

Republika Srpska is one of the two entities that make up Bosnia and Herzegovina. The population is estimated at about 1.136274

The other entity is the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

According to sources Public Health Institute of the Republic of Srpska www.phi.rs.ba

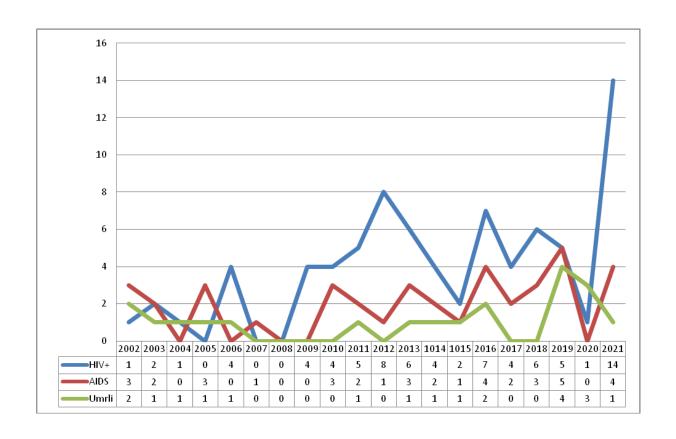
From December 1, 2020. by 1 December 2021, a total of 18 new cases of HIV / AIDS had been reported, 14 of which were HIV (12 male, 2 female) and 4 AIDS (male)

In the mentioned period, 1 death from AIDS was reported. Of the total number of reported cases, 11 belong to the homosexual / bisexual and 7 to the heterosexual population

The largest number of patients (8) belongs to the age group of 30-39 years

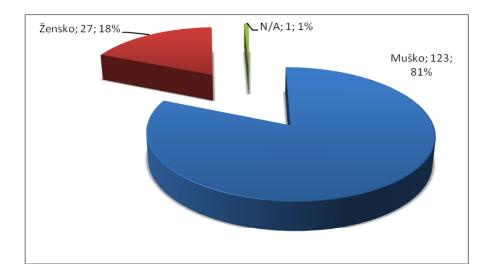
In the Republika Srpska, a total of 151 people living with HIV / AIDS have been registered since the first cases were reported

Graph 1 shows the distribution of reported HIV +, AIDS patients and deaths in the period from 2002 to 2021.



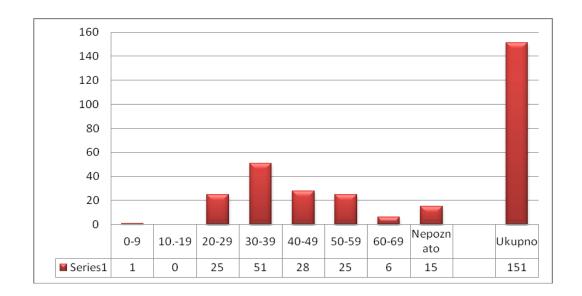
According to the analysis of data of all applicants in the mentioned period, according to the gender structure, 81% are males, 18% females, and 1 registered (1%) is of unknown gender status

Graph 2. Distribution of those registered for HIV / AIDS by gender



According to the analysis of patients by age, the largest number was registered in the age group of 30-39 years, followed by 40-49, 20-29 and 50-59, and for 15 persons reported as HIV + there are no data on age, so they are marked in groups as unknown

Graph 3. Distribution of registered persons living with HIV / AIDS by age groups



Of the total number registered with HIV / AIDS, the most common route of HIV transmission is still heterosexual contact (46%), followed by homo / bisexual (40%), 5% belong to the group of injecting drug users, 1% are infected with blood products and vertically, and for 7% of applicants there is no data on how they became infected with HIV

In the Republika Srpska, as part of regular activities, epidemiological surveillance and treatment with highly active antiretroviral therapy HAART (HIV / AIDS) is carried out continuously, and the most important measure is prevention (protection) against transmission and early detection of HIV infection

The increase in the number of newly diagnosed / ill people in 2021 was probably influenced by the outbreak of the COVID 19 pandemic (burden on the health system), which contributed to the untimely appearance of potentially HIV-infected (testing) health services

Currently, 69 people living with HIV / AIDS are being treated with antiretroviral therapy (ART) at the Clinic for Infectious Diseases of the University Medical Center Banja Luka. So far, 28 people have died as a result of AIDS in Republika Srpska

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