

INTEGRATED TESTING SERVICES SNAPSHOT

HCV Screening: 2020

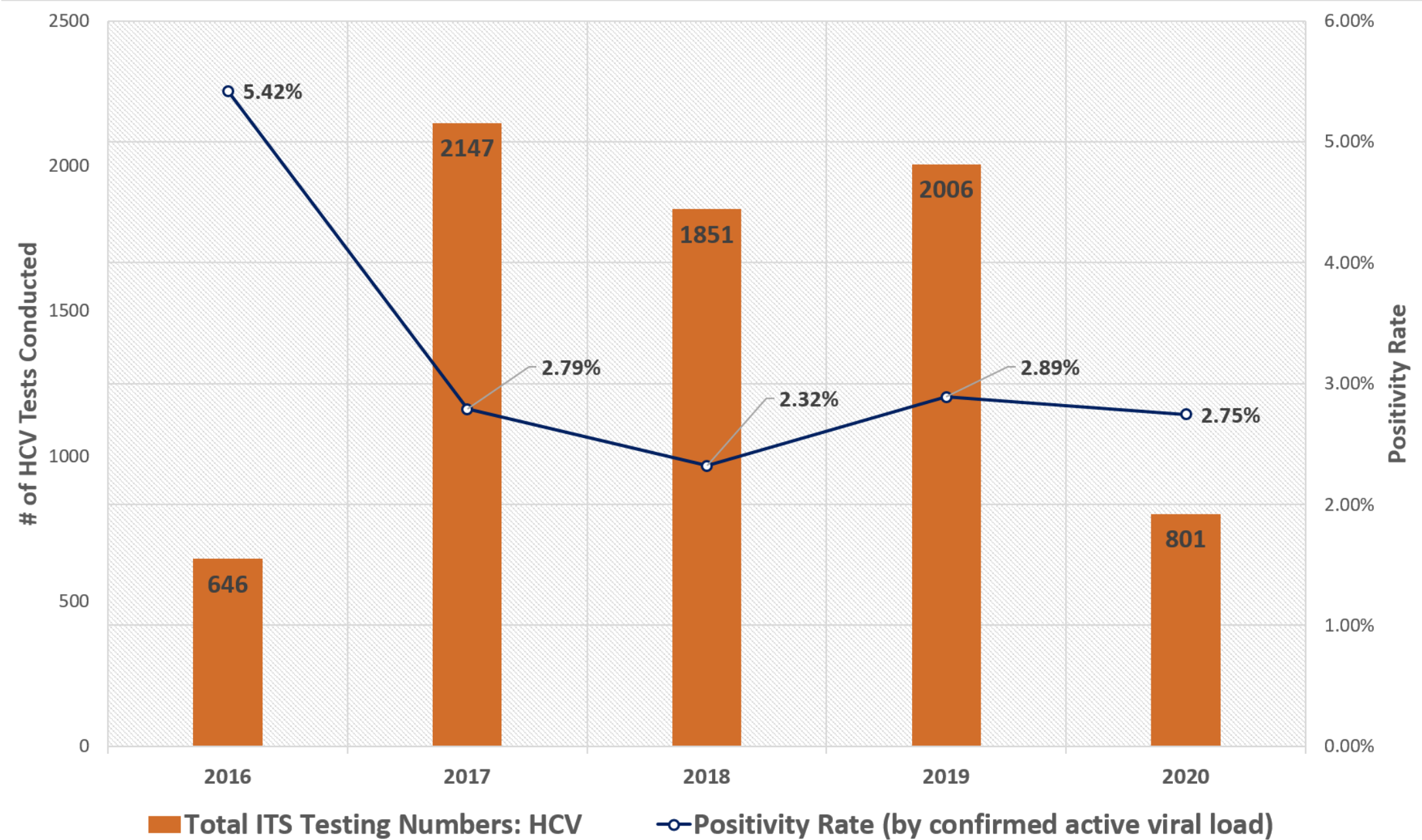
The Integrated Testing Services (ITS) program administered 810 Hepatitis C (HCV) tests across 12 participating agencies in 2020.

This represents a decrease of 60% from 2019, and is 46% under the five-year average of 1,490 tests.

While total screening numbers decreased in 2020 because of complications posed by the pandemic, the HCV positivity rate (calculated by those individuals identified as having an active viral load) for 2020 was 2.75%, only slightly under the five-year average of 3.23%.

