

# HIV Criminalization in Missouri: What We Know

## HIV Criminalization Laws in Missouri (2020)

Code Section	Criminalized Conduct
Mo. REV. STAT. § 191.677.1.1	Donating, or attempting to donate, blood, blood products, organs, sperm or tissue if HIV-positive
Mo. REV. STAT. § 191.677.1.2	Recklessly exposing another to HIV, including through sexual intercourse, sharing needles, biting, or other conduct
Mo. REV. STAT. § 567.020	Prostitution while knowingly HIV positive
Mo. REV. STAT. § 575.155	Attempting or exposing a corrections employee to blood, seminal fluid, urine, feces, or saliva
Mo. REV. STAT. § 191.677.1.1	Attempting or exposing a mental health employee to blood, seminal fluid, urine, feces, or saliva

**593**

Number of people who came into contact with the criminal system under one of these HIV or hepatitis laws from 1988 through October 2017

**318**

Number of people actually convicted under one of these laws from 1988 through October 2017

**100%**

Percentage of convictions that did not require proof of intent to transmit HIV

**100%**

Percentage of these convictions pursuant to a statute written so broadly that it includes conduct that cannot, in fact, transmit HIV

**95%+**

Percent of convictions that did not require actual transmission of HIV as an element of the offense