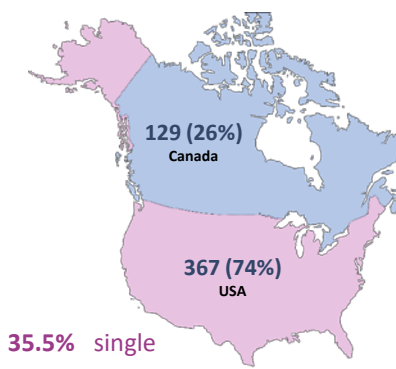


THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON TRANSGENDER HEALTH IN NORTH AMERICA

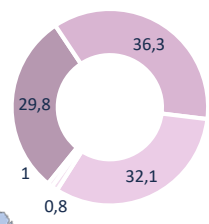
RESULTS OF THE TRANSCARECOVID-19 STUDY (www.transcareCovid-19.com)

Participants

N = 496 **Ø = 32.6 years**



35.5% single
69.8% tertiary education (college / university)



29.8% (trans) man
36.3% (trans) woman
32.1% non-binary
1.0% I don't know. I don't have a preference
0.8% other

people of color **13.9%**
people with disabilities **41.7%**
religious minorities **31.0%**
sex worker **10.9%**
also intersex **3.6%**

42.1% are afraid that COVID-19 will affect their access to hormones in the future

8.1% Expect that an appointment for surgery will be cancelled

11.5% An appointment for surgery was canceled

2.4% Aftercare of a recent surgery is affected

Chronic condition
61.9%

9.5% Smoker

3.8% Currently taking medication that suppresses the immune system

Health Risks

35.9%	Back problems
21.6%	Knee problems
14.7%	Asthma
8.5%	Cardiovascular disease
8.5%	Asthma
7.6%	Endocrine disorder
6.7%	Upper respiratory disease
4.2%	Neurological conditions
4.0%	Rheumatoid arthritis
1.2%	Infectious disease
1.2%	Osteoporosis
0.8%	Lung disease
0.6%	Blood disorder



Barriers to healthcare

Restricted access to hormones? YES 10.1%

- 4.2%** I can't get an appointment with my hormone prescriber
- 3.2%** I'm afraid to go to a medical provider or a hospital
- 2.8%** I can't get a prescription
- 2.6%** An appointment was cancelled
- 2.2%** My hormones cannot be supplied
- 1.4%** An appointment was postponed



Access to	restricted?
Medical material that is important after surgery (e.g., vaginal dilators)	1.8%
Binders or packing material	13.3%
Non-medical supplies (e.g., wigs, shaving supplies)	26.2%

Impact of COVID-19 on transgender health care worldwide

- Over 50% of participants had risk factors for severe course of a COVID-19 infection
 - 20% higher risk compared to general population of most OSCE countries
- Participants were at a high risk of avoiding testing or treatment of a COVID-19 infection due to the fear of mistreatment or discrimination
- Access to transgender health care services was restricted due to the COVID-19 pandemic for 50% of the participants.

WE THANK ALL PEOPLE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE STUDY!

COVID-19: Experiences and Concerns

- 19.8%** would avoid COVID-19 testing because of fear of discrimination, even if they had shown COVID-19 symptoms
- 8.7%** had avoided COVID-19 testing or care because of fear of discrimination
- 12.7%** had contact with a person who was diagnosed with or is suspected to have COVID-19
- 0.6%** were diagnosed with COVID-19

