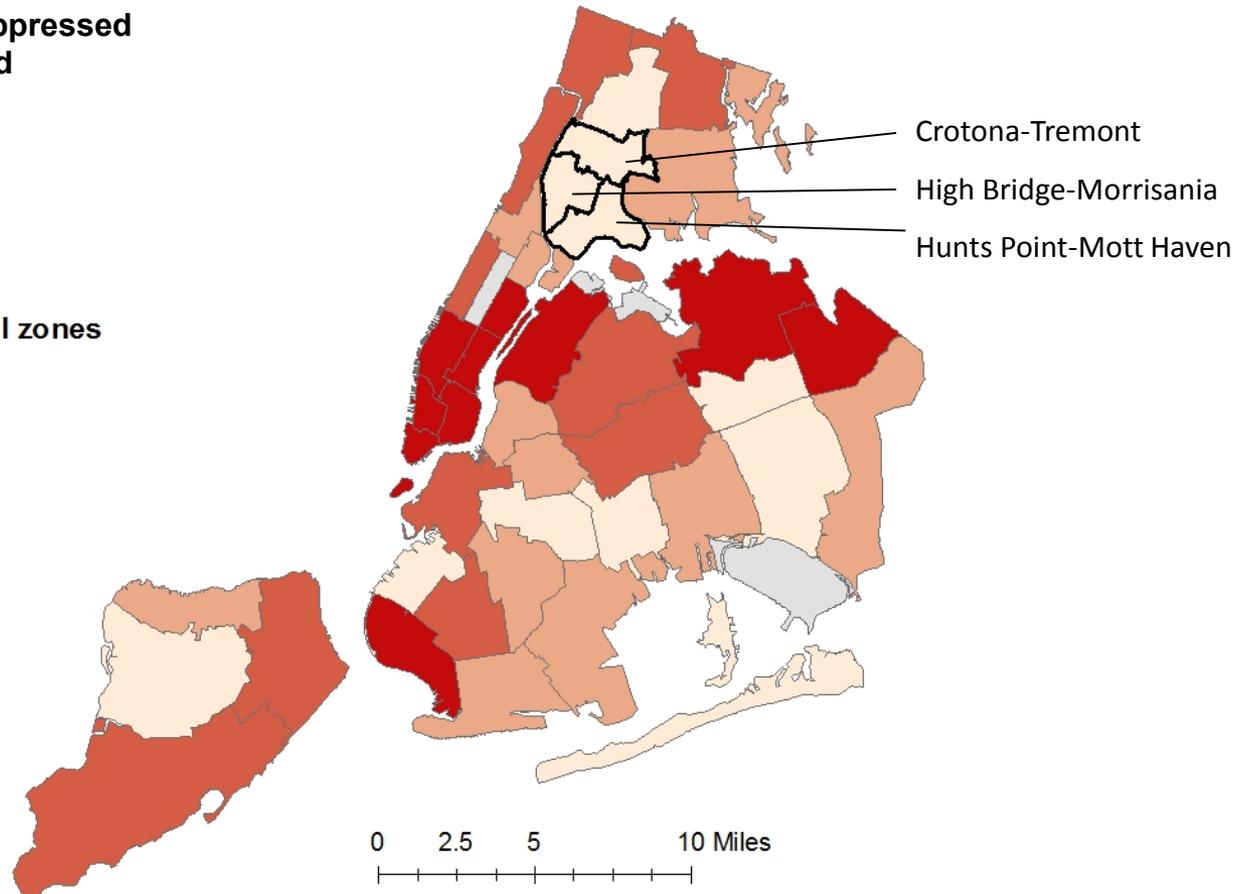
75.1 - 80.7

80.8 - 83.2

83.3 - 86.2

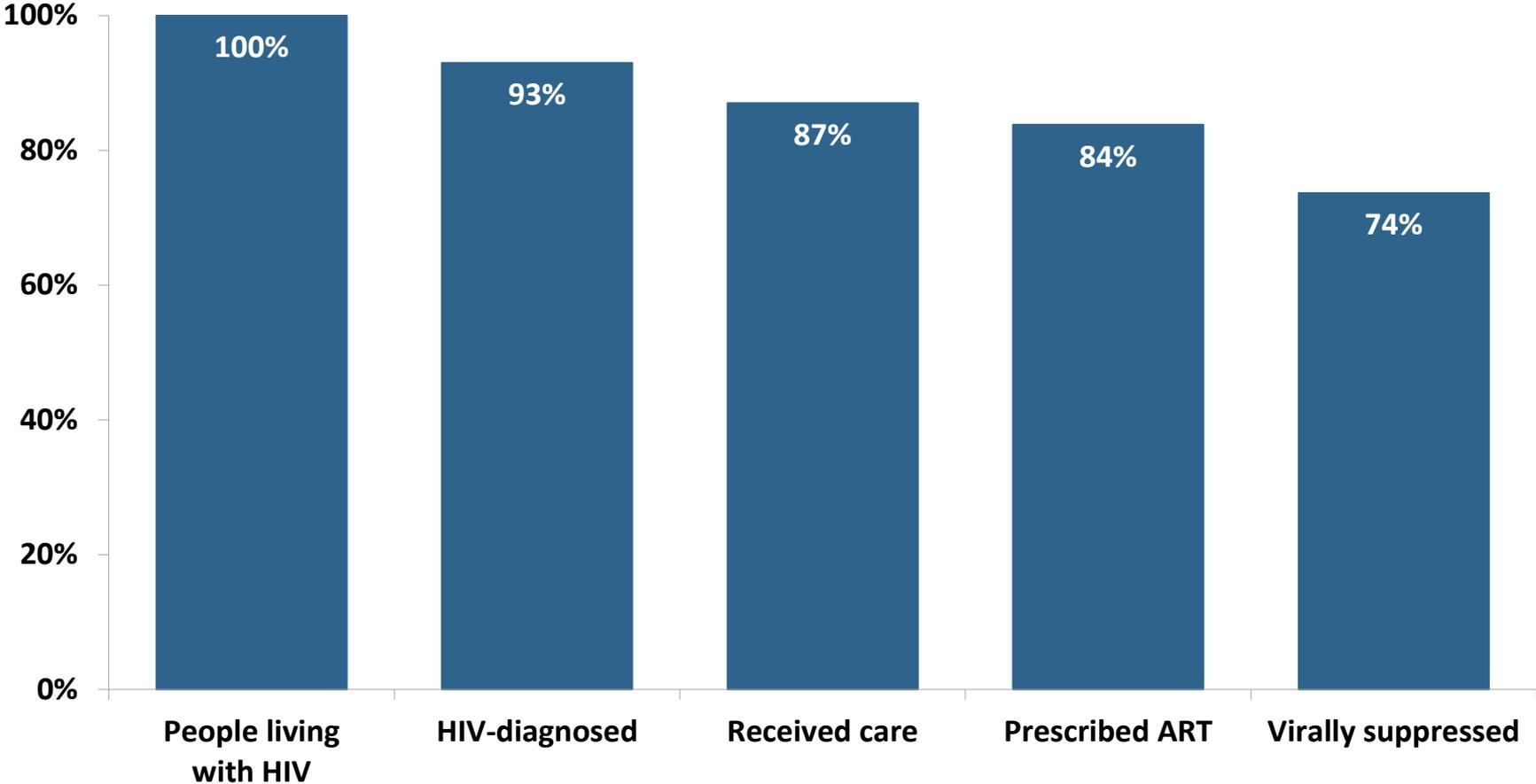
86.3 - 91.2

Non-residential zones



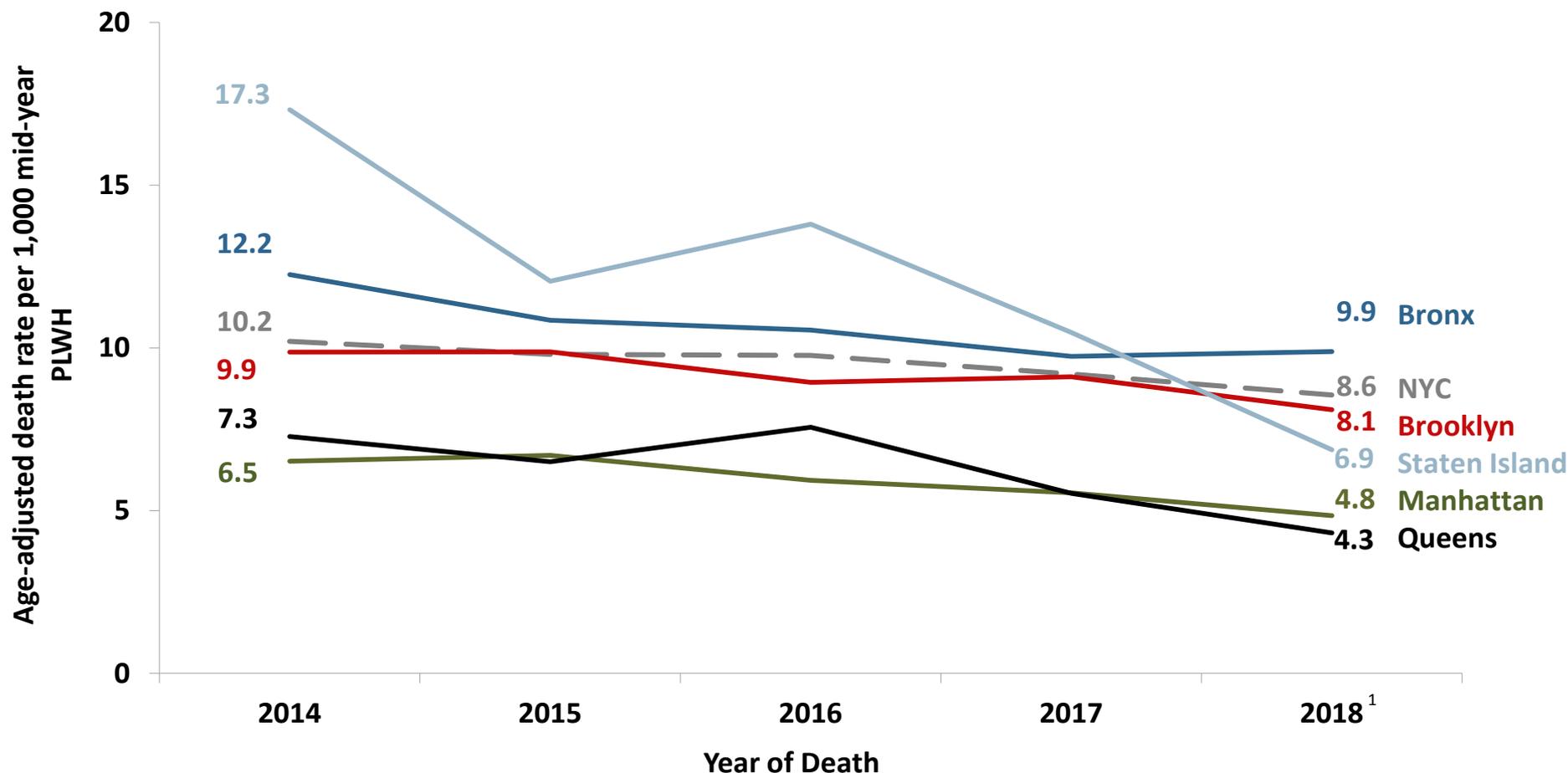
Bronx neighborhoods with the smallest proportion of virally suppressed PLWH in 2018 were Hunts Point-Mott Haven (75.1%), Crotona-Tremont (78.3%), and High Bridge-Morrisania (78.3%).

PROPORTION OF PLWH IN THE BRONX ENGAGED IN SELECTED STAGES OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM, 2018



Of approximately 25,500 PLWH in the Bronx in 2018, 74% had a suppressed viral load.

