Key Messages

- Comprehensive knowledge about HIV among Roma population in Montenegro is at a very low level, 3 percent among women aged 15-49 years and 4 percent among men aged 15-49 years.
- Discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV are very high. Nine in ten women aged 15-49 years express these attitudes, as well as eight in ten men.
- Less than 1 percent of women, and only 2 percent of men aged 15-49 years in Roma Settlements have been tested for HIV in the last 12 months and know the result.
- No women aged 15-49 years in Roma settlements were offered an HIV test, accepted and received results, and received post-test health information or counselling related to HIV during their antenatal care for last pregnancy.
HIV Indicators by Key Characteristics: Roma Settlements

Knowledge of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV among Women (15-49)*

Knowledge of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV among Men (15-49)*

Tested for HIV in last 12 months

Regional Data on HIV Testing

Percent of those aged 15-49 years in Roma Settlements who correctly identify all three means of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (transmission during pregnancy, during delivery, and by breastfeeding).

Tested in last 12 months: percent aged 15-49 years in Roma Settlements who have been tested in the last 12 months and know the result.

HIV testing during ANC: percent of women aged 15-49 in Roma Settlements who were offered an HIV test, accepted and received results, during their last antenatal care for their last pregnancy, and received post-test health information or counselling related to HIV.

Key Messages

- Only 3 percent of adolescent and young women aged 15-24 years, in Roma Settlements, know two ways of HIV prevention, know that a healthy looking person can be HIV-positive.
- Only 5 percent of adolescent and young men aged 15-24 years, in Roma Settlements, know two ways of HIV prevention, know that a healthy-looking person can be HIV-positive.
- The highest proportion of people who were tested for HIV in the last 12 months and know the result are men aged 30-39 years (5 percent) in Roma Settlements. At the national level, the percentages are 2 percent and less than 1 percent for men and women, respectively.
- According to the MICS survey, no women in Roma Settlements in Montenegro received HIV testing during antenatal care.
- In Roma Settlements in Montenegro, the percentage of women aged 15-24 years who are sexually active is 45 percent, and aged 15-49 years is 56 percent. This is lower than among men age 15-24 (62 percent) and 15-49 (72 percent).
- Every tenth man aged 15-24 years had more than one sexual partner in the last 12 months.
- 23 percent of young men and 15 of young women said that they had sex before age 15.
**Sexual Behaviour by Key Characteristics: Roma Settlements**

**Sexually Active**

![Sexual Activity Chart]

**Girls 15-19 who Report Sex with Partner 10 or more Years Older**

**Young People who had Sex Before Age 15**

![Comparison Chart]

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**Sexually active:** Percent of women and men aged 15-24 years and 15-49 years in Roma settlements who had sexual intercourse within the last 12 months

**Multiple partners:** Percent of women and men aged 15-24 years and 15-49 years in Roma settlements of those who had sex with more than 1 partner in the last 12 months

**Sex before age 15:** Percent of women and men aged 15-24 years in Roma settlements who had sex before age 15

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The objective of this snapshot is to disseminate selected findings from the 2018 Montenegro Roma Settlements MICS related to HIV & Sexual Behaviours. Data from this snapshot can be found in tables TM.10.1RM, TM.10.1RW, TM.10.2RM, TM.10.2RW, TM.11.1RM, TM.11.1RW, TM.11.2RW, TM.11.2RM, TM.11.3RM, TM.11.3RW, TM.11.4RM, TM.11.4RW, TM.11.5R, TM.11.6RM and TM.11.6RW in the Survey Findings Report.