Record High of 184 Tested Positive Last Year in New Zealand

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A record number of 184 people tested positive last year in New Zealand, according to statistics from Otago University's AIDS Epidemiology Group and reported in *The New Zealand Herald*.

According to the article, 184 people were diagnosed with the virus, one case higher than the previous highest annual number of 183 in 2005. Most infections were through sexual contact; 22 women and 39 men through heterosexual contact and 91 men through sex with other men.

Researchers believe that the island country's 89 percent increase in diagnoses from 2000 to 2006 is akin to the 86 percent rise in 23 other European countries. They are unsure why more heterosexual men were diagnosed with HIV in 2008 than women.

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