

# Bulgaria

Total population as of 15 April 2025 by Eurostat<sup>a</sup>: 6 445 481

## Tuberculosis cases, 2024

### Notifications

Total number of cases	913	
Notification rate per 100 000	14.2	
New <sup>a</sup> and relapse	873	
New <sup>a</sup> and relapse notification rate per 100 000	13.5	
Pulmonary	741	(81.2%)
of which microscopy-positive	398	(53.7%)
of which laboratory-confirmed	448	(60.5%)
Laboratory-confirmed TB cases	454	(49.7%)
Mean age of new native TB cases	50.0 years	
Mean age of new foreign TB cases	29.5 years	
Foreign origin of all TB cases	2	(0.2%)
New (not previously treated)	790	(86.5%)

### Estimates

Estimated new and relapse cases N, best [low–high]	830	[680-1000]
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<sup>a</sup> Cases with unknown previous TB treatment history included in new cases.

## Drug resistance surveillance and TB/HIV coinfection, 2024

Completeness of DRS data <sup>a</sup>	Yes	
Completeness of HIV data <sup>b</sup>	Yes	
Case-linked data-reporting	Yes	
Cases with DST results	302	(66.5%)
Estimated RR-TB among notified bacteriologically confirmed pulmonary TB cases N, best [low–high]	19	[10–28]
Pulmonary RR/MDR-TB cases notified	9	(3.0%)
of which pre-XDR-TB cases	0	(0.0%)
Notified RR/MDR-TB	9	(3.0%)
of which pre-XDR-TB cases	0	(0.0%)
TB cases tested for HIV	661	(72.4%)
HIV-positive TB cases	1	(0.2%)
of these on ART	-	-

<sup>a</sup> National coverage 100% or >75% have DST for rifampicin.

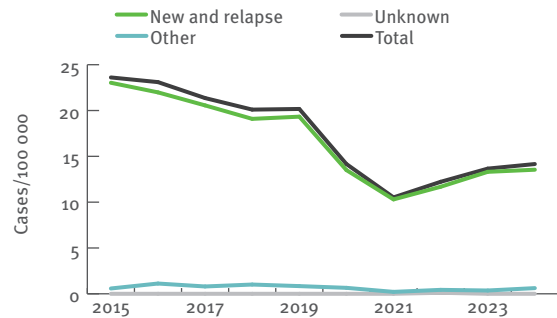
<sup>b</sup> More than 50% of TB cases with reported HIV status.

## Treatment outcome monitoring

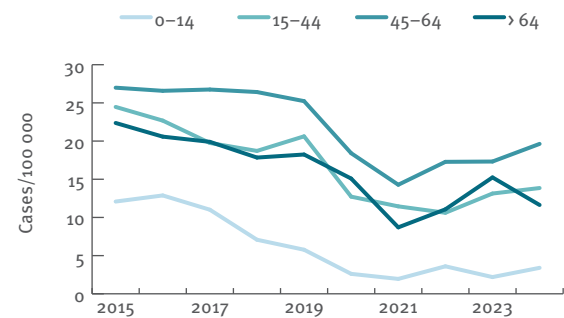
Geographical coverage	National	
Outcome cohort <sup>a</sup>	New culture-positive pulmonary TB cases notified in 2023	All RR/MDR-TB cases notified in 2022
Case-linked data-reporting	Yes	Yes
Cases notified	355	5
Success	271 (76.3%)	0 (0.0%)
Died	47 (13.2%)	0 (0.0%)
Failed	3 (0.8%)	0 (0.0%)
Lost to follow-up	28 (7.9%)	0 (0.0%)
Still on treatment	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Not evaluated	6 (1.7%)	5 (100.0%)

<sup>a</sup> Treatment outcome after 12 months (or 24 months).

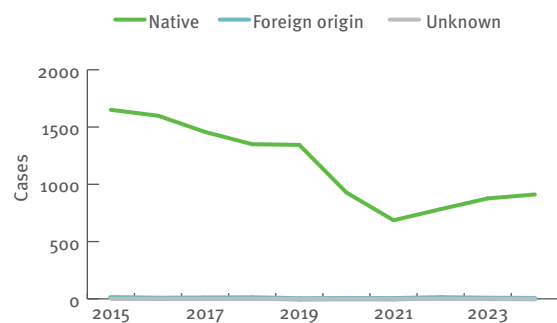
## TB notification rates by previous treatment history, 2015–2024



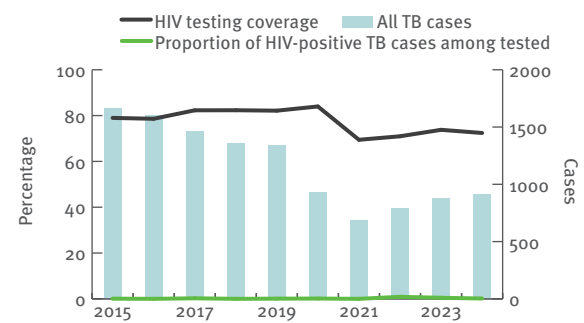
## New and relapse TB cases – notification rates by age group, 2015–2024



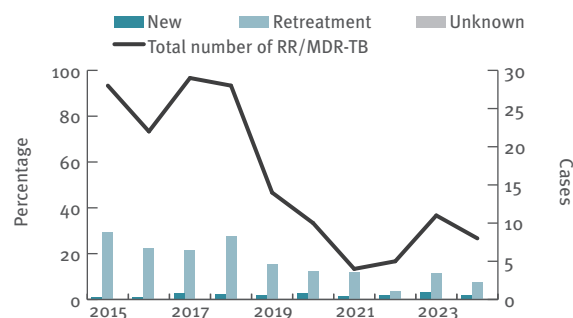
## TB cases by geographical origin, 2015–2024



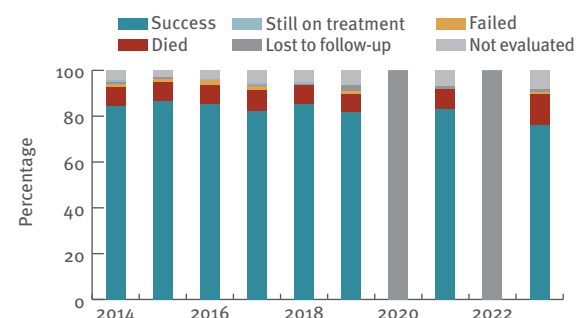
## TB/HIV coinfection, 2015–2024



## RR/MDR-TB cases and percentage of RR/MDR-TB cases by previous treatment history among all TB cases, 2015–2024



## Treatment outcome, new culture-confirmed pulmonary TB cases, 2014–2023



<sup>a</sup> All EU/EEA country population estimates are from Eurostat [website]. Brussels: Eurostat; 2024 (<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/home>, accessed 19 February 2026).