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Antimicrobial susceptibility data presented in this report are based on criteria established by the Clinical & Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) and the FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria (FDA-STIC).

### **2023 Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project Clinical Sites and Years Participated**

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|---|---|---|
| Albuquerque, New Mexico<br>(1987–2023)        | Greensboro, North Carolina<br>(2002–2023)       | Orange County, California<br>(1991–2023)        |
| Anchorage, Alaska<br>(1987–2003, 2018–2023)   | Honolulu, Hawaii<br>(1987–2023)                 | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania<br>(1987–2023)       |
| Baltimore, Maryland<br>(1987–2013, 2019–2023) | Indianapolis, Indiana<br>(2013–2023)            | Phoenix, Arizona<br>(1987–2023)                 |
| Birmingham, Alabama<br>(1987–2023)            | Kansas City, Missouri<br>(1991–2001, 2007–2023) | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania<br>(2022–2023)         |
| Buffalo, New York<br>(2014–2023)              | Las Vegas, Nevada<br>(2002–2023)                | Pontiac, Michigan<br>(2012–2023)                |
| Camden, New Jersey<br>(2019–2023)             | Los Angeles, California<br>(2003–2023)          | Portland, Oregon<br>(1987–2023)                 |
| Chicago, Illinois<br>(1996–2023)              | Milwaukee, Wisconsin<br>(2018–2023)             | San Diego, California<br>(1987–2023)            |
| Columbus, Ohio<br>(2012–2023)                 | Minneapolis, Minnesota<br>(1992–2023)           | San Francisco, California<br>(1987–2023)        |
| Dallas, Texas<br>(2000–2023)                  | New Orleans, Louisiana<br>(1987–2023)           | Seattle, Washington<br>(1987–2023)              |
| Denver, Colorado<br>(1987–2013, 2018–2023)    | New York, New York<br>(2006–2023)               | Washington, District of Columbia<br>(2018–2023) |

### **2023 Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project Regional Laboratories**

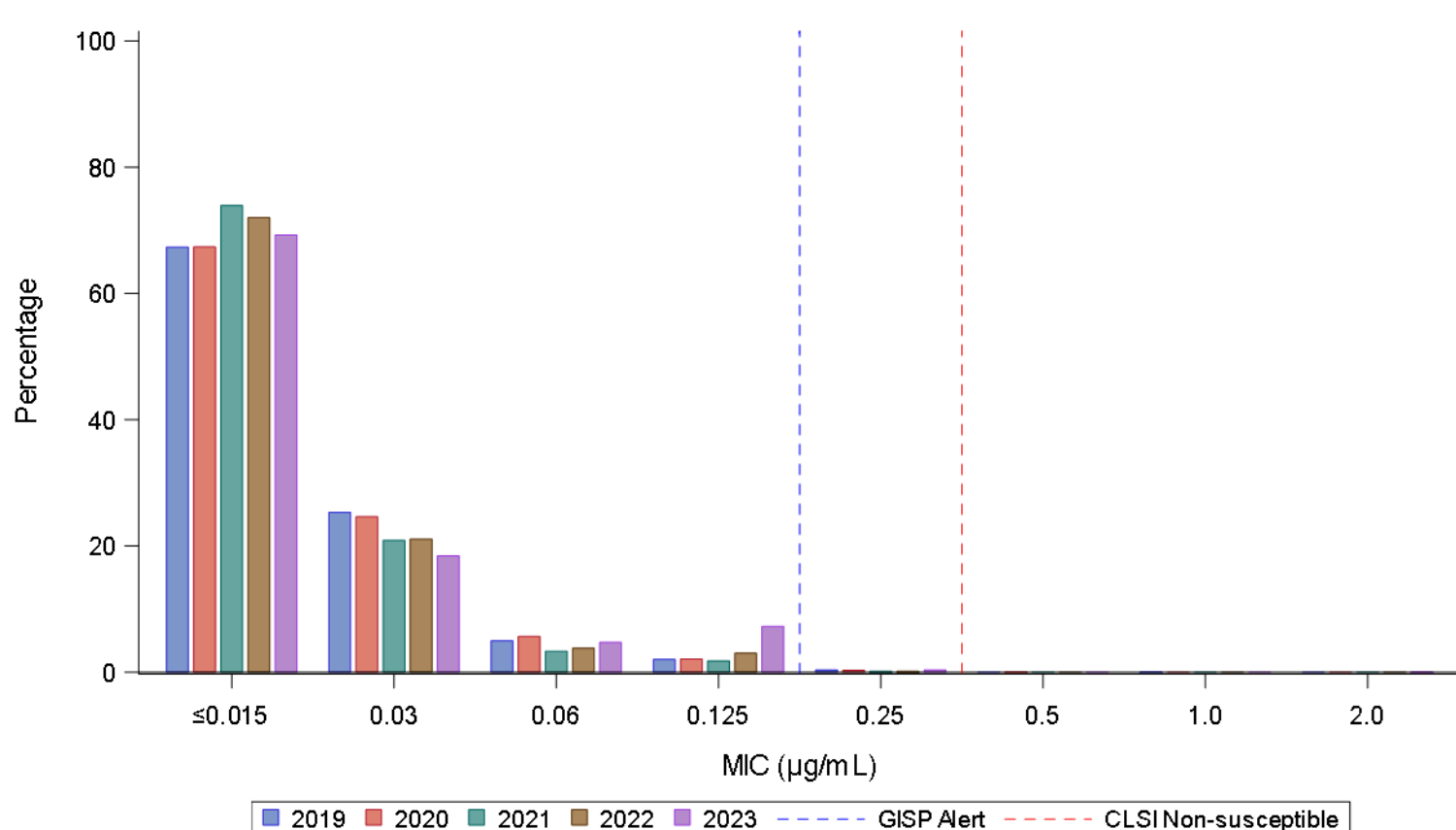
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| Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene<br><i>Baltimore, Maryland</i> |
| Tennessee Department of Health<br><i>Nashville, Tennessee</i>                  |
| Utah Department of Health<br><i>Salt Lake City, Utah</i>                       |
| Washington State Department of Health<br><i>Seattle, Washington</i>            |

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Figure 1. Distribution of Cefixime Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023



| Year | ≤0.015<br>n (%) | 0.03<br>n (%)  | 0.06<br>n (%) | 0.125<br>n (%) | 0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%) | 1.0<br>n (%) | 2.0<br>n (%) | Total |
|------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| 2019 | 3690<br>(67.3)  | 1388<br>(25.3) | 273<br>(5.0)  | 110<br>(2.0)   | 18<br>(0.3)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 1<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 5480  |
| 2020 | 2520<br>(67.4)  | 921<br>(24.6)  | 211<br>(5.6)  | 77<br>(2.1)    | 11<br>(0.3)   | 1<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 3741  |
| 2021 | 2826<br>(73.9)  | 798<br>(20.9)  | 126<br>(3.3)  | 68<br>(1.8)    | 5<br>(0.1)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 3823  |
| 2022 | 2653<br>(72.0)  | 777<br>(21.1)  | 139<br>(3.8)  | 110<br>(3.0)   | 5<br>(0.1)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 3684  |
| 2023 | 2425<br>(69.2)  | 645<br>(18.4)  | 165<br>(4.7)  | 254<br>(7.3)   | 12<br>(0.3)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 1<br>(0.0)   | 3502  |

GISP Alert Value = cefixime MIC ≥0.25 µg/mL; CLSI Non-susceptible = cefixime MIC ≥0.5 µg/mL.

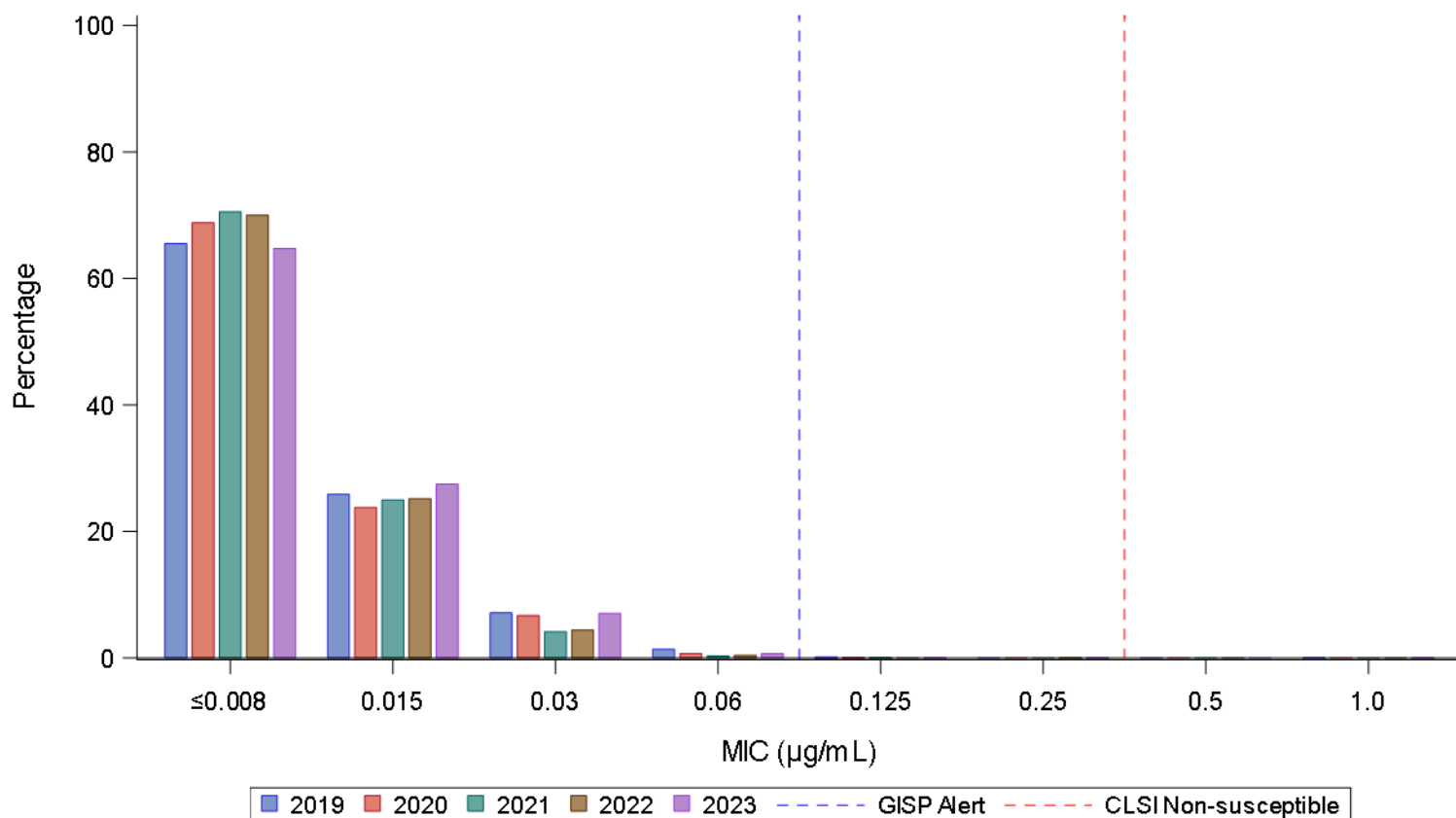
CLSI = Clinical & Laboratory Standards Institute.

Non-susceptible = Category used for isolates when only a susceptible breakpoint has been designated and the MIC is above the susceptible breakpoint.

As of publication, the CLSI has not established a cefixime resistance breakpoint for *N. gonorrhoeae*.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 2. Distribution of Ceftriaxone Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023



| Year | ≤0.008<br>n (%) | 0.015<br>n (%) | 0.03<br>n (%) | 0.06<br>n (%) | 0.125<br>n (%) | 0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%) | 1.0<br>n (%) | Total |
|------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| 2019 | 3590<br>(65.5)  | 1417<br>(25.9) | 390<br>(7.1)  | 75<br>(1.4)   | 7<br>(0.1)     | 0<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 1<br>(0.0)   | 5480  |
| 2020 | 2574<br>(68.8)  | 889<br>(23.8)  | 250<br>(6.7)  | 25<br>(0.7)   | 3<br>(0.1)     | 0<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 3741  |
| 2021 | 2697<br>(70.5)  | 954<br>(25.0)  | 158<br>(4.1)  | 11<br>(0.3)   | 3<br>(0.1)     | 0<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 3823  |
| 2022 | 2579<br>(70.0)  | 927<br>(25.2)  | 162<br>(4.4)  | 15<br>(0.4)   | 0<br>(0.0)     | 1<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 0<br>(0.0)   | 3684  |
| 2023 | 2267<br>(64.7)  | 962<br>(27.5)  | 247<br>(7.1)  | 23<br>(0.7)   | 1<br>(0.0)     | 1<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 1<br>(0.0)   | 3502  |

GISP Alert Value = ceftriaxone MIC ≥0.125 µg/mL; CLSI Non-susceptible = ceftriaxone MIC ≥0.5 µg/mL.

