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HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) ANTIBODY REPORTS UK

United Kingdom : cumulative totals of HIV antibody positive persons
reported up to end of March 1987

	Cumulative totals		Cumulative totals
ENGLAND		ENGLAND (Cont)	
Northern	212	Oxford	235
Yorkshire	198	South Western	132
Trent	178	West Midlands	271
East Anglia	121	Mersey	70
NW Thames	1561	North Western	87
NE Thames	470		
SE Thames	560	WALES	48
SW Thames	124	SCOTLAND	1142
Wessex	168	NORTHERN IRELAND	36
Total			5613

England, Wales and Northern Ireland

Cumulative totals of HIV antibody positive persons reported by transmission characteristic,
to end of February 1987

Transmission characteristic	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
Homosexual/bisexual	2158	-	-	2158
Intravenous drug abuser (IVDA)	163	85	4	252
Homosexual and IVDA	24	-	-	24
Haemophilic	941	2	1	944
Recipient of blood	20	12	-	32
Heterosexual contact*				
contact of above groups	6	30	-	36
contact of other groups	56	36	1	93
no information	1	5	-	6
Child of HIV antibody positive mother	5	4	1	10
Several risks	4	-	-	4
No information	579	21	23	623
Totals	3957	195	30	4182

* Persons without other identified risks from countries where heterosexual transmission is believed to play an important role and who were previously allocated to 'Other risks', have now been reclassified to heterosexual transmission.

Scotland

Cumulative totals of HIV antibody positive persons reported by transmission characteristic,
to end of February 1987

Transmission characteristic	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
Homosexual/bisexual	169	-	-	169
Intravenous drug abuser (IVDA)	431	222	6	659
Homosexual and IVDA	2	-	-	2
Haemophilic	75	-	-	75
Recipient of blood	4	2	-	6
Heterosexual contact	8	20	1	29
Child of HIV antibody positive parent	14	11	19	44
No information	63	38	15	116
Totals	766	293	41	1100

Sixty per cent of reports from Scotland are persons whose only identified risk factor is IV-drug abuse, compared to only 6% of reports from the rest of the United Kingdom. This major difference is the underlying reason for the higher proportion of HIV antibody positive infants in Scotland (4% of all HIV reports) compared with only 0.2% in the remainder of the United Kingdom.