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Fatal Pediatric Lead Poisoning — New Hampshire, 2000

Fatal pediatric lead poisoning is rare in the United States because of multiple public health measures that have reduced blood lead levels (BLLs) in the population. However, the risk for elevated BLLs among children remains high in some neighborhoods and populations, including children living in older housing with deteriorated leaded paint. This report describes the investigation of the first reported death of a child from lead poisoning since 1990 (1). The investigation implicated leaded paint and dust in a home environment as the most likely source of the poisoning. Lead poisoning can be prevented by correcting lead hazards, especially in older housing, and by screening children at risk according to established guidelines (2).

On March 29, 2000, a 2-year-old girl was seen at a community hospital emergency department with a low-grade fever and vomiting of approximately 1 day's duration. The child had been well since arriving in New Hampshire from Egypt with her Sudanese refugee family 3 weeks earlier. Laboratory findings included a microcytic anemia (hemoglobin: 7.6 g/dL; lower limit of normal: 11.5 g/dL) with occasional basophilic stippling of red blood cells. A throat swab streptococcal antigen screening test was positive. She was discharged from the emergency department with prescriptions for an antibiotic and antiemetic to treat presumed strep throat. However, her vomiting worsened, and she was admitted to the same hospital on April 17, and then transferred to a tertiary-care hospital the next day. On April 19, approximately 5 hours after the transfer, she became unresponsive, apneic, and hypotensive. She was intubated and placed on a ventilator. Computerized tomography of the head showed diffuse cerebral edema and dilated ventricles. Later that day, the results of a blood test drawn on April 18 showed a BLL of 391 $\mu g/dL$ and an erythrocyte protoporphyrin level of 541 $\mu g/dL$. Chelation therapy was initiated with intramuscular British antilewisite and intravenous calcium ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid. Despite a decrease in her BLL to 72 μ g/dL and treatment for increased intracranial pressure, including surgical ventricular drainage, she remained comatose without spontaneous respirations, brain electrical activity, and intracranial blood flow. She was pronounced brain dead on April 21.

An autopsy found diffuse cerebral edema. A hair sample lead concentration was 31 μ g/g in the distal centimeter and 67 μ g/g in the proximal centimeter, indicating a large increase in lead exposure during the preceding month. Radiographs of the left knee were equivocal for growth arrest lines that can occur in chronic lead poisoning (3). A bone marrow sample showed no stainable iron, indicating iron deficiency.

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On April 19, the Manchester Health Department and New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NHDHHS) initiated an investigation, including interviews and blood lead tests of the patient's family and an inspection of her residence. In addition, to assess a possible contribution of lead exposure from the child's previous residence in Egypt, the Field Epidemiology Training Program of the Egyptian Ministry of Health obtained soil and dust samples from that location.

After living in Egypt for approximately 18 months, on March 9, 2000, the family had moved to Manchester into an apartment constructed before 1920. A wall in a sibling's bedroom had multiple holes from which the patient had been seen removing and ingesting plaster. Two of seven samples of plaster with the adhering surface paint contained lead at levels of 5% and 12%. Peeling paint (35% lead) was present on the balusters and floor (3% lead) of a porch outside the apartment entrance where the patient sometimes had played. She also had played near and looked out of a living room window that occasionally was opened during meal preparation. A wipe sample of dust from the window well showed 6732 μ g lead/ft², well above the hazardous level of 800 μ g/ft² (4). NHDHHS ordered the apartment owner to correct the lead hazards identified during the inspection. The patient's family relocated to another dwelling.

BLLs in the mother and three siblings (ages 5, 11, and 15 years) ranged from 4–12 μ g/dL. The family did not use or possess nontraditional remedies, food supplements, cosmetics, or ceramic eating or drinking containers acquired abroad. No one in the household was employed or had lead-related hobbies. Measurements of stable lead isotopes (5) in selected environmental samples and the patient's blood showed that the isotopic lead composition of the porch paint and window well dust in the her Manchester apartment matched the composition of lead in her blood more closely than did the isotopic composition of other samples, including those from her previous residence in Egypt.

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Editorial Note: Lead encephalopathy is a life-threatening complication of lead poisoning that can occur in young children who have very high BLLs (>70–100 μ g/dL). Nonspecific symptoms (e.g., lethargy, sporadic vomiting, and constipation) can occur at BLLs >50–70 μ g/dL and may precede the abrupt onset of frank encephalopathy characterized by persistent vomiting, ataxia, altered consciousness, coma, and seizures. In this report, the child's anemia with basophilic stippling also suggested lead poisoning. However, symptoms or signs cannot be used to reliably diagnose or exclude lead poisoning; a BLL must be measured whenever lead poisoning is suspected. In young children, BLLs >70 μ g/dL or elevated BLLs with symptoms suggesting encephalopathy require prompt inpatient treatment with chelating agents to rapidly reduce BLLs. Providing appropriate intensive care for children with encephalopathy can prevent death, although severe permanent brain damage can occur despite treatment (3).

During the 1950s and 1960s, acute, often fatal, lead encephalopathy was a common cause of pediatric admissions to urban hospitals (6). The subsequent decline in fatal lead

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poisoning cases is attributable to reduced lead exposure from multiple sources, institution of lead screening programs, and improved treatment of lead poisoning (6). Despite the reduction in severe lead poisoning, in some U.S. counties, >20% of young children tested have BLLs \geq 10 μ g/dL (7), high enough to adversely affect learning and development (3).

The likely sources of lead poisoning for the child in this report—deteriorated leaded paint and elevated levels of lead-contaminated house dust—are found in an estimated 24 million U.S. dwellings, 4.4 million of which are home to one or more children aged <6 years (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, unpublished data, 2001). Lead hazards are especially common in homes built before 1960 (58%). Although the patient's pica and iron deficiency probably contributed to the severity of her lead poisoning, by increasing ingestion and absorption of lead (3), all children living in homes with lead hazards are at increased risk for developing elevated BLLs (8).

Children who are refugees, adoptees, or recent immigrants may be at increased risk for elevated BLLs, possibly related to lead exposure in their country of origin or to continued use of certain lead-containing traditional remedies or cosmetics. However, such children also are at risk for exposure to leaded paint hazards in older U.S. housing. In addition to ensuring that such children are screened after arrival in the United States, lead poisoning prevention programs and health-care providers should ensure that families receive timely education about lead hazards. Federal regulations require that property sellers and landlords provide families with information about lead poisoning and about any known lead hazards in a dwelling before its sale or lease.* Agencies providing health and social services to refugees and immigrants should become familiar with these regulations and ensure that appropriate information is provided to families in a language they can understand.

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Evaluation of Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Practices for Male Patients With Urethritis at a Large Group Practice Affiliated With a Managed Care Organization — Massachusetts, 1995–1997

Effective management for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) depends on appropriate testing, treatment, partner management, and complete and timely reporting of positive STD tests (1). Testing can ensure appropriate treatment of initial or recurrent infections and identification of drug-resistant pathogens, appropriate treatment can reduce risk for complications and development of drug resistance, and complete and timely reporting of positive test results by laboratories and STD cases by health-care providers to health departments can facilitate rapid sex partner notification and outbreak detection. By 1998, private providers, including those affiliated with commercial or Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) (2,3) were caring for approximately 70% of persons with chlamydia and 55% of persons with gonorrhea. To assess the quality of STD care at a MCO-affiliated multisite facility, the testing, treatment, and reporting practices of gonorrhea- and chlamydia-associated urethritis in male patients were evaluated. This report summarizes the evaluation, which indicated that the providers tested most men with urethritis symptoms, prescribed CDC-recommended therapy to all patients, and reported most laboratory-confirmed chlamydia and gonorrhea cases of urethritis to the state health department. Several interventions introduced at this large group practice may have encouraged these favorable STD practices.

Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates (HVMA), Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH), and CDC evaluated a HVMA staff model component of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care during 1995–1997, when most staff in this multispecialty practice tested urethral specimens for chlamydia using enzyme immunoassays and for gonorrhea using culture. The MCO's formulary covered the CDC-recommended drugs for gonorrhea- and chlamydia-associated urethritis, including more expensive single-dose treatments (4). Each week day, HVMA-affiliated laboratories electronically transmitted positive test results to the patient's physician and the HVMA infection control (IC) practitioner responsible for case reporting; treatments were listed on the test result notice (4). By reviewing the electronic pharmacy file and the electronic and paper medical records, the IC practitioner determined whether treatment was prescribed or dispensed within 10 days after the test was ordered. A copy of the case report then was mailed to MDPH and the patient's physician. The physician's copy included CDC-recommended treatments to encourage appropriate future treatment decisions.

To evaluate testing and treatment practices during visits for symptomatic urethritis in men, 2247 medical records were identified in which diagnoses assigned during the visit included urethritis, nonspecific urethritis, urethral discharge, dysuria, or urethritis/chlamydia (5). Of the 2247 cases, 1988 (88%) were coded as urethritis and/or nonspecific urethritis. Testing and treatment information was abstracted from a random sample of 196 records. The interval between specimen collection and prescribing or dispensing a medication was determined by a review of medical records, HVMA's case database, and MDPH's surveillance database.

To evaluate completeness and timeliness of reporting to MDPH, a database was compiled of 393 cases of laboratory-confirmed gonorrhea and chlamydia infections diagnosed in men during 1995–1997. This database also included 31 symptomatic urethritis cases with positive chlamydia or gonorrhea tests that were included in the medical record review. The 393 case reports were matched with MDPH surveillance data by

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name, date of birth, sex, specimen collection date, and disease type. Completeness of reporting was defined as the proportion of HVMA cases in the MDPH database. Timeliness of reporting was defined as the interval between specimen collection and entry of the laboratory report into MDPH's database.

Among the 196 cases of symptomatic urethritis sampled, 181 (92%) were tested for chlamydia infection, 163 (83%) for gonorrhea infection, or 161 (82%) for both infections. Sixteen (9%) specimens tested for chlamydia were positive. Fifteen (9%) tested for gonorrhea were positive. No specimen tested positive for both infections. All men with gonorrhea and 88% with chlamydia were prescribed CDC-recommended antibiotics when they initially presented with symptoms (before test results were available); the remaining men were prescribed treatment within 5 days of initial presentation. Among urethritis-associated cases, 11 (69%) of 16 positive for chlamydia and 14 (93%) of 15 positive for gonorrhea were matched with the MDPH database. Among the 393 cases positive for chlamydia or gonorrhea, 158 (78%) of 202 chlamydia cases and 156 (82%) of 191 gonorrhea cases in the HVMA database were matched with the MDPH database. Reports were entered into MDPH's database within a median of 16 days (range: 1–268 days) after specimen collection.

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Editorial Note: Most HVMA providers followed the CDC recommendation (4) to test men with symptomatic urethritis for chlamydial and gonococcal infection. The proportion of symptomatic urethritis associated with gonorrhea or chlamydia was consistent with another U.S. study (6); however, the HVMA testing practices were not consistent with earlier reports that MCO-affiliated providers may defer diagnostic testing because of cost constraints (7). HVMA-sponsored STD education for the provider and feedback from patients may have promoted testing at this practice. Introduction of more acceptable urine-based STD tests also may have increased testing rates.

The finding that most providers prescribed CDC-recommended treatments for urethritis (8,9) was not consistent with anecdotal reports that MCO-affiliated providers may defer expensive single-dose treatments that may improve patient adherence because of cost or formulary constraints (7). Interventions at this group practice that may have encouraged use of CDC-recommended treatments stemmed from collaboration with MDPH, which resulted in having these drugs available in the MCO formulary, listing CDCrecommended treatments on positive test reports and case report notices, and MDPH's disseminating CDC STD treatment guidelines to HVMA providers during the study period. Completeness of HVMA case reporting was higher in this study than in others (10). Providers may not report STD cases because of a lack of staff dedicated to reporting, time constraints, an inability to bill for reporting, concerns about confidentiality, and lack of awareness of reporting requirements (1). Interventions at HVMA that may have enhanced reporting completeness include 1) a central reporting system that did not require provider time; 2) electronic transfer of test results to the IC practitioner; 3) use of electronic records to verify prescribed and dispensed prescriptions; 4) HVMA's productive relation with MDPH; 5) Internet and newsletter communications to providers about rates of STDs in MCO members; and 6) a commitment to public health reporting.

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The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, the selected diagnostic codes may not have identified all enrollees with urethritis-related symptoms, and testing and treatment information in medical records may have been incomplete. These factors may have resulted in an underestimate of the proportion of patients tested and prescribed appropriate treatment. Second, the case report matching procedure may have missed inexact matches (e.g., typographic errors). This may have resulted in a minor underestimate of completeness of reporting. Third, this evaluation was intended to provide information about STD control practices in this group practice and was not intended to compare the testing, treatment, and reporting practices before and after HVMA introduced interventions that may have improved performance. Finally, the evaluation did not compare STD control practices in this staff model group practice with other MCO-affiliated practices that lacked centralized laboratories, electronic pharmacy and medical records, and training and other education resources.

Some features of staff model practices, such as centralized local laboratories, may not be available in nonstaff model practices that now dominate the U.S. market. However, other features, such as dissemination of guidelines, may be easily implemented in other settings. Interventions to enhance STD control and surveillance can capitalize on the strengths of MCOs, specifically their coverage of large populations of persons at risk, affiliations with large numbers of health-care providers, and use of centralized data systems, procedures, guidelines, and policies. Comparative evaluations of MCO-affiliated practices that use different methods to promote appropriate testing, treatment, and reporting of STDs are needed to identify the most effective interventions in these settings.

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Racial Disparities in Median Age at Death of Persons With Down Syndrome — United States, 1968–1997

Down syndrome (DS) is the most common identified cause of mental retardation in the United States (1). The prevalence (approximately one in 800 live-born infants) is similar among all racial groups (2). Survival for the first year of life for infants with DS has improved dramatically during the last 50 years, from <50% in a 1942–1952 birth cohort (3) to 91% in a 1980–1996 cohort (4). Most studies of survival in persons with DS have focused on white populations, and little information is available about possible disparities among racial groups. To investigate changes in the age at death among persons with DS by race, CDC analyzed data from multiple-cause mortality files (MCMF) for 1968–1997. This report summarizes the results of the analysis, which indicate that the median age at death of persons with DS increased substantially during this period, but this increase was much greater for whites than for blacks or other races. Identification of the causes for this racial disparity may permit development of strategies to improve the survival of persons with DS, especially those who are black or of other racial groups.

MCMF compiled by CDC for 1968–1997 were used to study the median age at death among persons with DS by racial group (5). MCMF include demographic information about the decedent and codes for the underlying cause of death and co-morbid conditions listed on the death certificate. The underlying cause of death and contributing conditions are coded by the states and CDC using the *International Classification of Diseases, Adapted for Use in the United States* (ICDA-8) or the *Manual of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Cause of Death, based on the recommendations of the Ninth Revision Conference* (ICD-9). From 1968 through 1978, MCMF used ICDA-8 and included up to 14 conditions; from 1979 through 1997, MCMF used ICD-9 and included up to 20 conditions.

All deaths that contained the code for DS (ICDA-8 759.3 or ICD-9 758.0) anywhere in the record were selected. Records of persons aged 0 that included the code for pregnancy termination (ICDA-8 773 or ICD-9 779.6) were excluded. The remaining records were defined as "DS-associated deaths." Race was determined from a code in each MCMF record that classified the decedent as either white, black, or races other than white or black. Linear regression was used to test the trend of median age at death by year and estimate ß and its 95% confidence interval (CI).