AGE-ADJUSTED DEATH RATES AMONG PEOPLE WITH HIV IN NYC OVERALL AND BY BOROUGH, 2014-2018



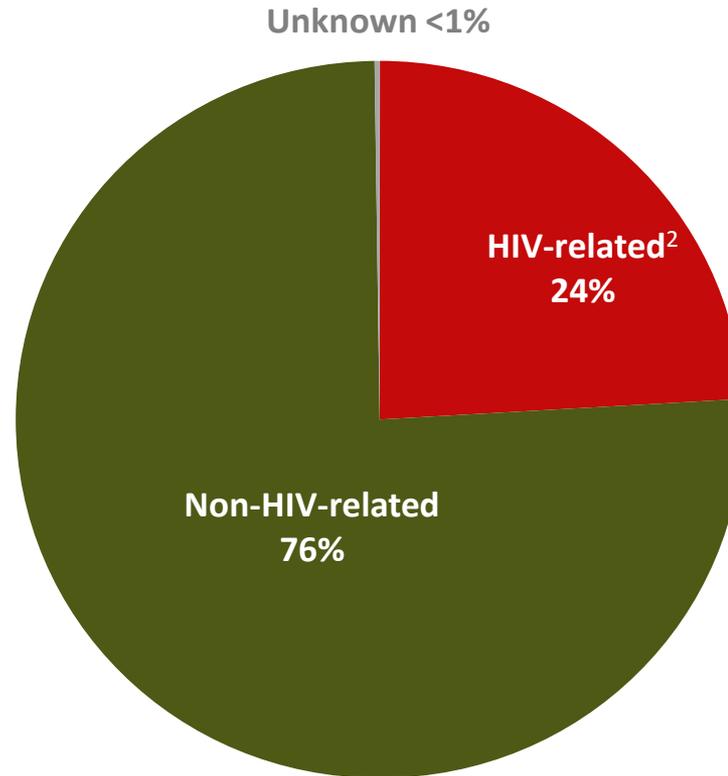
The age-adjusted death rate among people with HIV decreased in the Bronx between 2014 and 2018. Bronx was the borough with the highest rate in 2018.

Age-adjusted to the NYC Census 2010 population.

¹The overall rate includes people with unknown cause of death. Death data for 2018 are incomplete.

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CAUSE OF DEATH AMONG PEOPLE WITH HIV IN THE BRONX, 2017¹



In 2017, 76% of deaths among people with HIV in the Bronx were due to non-HIV-related cause. Among these, the top causes were non-HIV-related cancers (24%), cardiovascular diseases (32%), and accidents (14%).

¹Cause of death data are not yet available for 2018.

²ICD10 codes B20-B24 were used to denote HIV-related deaths. For technical notes on cause of death by the NYC DOHMH's Office of Vital Statistics see:

<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doh/downloads/pdf/vs/2014sum.pdf>.

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HOW TO FIND OUR DATA

- **Our program publishes annual surveillance reports, slide sets, and statistics tables:**
 - Annual reports: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/data/data-sets/hiv-aids-surveillance-and-epidemiology-reports.page>
 - Slide sets: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/data/data-sets/epi-surveillance-slide-sets.page>
 - Statistics tables: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/data/data-sets/hiv-aids-annual-surveillance-statistics.page>
- **Other resources:**
 - HIV Care Status Reports (CSR) system: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/health-topics/aids-hiv-care-status-reports-system.page>
 - HIV Care Continuum Dashboards (CCDs): <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/health-topics/care-continuum-dashboard.page>
- **For surveillance data requests, email:** HIVReport@health.nyc.gov
 - 2 weeks minimum needed for requests to be completed

APPENDIX:

DEFINITIONS AND STATISTICAL NOTES

Definitions:

