

HIV outbreak in prison

Drug-related infectious diseases meeting
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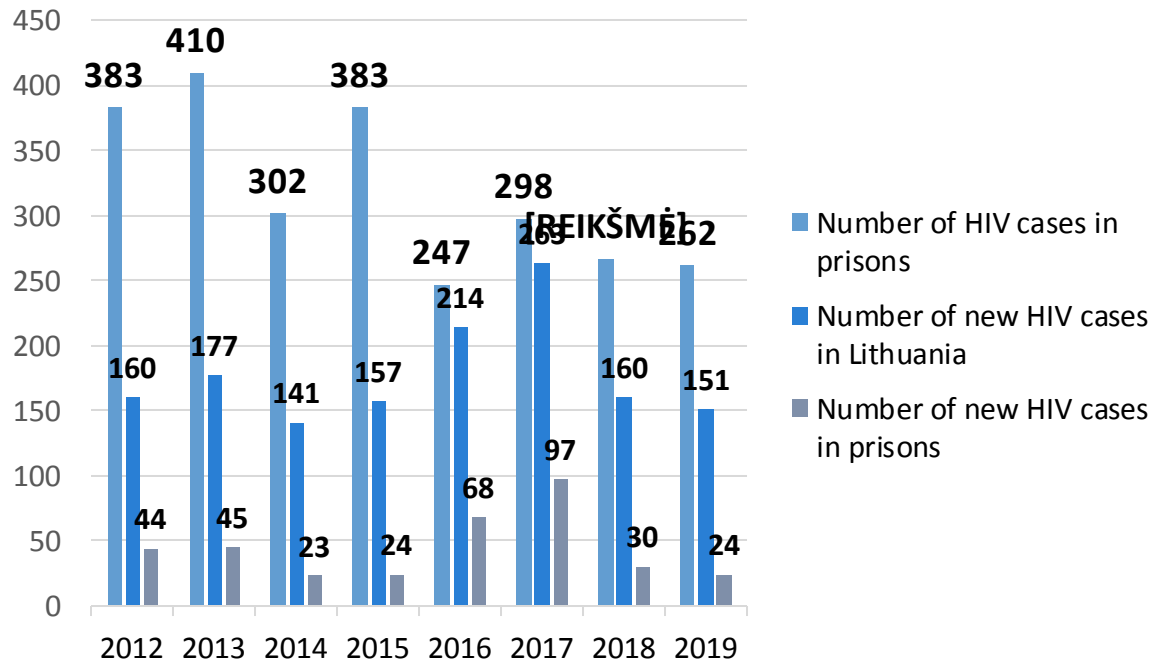
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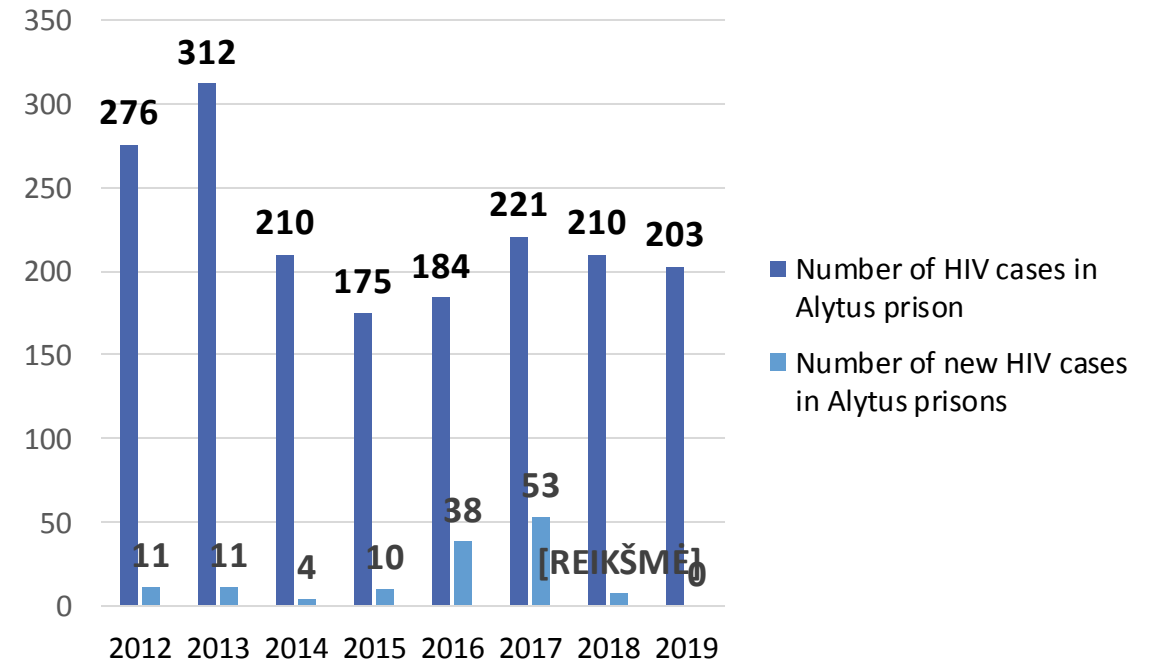