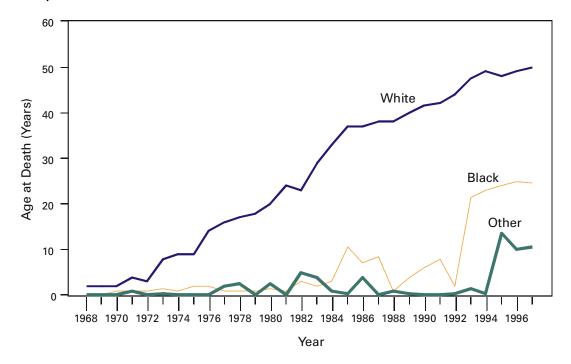
MCMF for 1968–1997 contained records for 33,900 DS-associated deaths. Of these, 64 deaths were excluded because they also were listed as pregnancy terminations. The remaining 33,836 cases represented 56 DS-associated deaths per 100,000 U.S. deaths. The racial distribution among persons with DS was 87.3% white, 11.0% black, and 1.7% other. Among all persons who died in the United States during this period, the racial distribution was 87.0% white, 11.9% black, and 1.1% other.

Among all 33,836 DS cases, the median age at death increased from 1 year in 1968 to 49 years in 1997, an average increase of 1.8 (95% Cl=1.8–1.9) years per year studied. In comparison, the median age at death in the general population increased from 70 to 76 years or 0.2 (95% Cl=0.2–0.3) year per year studied.

The median age at death for whites with DS increased from 2 years in 1968 to 50 years in 1997, an average increase of 1.9 (95% Cl=1.8–2.0) years per year studied (Figure 1). For blacks during the same period, the median age at death increased from 0 in 1968 to 25 years in 1997, an average increase of 0.7 (95% Cl=0.5–1.0) year per year studied. The median age at death for blacks with DS began to improve around 1982. For

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FIGURE 1. Median age at death of persons with Down Syndrome, by race — United States, 1968–1997



persons with DS of other racial groups, the median age at death was 0 years in 1968 and 11 years in 1997, representing an average increase of 0.2 (95% Cl=0.1–0.3) year per year studied. The median age at death among those with DS of other races began to improve around 1995. The median age at death increased more among persons with DS who were black after 1992 and among those who were of other races after 1995 than it did among whites.

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Editorial Note: The increase in the median age at death for persons with DS from 1 to 49 years since 1968 reflects substantially improved survival. However, racial disparity still exists in DS survival, and further study is needed to determine the causes of this disparity.

The findings in this report provide little information about the causes for either the improvement or the racial disparity in median age at death. During the study period, treatment of persons with DS changed markedly. In the 1960s, many were institutionalized and relatively few lived with their families after early childhood (6). Today, most children with DS live with their families, and older persons with DS often live in group homes or other facilities in the community (6). Medical care, especially treatment of congenital heart defects among persons with DS, also changed during the study period (7).

The findings in this report are subject to at least two limitations. First, the study is based on death certificates (8). The causes of death on death certificates may be incomplete or inaccurate, especially for medical conditions not usually resulting in death and for deaths occurring outside hospitals (9). In particular, DS may not be reported if the certifying physician did not feel that it caused or contributed to death. Incomplete reporting of DS is likely in this study because only approximately half the expected number of

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DS-associated deaths was observed, assuming a DS prevalence of approximately one in 800 live-born infants (2). The proportion of death certificates that list DS as a diagnosis was similar among whites, blacks, and others, suggesting that the results were not influenced by differences in reporting the diagnosis among persons of different races. Second, this study did not account for the impact of differences and temporal changes in the distributions of age at death within racial groups in the general population. These factors may have contributed to the racial disparity and temporal changes observed.

Two factors that might account for the more limited improvement in median age at death of persons with DS who are black or of other races are differences in the frequency of life-threatening malformations and differences in social factors and care provided to persons with DS. No evidence exists that persons with DS who are black or members of other races are more likely to have life-threatening malformations. In this study, the proportion of persons with DS who also had congenital heart defects listed on their death certificates was similar among whites, blacks, and others.

Because differences in ascertainment or severity probably do not explain these observations, differences in care received by persons with DS might explain racial disparity in survival. Possibilities include differences in factors that may be associated with improved health in the general population such as socioeconomic status, education, community support, medical or surgical treatment of serious complications, or access to, use of, or quality of preventative health care. A combination of factors seems likely, as appears to be the case for racial disparity in mortality in the U.S. population in general (10). Additional study is needed to determine why persons with DS die much younger if they are black or of other races than if they are white. Identification of these factors may permit development of interventions to eliminate this racial disparity and further improve the survival of all persons with DS.

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Update: Influenza Activity — United States and Worldwide, 2000–01 Season, and Composition of the 2001–02 Influenza Vaccine

The 2000–01 influenza season was mild in the United States and was the first season since 1995–96 that was not predominated by A (H3N2) viruses. Influenza A (H1N1) viruses predominated in the United States. In some regions, however, influenza B viruses were reported more frequently than influenza A viruses. Worldwide, influenza A (H1N1) and B viruses also predominated. This report summarizes U.S.* and worldwide influenza activity during the 2000–01 influenza season and describes the composition of the 2001–02 influenza vaccine.

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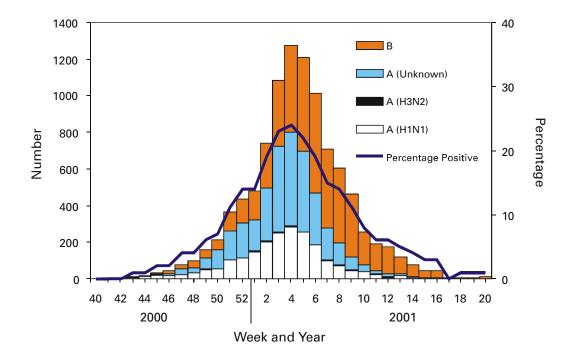
Influenza activity increased in mid-December and peaked from mid-January through early February. Influenza A (H1N1) viruses predominated; however, the number of influenza type B viruses increased as the season progressed. Influenza B viruses were more frequently identified than influenza A viruses from the week ending February 10 through the week ending May 19 and were the predominant virus type identified in three of the nine surveillance regions.

World Health Organization and National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System collaborating laboratories in the United States tested 88,598 respiratory specimens for influenza during October 1, 2000-May 19, 2001; 9962 (11%) were positive (Figure 1). Of these, 5337 (54%) were positive for influenza type A and 4625 (46%) were positive for influenza type B. Of the 2127 subtyped influenza A viruses, 2061 (97%) were type A (H1N1) and 66 (3%) were A (H3N2). Influenza type B viruses were isolated more frequently than type A viruses from the week ending February 10 through the week ending May 19. Influenza type A viruses predominated in the East North Central, South Atlantic, West North Central, and West South Central regions; influenza B viruses predominated in the mid-Atlantic, Mountain, and Pacific regions. The East South Central and New England regions reported approximately equal numbers of influenza A and B viruses. The proportion of specimens testing positive for influenza first increased to ≥10% during the week ending December 23, 2000, peaked at 24% during the week ending January 27, 2001, and declined to <10% during the week ending March 10. The peak percentage of specimens testing positive for influenza during the 2000–01 season was lower than that seen during the previous three seasons when the peak ranged from 28% to 32%.