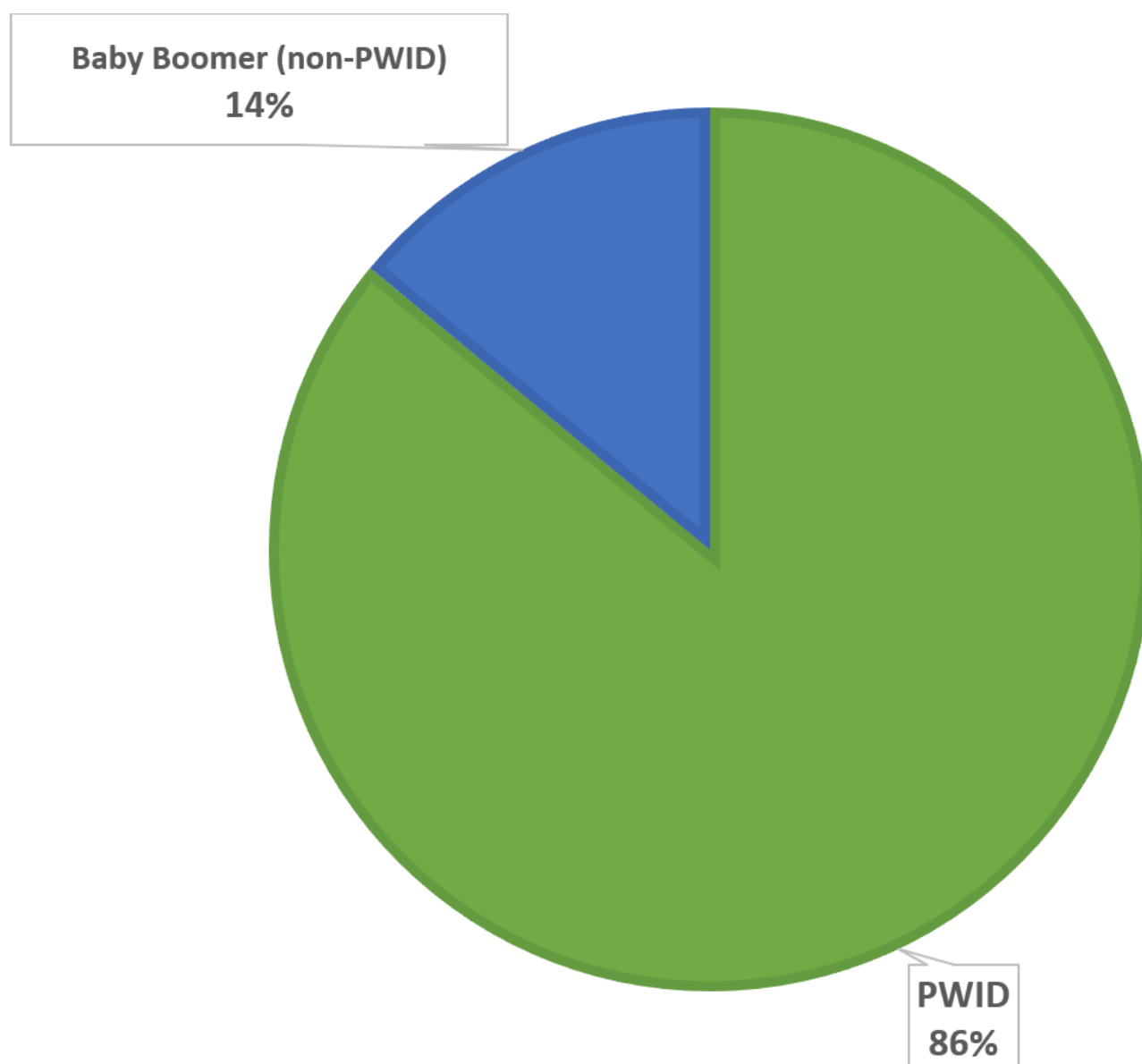
The majority of individuals with confirmed chronic HCV in 2020 (86%) reported a history of injection drug use. The remaining 14% representing baby-boomers with no reported history of injection drug use.

