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Factsheet 3: HIV Testing and Counseling (HTC) Services, as of Asar 2074 (July 2017)

Background about HTC in Nepal

- HIV Testing and Counseling service was first started in Nepal in 1995.
- HIV Testing and Counseling is the entry point for overall HIV care services. It is provided free of cost to the key populations at higher risk and general population all over the country.
- Nepal's HIV testing and counseling services have been guided by the National Guidelines for Testing.
- Community based testing approach has also been initiated in key population and as suggested by National HIV Testing and Treatment Guidelines, 2017 Nepal is also moving forward to implement community led testing approach in order to maximize HIV testing.
- There are 175 service sites providing HIV testing and counseling, including 136 government sites as of July 2017.

Table 1: HIV Testing and Counseling 2008 - 2017 (Jan-Jul)

Indicators	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 (Jan-Jul)
Tested for HIV	62,672	106,325	95,501	120,450	139,566	116,439	164,051	173,195	138,583
HIV positive	2,110	2,015	2,060	2,433	2,426	1,907	1,610	2,144	1,069

Figure 1: HIV Testing and Yield Proportion by Regions in Nepal, 2017

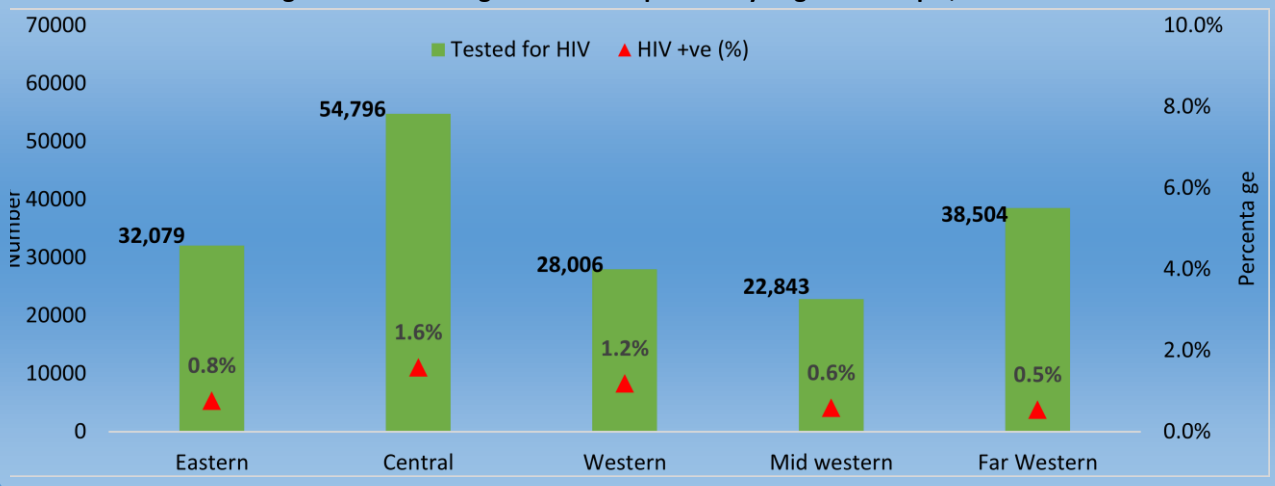

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Figure 2: Reported HIV infections by age group: 2004 -2017 (Jan-July)