CDC antigenically characterized 678 influenza viruses received from U.S. laboratories since October 1; 335 (95%) of the 354 influenza A (H1N1) viruses were similar to A/New Caledonia/20/99, the H1N1 component of the 2000–01 influenza vaccine, and 19 (5%) were similar to A/Bayern/07/95. Although A/Bayern-like viruses are distinct from the A/New Caledonia-like viruses, the A/New Caledonia/20/99 vaccine strain produces high titers of antibody that cross-react with A/Bayern/07/95-like viruses. Of the 23 influenza A (H3N2) viruses that were characterized, all were similar to the vaccine strain A/Panama/2007/99. Of the 301 influenza B viruses that were characterized, 33 (11%) were similar to the vaccine strain, B/Beijing/184/93, and 268 (89%) were most closely related to the B/Sichuan/379/99 reference strain.

^{*}The four components of the influenza surveillance system have been described (1). Information reported as of June 5, 2001.

FIGURE 1. Number* and percentage of respiratory specimens testing positive for influenza reported by World Health Organization and National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System collaborating laboratories, by week and year — United States, 2000–01 season



^{*} n=9962.

U.S. influenza sentinel physicians reported that the percentage of patient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI)[†] exceeded baseline levels (0–3%) for 4 consecutive weeks from the week ending January 20 through the week ending February 10. During each of the 4 weeks, 4% of patient visits were for ILI. During the previous three influenza seasons, the peak percentage of patient visits for ILI ranged from 5% to 7%.

On the basis of data from state and territorial epidemiologists' reports, influenza activity peaked during the weeks ending February 3 and February 10, when 38 states reported regional or widespread influenza activity[§]. State and territorial epidemiologists reported regional influenza activity during consecutive weeks from the week ending November 18 through the week ending March 31. Widespread activity was reported by one or more states during consecutive weeks for the week ending January 6 through the week ending March 10. The peak number of states reporting regional or widespread activity during the previous 3 years ranged from 43 to 46.

 $^{^{\}dagger}$ Temperature ≥100.0 F (≥37.8 C) and either cough or sore throat in the absence of a known cause.

[§] Levels of activity are 1) *no activity*; 2) *sporadic*—sporadically occurring ILI or culture-confirmed influenza with no outbreaks detected; 3) *regional*—outbreaks of ILI or culture-confirmed influenza in counties with a combined population of <50% of the state's population; and 4) *widespread*—outbreaks of ILI or culture-confirmed influenza in counties with a combined population of >50% of the state's population.

As reported through the 122 Cities Mortality Reporting System, the percentage of deaths in the United States associated with pneumonia and influenza (P&I) did not exceed the epidemic threshold during the 2000–01 influenza season. During the previous three seasons, the percentage of deaths attributed to P&I was above the epidemic threshold for 10 consecutive weeks each season.

Worldwide

During October 2000–April 2001, influenza A (H1N1) and influenza B viruses circulated widely in Africa, the Americas, Asia, and Europe and influenza A (H3N2) viruses were reported sporadically. Influenza A (H1N1) viruses predominated in most European countries (Albania, Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Ukraine, and Yugoslavia). Influenza A (H1N1) viruses also were reported from Asia (China, Hong Kong/China, Iran, Israel, Japan, Republic of Korea, Nepal, Singapore, and Thailand), Africa (Mauritius and Morocco), the Americas (Canada, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, and Peru), other European countries (Iceland, Ireland, Portugal, Sweden, and the United Kingdom), and Oceania (Australia).

Influenza type B viruses were identified more frequently than influenza A viruses in Canada, China, Egypt, Iceland, Ireland, Hong Kong/China, Portugal, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. Influenza type B viruses also were reported in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, India, Israel, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mauritius, Paraguay, Peru, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, and throughout Europe.

Influenza A (H3N2) viruses were identified in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Hong Kong/China, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Peru, Portugal, Russia, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, and Thailand. Unsubtyped influenza A viruses were reported from Belarus, Chile, Colombia, Malaysia, Nepal, Paraguay, and Slovenia.

Composition of the 2001-02 Influenza Vaccine

The Food and Drug Administration's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) recommended that the 2001–02 trivalent influenza vaccine for the United States contain A/New Caledonia/20/99-like (H1N1), A/Moscow/10/99-like (H3N2), and B/Sichuan/379/99-like viruses. This recommendation was based on antigenic analyses of recently isolated influenza viruses, epidemiologic data, and postvaccination serologic studies in humans.

Most influenza A (H1N1) viruses isolated worldwide were similar to A/New Caledonia/20/99 (H1N1). Both A/New Caledonia/20/99 and A/Bayern/07/95-like (H1N1) viruses circulated in the United States. Although these viruses antigenically are distinct, antibodies produced against A/New Caledonia/20/99 react at equivalent levels with A/Bayern/07/95-like viruses (2); therefore, A/New Caledonia/20/99 was retained in the 2001–02 influenza vaccine.

Before the 1999–2000 season, the case definition for P&I deaths was modified. CDC analysis estimated that the revised case definition resulted in an average increase in baseline P&I mortality estimates of 0.8% for 1999–2000. Thus, the 122 cities P&I mortality baseline and epidemic threshold for the 2000–01 season have been adjusted upward. The epidemic threshold is 1.645 standard deviations above the seasonal baseline. The expected seasonal baseline is projected using a robust regression procedure in which a periodic regression model is applied to observed percentages of deaths from P&I since 1983.

Most influenza A (H3N2) viruses isolated during the 2000–01 season were similar to A/Panama/2007/99 and A/Moscow/10/99-like (H3N2) viruses. Antibodies produced following vaccination with the 2000–01 vaccine containing the A/Panama/2007/99 (H3N2) virus reacted equally well with recent influenza A (H3N2) viruses and the vaccine strain (2); therefore, VRBPAC recommended that an influenza A/Moscow/10/99-like (H3N2) virus be retained in the 2001–02 vaccine. Because of its growth properties, U.S. vaccine manufacturers will use the antigenically equivalent virus, A/Panama/2007/99.

Most influenza B isolates were related more closely to the antigenic drift variant B/Sichuan/379/99 than the 2000–01 B/Beijing/184/93-like vaccine strain, B/Yamanashi/166/98. Antibodies produced against the B/Yamanashi/166/98 vaccine strain cross-reacted with B/Sichuan/379/99-like viruses; however, antibodies were lower in titer and frequency against B/Sichuan/379/99-like viruses than B/Yamanashi/166/98-like viruses (2). Therefore, VRBPAC recommended that the influenza B component be updated for the 2001–02 vaccine to an influenza B/Sichuan/379/99-like virus. For the B/Sichuan/379/99-like virus, U.S. manufacturers will use one of the antigenically equivalent viruses B/Johannesburg/05/99, B/Victoria/504/2000, or B/Guangdong/120/2000.

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Editorial Note: Influenza A (H1N1) and B viruses co-circulated in the United States and worldwide during the 2000–01 influenza season. Influenza A (H3N2) viruses were isolated sporadically and no country reported widespread activity as a result of influenza A (H3N2) viruses. Seasons in which influenza A (H1N1) and/or influenza B viruses predominate typically have been less severe than seasons in which influenza A (H3N2) viruses circulate widely (3). The level of influenza activity reported this season was consistent with a number of other A (H1N1) and B predominant years.

Although influenza epidemics typically peak during December–March in the temperate regions of the Northern Hemisphere, sporadic cases and outbreaks can occur during the summer (4–6). The influenza season typically peaks during May–August in temperate regions of the Southern Hemisphere, and epidemics can occur at any time of the year in the tropics. U.S. physicians should consider influenza when diagnosing a febrile respiratory illness during the summer, particularly among persons who have traveled recently in the tropics, Southern Hemisphere, or with large international groups. Persons at increased risk for influenza-related complications who were not vaccinated during the preceding fall or winter should consider receiving influenza vaccine, if available, before traveling to the tropics, Southern Hemisphere, or with large international groups. Persons at increased risk for influenza-related complications who have received the previous season's vaccine during the summer should be vaccinated with the current influenza vaccine during the following fall or winter.