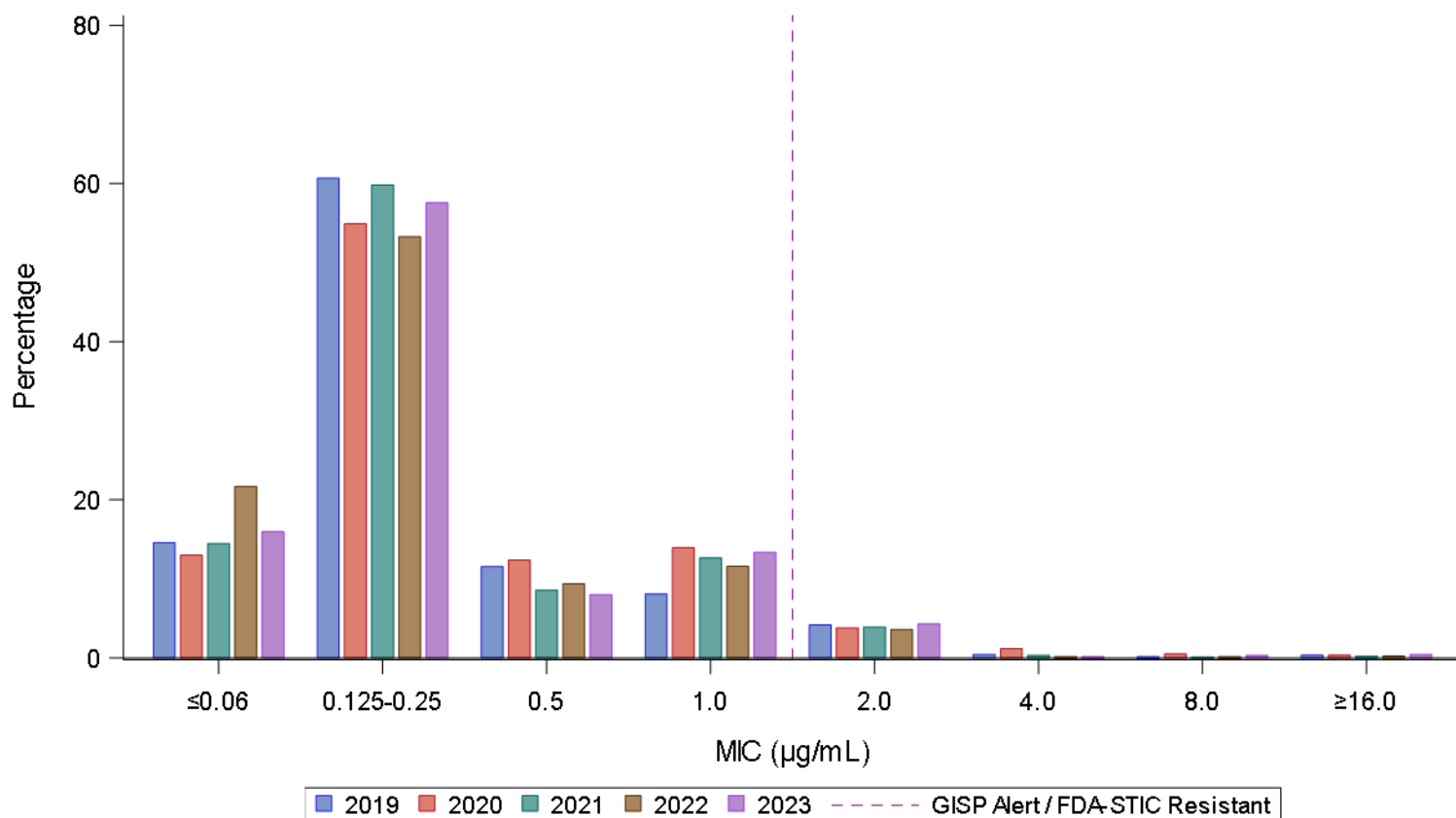
CLSI = Clinical & Laboratory Standards Institute.

Non-susceptible = Category used for isolates when only a susceptible breakpoint has been designated and the MIC is above the susceptible breakpoint.

As of publication, the CLSI has not established a ceftriaxone resistance breakpoint for *N. gonorrhoeae*.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 3. Distribution of Azithromycin Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023



| Year | ≤0.06<br>n (%) | 0.125-0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%)  | 1.0<br>n (%)  | 2.0<br>n (%) | 4.0<br>n (%) | 8.0<br>n (%) | ≥16.0<br>n (%) | Total |
|------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| 2019 | 799<br>(14.6)  | 3326<br>(60.7)      | 632<br>(11.5) | 442<br>(8.1)  | 229<br>(4.2) | 24<br>(0.4)  | 9<br>(0.2)   | 19<br>(0.3)    | 5480  |
| 2020 | 486<br>(13.0)  | 2054<br>(54.9)      | 462<br>(12.3) | 521<br>(13.9) | 142<br>(3.8) | 44<br>(1.2)  | 19<br>(0.5)  | 13<br>(0.3)    | 3741  |
| 2021 | 553<br>(14.5)  | 2287<br>(59.8)      | 327<br>(8.6)  | 483<br>(12.6) | 149<br>(3.9) | 12<br>(0.3)  | 4<br>(0.1)   | 8<br>(0.2)     | 3823  |
| 2022 | 798<br>(21.7)  | 1963<br>(53.3)      | 345<br>(9.4)  | 426<br>(11.6) | 132<br>(3.6) | 6<br>(0.2)   | 6<br>(0.2)   | 8<br>(0.2)     | 3684  |
| 2023 | 558<br>(15.9)  | 2016<br>(57.6)      | 280<br>(8.0)  | 467<br>(13.3) | 150<br>(4.3) | 5<br>(0.1)   | 11<br>(0.3)  | 15<br>(0.4)    | 3502  |

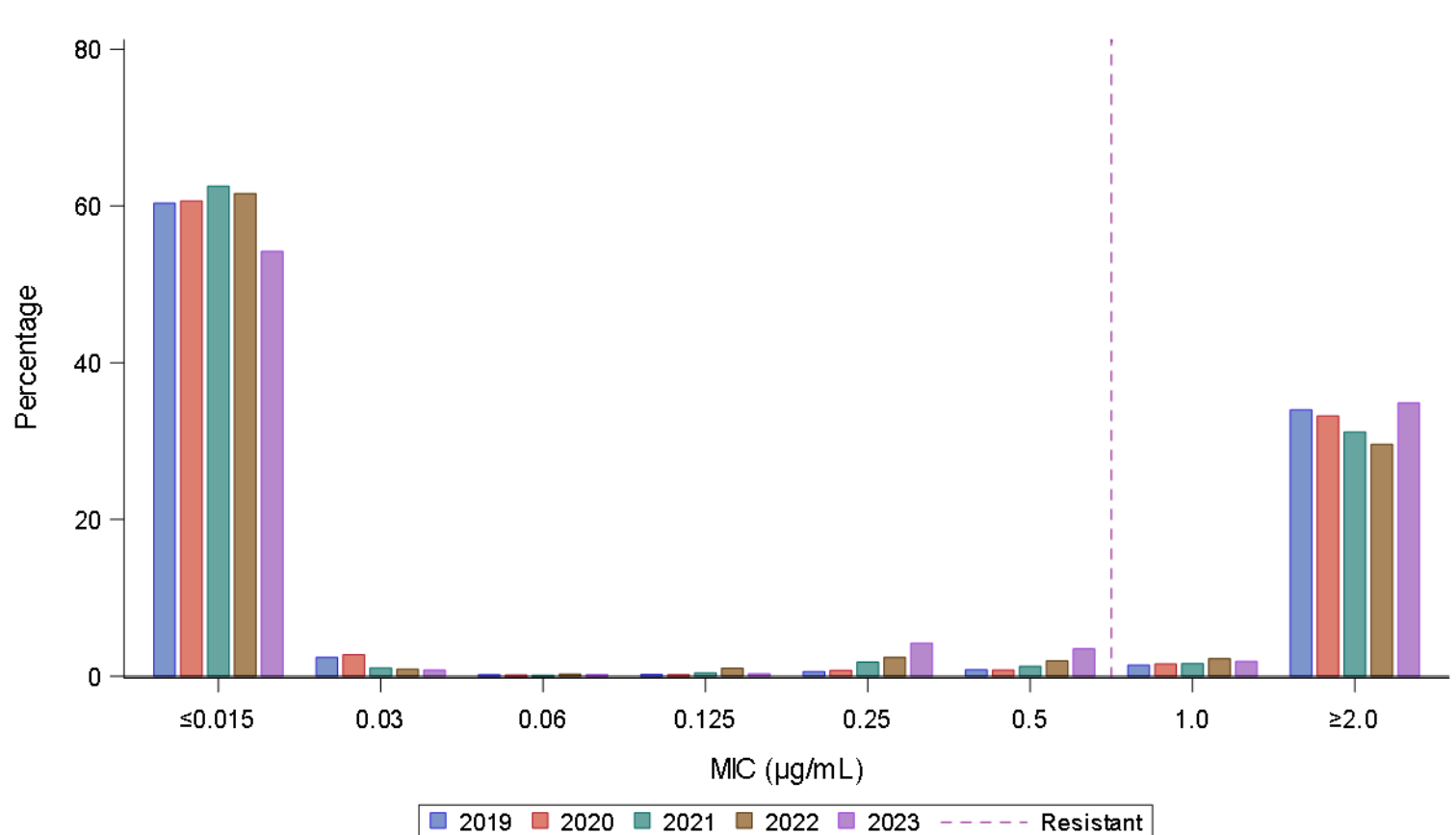
GISP Alert Value: azithromycin MIC ≥2.0 µg/mL; FDA-STIC Resistant = azithromycin MIC ≥2.0 µg/mL.

FDA-STIC = FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria.

In 2025, azithromycin resistance was established as ≥2.0 µg/mL (FDA-STIC).

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 4. Distribution of Ciprofloxacin Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023



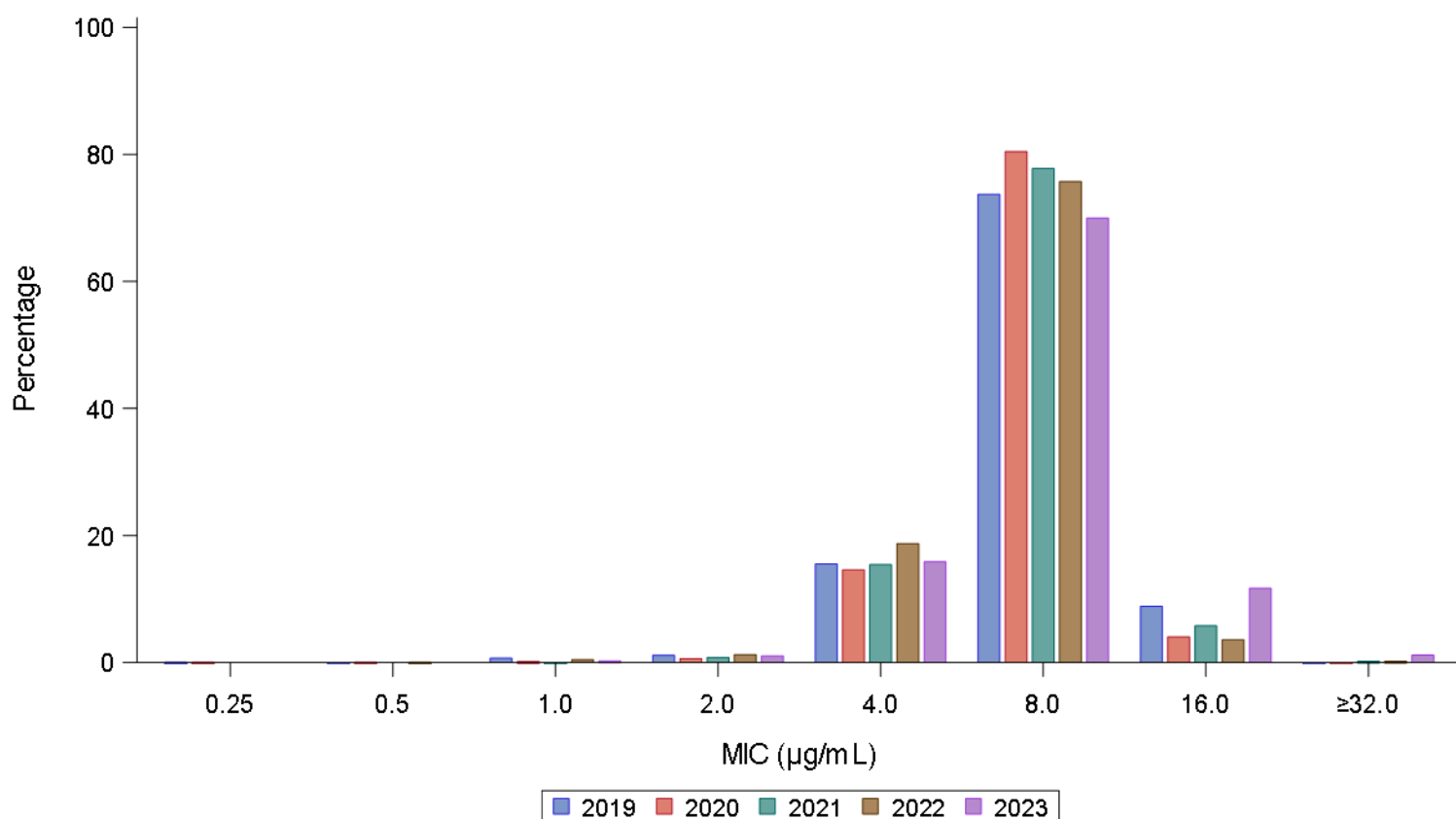
| Year | ≤0.015<br>n (%) | 0.03<br>n (%) | 0.06<br>n (%) | 0.125<br>n (%) | 0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%) | 1.0<br>n (%) | ≥2.0<br>n (%)  | Total |
|------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| 2019 | 3307<br>(60.3)  | 131<br>(2.4)  | 10<br>(0.2)   | 12<br>(0.2)    | 33<br>(0.6)   | 46<br>(0.8)  | 78<br>(1.4)  | 1863<br>(34.0) | 5480  |
| 2020 | 2269<br>(60.7)  | 103<br>(2.8)  | 5<br>(0.1)    | 7<br>(0.2)     | 28<br>(0.7)   | 29<br>(0.8)  | 58<br>(1.6)  | 1242<br>(33.2) | 3741  |
| 2021 | 2390<br>(62.5)  | 41<br>(1.1)   | 5<br>(0.1)    | 17<br>(0.4)    | 69<br>(1.8)   | 48<br>(1.3)  | 62<br>(1.6)  | 1191<br>(31.2) | 3823  |
| 2022 | 2269<br>(61.6)  | 33<br>(0.9)   | 10<br>(0.3)   | 38<br>(1.0)    | 89<br>(2.4)   | 72<br>(2.0)  | 83<br>(2.3)  | 1090<br>(29.6) | 3684  |
| 2023 | 1899<br>(54.2)  | 28<br>(0.8)   | 7<br>(0.2)    | 11<br>(0.3)    | 148<br>(4.2)  | 122<br>(3.5) | 66<br>(1.9)  | 1221<br>(34.9) | 3502  |

Ciprofloxacin resistance MIC ≥1.0 µg/mL.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.



