# Supreme Court of India Asks How Many LGBT People Have HIV

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The Supreme Court of India has requested government data on the nation's LGBT population—including what percentage of that population has HIV, according to a Wall Street Journal (WSJ) blog. India's law criminalizing homosexuality was overturned in 2009, and the high court requested the data for an appeal of that ruling, which it began hearing in early March. HIV actually supported the argument to legalize same-sex relationships, as the former law made it harder to educate LGBTs  about HIV/AIDS, infringing on the right to health in India's constitution. Anti-gay groups commonly blame LGBTs for the spread of HIV, which makes the court's request worrisome for activists.

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