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Notice to Readers

Shortage of Spectinomycin

In April 2001, Pharmacia Corporation (Peapack, New Jersey) announced it was discontinuing U.S. production of spectinomycin (Trobicin®)* because of low sales volume; remaining spectinomycin inventory will expire on June 30, 2001. No other pharmaceutical company manufactures or sells spectinomycin in the United States.

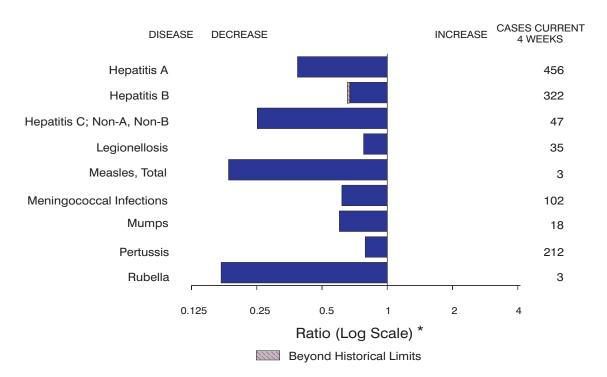
CDC recommends treating patients infected with *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* who have contraindications to cephalosporins and fluoroquinolones with spectinomycin (1). Patients in this category include: 1) pregnant women with documented cephalosporin allergies (fluoroquinolones are contraindicated in pregnancy); and 2) patients with documented cephalosporin allergies who acquired gonorrhea infection in areas where fluoroquinolone-resistant *N. gonorrhoeae* is endemic (e.g., Asia, Hawaii, and other Pacific Islands) (2).

For access to spectinomycin until June 30, contact Wendy Johnson, Pharmacia Corporation, telephone (800) 976-7741, ext. 30110 or fax (800) 852-6421. In response to this shortage, CDC and the Food and Drug Administration are working with Pharmacia Corporation to identify a solution. Interim alternative treatment recommendations are available at http://www.cdc.gov/std/specshortage.htm or from CDC's Fax Information System (888) 232-3299 ([888] CDC-FAXX), by entering document number 210100.

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FIGURE I. Selected notifiable disease reports, United States, comparison of provisional 4-week totals ending June 2, 2001, with historical data



^{*} Ratio of current 4-week total to mean of 15 4-week totals (from previous, comparable, and subsequent 4-week periods for the past 5 years). The point where the hatched area begins is based on the mean and two standard deviations of these 4-week totals.

TABLE I. Summary of provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, cumulative, week ending June 2, 2001 (22nd Week)

	Cum. 2001		Cum. 2001
Anthrax Brucellosis* Cholera Cyclosporiasis* Diphtheria Ehrlichiosis: human granulocytic (HGE)* human monocytic (HME)* California serogroup viral* eastern equine* St. Louis*	24 3 69 1 31 8	Poliomyelitis, paralytic Psittacosis* Ofever* Rabies, human Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF) Rubella, congenital syndrome Streptococcal disease, invasive, group A Streptococcal toxic-shock syndrome* Syphilis, congenital [§] Tetanus	- 4 7 - 73 - 1,662 24 55
western equine* Hansen disease (leprosy)* Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome*† Hemolytic uremic syndrome, postdiarrheal* HIV infection, pediatric*§ Plague	25 3 29 84	Toxic-shock syndrome Trichinosis Tularemia* Typhoid fever Yellow fever	58 5 15 95 -

^{-:} No reported cases. *Not notifiable in all states.

[†] Updated monthly from reports to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention — Surveillance and Epidemiology, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP). Last update May 29, 2001.

† Updated from reports to the Division of STD Prevention, NCHSTP.

TABLE II. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending June 2, 2001, and June 3, 2000 (22nd Week)

								Escherichia coli O157:H7* NETSS PHLIS					
	Cum.	Cum.	Chlan Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	cum.	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.			
Reporting Area UNITED STATES	2001 [§] 15,380	2000 16,292	2001 263,099	2000 285,785	2001 606	2000 621	2001 524	2000 723	2001 376	2000 624			
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	586 18 14 10 332 44 168	987 16 13 1 669 40 248	9,439 540 528 242 4,250 1,140 2,739	9,687 563 435 223 4,150 1,095 3,221	23 3 10 5 3	36 6 2 11 10 2 5	59 7 10 2 24 4 12	86 6 5 3 41 3 28	46 7 7 1 21 2	84 6 7 4 35 5			
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	3,108 182 1,587 746 593	3,928 181 2,313 832 602	26,142 4,860 10,071 3,130 8,081	27,104 518 11,477 5,158 9,951	64 34 25 2 3	121 30 76 4 11	43 35 1 7 N	105 75 7 23 N	36 25 1 10	80 38 3 19 20			
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	1,163 198 119 558 224 64	1,590 196 146 1,002 184 62	37,127 4,395 6,057 10,470 12,258 3,947	49,344 12,737 5,396 14,415 9,791 7,005	192 46 25 1 47 73	131 21 9 18 19 64	115 37 20 18 21 19	132 23 15 40 23 31	68 25 10 19 - 14	91 17 16 30 19 9			
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	355 67 40 168 1 9 27 43	358 78 36 149 - 3 25 67	13,655 2,582 1,490 4,941 388 780 947 2,527	16,128 3,354 2,170 5,392 374 745 1,535 2,558	32 - 18 6 2 3 3	43 10 12 6 3 5 4 3	70 30 10 10 1 6 5	100 26 15 28 6 2 16 7	63 33 7 12 3 4	99 38 9 24 6 5 13			
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	4,910 84 591 360 388 35 212 340 579 2,321	4,276 77 455 315 295 27 255 293 429 2,130	52,637 1,234 5,153 1,515 6,738 972 7,698 5,239 10,379 13,709	52,147 1,259 5,241 1,367 6,650 884 8,676 3,931 10,642 13,497	129 1 25 9 7 - 14 - 44 29	99 2 6 2 4 3 9 53 20	54 - 3 - 13 1 21 2 6 8	60 1 8 14 3 9 4 7	23 - - U 8 - 9 2 2 2	50 - 1 U 15 3 7 3 11 10			
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	836 181 249 182 224	767 98 314 206 149	19,488 3,532 6,424 4,708 4,824	20,863 3,370 5,981 6,508 5,004	14 1 2 5 6	20 1 3 9 7	22 5 11 6	35 11 14 2 8	14 5 8 - 1	25 10 12 1 2			
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	1,617 89 403 90 1,035	1,475 92 265 112 1,006	42,459 3,230 6,999 4,282 27,948	43,518 2,609 7,878 3,878 29,153	10 2 4 2 2	30 1 6 2 21	29 2 1 9 17	39 4 4 7 24	37 14 8 15	75 19 14 5 37			
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	636 12 14 1 126 50 258 53 122	552 7 11 2 130 58 170 57 117	14,219 921 730 338 1,149 2,538 5,960 447 2,136	16,841 601 784 310 5,107 2,102 5,262 1,079 1,596	46 5 5 15 8 1 10 2	31 4 3 3 8 1 2 8	57 5 6 1 26 4 7 5	58 9 9 4 17 3 14 1	39 - - 20 2 9 7 1	36 - 4 3 9 3 13 2 2			
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	2,169 247 104 1,787 9	2,359 243 86 1,962 5	47,933 5,834 1,222 39,544 1,085 248	50,153 5,429 2,939 39,257 1,045 1,483	96 N 3 91	110 U 3 107	75 17 15 41 1	108 26 16 57 1	50 13 8 27 - 2	84 43 19 14 1			
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	9 535 2 - -	13 431 18 - -	2,090 53 U 53	224 U - U U	- - - U	- - U U	N - - U -	N 3 - U U	U U U U U	U U U U			

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. -: No reported cases. C.N.M.I.: Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands.