ITS HCV Testing and Positivity 2016 - 2020

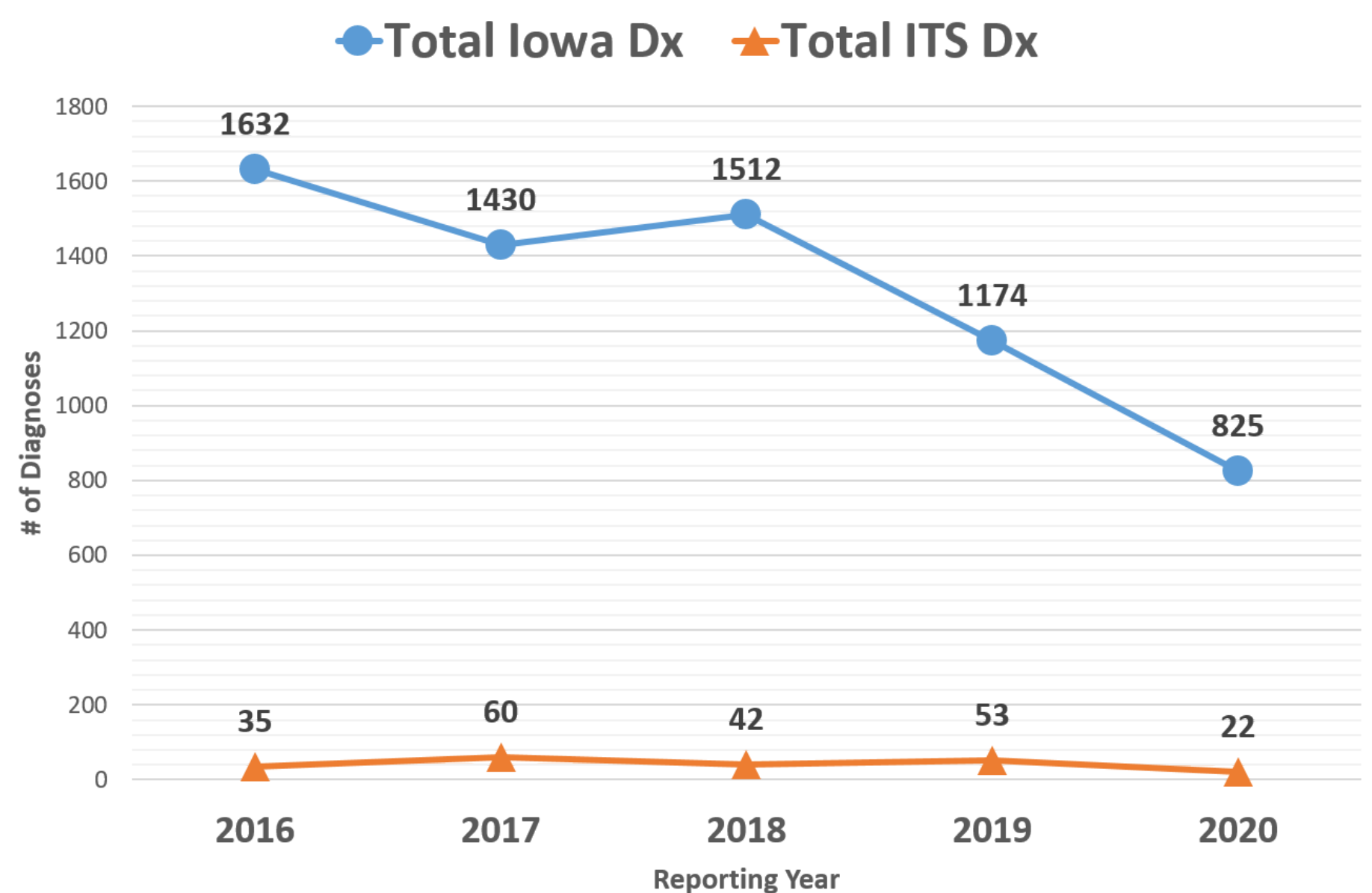


**Data are not de-duplicated. Numbers represent tests and not unique individuals.*

Confirmed HCV Viral Load by Risk Category 2020



ITS HCV Diagnoses vs. State Total 2016 - 2020



The Integrated Testing Services (ITS) program has historically identified a low proportion of the total chronic HCV cases reported to the IDPH. In 2020, diagnoses at ITS sites accounted for 3% of all reported HCV cases, which is consistent with the five-year average.

***PWID = Persons Who Inject Drugs | Baby Boomer = Persons born between 1945 and 1965**

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