Figure 5. Distribution of Gentamicin Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023

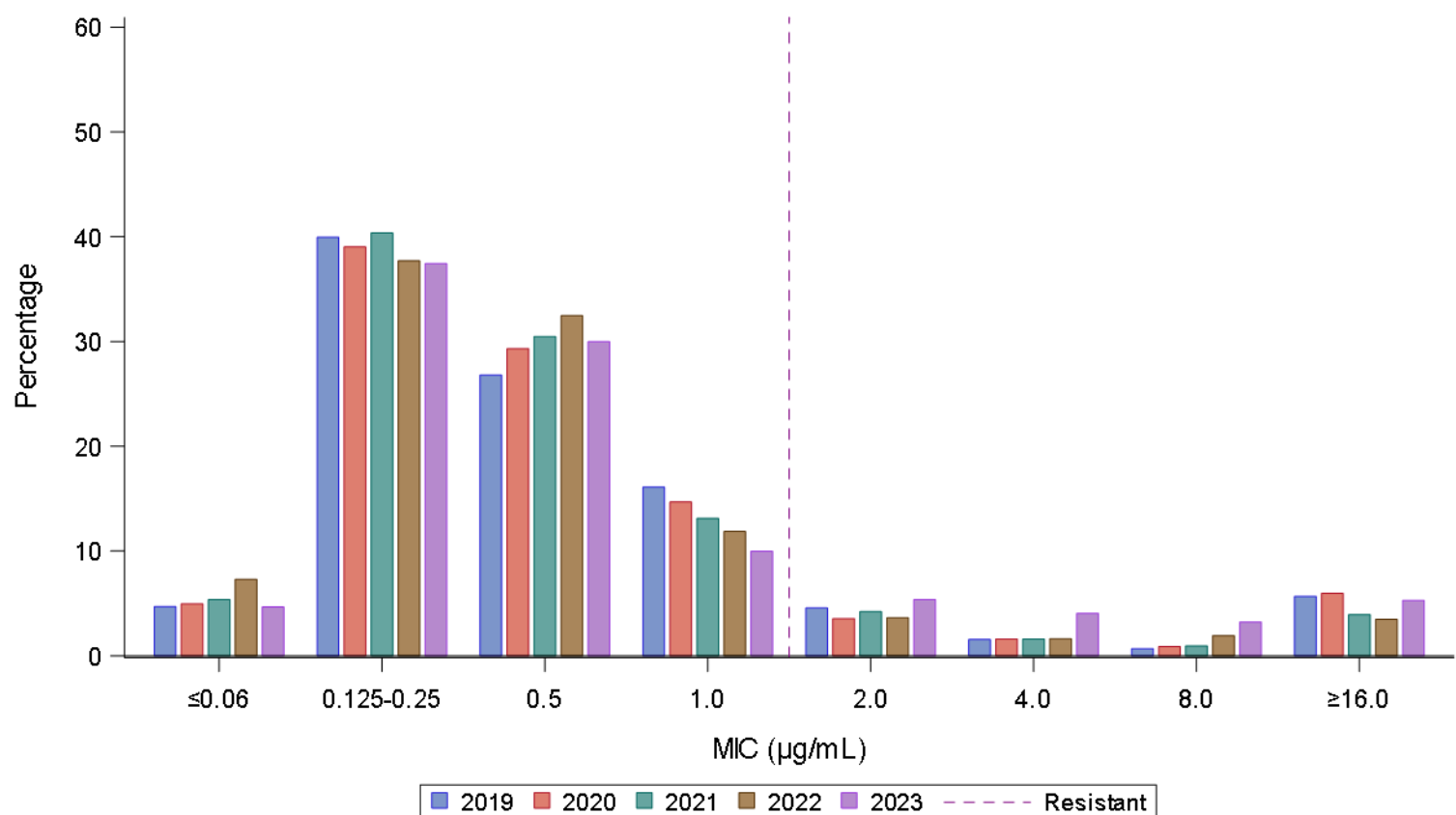


| Year | 0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%) | 1.0<br>n (%) | 2.0<br>n (%) | 4.0<br>n (%)  | 8.0<br>n (%)   | 16.0<br>n (%) | ≥32.0<br>n (%) | Total |
|------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| 2019 | 3<br>(0.1)    | 1<br>(0.0)   | 37<br>(0.7)  | 62<br>(1.1)  | 851<br>(15.5) | 4040<br>(73.7) | 485<br>(8.9)  | 1<br>(0.0)     | 5480  |
| 2020 | 2<br>(0.1)    | 2<br>(0.1)   | 6<br>(0.2)   | 23<br>(0.6)  | 546<br>(14.6) | 3010<br>(80.5) | 151<br>(4.0)  | 1<br>(0.0)     | 3741  |
| 2021 | 0<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 1<br>(0.0)   | 31<br>(0.8)  | 589<br>(15.4) | 2973<br>(77.8) | 221<br>(5.8)  | 8<br>(0.2)     | 3823  |
| 2022 | 0<br>(0.0)    | 2<br>(0.1)   | 16<br>(0.4)  | 46<br>(1.2)  | 690<br>(18.7) | 2790<br>(75.7) | 132<br>(3.6)  | 8<br>(0.2)     | 3684  |
| 2023 | 0<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)   | 9<br>(0.3)   | 37<br>(1.1)  | 555<br>(15.8) | 2451<br>(70.0) | 409<br>(11.7) | 41<br>(1.2)    | 3502  |

As of publication, the Clinical & Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) criteria for susceptibility and resistance to gentamicin have not been established for *N. gonorrhoeae*. A GISP alert value for gentamicin has not been determined.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 6. Distribution of Penicillin Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023

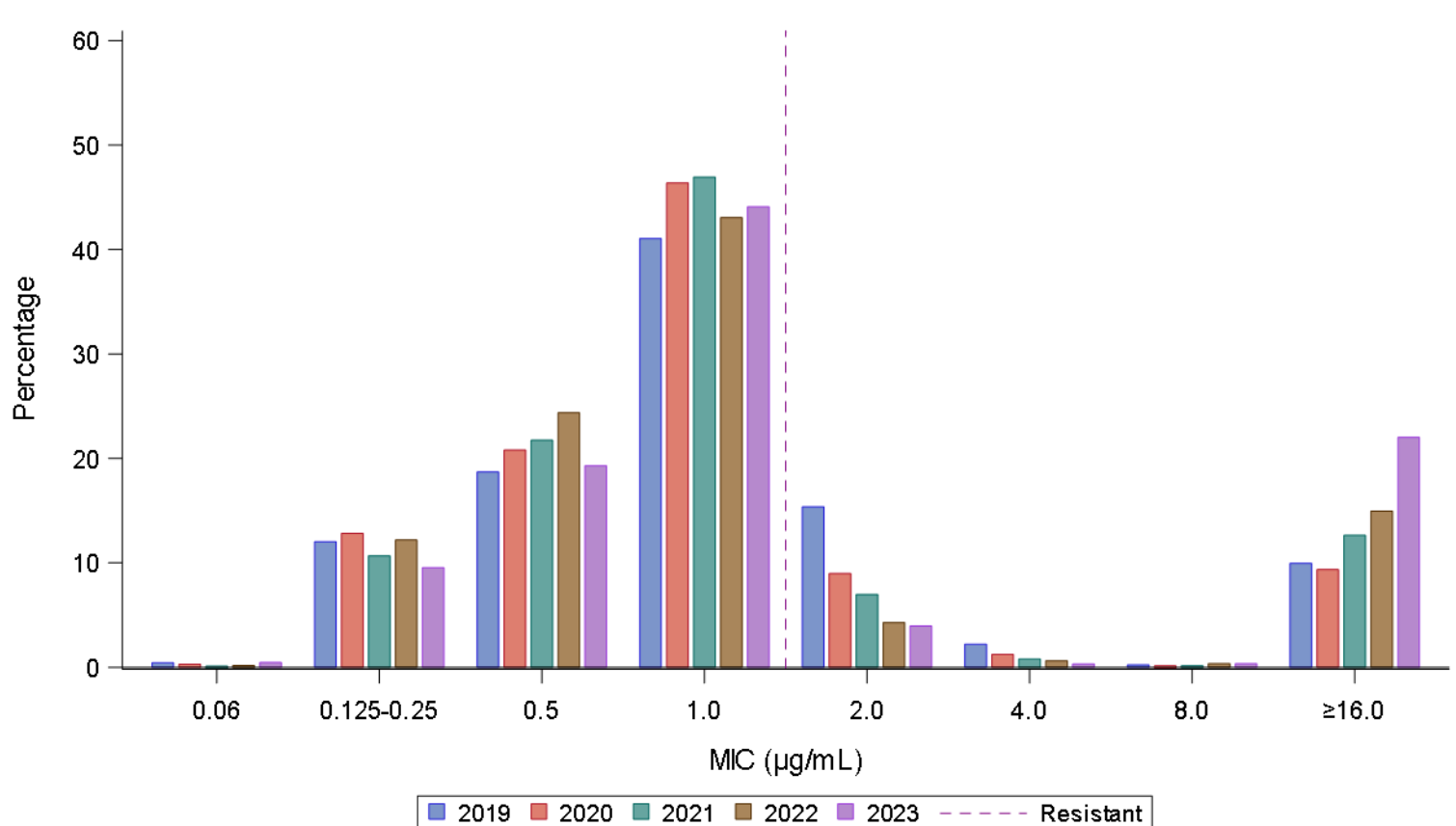


| Year | ≤0.06<br>n (%) | 0.125-0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%)   | 1.0<br>n (%)  | 2.0<br>n (%) | 4.0<br>n (%) | 8.0<br>n (%) | ≥16.0<br>n (%) | Total |
|------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| 2019 | 257<br>(4.7)   | 2189<br>(39.9)      | 1469<br>(26.8) | 882<br>(16.1) | 250<br>(4.6) | 85<br>(1.6)  | 37<br>(0.7)  | 311<br>(5.7)   | 5480  |
| 2020 | 186<br>(5.0)   | 1460<br>(39.0)      | 1097<br>(29.3) | 549<br>(14.7) | 133<br>(3.6) | 60<br>(1.6)  | 33<br>(0.9)  | 223<br>(6.0)   | 3741  |
| 2021 | 205<br>(5.4)   | 1543<br>(40.4)      | 1165<br>(30.5) | 502<br>(13.1) | 161<br>(4.2) | 61<br>(1.6)  | 36<br>(0.9)  | 150<br>(3.9)   | 3823  |
| 2022 | 269<br>(7.3)   | 1389<br>(37.7)      | 1196<br>(32.5) | 437<br>(11.9) | 134<br>(3.6) | 60<br>(1.6)  | 71<br>(1.9)  | 128<br>(3.5)   | 3684  |
| 2023 | 163<br>(4.7)   | 1311<br>(37.4)      | 1050<br>(30.0) | 350<br>(10.0) | 188<br>(5.4) | 142<br>(4.1) | 113<br>(3.2) | 185<br>(5.3)   | 3502  |

Penicillin resistance based on Clinical & Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) MIC criteria only (MIC ≥2.0 µg/mL). Additional data on β-lactamase positivity are not depicted.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 7. Distribution of Tetracycline Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2019-2023



| Year | 0.06<br>n (%) | 0.125-0.25<br>n (%) | 0.5<br>n (%)   | 1.0<br>n (%)   | 2.0<br>n (%)  | 4.0<br>n (%) | 8.0<br>n (%) | ≥16.0<br>n (%) | Total |
|------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| 2019 | 24<br>(0.4)   | 659<br>(12.0)       | 1025<br>(18.7) | 2250<br>(41.1) | 842<br>(15.4) | 122<br>(2.2) | 12<br>(0.2)  | 546<br>(10.0)  | 5480  |
| 2020 | 11<br>(0.3)   | 480<br>(12.8)       | 778<br>(20.8)  | 1735<br>(46.4) | 336<br>(9.0)  | 46<br>(1.2)  | 5<br>(0.1)   | 350<br>(9.4)   | 3741  |
| 2021 | 4<br>(0.1)    | 408<br>(10.7)       | 831<br>(21.7)  | 1794<br>(46.9) | 267<br>(7.0)  | 30<br>(0.8)  | 6<br>(0.2)   | 483<br>(12.6)  | 3823  |
| 2022 | 6<br>(0.2)    | 449<br>(12.2)       | 898<br>(24.4)  | 1586<br>(43.1) | 158<br>(4.3)  | 23<br>(0.6)  | 13<br>(0.4)  | 551<br>(15.0)  | 3684  |
| 2023 | 16<br>(0.5)   | 334<br>(9.5)        | 676<br>(19.3)  | 1544<br>(44.1) | 138<br>(3.9)  | 11<br>(0.3)  | 12<br>(0.3)  | 771<br>(22.0)  | 3502  |

Tetracycline resistance MIC ≥2.0 µg/mL.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Table 1: Antimicrobial Minimum Inhibitory Concentration Parameters  
by 5-Year Periods in the Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 1999-2023