*Individual cases can be reported through both the National Electronic Telecommunications System for Surveillance (NETSS) and the Public Health Laboratory Information System (PHLIS).

† Chlamydia refers to genital infections caused by C. trachomatis. Totals reported to the Division of STD Prevention, NCHSTP.

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TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending June 2, 2001, and June 3, 2000 (22nd Week)

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	Gono	rrhea	Hepati Non-A,	tis C; Non-B	Legionel	llosis	Listeriosis		me ease	
Reporting Area	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	
UNITED STATES	120,174	140,367	924	1,445	266	283	154	1,006	2,509	
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt.	2,586 57 59 36	2,678 34 40 26	12 - - 5	12 - - 3	16 - 4 4	19 2 2 1	17 - - -	337 - 46 1	498 - 31 7	
Mass. R.I. Conn.	1,316 283 835	1,060 269 1,249	7 - -	6 3 -	5 1 2	9 2 3	11 1 5	72 35 183	188 - 272	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	12,328 3,121 4,255 1,118 3,834	14,979 2,539 4,800 2,892 4,748	32 20 - - 12	297 12 - 264 21	30 19 4 4 3	77 20 10 8 39	24 10 5 6 3	381 294 1 7 79	1,579 435 55 539 550	
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	20,124 2,927 2,495 6,376 7,109 1,217	28,170 7,157 2,451 8,687 6,936 2,939	97 5 1 10 81	111 3 - 12 96	73 41 6 - 18 8	73 33 9 7 14 10	20 4 3 - 12 1	26 22 1 - - 3	111 13 2 9 7 80	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak.	5,687 823 392 3,001 14 113	6,861 1,333 446 3,317 26 110	310 1 - 305 -	236 4 1 225 -	20 1 5 9 -	15 1 3 8 - 1	4 - - 1 -	36 23 4 7 -	38 14 - 14 -	
Nebr. Kans.	275 1,069	567 1,062	1 3	2 4	4	2	1 2	2	1 9	
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	31,942 681 2,948 1,282 3,311 237 6,306 3,798 5,649 7,730	36,075 703 3,589 960 4,071 282 7,141 3,504 6,496 9,329	47 - 12 - 5 8 3 - 19	34 2 2 1 1 5 12 - 1	44 - 8 2 6 N 4 1 2 21	45 4 10 - 3 N 6 2 4 16	26 - 2 - 5 3 - 2 7 7	168 2 118 7 30 1 5 1	219 37 134 1 25 8 8 2 -	
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	12,477 1,376 4,201 3,831 3,069	14,741 1,407 4,584 4,982 3,768	91 3 28 2 58	196 16 43 6 131	24 6 10 6 2	8 5 1 1	8 2 3 3	6 2 2 2	10 2 6 1 1	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	20,321 1,990 4,758 1,948 11,625	22,407 1,381 5,578 1,716 13,732	154 3 67 3 81	458 3 235 2 218	4 - 2 2 -	12 - 6 1 5	4 1 - - 3	7 - 1 - 6	20 - 1 - 19	
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	4,306 46 33 23 1,300 410 1,676 41 777	4,319 20 37 27 1,353 451 1,743 112 576	128 - 1 101 10 9 4 - 3	29 1 1 5 6 11	20 - 1 6 1 6 4 2	16 - 3 - 6 1 2 4	16 - 1 1 2 3 3 1 5	4 - 2 1 - - - 1	1 - - 1 - - - -	
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	10,403 1,235 188 8,792 133 55	10,137 954 383 8,475 133 192	53 13 7 33 -	72 9 15 48 -	35 6 N 29 -	18 8 N 10 -	35 2 1 32 -	41 2 3 36 - N	33 3 29 1 N	
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	653 6 U 3	22 241 - U U	- - - U	1 1 - U U	- 2 - U	- - - U U	- - -	- N - U	- N - U U	

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		channy o	1	-,	Salmonellosis*						
	Mal	aria	Rabie	s, Animal	NE	TSS		ILIS			
Reporting Area	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000			
UNITED STATES	355	475	2,448	2,686	10,073	11,730	8,456	11,419			
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I.	26 3 2 - 6 3	19 3 1 2 8 3	246 31 7 34 78 26	298 61 4 26 95 20	777 95 58 33 440 42	694 51 48 48 402 25	776 74 57 34 393 59	727 35 47 55 399 52			
Conn. MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	12 66 18 34 8 6	2 95 20 48 13 14	70 341 267 5 67 2	92 462 280 3 67 112	109 1,007 366 340 204 97	120 1,773 375 478 463 457	159 1,437 360 438 218 421	139 1,935 514 501 364 556			
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	42 9 9 1 16 7	58 5 3 33 11 6	17 3 1 3 10	25 4 - 1 13 7	1,402 492 143 316 252 199	1,700 397 187 544 333 239	1,141 412 119 255 226 129	1,667 399 204 586 361 117			
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	14 6 1 3 - 2 2	22 7 1 3 2 - 3 6	144 16 29 13 18 21 1	232 33 33 12 57 48	651 211 104 158 10 42 47 79	685 104 92 241 15 32 72 129	659 240 95 211 20 32 - 61	848 240 98 296 29 39 53 93			
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	93 1 36 4 21 1 2 4 3 21	111 2 38 5 25 - 10 1 4 26	889 16 100 - 178 57 256 50 135	923 18 169 - 235 54 232 51 109 55	2,457 29 251 29 409 36 402 269 345 687	1,970 36 270 23 265 50 281 159 333 553	1,529 27 262 U 328 33 194 260 352 73	1,721 40 310 U 282 46 258 143 481 161			
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	10 2 5 3	16 3 5 7 1	83 10 60 13	79 10 45 24	549 103 152 198 96	558 128 132 157 141	325 72 115 109 29	468 87 211 140 30			
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	5 2 1 1	24 1 4 1 18	480 - - 38 442	446 - - 30 416	988 144 218 80 546	1,308 122 228 108 850	880 92 214 63 511	799 94 173 94 438			
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	19 2 2 - 9 1 1 2 2	19 1 - - 10 - 2 3 3	95 16 1 16 - 3 59 -	98 24 1 28 - 7 37 1	703 29 40 27 192 91 191 79 54	959 42 52 24 299 84 218 143	565 4 16 200 66 182 74 23	905 - 48 - 20 - 293 - 78 - 232 140 - 94			
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	80 2 4 70 1 3	111 8 22 78 - 3	153 - - 120 33 -	123 - - 100 23 -	1,539 163 67 1,246 16 47	2,083 174 130 1,685 23 71	1,144 205 109 704 2 124	2,349 258 170 1,832 19 70			
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- - - U -	- 4 - U U	- 61 - U -	- 25 - U U	- 104 - U 5	11 176 - U U	U U U U	U U U U			