- “HIV diagnoses” include diagnoses of HIV (non-AIDS) and HIV concurrent with AIDS (AIDS diagnosed within 31 days of HIV), unless otherwise specified.
- “New HIV diagnoses” include individuals diagnosed in NYC during the reporting period and reported in NYC.
- “Death rates” refer to deaths from all causes, unless otherwise specified.
- Data presented by “Transmission risk” categories include only individuals with known or identified transmission risk, except when an “unknown” category is presented.
- “PWH” refers to people with HIV during the reporting period (note: includes people with HIV who remained alive or died during the reporting period); “PLWH” refers to people living with HIV during the reporting period.
- Surveillance collects information about individuals’ current gender identity, when available. These slides display the following gender categories: men, women, transgender (if applicable). People whose current gender identity differs from their sex assigned at birth are considered transgender. Classifying transgender people in surveillance requires accurate collection of both sex assigned at birth and current gender identity. Sex and gender information are collected from people’s self-report, their diagnosing provider, or medical chart review. This information may or may not reflect the individual’s self-identification. Transgender status has been collected routinely since 2005 for newly reported cases. Reported numbers of new transgender HIV diagnoses and transgender PLWH are likely to be underestimates. For more information, see the “HIV among Transgender people in New York City” surveillance slide set available at: www1.nyc.gov/assets/doh/downloads/pdf/dires/hiv-in-transgender-persons.pdf. Surveillance collects information on other gender identity categories, including “Non-binary/Gender non-conforming.” In these slides, data for these individuals (N=7 at time of publication) are displayed by sex at birth.

APPENDIX:

DEFINITIONS AND STATISTICAL NOTES

Definitions continued:

- Risk information is collected from people's self-report, their diagnosing provider, or medical chart review. "Heterosexual contact" includes people who had heterosexual sex with a person they know to be HIV-positive, an injection drug user, or a person who has received blood products. For women only, also includes history of sex work, multiple sex partners, sexually transmitted disease, crack/cocaine use, sex with a bisexual man, probable heterosexual transmission as noted in medical chart, or sex with a man and negative history of injection drug use. "Transgender people with sexual contact" includes people identified as transgender by self-report, diagnosing provider, or medical chart review with sexual contact reported and negative history of injection drug use. "Other" includes people who received treatment for hemophilia, people who received a transfusion or transplant, and children with a non-perinatal transmission risk.
- The MSM risk category does not include people known to surveillance to be transgender.

Statistical notes:

- UHF boundaries in maps were updated for data released in 2010 and onward. Non-residential zones are indicated, and Rikers Island is classified with West Queens.

TECHNICAL NOTES: HIV CARE CONTINUUM

- “People living with HIV”: calculated as “HIV-diagnosed” divided by the estimated proportion of people living with HIV (PLWH) who had been diagnosed (92.8%), based on a CD4 depletion model.
Source: NYC HIV Surveillance Registry. Method: Song R, et al. Using CD4 Data to Estimate HIV Incidence, Prevalence, and Percent of Undiagnosed Infections in the United States. *J Acquir Immune Defic Syndr*. 2017 Jan 1;74(1):3-9.
- “HIV-diagnosed”: calculated as PLWH “received care” plus the estimated number of PLWH who were out of care, based on a statistical weighting method. This estimated number aims to account for out-migration from NYC, and therefore is different from the number of PLWH published elsewhere.
Source: NYC HIV Surveillance Registry. Method: Xia Q, et al. Proportions of Patients With HIV Retained in Care and Virally Suppressed in New York City and the United States. *JAIDS* 2015;68(3):351-358.
- “Received care”: PLWH with ≥ 1 VL or CD4 count or CD4 percent drawn in 2018, and reported to NYC HIV surveillance.
Source: NYC HIV Surveillance Registry.
- “Prescribed ART”: calculated as PLWH “received care” multiplied by the estimated proportion of PLWH prescribed ART in the previous 12 months (96.3%), based on the proportion of NYC Medical Monitoring Project participants whose medical record included documentation of ART prescription.
Source: NYC HIV Surveillance Registry and NYC Medical Monitoring Project, 2017.
- “Virally suppressed”: calculated as PLWH in care with a most recent viral load measurement in 2018 of < 200 copies/mL, plus the estimated number of out-of-care 2018 PLWH with a viral load < 200 copies/mL, based on a statistical weighting method.
Source: NYC HIV Surveillance Registry. Method: Xia Q, et al. Proportions of Patients With HIV Retained in Care and Virally Suppressed in New York City and the United States. *JAIDS* 2015;68(3):351-358.