### 1A. Cefixime

| Time Range | MIC 50*<br>(µg/mL) | MIC 90**<br>(µg/mL) | Min MIC<br>(µg/mL) | Max MIC<br>(µg/mL) | % with<br>MIC ≥0.25 | % with<br>MIC ≥0.5 |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1999-2003  | 0.015              | 0.03                | 0.002              | 0.5                | 0.2                 | <0.1               |
| 2004-2008  | 0.008              | 0.03                | 0.001              | 0.5                | <0.1                | <0.1               |
| 2009-2013  | 0.015              | 0.03                | 0.002              | 1.0                | 1.0                 | <0.1               |
| 2014-2018  | 0.015              | 0.03                | 0.002              | 0.5                | 0.5                 | <0.1               |
| 2019-2023  | 0.015              | 0.03                | 0.002              | 2.0                | 0.3                 | <0.1               |

### 1B. Ceftriaxone

| Time Range | MIC 50*<br>(µg/mL) | MIC 90**<br>(µg/mL) | Min MIC<br>(µg/mL) | Max MIC<br>(µg/mL) | % with<br>MIC ≥0.125 | % with<br>MIC ≥0.5 |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1999-2003  | 0.004              | 0.015               | 0.001              | 0.25               | 0.2                  | 0                  |
| 2004-2008  | 0.008              | 0.015               | 0.001              | 0.25               | 0.1                  | 0                  |
| 2009-2013  | 0.008              | 0.015               | 0.001              | 0.5                | 0.3                  | <0.1               |
| 2014-2018  | 0.008              | 0.03                | 0.001              | 0.25               | 0.2                  | 0                  |
| 2019-2023  | 0.008              | 0.015               | 0.001              | 1.0                | <0.1                 | <0.1               |

### 1C. Azithromycin

| Time Range | MIC 50*<br>(µg/mL) | MIC 90**<br>(µg/mL) | Min MIC<br>(µg/mL) | Max MIC<br>(µg/mL) | % with<br>MIC ≥1.0 | % with<br>MIC ≥2.0 | % with<br>MIC ≥16.0 |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1999-2003  | 0.125              | 0.25                | 0.001              | 8.0                | 0.4                | 0.2                | 0                   |
| 2004-2008  | 0.25               | 0.5                 | 0.004              | 16.0               | 4.0                | 0.4                | <0.1                |
| 2009-2013  | 0.25               | 0.5                 | 0.015              | 64.0               | 4.0                | 0.4                | <0.1                |
| 2014-2018  | 0.25               | 0.5                 | 0.008              | 64.0               | 8.7                | 3.5                | 0.4                 |
| 2019-2023  | 0.25               | 1.0                 | 0.008              | 16.0               | 16.5               | 5.0                | 0.3                 |

\*MIC 50: lowest concentration of an antimicrobial that inhibits the growth of 50% of the isolates.

\*\*MIC 90: lowest concentration of an antimicrobial that inhibits the growth of 90% of the isolates.

All MICs reported in GISP for each antimicrobial were combined for the noted time period.

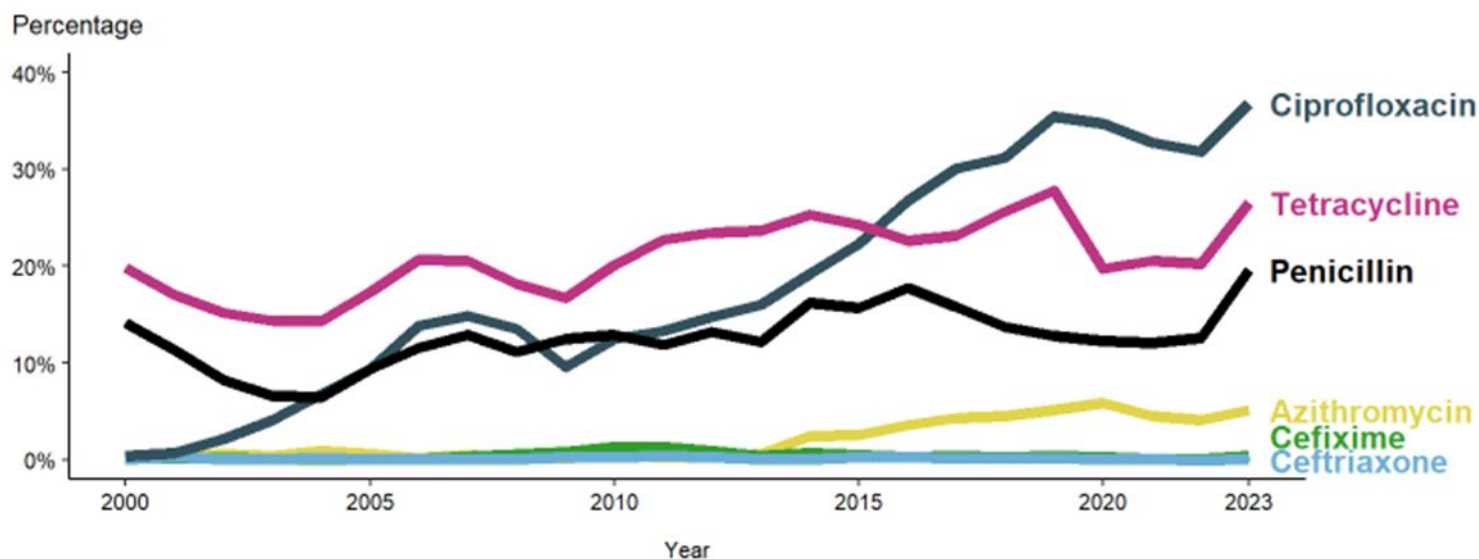
Cefixime susceptibility was not tested in 2007 and 2008.

Azithromycin alert MIC changed from 1.0 µg/mL to 2.0 µg/mL starting in 2005 due to a media change.

In 2025, azithromycin resistance was established as ≥2.0 µg/mL (FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria).

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Figure 8. Percentage of Tetracycline, Penicillin, Ciprofloxacin, or Azithromycin Resistance\* or Elevated Cefixime or Ceftriaxone Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs)<sup>†</sup>, by Year — Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2000-2023



| Antimicrobials | 2000<br>n (%)  | 2001<br>n (%) | 2002<br>n (%) | 2003<br>n (%) | 2004<br>n (%) | 2005<br>n (%)  | 2006<br>n (%)  | 2007<br>n (%)  | 2008<br>n (%)  | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%)  | 2011<br>n (%)  |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Azithromycin   | 19<br>(0.3)    | 15<br>(0.3)   | 33<br>(0.6)   | 26<br>(0.4)   | 57<br>(0.9)   | 35<br>(0.6)    | 14<br>(0.2)    | 27<br>(0.4)    | 11<br>(0.2)    | 12<br>(0.2)   | 27<br>(0.5)    | 16<br>(0.3)    |
| Cefixime       | 10<br>(0.2)    | 12<br>(0.2)   | 9<br>(0.2)    | 4<br>(0.1)    | 6<br>(0.1)    | 6<br>(0.1)     | 5<br>(0.1)     | N/A            | N/A            | 45<br>(0.8)   | 77<br>(1.4)    | 74<br>(1.4)    |
| Ceftriaxone    | 5<br>(0.1)     | 16<br>(0.3)   | 7<br>(0.1)    | 3<br>(0.0)    | 9<br>(0.1)    | 8<br>(0.1)     | 3<br>(0.0)     | 7<br>(0.1)     | 4<br>(0.1)     | 16<br>(0.3)   | 19<br>(0.3)    | 21<br>(0.4)    |
| Ciprofloxacin  | 19<br>(0.3)    | 38<br>(0.7)   | 116<br>(2.2)  | 270<br>(4.1)  | 429<br>(6.8)  | 581<br>(9.4)   | 843<br>(13.8)  | 891<br>(14.8)  | 775<br>(13.5)  | 542<br>(9.6)  | 709<br>(12.5)  | 726<br>(13.3)  |
| Penicillin     | 773<br>(14.2)  | 622<br>(11.4) | 441<br>(8.2)  | 434<br>(6.6)  | 411<br>(6.5)  | 581<br>(9.4)   | 702<br>(11.5)  | 776<br>(12.9)  | 639<br>(11.2)  | 702<br>(12.5) | 733<br>(12.9)  | 647<br>(11.8)  |
| Tetracycline   | 1085<br>(19.9) | 931<br>(17.0) | 814<br>(15.2) | 942<br>(14.4) | 909<br>(14.4) | 1073<br>(17.3) | 1256<br>(20.6) | 1233<br>(20.5) | 1010<br>(18.2) | 941<br>(16.7) | 1149<br>(20.2) | 1245<br>(22.8) |

| Antimicrobials | 2012<br>n (%)  | 2013<br>n (%)  | 2014<br>n (%)  | 2015<br>n (%)  | 2016<br>n (%)  | 2017<br>n (%)  | 2018<br>n (%)  | 2019<br>n (%)  | 2020<br>n (%)  | 2021<br>n (%)  | 2022<br>n (%)  | 2023<br>n (%)  |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Azithromycin   | 15<br>(0.3)    | 33<br>(0.6)    | 125<br>(2.5)   | 133<br>(2.6)   | 190<br>(3.6)   | 221<br>(4.4)   | 235<br>(4.6)   | 281<br>(5.1)   | 218<br>(5.8)   | 173<br>(4.5)   | 152<br>(4.1)   | 181<br>(5.2)   |
| Cefixime       | 52<br>(0.9)    | 25<br>(0.4)    | 38<br>(0.7)    | 25<br>(0.5)    | 17<br>(0.3)    | 22<br>(0.4)    | 15<br>(0.3)    | 19<br>(0.3)    | 12<br>(0.3)    | 5<br>(0.1)     | 5<br>(0.1)     | 13<br>(0.4)    |
| Ceftriaxone    | 15<br>(0.3)    | 3<br>(0.1)     | 7<br>(0.1)     | 14<br>(0.3)    | 14<br>(0.3)    | 10<br>(0.2)    | 9<br>(0.2)     | 8<br>(0.1)     | 3<br>(0.1)     | 3<br>(0.1)     | 1<br>(0.0)     | 3<br>(0.1)     |
| Ciprofloxacin  | 809<br>(14.7)  | 955<br>(16.1)  | 978<br>(19.2)  | 1149<br>(22.3) | 1409<br>(26.8) | 1524<br>(30.1) | 1611<br>(31.2) | 1941<br>(35.4) | 1300<br>(34.8) | 1253<br>(32.8) | 1173<br>(31.8) | 1287<br>(36.8) |
| Penicillin     | 725<br>(13.2)  | 725<br>(12.2)  | 826<br>(16.2)  | 809<br>(15.7)  | 934<br>(17.8)  | 800<br>(15.8)  | 707<br>(13.7)  | 699<br>(12.8)  | 461<br>(12.3)  | 460<br>(12.0)  | 466<br>(12.6)  | 687<br>(19.6)  |
| Tetracycline   | 1288<br>(23.4) | 1410<br>(23.7) | 1287<br>(25.3) | 1248<br>(24.2) | 1187<br>(22.6) | 1169<br>(23.1) | 1322<br>(25.6) | 1522<br>(27.8) | 737<br>(19.7)  | 786<br>(20.6)  | 745<br>(20.2)  | 932<br>(26.6)  |

\* Resistance: ciprofloxacin: MIC  $\geq 1.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; penicillin: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  or  $\beta$ -lactamase positive; tetracycline: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; azithromycin: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$

<sup>†</sup> Elevated MICs: ceftriaxone: MIC  $\geq 0.125$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; cefixime: MIC  $\geq 0.25$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

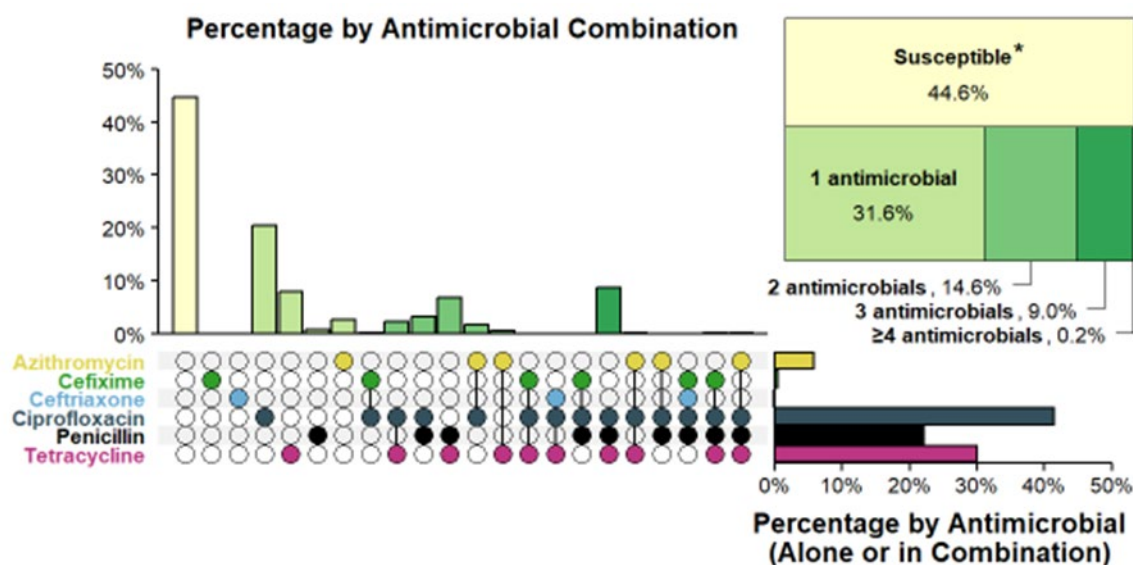
Cefixime susceptibility was not tested in 2007 and 2008.

Azithromycin alert MICs changed from 1.0  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  to 2.0  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  starting in 2005 due to a shift in MICs caused by culture media change.

In 2025, azithromycin resistance was established as  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  (FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria).