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TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending June 2, 2001, and June 3, 2000 (22nd Week)

	weeks ending June 2, 2001, and June 3, 2000 (22nd Week)										
	NET		llosis*	PHLIS		philis & Secondary)	Tube	rculosis			
Reporting Area	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000			
UNITED STATES	4,881	7,493	2,599	4,333	2,105	2,637	4,303	5,388			
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	74 3 1 3 49 7	131 5 1 1 92 10 22	82 1 1 2 52 9	106 - 4 - 69 10 23	18 - 1 1 11 1	36 1 1 26 1 7	152 5 7 2 92 13 33	155 3 4 2 95 15 36			
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	391 179 135 40 37	1,147 361 536 146 104	337 15 190 67 65	693 144 341 117 91	152 4 85 35 28	123 6 51 27 39	910 128 470 198 114	882 112 489 208 73			
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	718 256 108 151 129 74	1,350 100 344 418 343 145	359 138 17 105 86 13	463 77 45 2 311 28	315 32 75 95 104 9	565 29 191 200 119 26	469 79 32 249 79 30	517 121 53 232 75 36			
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak.	568 217 97 118 12 54	575 101 145 255 2	429 219 84 72 1 36	519 170 131 171 3	27 12 1 6	38 4 10 19 -	171 94 9 43 3 6	212 66 19 79 - 9			
Nebr. Kans.	31 39	23 47	17	12 31	8	2 3	16	9			
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	772 4 47 22 57 4 156 67 90 325	866 6 37 11 91 3 51 47 106 514	239 4 26 U 27 6 70 45 57 4	332 5 14 U 103 3 25 45 86 51	830 4 101 19 55 - 207 109 109 226	863 4 130 19 54 1 250 92 150 163	810 - 76 15 93 11 134 37 176 268	1,029 2 98 2 110 15 136 30 232 404			
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	431 162 39 113 117	352 82 170 16 84	181 64 28 78 11	261 38 200 20 3	237 18 137 40 42	393 42 246 47 58	257 38 69 117 33	371 41 139 127 64			
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	866 257 91 15 503	1,307 79 117 25 1,086	650 155 81 2 412	382 24 58 15 285	279 19 55 33 172	357 45 82 62 168	492 53 - 52 387	832 78 64 50 640			
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	298 - 14 - 62 52 127 20 23	371 3 28 2 71 36 133 32 66	188 - - 54 29 77 20 8	238 	86 - - 15 9 52 6 4	90 - 1 5 8 74 - 2	158 - 4 1 48 11 57 6 31	195 6 4 1 29 22 69 20 44			
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	763 70 22 663 2 6	1,394 297 92 983 6 16	134 76 40 - 1 17	1,339 271 55 998 3 12	161 23 3 134 - 1	172 23 6 142	884 84 37 737 17 9	1,195 99 35 966 42 53			
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- 7 - U 4	18 14 - U U	UUUUU	U U U U	136 - U	2 79 - U U	- 58 - U 17	26 61 - U U			

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. -: No reported cases.

*Individual cases can be reported through both the National Electronic Telecommunications System for Surveillance (NETSS) and the Public Health Laboratory Information System (PHLIS).

TABLE III. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases preventable by vaccination, United States, weeks ending June 2, 2001, and June 3, 2000 (22nd Week)

	11 : 4		l u		iral\ Pv.Tv	1	Measles (Rubeola)						
		<i>ienzae,</i> isive	A	epatitis (V	гаг), бу гу В	pe	Indige	nous	Impo		Tota		
Reporting Area	Cum. 2001 [†]	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	2001	Cum. 2001	2001	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	
UNITED STATES	598	592	3,856	5,473	2,486	2,834	-	37	-	22	59	33	
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I.	24 1 - 1 20 2	47 1 6 3 27 1	174 5 5 5 50 8	131 7 11 3 55 6	41 5 10 2 3 9	47 5 9 4 2 9	- - - -	3 - - 1 2	- - - -	1 - - 1	4 - 1 3	- - - -	
Conn.	-	9	101	49	12	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	73 30 23 19 1	98 34 28 23 13	330 103 133 70 24	527 98 211 86 132	351 56 197 64 34	512 54 243 86 129	- - - -	2 1 - - 1	- - - -	5 4 - 1 -	7 5 - 1 1	10 - 10 - -	
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	77 38 20 10 4 5	89 28 10 33 7 11	439 106 39 126 148 20	719 130 21 306 219 43	296 55 13 24 204	301 48 20 41 177 15	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	10 3 4 3 -	10 3 4 3 -	3 2 - - 1	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak.	24 12 - 10 -	27 15 - 8 1	166 12 17 45 - 1	402 108 39 182	90 10 9 48 - 1	118 15 15 58 2	- - - -	4 2 - 2	- - - -	- - - -	4 2 - 2 -	- - - -	
Nebr. Kans.	1 1	2 1	21 70	18 55	11 11	19 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	
S. ATLANTIC Del.	197 -	138 -	779 -	529 9	542	469 7	-	3	-	1	4	-	
Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	46 - 15 4 23 5 52 52	34 - 28 - 4 13 - 4 38 17	109 20 57 3 49 23 299 219	59 7 66 38 85 19 74 172	62 4 59 14 99 6 141 157	59 14 65 4 115 3 81 121	- - - - -	2 - - - - 1	- - - - -	1	3 - - - - 1 -	- - - - - -	
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	50 2 24 23 1	28 11 11 4 2	138 20 64 48 6	219 22 81 26 90	156 17 62 40 37	198 41 84 24 49	- - - -	2 2 - -	- - - -	- - - -	2 2 - -	- - - -	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	22 - 2 20 -	33 10 21 2	579 29 43 74 433	1,001 80 43 129 749	294 46 23 46 179	424 46 69 54 255	- - - -	1 - - 1	- - - -	- - - -	1 - - 1	- - - -	
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	91 1 4 21 12 42 4 7	64 - 2 1 12 14 29 4 2	347 5 28 16 32 10 188 30 38	377 1 15 3 79 38 184 26 31	233 1 6 16 50 63 69 10	206 3 4 - 37 60 72 12 18		-	-	1 - 1 - - - - -	1 - 1 - - - - -	9 - - 2 - 3 4	
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	40 1 12 24 2 1	68 3 21 25 2 17	904 40 32 820 12	1,568 134 106 1,311 6 11	483 44 26 410 3	559 27 44 479 3 6	- - - -	22 13 1 7 - 1	- - - -	4 2 - 1 - 1	26 15 1 8 - 2	11 3 - 6 1 1	
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- - - U	- 2 - U U	- 41 - U -	1 151 - U U	- 28 - U 19	9 116 - U U	- U U U	- - - U	- U U U	- - U -	- - - U -	- - - U U	

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. -: No reported cases.
*For imported measles, cases include only those resulting from importation from other countries.
† Of 127 cases among children aged <5 years, serotype was reported for 57, and of those, eight were type b.

TABLE III. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases preventable by vaccination, United States, weeks ending June 2, 2001, and June 3, 2000 (22nd Week)

