

Tracks Survey Findings 2023-2025: Overview

Key insights from people who inject drugs

Tracks Enhanced Surveillance System

Who we are:

A program that has been running for over 20 years at the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)

What we do:

Conduct bio-behavioural surveys among key populations in Canada by working with provinces, territories, communities, and researchers

Our goal is to describe:

Rates of sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections (STBBI), behaviours, use of prevention services, care, and treatment for people who inject drugs

Most recent survey (2023-2025)



Who participated

2234 people, 16 years or older, and who injected in the 6 months prior to the survey

85% were between 25-54 years old

61% identified as men

59% were white

39% identified as First Nations, Inuit or Metis

74%

ever experienced incarceration

84%

ever experienced stigma and discrimination

Majority of people experienced inequities in their life time

92%

experienced financial strain in the past 12 months

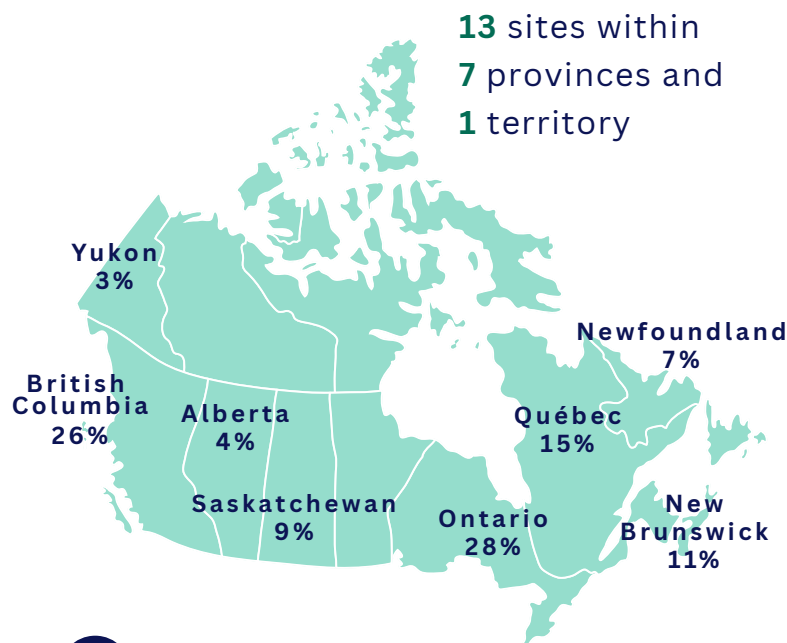


82%

experienced unstable housing in the past 6 months



Where they participated



Why



Inform policies and programs for STBBI prevention and treatment and for harm reduction



Increase awareness and strengthen advocacy efforts

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