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 9. Resistance or Elevated Minimum Inhibitory Concentration (MIC) Patterns of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates to Antimicrobials, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2023



| Total #<br>Antimicrobials | Azithromycin | Cefixime | Ceftriaxone | Ciprofloxacin | Penicillin | Tetracycline | Isolate<br>Count | % Total<br>Isolates |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|---------------|------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 0*                        |              |          |             |               |            |              | 1562             | 44.6                |
| 1                         | ✓            |          |             |               |            |              | 89               | 2.5                 |
| 1                         |              | ✓        |             |               |            |              | 2                | 0.1                 |
| 1                         |              |          | ✓           |               |            |              | 1                | 0.0                 |
| 1                         |              |          |             | ✓             |            |              | 712              | 20.3                |
| 1                         |              |          |             |               | ✓          |              | 27               | 0.8                 |
| 1                         |              |          |             |               |            | ✓            | 276              | 7.9                 |
| 2                         | ✓            |          |             | ✓             |            |              | 59               | 1.7                 |
| 2                         | ✓            |          |             |               |            | ✓            | 20               | 0.6                 |
| 2                         |              | ✓        |             | ✓             |            |              | 5                | 0.1                 |
| 2                         |              |          |             | ✓             | ✓          |              | 109              | 3.1                 |
| 2                         |              |          |             | ✓             |            | ✓            | 79               | 2.3                 |
| 2                         |              |          |             |               | ✓          | ✓            | 238              | 6.8                 |
| 3                         | ✓            |          |             | ✓             | ✓          |              | 2                | 0.1                 |
| 3                         | ✓            |          |             | ✓             |            | ✓            | 8                | 0.2                 |
| 3                         |              | ✓        |             | ✓             | ✓          |              | 1                | 0.0                 |
| 3                         |              | ✓        |             | ✓             |            | ✓            | 1                | 0.0                 |
| 3                         |              |          | ✓           | ✓             |            | ✓            | 1                | 0.0                 |
| 3                         |              |          |             | ✓             | ✓          | ✓            | 303              | 8.7                 |
| 4                         | ✓            |          |             | ✓             | ✓          | ✓            | 3                | 0.1                 |
| 4                         |              | ✓        | ✓           | ✓             | ✓          |              | 1                | 0.0                 |
| 4                         |              | ✓        |             | ✓             | ✓          | ✓            | 3                | 0.1                 |

\* Susceptible category includes isolates with penicillin (or  $\beta$ -lactamase negative), tetracycline, ciprofloxacin, and azithromycin MIC values that are not considered resistant (i.e., susceptible and intermediate resistant) based on Clinical & Laboratory Standards Institute criteria or FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria and isolates with ceftriaxone or cefixime MIC values that are not considered elevated based on GISP "alert" values. In 2025, azithromycin resistance was established as  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  (FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria).

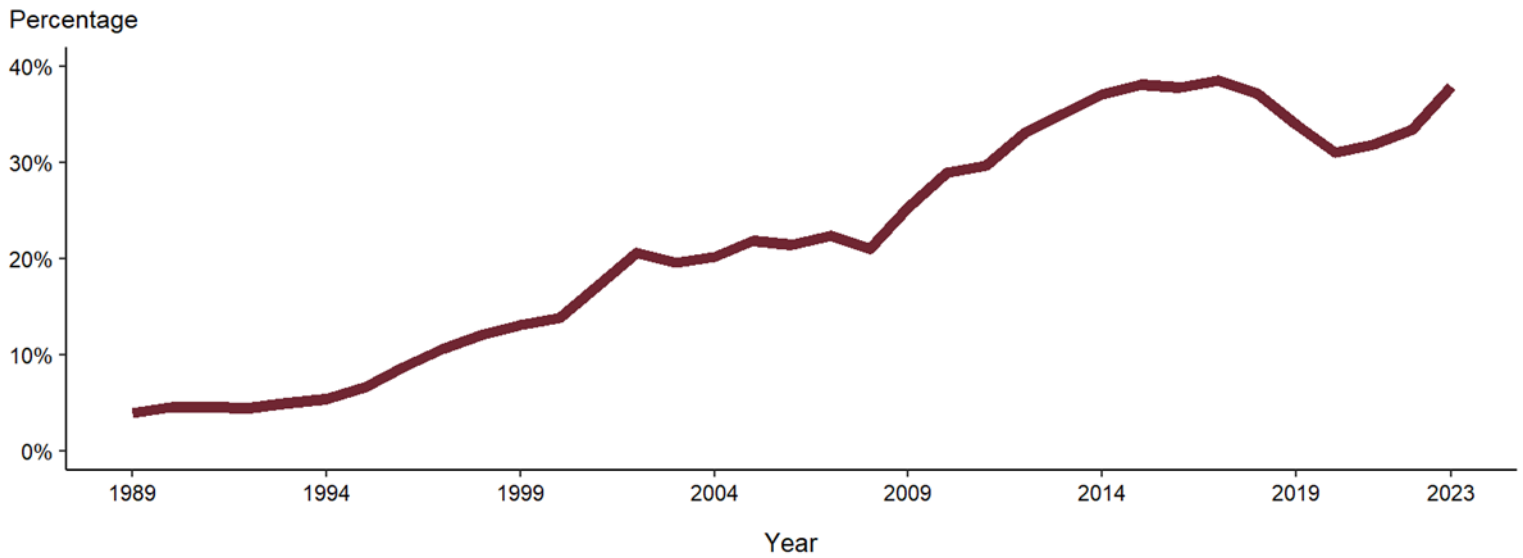
Elevated MICs = ceftriaxone: MIC  $\geq 0.125$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; cefixime: MIC  $\geq 0.25$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ;

Resistance = azithromycin: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; tetracycline: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; ciprofloxacin: MIC  $\geq 1.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; penicillin: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  or  $\beta$ -lactamase positive.

In the figure or table, respectively, a filled circle or check mark reflects resistance or an elevated MIC to a specific antimicrobial; only antimicrobial combinations with non-zero percentages are shown.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 10. Percentage of Isolates Obtained from MSM Attending Participating STD Clinics, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 1989-2023



| 1989<br>n (%) | 1990<br>n (%) | 1991<br>n (%) | 1992<br>n (%) | 1993<br>n (%) | 1994<br>n (%) | 1995<br>n (%) | 1996<br>n (%) | 1997<br>n (%) | 1998<br>n (%) | 1999<br>n (%) | 2000<br>n (%) | 2001<br>n (%) | 2002<br>n (%)  | 2003<br>n (%)  | 2004<br>n (%)  | 2005<br>n (%)  |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 174<br>(3.9)  | 191<br>(4.6)  | 221<br>(4.6)  | 228<br>(4.5)  | 239<br>(5.0)  | 248<br>(5.4)  | 305<br>(6.7)  | 389<br>(8.7)  | 441<br>(10.7) | 503<br>(12.0) | 613<br>(13.1) | 690<br>(13.8) | 896<br>(17.2) | 1069<br>(20.6) | 1253<br>(19.6) | 1202<br>(20.2) | 1335<br>(21.9) |

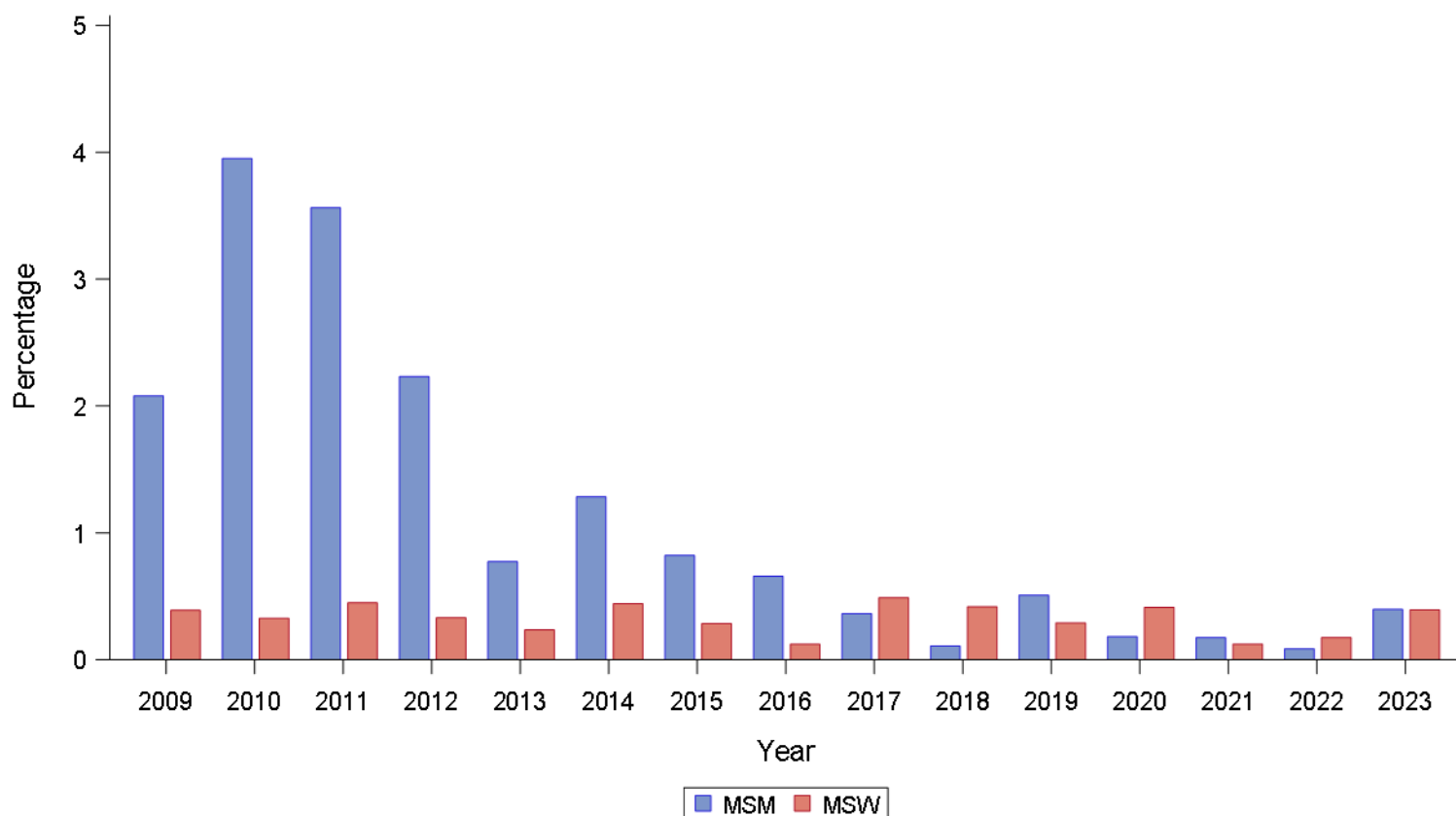
| 2006<br>n (%)  | 2007<br>n (%)  | 2008<br>n (%)  | 2009<br>n (%)  | 2010<br>n (%)  | 2011<br>n (%)  | 2012<br>n (%)  | 2013<br>n (%)  | 2014<br>n (%)  | 2015<br>n (%)  | 2016<br>n (%)  | 2017<br>n (%)  | 2018<br>n (%)  | 2019<br>n (%)  | 2020<br>n (%)  | 2021<br>n (%)  | 2022<br>n (%)  | 2023<br>n (%)  |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1281<br>(21.5) | 1316<br>(22.4) | 1173<br>(21.0) | 1393<br>(25.3) | 1619<br>(28.9) | 1599<br>(29.7) | 1792<br>(33.1) | 2070<br>(35.1) | 1867<br>(37.1) | 1944<br>(38.1) | 1974<br>(37.8) | 1922<br>(38.5) | 1842<br>(37.2) | 1767<br>(33.9) | 1096<br>(31.1) | 1143<br>(31.9) | 1152<br>(33.4) | 1258<br>(38.0) |

MSM = Men who have sex with men.

Results for 2023 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Cleveland due to missing data.

Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.

Figure 11. Percentage of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates with an Elevated Minimum Inhibitory Concentration (MIC) to Cefixime by Reported Sex of Sex Partners, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2009-2023



| Sex of Sex Partners | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%) | 2011<br>n (%) | 2012<br>n (%) | 2013<br>n (%) | 2014<br>n (%) | 2015<br>n (%) | 2016<br>n (%) | 2017<br>n (%) | 2018<br>n (%) | 2019<br>n (%) | 2020<br>n (%) | 2021<br>n (%) | 2022<br>n (%) | 2023<br>n (%) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| MSM                 | 29<br>(2.1)   | 64<br>(4.0)   | 57<br>(3.6)   | 40<br>(2.2)   | 16<br>(0.8)   | 24<br>(1.3)   | 16<br>(0.8)   | 13<br>(0.7)   | 7<br>(0.4)    | 2<br>(0.1)    | 9<br>(0.5)    | 2<br>(0.2)    | 2<br>(0.2)    | 1<br>(0.1)    | 5<br>(0.4)    |
| MSW                 | 16<br>(0.4)   | 13<br>(0.3)   | 17<br>(0.4)   | 12<br>(0.3)   | 9<br>(0.2)    | 14<br>(0.4)   | 9<br>(0.3)    | 4<br>(0.1)    | 15<br>(0.5)   | 13<br>(0.4)   | 10<br>(0.3)   | 10<br>(0.4)   | 3<br>(0.1)    | 4<br>(0.2)    | 8<br>(0.4)    |

MSM = Men who have sex with men; MSW = Men who have sex with women only.

Isolates were not tested for cefixime susceptibility in 2007-2008.

