

COVID-19 and its impacts on the LGBTQ+ Community

To provide appropriate care to LGBTQ+ populations, we need to know the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on their experiences and quality of life.

Youth:

40%

of LGBTQ+ youth say they considered suicide in the past year

70%

of LGBTQ+ youth said their mental health was "poor" most or all of the time during the pandemic



50%

Half said they wanted help with their mental health but were unable to access any



NEARLY 50%

of LGBTQ+ youth said that COVID-19 impacted their ability to express their sexual orientation



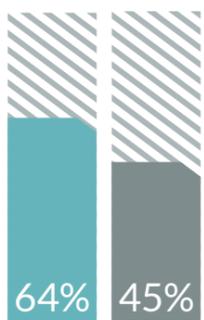
NEARLY 60%

of transgender and nonbinary youth said that COVID-19 impacted their ability to express their gender identity



Source: https://www.thetrevorproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Trevor-Poll_COVID19.pdf

Adults:



64% of LGBTQ+ households experienced employment loss compared to 45% of non-LGBTQ+ households, including:

- Having lost a job or business, or been furloughed
- Having wages or hours reduced or taking a mandatory unpaid leave



66%

of LGBTQ+ households have had a serious financial problem paying utilities and other bills



38% of LGBTQ+ households have been unable to get medical care or delayed getting medical care for a serious problem vs. 19% of non-LGBTQ+ households

Source: <https://www.lgbtmap.org/2020-covid-lgbtq-households>

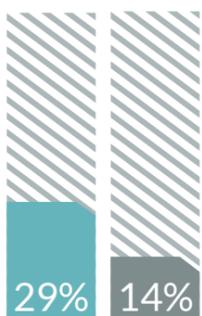
People of Color (POC):



LGBTQ+ POC disproportionately report being laid off or furloughed and struggling to pay for basic needs



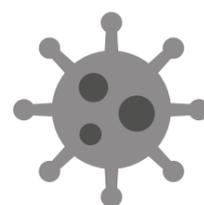
1/3 of LGBTQ+ POC personally knew someone who died of COVID-19 compared to 1/5 of non-LGBTQ+ white people



29% of LGBTQ+ POC report problems affording basic household goods compared to 14% of non-LGBTQ+ white people



26% of LGBTQ+ POC report having trouble paying their rent or mortgage compared to 9% of non-LGBTQ+ white people



LGBTQ+ POC are twice as likely as non-LGBTQ+ white people to test positive for COVID-19

Source: <https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/publications/covid-surge-lgbt/>