Officially registered HIV cases in imprisonment institutions

Trends of HIV cases

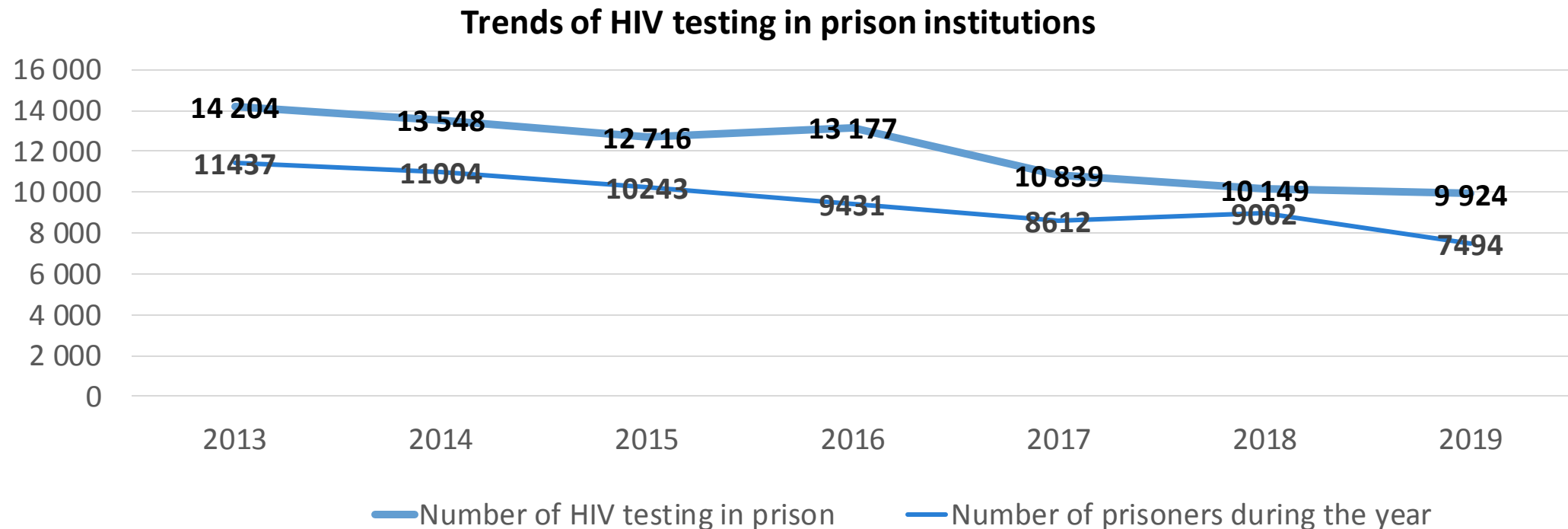


Trends of HIV cases in Alytus prison



Outbreak detection: how was the HIV outbreak detected

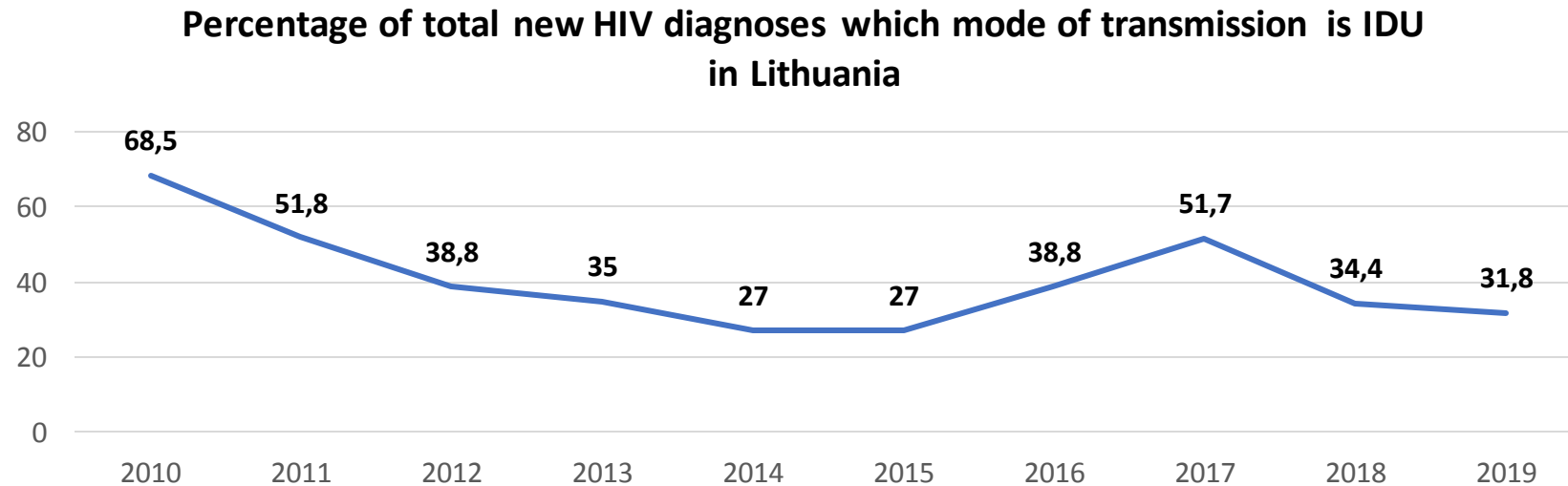
Standard surveillance – health screening at prison entry, including blood test for HIV



Understanding risk factors: what drug patterns and other exposures

Investigation of new HIV cases in prison institutions

- **The main mode of transmission – injecting drug use**
- Second– tattooing
- Third – sexual contact (avoiding to name this route of transmission)



Interventions that were critical in the control of the outbreak

- High-quality diagnostics of the HIV
- HIV treatment (since 2018 antiretroviral therapy available to all HIV-infected individuals)
- Education: individual consultations for reducing risky behaviors
- Shifting of infected prisoners to one prison
- Stricter control of drug access

Thank you for your attention

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