Cefixime elevated MIC  $\geq 0.25$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

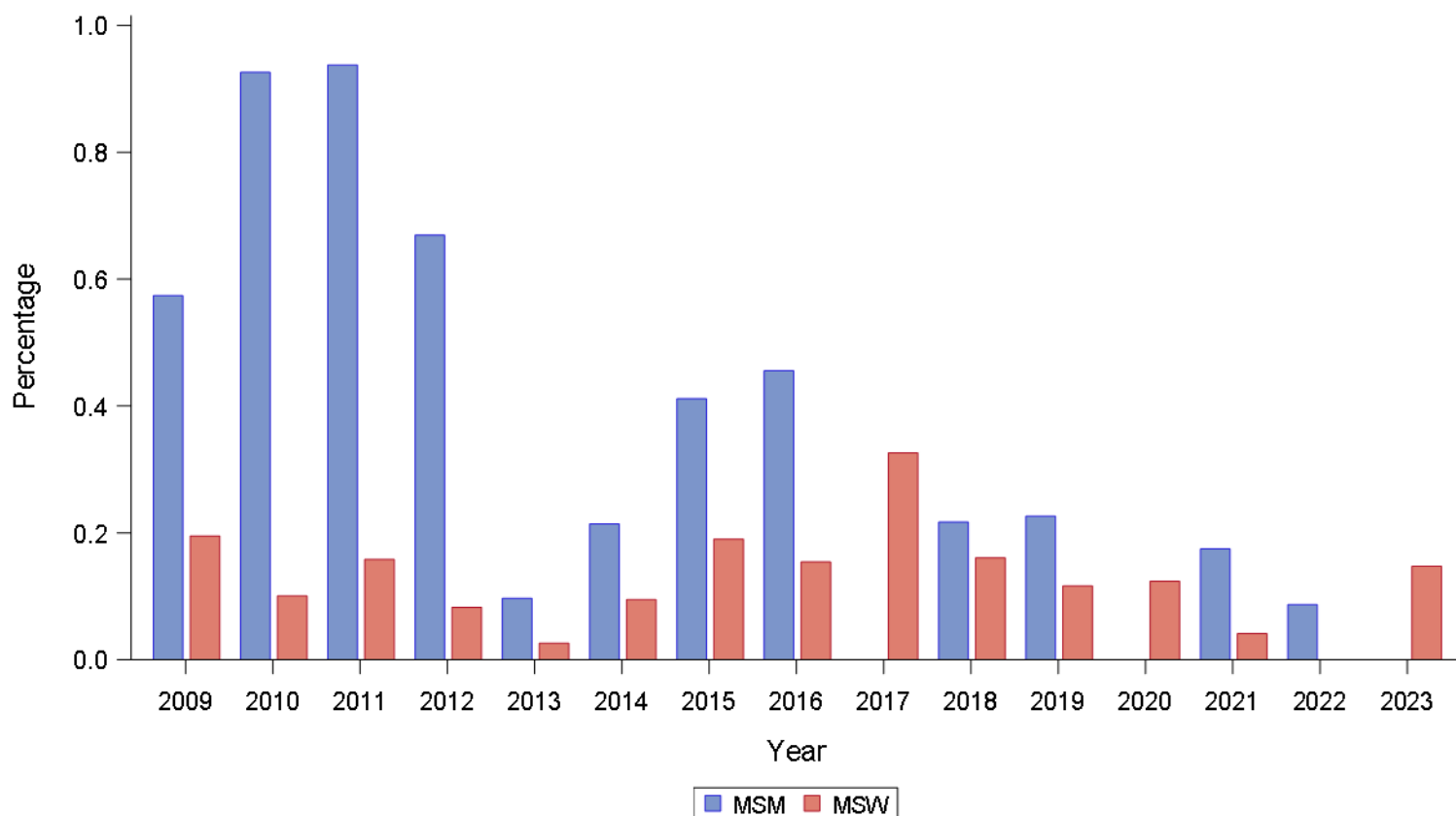
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Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.



Figure 12. Percentage of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates with an Elevated Minimum Inhibitory Concentration (MIC) to Ceftriaxone by Reported Sex of Sex Partners, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2009-2023



| Sex of Sex Partners | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%) | 2011<br>n (%) | 2012<br>n (%) | 2013<br>n (%) | 2014<br>n (%) | 2015<br>n (%) | 2016<br>n (%) | 2017<br>n (%) | 2018<br>n (%) | 2019<br>n (%) | 2020<br>n (%) | 2021<br>n (%) | 2022<br>n (%) | 2023<br>n (%) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| MSM                 | 8<br>(0.6)    | 15<br>(0.9)   | 15<br>(0.9)   | 12<br>(0.7)   | 2<br>(0.1)    | 4<br>(0.2)    | 8<br>(0.4)    | 9<br>(0.5)    | 0<br>(0.0)    | 4<br>(0.2)    | 4<br>(0.2)    | 0<br>(0.0)    | 2<br>(0.2)    | 1<br>(0.1)    | 0<br>(0.0)    |
| MSW                 | 8<br>(0.2)    | 4<br>(0.1)    | 6<br>(0.2)    | 3<br>(0.1)    | 1<br>(0.0)    | 3<br>(0.1)    | 6<br>(0.2)    | 5<br>(0.2)    | 10<br>(0.3)   | 5<br>(0.2)    | 4<br>(0.1)    | 3<br>(0.1)    | 1<br>(0.0)    | 0<br>(0.0)    | 3<br>(0.1)    |

MSM = Men who have sex with men; MSW = Men who have sex with women only.

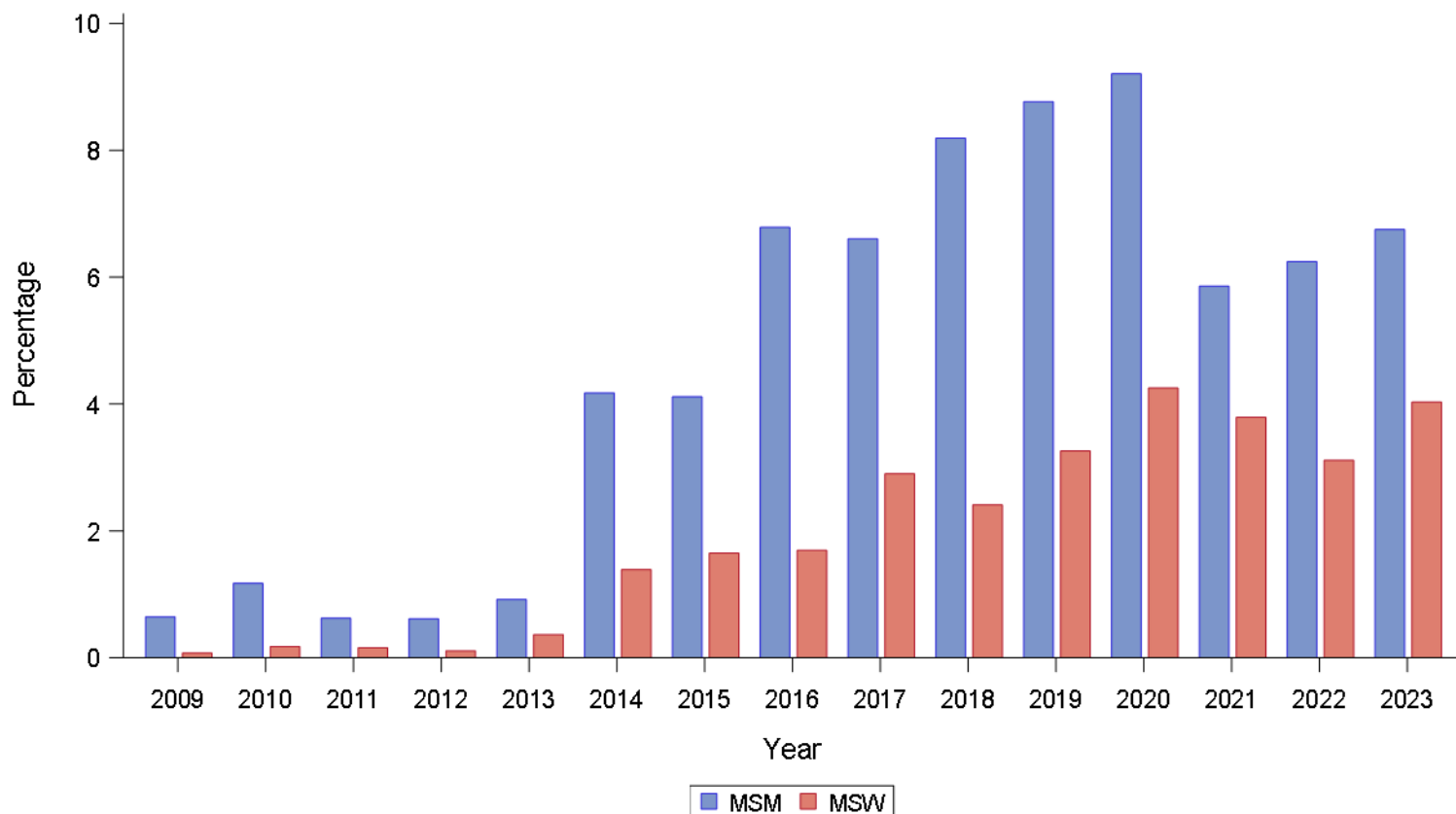
Ceftriaxone elevated MIC  $\geq 0.125$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

Results for 2023 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Cleveland due to missing data.

Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 13. Percentage of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates with Resistance to Azithromycin by Reported Sex of Sex Partners, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2009-2023



| Sex of Sex Partners | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%) | 2011<br>n (%) | 2012<br>n (%) | 2013<br>n (%) | 2014<br>n (%) | 2015<br>n (%) | 2016<br>n (%) | 2017<br>n (%) | 2018<br>n (%) | 2019<br>n (%) | 2020<br>n (%) | 2021<br>n (%) | 2022<br>n (%) | 2023<br>n (%) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| MSM                 | 9<br>(0.6)    | 19<br>(1.2)   | 10<br>(0.6)   | 11<br>(0.6)   | 19<br>(0.9)   | 78<br>(4.2)   | 80<br>(4.1)   | 134<br>(6.8)  | 127<br>(6.6)  | 151<br>(8.2)  | 155<br>(8.8)  | 101<br>(9.2)  | 67<br>(5.9)   | 72<br>(6.2)   | 85<br>(6.8)   |
| MSW                 | 3<br>(0.1)    | 7<br>(0.2)    | 6<br>(0.2)    | 4<br>(0.1)    | 14<br>(0.4)   | 44<br>(1.4)   | 52<br>(1.6)   | 55<br>(1.7)   | 89<br>(2.9)   | 75<br>(2.4)   | 112<br>(3.3)  | 103<br>(4.3)  | 92<br>(3.8)   | 71<br>(3.1)   | 82<br>(4.0)   |

MSM = Men who have sex with men; MSW = Men who have sex with women only.

Azithromycin resistance  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/ml}$  (FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria).

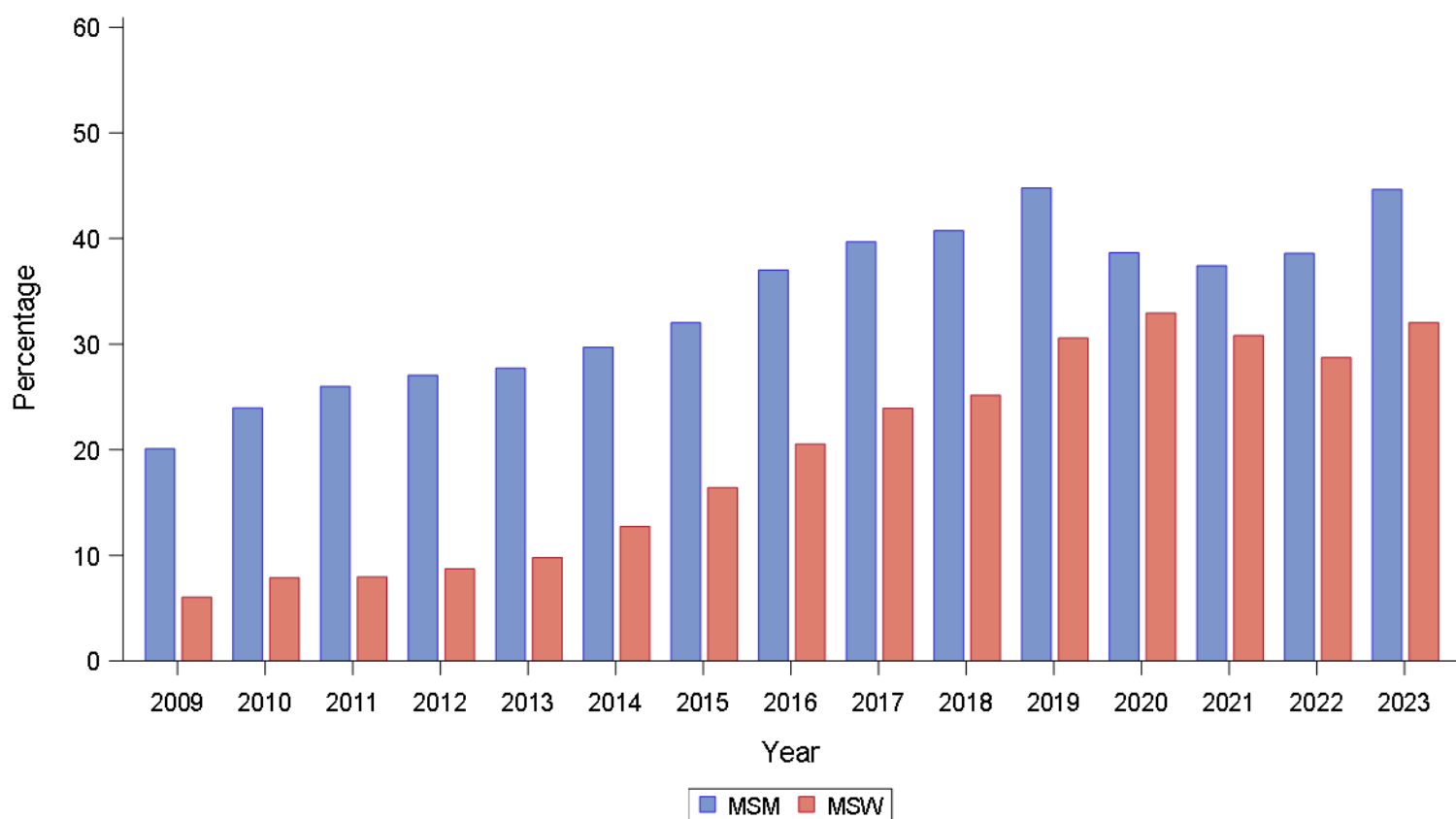
In 2025, azithromycin resistance was established as  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  (FDA-STIC).