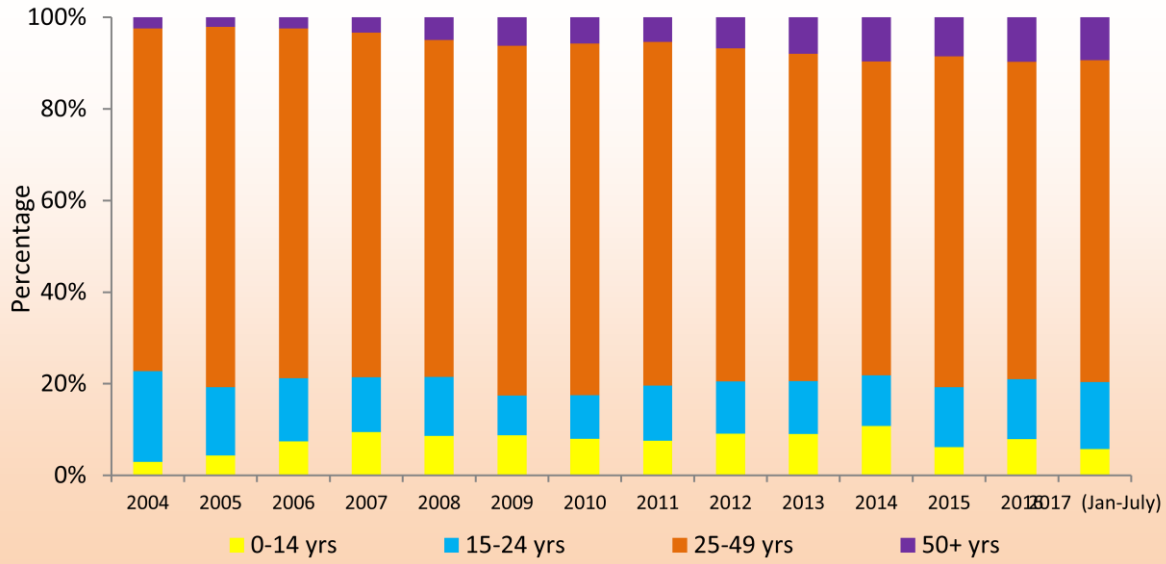
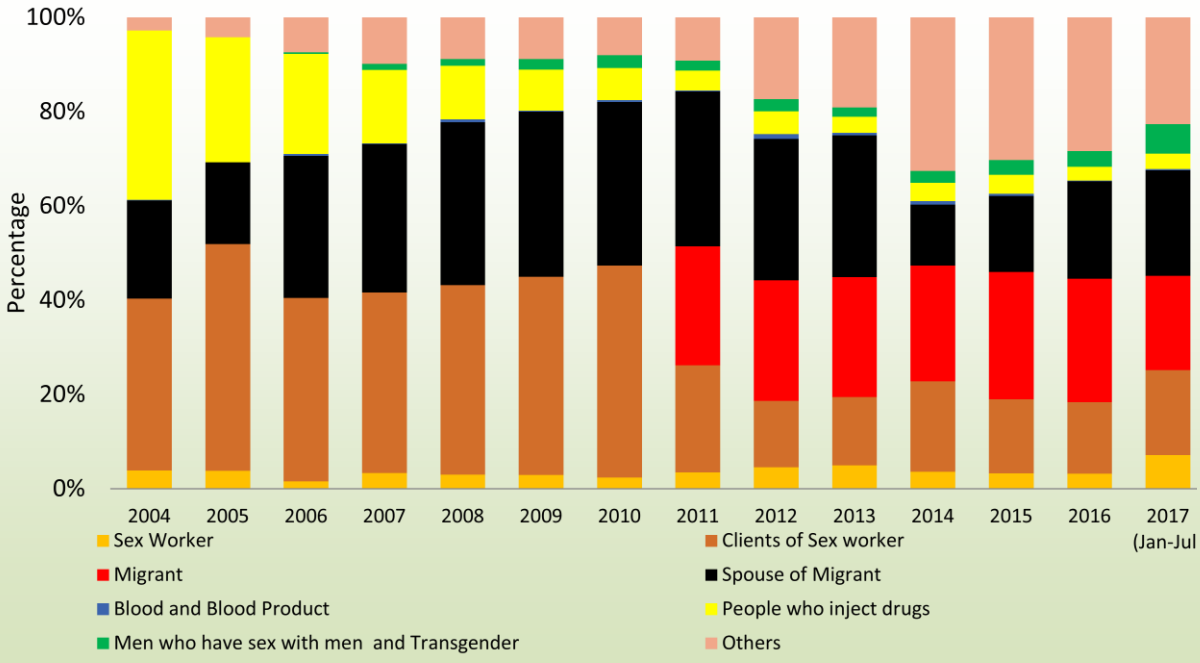


Figure 3: Reported HIV Infections by Risk Groups: 2004 - 2017 (Jan-July)



Note: "Others" category includes "Children", "Male Partner", "Prison Inmate" and "unidentified risk group".

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