Supplementary Material

Seasonal variations in kissing and sexual activities among men who have sex with men in Melbourne, Australia: implications for seasonal sexually transmissible infection preventions and interventions

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Table S1. The mean number of male partners among 4391 men who have sex with men, stratified by month

| Month-Year | Number of MSM, | Kissing-only partners | Sex-only partners | Kissing-with-sex partners |
|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| | N | Mean (95% CI) | Mean (95% CI) | Mean (95% CI) |
| March-2017 | 405 | 3.73 (3.20 to 4.26) | 1.35 (1.06 to 1.65) | 4.95 (4.47 to 5.43) |
| April-2017 | 411 | 4.00 (3.44 to 4.56) | 1.49 (1.17 to 1.81) | 4.58 (4.14 to 5.02) |
| May-2017 | 378 | 4.19 (3.58 to 4.80) | 1.58 (1.22 to 1.93) | 4.79 (4.31 to 5.27) |
| June-2017 | 344 | 4.44 (3.76 to 5.11) | 1.45 (1.11 to 1.80) | 5.01 (4.48 to 5.53) |
| July-2017 | 357 | 3.74 (3.17 to 4.30) | 1.57 (1.21 to 1.93) | 4.67 (4.19 to 5.15) |
| August-2017 | 389 | 3.81 (3.26 to 4.36) | 1.60 (1.24 to 1.95) | 5.15 (4.65 to 5.66) |
| September-2017 | 345 | 4.12 (3.49 to 4.75) | 1.21 (0.92 to 1.49) | 5.50 (4.93 to 6.07) |
| October-2017 | 329 | 5.09 (4.30 to 5.88) | 1.39 (1.05 to 1.73) | 5.60 (5.00 to 6.19) |
| November-2017 | 330 | 3.80 (3.20 to 4.40) | 1.32 (1.00 to 1.65) | 4.33 (3.86 to 4.80) |
| December-2017 | 358 | 4.15 (3.53 to 4.78) | 2.56 (1.98 to 3.13) | 4.65 (4.16 to 5.13) |
| January-2018 | 405 | 5.00 (4.30 to 5.69) | 1.56 (1.22 to 1.90) | 4.89 (4.42 to 5.36) |
| February-2018 | 340 | 5.59 (4.74 to 6.43) | 1.65 (1.26 to 2.03) | 5.89 (5.28 to 6.50) |

Table S2. The mean number of male partners among 1437 men who have sex with men who reported their partners within one season, stratified by Australian seasons

| Australian seasons (months) | Number of | Kissing-only partners | Sex-only partners | Kissing-with-sex partners |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| | MSM, N | Mean (95% CI) | Mean (95% CI) | Mean (95% CI) |
| Autumn (March-May) | 378 | 4.19 (3.59 to 4.79) | 1.58 (1.23 to 1.92) | 4.79 (4.30 to 5.28) |
| Winter (June-August) | 389 | 3.81 (3.27 to 4.35) | 1.60 (1.25 to 1.94) | 5.15 (4.64 to 5.67) |
| Spring (September-November) | 330 | 3.80 (3.21 to 4.39) | 1.32 (1.01 to 1.64) | 4.33 (3.85 to 4.80) |
| Summer (December-February) | 340 | 5.59 (4.76 to 6.42) | 1.65 (1.27 to 2.02) | 5.89 (5.27 to 6.51) |

Table S3. The incidence rate ratio of the number of male partners among 1437 men who have sex with men, stratified by Australian seasons

| Australian sassans (months) | Number of | Kissing-only partners | Sex-only partners | Kissing-with-sex partners |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Australian seasons (months) | MSM, N | IRR (95% CI) | IRR (95% CI) | IRR (95% CI) |
| Autumn (March-May) | 378 | 1 (ref) | 1 (ref) | 1 (ref) |
| Winter (June-August) | 389 | 0.91 (0.74 to 1.11) | 1.01 (0.75 to 1.37) | 1.08 (0.93 to 1.24) |
| Spring (September-November) | 330 | 0.91 (0.74 to 1.12) | 0.84 (0.61 to 1.16) | 0.90 (0.78 to 1.05) |
| Summer (December-February) | 340 | 1.33 (1.09 to 1.64) | 1.04 (0.76 to 1.43) | 1.23 (1.06 to 1.42) |
| P _{trend} | - | 0.010 | 0.913 | 0.061 |