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Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 14. Percentage of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates with Resistance to Ciprofloxacin by Reported Sex of Sex Partners, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2009-2023



| Sex of Sex Partners | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%) | 2011<br>n (%) | 2012<br>n (%) | 2013<br>n (%) | 2014<br>n (%) | 2015<br>n (%) | 2016<br>n (%) | 2017<br>n (%) | 2018<br>n (%) | 2019<br>n (%)  | 2020<br>n (%) | 2021<br>n (%) | 2022<br>n (%) | 2023<br>n (%) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| MSM                 | 280<br>(20.1) | 388<br>(24.0) | 416<br>(26.0) | 485<br>(27.0) | 574<br>(27.7) | 555<br>(29.7) | 623<br>(32.0) | 731<br>(37.0) | 763<br>(39.7) | 751<br>(40.7) | 792<br>(44.8)  | 424<br>(38.7) | 428<br>(37.4) | 445<br>(38.6) | 562<br>(44.6) |
| MSW                 | 248<br>(6.0)  | 313<br>(7.9)  | 302<br>(8.0)  | 316<br>(8.7)  | 375<br>(9.8)  | 403<br>(12.7) | 518<br>(16.4) | 667<br>(20.5) | 734<br>(23.9) | 783<br>(25.2) | 1051<br>(30.6) | 798<br>(32.9) | 748<br>(30.8) | 655<br>(28.7) | 652<br>(32.0) |

MSM = Men who have sex with men; MSW = Men who have sex with women only.

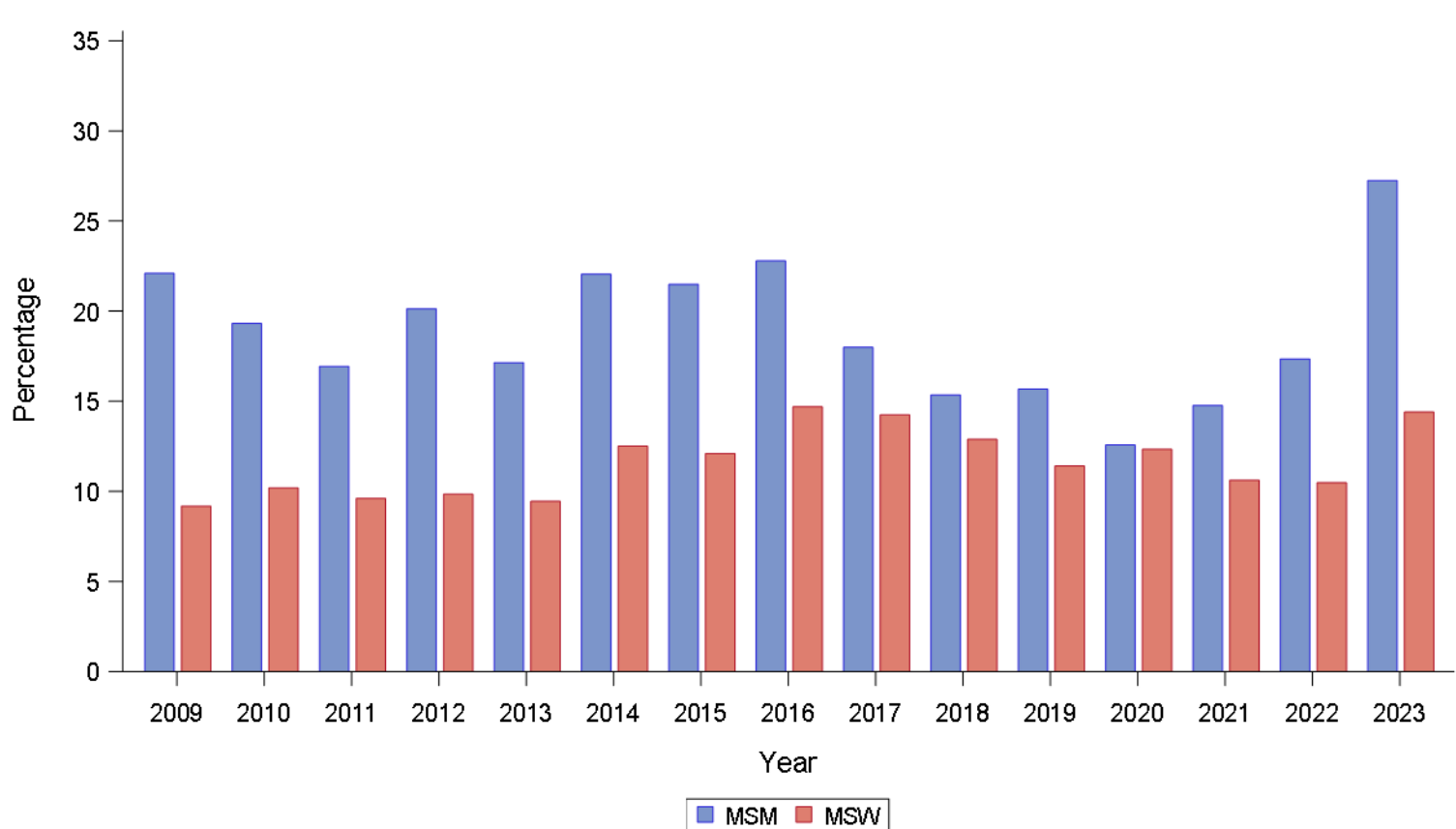
Ciprofloxacin resistance MIC  $\geq 1.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

Results for 2023 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Cleveland due to missing data.

Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 15. Percentage of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates with Resistance to Penicillin by Reported Sex of Sex Partners, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2009-2023



| Sex of Sex Partners | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%) | 2011<br>n (%) | 2012<br>n (%) | 2013<br>n (%) | 2014<br>n (%) | 2015<br>n (%) | 2016<br>n (%) | 2017<br>n (%) | 2018<br>n (%) | 2019<br>n (%) | 2020<br>n (%) | 2021<br>n (%) | 2022<br>n (%) | 2023<br>n (%) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| MSM                 | 308<br>(22.1) | 313<br>(19.3) | 271<br>(16.9) | 361<br>(20.1) | 355<br>(17.1) | 412<br>(22.1) | 418<br>(21.5) | 450<br>(22.8) | 346<br>(18.0) | 283<br>(15.4) | 277<br>(15.7) | 138<br>(12.6) | 169<br>(14.8) | 200<br>(17.3) | 343<br>(27.2) |
| MSW                 | 377<br>(9.2)  | 405<br>(10.2) | 364<br>(9.6)  | 357<br>(9.8)  | 362<br>(9.5)  | 396<br>(12.5) | 382<br>(12.1) | 477<br>(14.7) | 437<br>(14.2) | 401<br>(12.9) | 392<br>(11.4) | 299<br>(12.3) | 258<br>(10.6) | 239<br>(10.5) | 293<br>(14.4) |

MSM = Men who have sex with men; MSW = Men who have sex with women only.

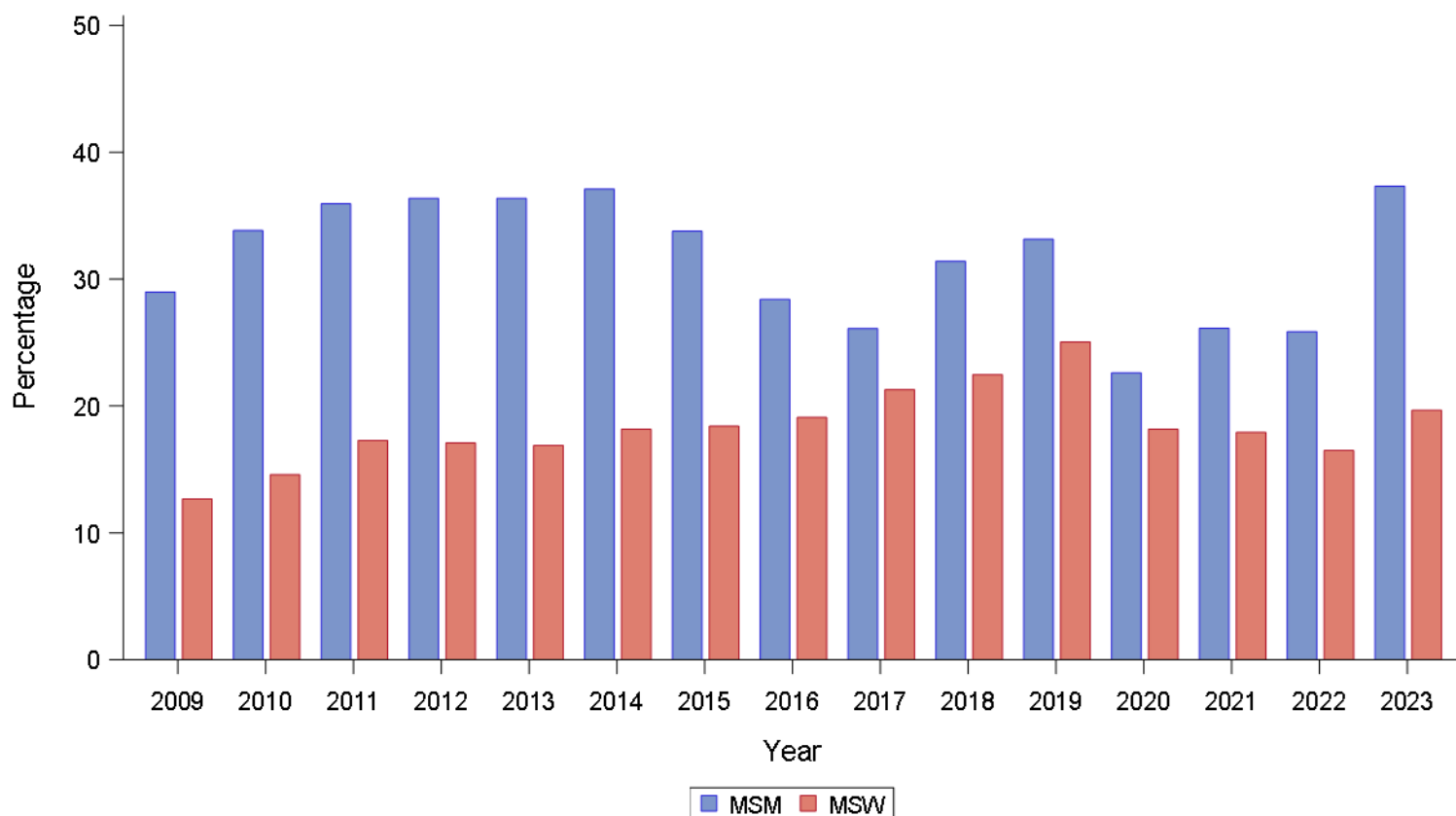
Penicillin resistance  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  or  $\beta$ -lactamase positive.

Results for 2023 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Cleveland due to missing data.

Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 16. Percentage of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates with Resistance to Tetracycline by Reported Sex of Sex Partners, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2009-2023



| Sex of Sex Partners | 2009<br>n (%) | 2010<br>n (%) | 2011<br>n (%) | 2012<br>n (%) | 2013<br>n (%) | 2014<br>n (%) | 2015<br>n (%) | 2016<br>n (%) | 2017<br>n (%) | 2018<br>n (%) | 2019<br>n (%) | 2020<br>n (%) | 2021<br>n (%) | 2022<br>n (%) | 2023<br>n (%) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| MSM                 | 404<br>(29.0) | 548<br>(33.8) | 575<br>(35.9) | 652<br>(36.4) | 753<br>(36.4) | 693<br>(37.1) | 657<br>(33.8) | 561<br>(28.4) | 502<br>(26.1) | 579<br>(31.4) | 586<br>(33.1) | 248<br>(22.6) | 299<br>(26.1) | 298<br>(25.8) | 470<br>(37.3) |
| MSW                 | 520<br>(12.7) | 580<br>(14.6) | 655<br>(17.3) | 620<br>(17.1) | 647<br>(16.9) | 575<br>(18.2) | 581<br>(18.4) | 620<br>(19.1) | 653<br>(21.3) | 699<br>(22.5) | 861<br>(25.1) | 440<br>(18.2) | 435<br>(17.9) | 376<br>(16.5) | 400<br>(19.7) |

MSM = Men who have sex with men; MSW = Men who have sex with women only.

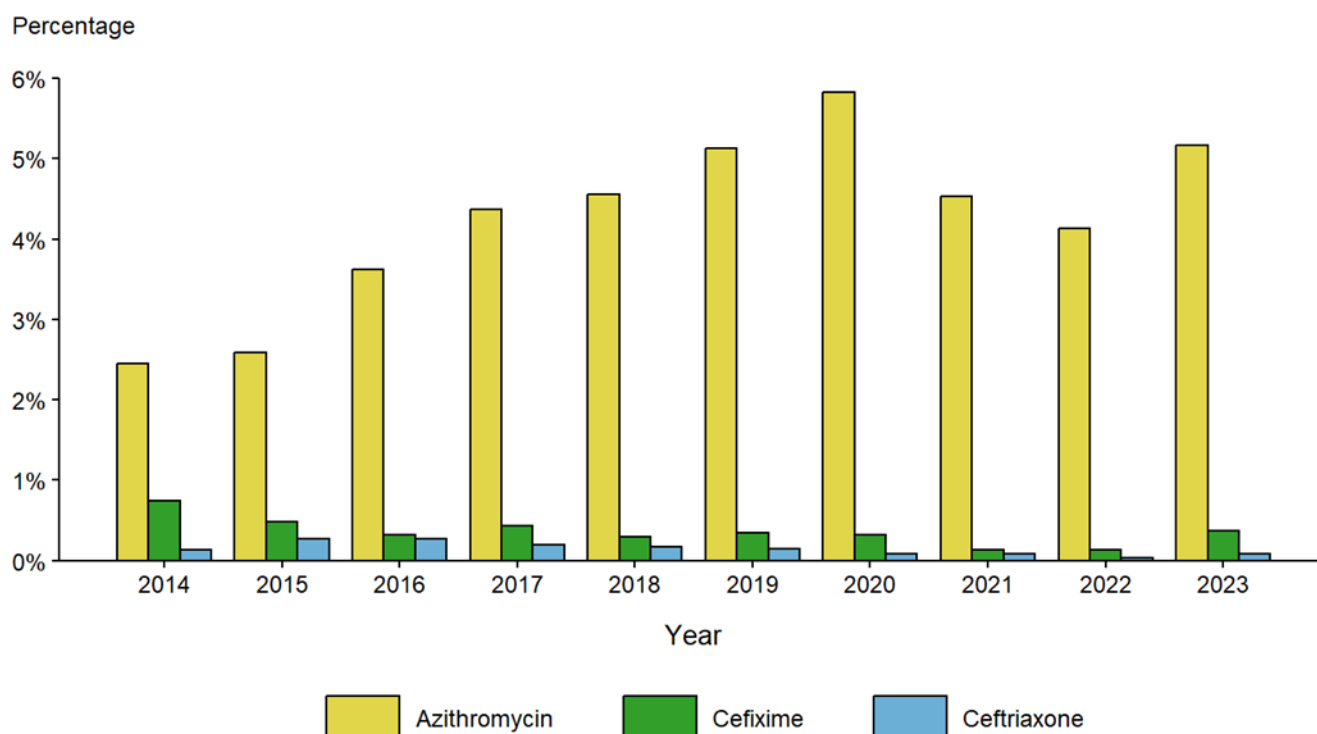
Tetracycline resistance  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

Results for 2023 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Cleveland due to missing data.

Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.

Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 17. Percentage of Isolates with Resistance\* or Elevated Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations† (MICs) to Azithromycin, Cefixime, and Ceftriaxone, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 2014-2023



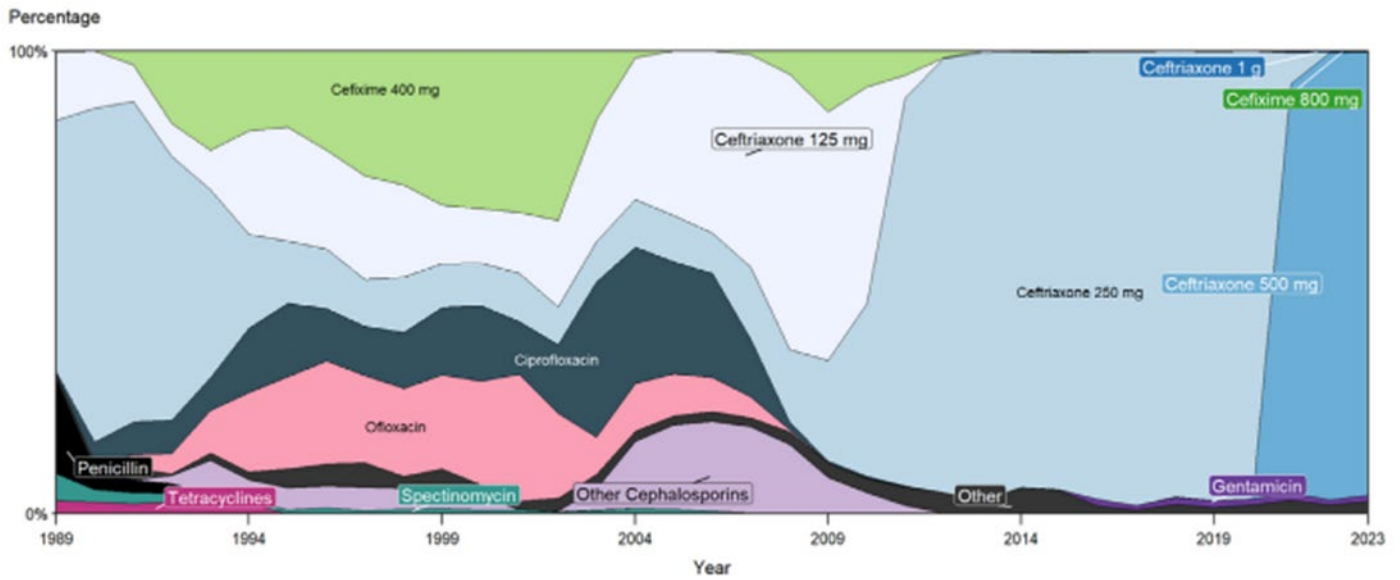
| Year | Azithromycin<br>n (%) | Cefixime<br>n (%) | Ceftriaxone<br>n (%) |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 2014 | 125<br>(2.5)          | 38<br>(0.7)       | 7<br>(0.1)           |
| 2015 | 133<br>(2.6)          | 25<br>(0.5)       | 14<br>(0.3)          |
| 2016 | 190<br>(3.6)          | 17<br>(0.3)       | 14<br>(0.3)          |
| 2017 | 221<br>(4.4)          | 22<br>(0.4)       | 10<br>(0.2)          |
| 2018 | 235<br>(4.6)          | 15<br>(0.3)       | 9<br>(0.2)           |
| 2019 | 281<br>(5.1)          | 19<br>(0.3)       | 8<br>(0.1)           |
| 2020 | 218<br>(5.8)          | 12<br>(0.3)       | 3<br>(0.1)           |
| 2021 | 173<br>(4.5)          | 5<br>(0.1)        | 3<br>(0.1)           |
| 2022 | 152<br>(4.1)          | 5<br>(0.1)        | 1<br>(0.0)           |
| 2023 | 181<br>(5.2)          | 13<br>(0.4)       | 3<br>(0.1)           |

\* Resistance: azithromycin: MIC  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

† Elevated MICs: ceftriaxone: MIC  $\geq 0.125$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; cefixime: MIC  $\geq 0.25$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

In 2025, azithromycin resistance was established as  $\geq 2.0$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  (FDA-Recognized Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria). Data for years 2020-2022 may not match previously reported data due to MIC data updates made by reporting labs.

Figure 18. Distribution of Primary Antimicrobial Drugs Used to Treat Gonorrhea Among Participants, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 1989-2023



| Year | Cefixime 400 mg | Ceftriaxone 125 mg | Ceftriaxone 250 mg | Ciprofloxacin | Other | Other Cephalosporins | Penicillin | Spectinomycin | Tetracyclines | Ofloxacin | Gentamicin | Cefixime 800 mg | Ceftriaxone 1 g | Ceftriaxone 500 mg |
|------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|-------|----------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1989 | 0.3%            | 14.7%              | 54.3%              | 0.5%          | 1.0%  | 0.2%                 | 20.4%      | 5.8%          | 2.7%          | 0.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1990 | 0.0%            | 12.4%              | 72.2%              | 4.6%          | 1.1%  | 0.1%                 | 4.6%       | 2.6%          | 2.4%          | 0.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1991 | 3.0%            | 7.9%               | 69.4%              | 7.1%          | 2.5%  | 0.1%                 | 2.7%       | 2.4%          | 2.1%          | 2.8%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1992 | 15.7%           | 7.1%               | 57.1%              | 7.2%          | 0.5%  | 1.6%                 | 2.1%       | 1.8%          | 2.5%          | 4.4%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1993 | 21.6%           | 8.5%               | 40.6%              | 7.1%          | 1.6%  | 7.2%                 | 1.2%       | 1.3%          | 1.7%          | 9.2%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1994 | 17.4%           | 22.3%              | 20.3%              | 14.0%         | 1.8%  | 4.5%                 | 0.0%       | 0.8%          | 1.9%          | 17.0%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1995 | 16.5%           | 24.8%              | 13.4%              | 15.9%         | 4.1%  | 4.7%                 | 0.0%       | 0.7%          | 0.0%          | 19.9%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1996 | 21.6%           | 21.3%              | 12.9%              | 11.3%         | 4.8%  | 4.7%                 | 0.0%       | 1.2%          | 0.0%          | 22.2%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1997 | 27.1%           | 22.4%              | 10.2%              | 10.7%         | 5.2%  | 5.0%                 | 0.0%       | 0.7%          | 0.0%          | 18.8%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1998 | 29.1%           | 19.9%              | 11.9%              | 12.2%         | 2.6%  | 4.5%                 | 0.0%       | 0.8%          | 0.0%          | 19.0%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 1999 | 33.3%           | 12.7%              | 9.5%               | 14.6%         | 3.6%  | 4.9%                 | 0.0%       | 1.0%          | 0.0%          | 20.3%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2000 | 34.2%           | 11.7%              | 9.2%               | 16.3%         | 2.6%  | 2.9%                 | 0.0%       | 0.6%          | 0.1%          | 22.4%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2001 | 35.0%           | 13.1%              | 10.4%              | 11.5%         | 1.9%  | 0.0%                 | 0.0%       | 0.6%          | 0.1%          | 27.5%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2002 | 36.7%           | 18.7%              | 8.2%               | 14.9%         | 2.8%  | 0.1%                 | 0.0%       | 0.3%          | 0.0%          | 18.2%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2003 | 15.0%           | 26.3%              | 8.7%               | 33.6%         | 3.2%  | 4.6%                 | 0.0%       | 0.6%          | 0.0%          | 8.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2004 | 1.5%            | 30.7%              | 10.3%              | 29.5%         | 2.2%  | 14.5%                | 0.0%       | 1.0%          | 0.0%          | 10.3%     | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2005 | 0.1%            | 35.5%              | 10.0%              | 24.3%         | 2.0%  | 18.1%                | 0.0%       | 0.9%          | 0.0%          | 9.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2006 | 0.1%            | 39.4%              | 8.7%               | 22.6%         | 2.1%  | 19.5%                | 0.0%       | 0.4%          | 0.0%          | 7.3%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2007 | 0.8%            | 46.0%              | 15.5%              | 12.5%         | 2.0%  | 18.6%                | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.1%          | 4.4%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2008 | 5.1%            | 59.5%              | 15.6%              | 1.7%          | 2.7%  | 14.9%                | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.5%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2009 | 13.2%           | 53.9%              | 21.6%              | 0.4%          | 3.1%  | 7.7%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.1%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2010 | 7.8%            | 46.9%              | 37.4%              | 0.3%          | 3.0%  | 4.4%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.2%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2011 | 5.3%            | 4.8%               | 84.0%              | 0.1%          | 3.9%  | 1.7%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.1%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2012 | 1.6%            | 0.1%               | 93.9%              | 0.0%          | 4.4%  | 0.0%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2013 | 0.0%            | 0.4%               | 96.9%              | 0.0%          | 2.7%  | 0.0%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2014 | 0.0%            | 0.1%               | 94.3%              | 0.0%          | 5.6%  | 0.0%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 0.0%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 2015 | 0.3%            | 0.1%               | 94.4%              | 0.0%          | 4.9%  | 0.0%                 | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 0.2%       | 0.0%            | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |

Figure 18. Distribution of Primary Antimicrobial Drugs Used to Treat Gonorrhea Among Participants, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 1989-2023  
(Continued)

| Year | Cefixime<br>400 mg | Ceftriaxone<br>125 mg | Ceftriaxone<br>250 mg | Ciprofloxacin | Other | Other<br>Cephalosporins | Penicillin | Spectinomycin | Tetracyclines | Ofloxacin | Gentamicin | Cefixime<br>800 mg | Ceftriaxone<br>1 g | Ceftriaxone<br>500 mg |
|------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------|-------------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 2016 | 0.1%               | 0.1%                  | 96.9%                 | 0.0%          | 1.5%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.5%       | 0.0%               | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  |
| 2017 | 0.1%               | 0.1%                  | 98.1%                 | 0.0%          | 0.7%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.1%       | 0.0%               | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  |
| 2018 | 0.1%               | 0.0%                  | 96.5%                 | 0.1%          | 2.0%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.4%       | 0.0%               | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  |
| 2019 | 0.2%               | 0.0%                  | 97.0%                 | 0.0%          | 1.2%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.5%       | 0.0%               | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  |
| 2020 | 0.1%               | 0.0%                  | 96.8%                 | 0.0%          | 1.8%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.3%       | 0.0%               | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  |
| 2021 | 0.1%               | 0.0%                  | 6.7%                  | 0.0%          | 2.9%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.5%       | 0.1%               | 0.3%               | 88.5%                 |
| 2022 | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  | 0.2%                  | 0.0%          | 1.8%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.0%       | 0.1%               | 0.2%               | 96.7%                 |
| 2023 | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  | 0.1%                  | 0.0%          | 2.5%  | 0.0%                    | 0.0%       | 0.0%          | 0.0%          | 0.0%      | 1.4%       | 0.1%               | 0.1%               | 95.7%                 |

In 2023, Cefixime 800 mg (0.1%) and Ceftriaxone 1 g (0.1%) each represented less than one percent of primary antimicrobial drugs used to treat gonorrhea among GISP participants and may not be visible in this figure.

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Results for 2022 are based on data obtained from participants in all participating GISP jurisdictions except for Pittsburgh due to missing data.