	ococcal		Mumps	000 (2	Ziid VV	Pertussis		Rubella			
Reporting Area	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	2001	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	2001	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000	2001	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2000
UNITED STATES	1,155	1,132	-	72	172	38	1,783	2,271	1	8	69
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I.	69 1 7 5 39 2	60 5 4 2 37 3	-	- - - -	2 - - - 1	1 - - - 1	194 16 22 147	616 12 59 121 394 7	-	-	10 - 1 - 8
Conn.	15	9	-	-	i	-	8	23	-	-	1
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	87 36 22 24 5	113 29 27 22 35	- - - -	2 1 1 -	11 5 3 - 3	7 6 - - 1	112 95 6 2 9	205 102 35 - 68	- - - -	1 1 - -	5 1 4 -
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	150 54 25 20 25 26	200 41 24 52 64 19	- - - - -	9 1 1 6 1	17 7 - 5 4 1	8 8 - - -	214 135 19 23 19 18	273 158 22 22 20 51	- - - - -	3 1 2 -	- - - - -
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr.	77 12 18 26 3 4	70 7 16 33 2 4	- - - - -	4 1 - - - 1	10 - 5 2 - - 1	- - - - -	82 17 10 38 - 3	103 52 12 19 1	1 - - - - -	2 - 1 - - -	1 - - - - 1
Kans. S. ATLANTIC	9 213	4 161	-	2 17	2 24	3	12 94	15 165	1	1 1	- 31
Del. Md. D.C.	27	16	-	- 4	5 -	2	94 - 15 1	4 43	-	-	- - -
Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	22 4 45 21 31 63	29 7 27 13 27 42	- - - -	2 1 1 7 2	4 3 7 2 3	- - - 1	10 1 33 19 4 11	15 44 16 20 23	- - - -	- - - - 1	- 23 6 - 2
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	79 13 30 29 7	80 15 36 22 7	-	1 1 - -	4 - 2 2	2 - - 2 -	42 11 17 11 3	45 25 9 8 3	-	- - - -	4 1 - 3
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	160 10 52 18 80	131 6 34 20 71	- - - -	7 1 2 - 4	20 1 4 - 15	1 1 - -	67 4 2 1 60	90 10 6 9 65	- - - -	- - - -	6 1 1 - 4
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah	63 1 6 3 23 9 11 6	54 1 6 - 14 6 18 6	- - - - - -	7 - 1 1 2 1	13 1 - 1 - 1 3 4	10 - 2 - 4 1 1	838 6 158 1 144 50 454 16	343 7 41 - 194 56 32 9	- - - - - -	- - - - - -	1 - - 1 - -
Nev. PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	4 257 38 19 196 2 2	3 263 24 30 198 3 8	- - N - -	1 25 N 20 1 4	3 71 2 N 59 4 6	1 6 6 - - -	9 140 46 9 83 - 2	4 431 132 42 231 6 20	- - - - -	- 1 - - - 1	- 11 7 - 4 -
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- 1 - U -	- 6 - U U	- U U U	- - - U -	6 - - U U	- U U U	- - - U -	2 1 - U U	- U U U	- - - U -	1 - - U U

N: Not notifiable.

U: Unavailable.

TABLE IV. Deaths in 122 U.S. cities,* week ending June 2, 2001 (22nd Week)

	All Causes By Age (Vears)							(ZZIIU VVEEI		ΔII Cau	eae Ri	/ Age (Y	'aars)		
Reporting Area	All Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	P&I [†] Total	Reporting Area	All Ages		45-64		1-24	<1	P&I [†] Total
NEW ENGLAND Boston, Mass. Bridgeport, Conn Cambridge, Mass Fall River, Mass. Hartford, Conn. Lowell, Mass. Lynn, Mass. New Bedford, Ma New Haven, Conn Providence, R.I. Somerville, Mass Springfield, Mass	. 7 32 68 16 12 sss. 26 1. 38 55 5. 53	393 83 25 6 25 42 15 10 18 25 41 3	33 4 1 5 16 1 5 7 9 2 10	43 16 1 - 2 7 - 1 2 3 2 - 4	13 3 	9 2 - - 1 - 2 2 - 1	54 923 453 1191 44	S. ATLANTIC Atlanta, Ga. Baltimore, Md. Charlotte, N.C. Jacksonville, Fla Miami, Fla. Norfolk, Va. Richmond, Va. Savannah, Ga. St. Petersburg, F Tampa, Fla. Washington, D.C. Wilmington, Del	127 45 51 59 Fla. 69 132 C. 201	762 83 80 63 78 85 27 30 48 55 86 116	289 36 47 34 25 26 11 13 8 6 27 54 2	101 15 12 18 12 10 - 4 - 4 10 16	39 6 2 5 5 2 2 2 2 3 5 7	34 - 3 2 2 4 5 2 3 1 4 8	82 6 10 8 8 15 2 4 5 7 11 6
Waterbury, Conn. Worcester, Mass. MID. ATLANTIC Albany, N.Y. Allentown, Pa. Buffalo, N.Y. Camden, N.J. Erie, Pa.§ Jersey City, N.J. New York City, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Philadelphia, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y Scranton, Pa.§ Syracuse, N.Y. Trenton, N.J. Utica, N.Y. Yonkers, N.Y.	70 1,977 39 14 80 27 20 31 60 Y. 1,080 U 16 309 32 18 105	16 49 1,418 29 12 64 17 11 22 39 765 U 8 214 25 15 85 11 19 49 20 U	14 375 8 2 67 7 6 14 216 U 5 62 1 1 1 2 11 5 6	1 4 132 2 8 3 5 72 U 2 2 3 3 2 2 2 1 - 2 2 0 1	2 34 	1 18 1 18	1 11 84 5 13 2 13 2 1 42 1 7 2 2 3 1 5 2	E.S. CENTRAL Birmingham, Ali Chattanooga, Te Knoxville, Tenn. Lexington, Ky. Memphis, Tenn. Mobile, Ala. Montgomery, A Nashville, Tenn. W.S. CENTRAL Austin, Tex. Baton Rouge, La Corpus Christi, 1 Dallas, Tex. El Paso, Tex. Ft. Worth, Tex. Little Rock, Ark. New Orleans, La San Antonio, Te Shreveport, La. Tulsa, Okla.	92 80 161 106 1a. 45 130 1,268 91 51 Eex. U 175 82 89 340 62	482 90 U 88 46 91 83 39 1 815 58 34 93 49 64 204 33 U 16 16 73	155 29 U 16 21 41 22 7 19 267 20 10 46 23 18 U 36 9 15	58 6 U 5 9 16 9 4 9 10 1 6 4 U 22 7 3 3 1 3 U 15 2 8	27 2 U 1 3 10 8 1 2 62 5 3 U 9 2 2 4 25 6 U 2 3 3	22 3 U 2 1 1 3 4 - 9 2 2 5 1 1 - 8 2 U 2 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2	59 13 U 5 7 9 7 5 13 77 7 - U 13 4 - 26 4 U 9 6 8
E.N. CENTRAL Akron, Ohio Canton, Ohio Canton, Ohio Chicago, Ill. Cincinnati, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Columbus, Ohio Dayton, Ohio Detroit, Mich. Evansville, Ind. Fort Wayne, Ind. Gary, Ind. Grand Rapids, Mi Indianapolis, Ind. Lansing, Mich. Milwaukee, Wis. Peoria, Ill. Rockford, Ill. South Bend, Ind. Toledo, Ohio Youngstown, Ohi W.N. CENTRAL Des Moines, Iowa Duluth, Minn. Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo. Lincoln, Nebr. Minneapolis, Min Omaha, Nebr. St. Louis, Mo. St. Paul, Minn. Wichita, Kans.	1,402 52 26 U 85 159 111 174 48 43 33 ch. 42 197 23 33 113 o 56 680 680 690 1 21 . 31	961 387 177 10 52 57 117 77 77 29 24 47 77 12 29 82 46 486 79 12 22 54 43 33 112 23 54 44 33 54 54	283 9 9 U 22 19 28 25 49 6 13 2 7 38 6 16 U 1 1 1 15 7 116 6 6 6 6 21 13 17 8	962 - U377772125338222U31182 39322252113533	31 1 - U2 - 1 1 1 3 1 1 1 1 6 1 2 U 1 2 6 1 2 2 1 1 4 1 3	31 2 2 2 6 1 5 - 2 8 - 1 1 0 - 2 2 - 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	853U545Q133 · 3956U3561 42133145 · 24	MOUNTAIN Albuquerque, N Boise, Idaho Colo. Springs, C Denver, Colo. Las Vegas, Nev. Ogden, Utah Phoenix, Ariz. Pueblo, Colo. Salt Lake City, U Tucson, Ariz. PACIFIC Berkeley, Calif. Fresno, Calif. Glendale, Calif. Honolulu, Hawa Long Beach, Cali Los Angeles, Cal Pasadena, Calif. Portland, Oreg. Sacramento, Cal San Diego, Califi San Francisco, C San Jose, Calif. Santa Cruz, Calif Seattle, Wash. Spokane, Wash. Tacoma, Wash. TOTAL	U olo. 62 104 229 22 166 23 tah 99 96 1,262 11 68 27 ii 56 if. 424 31 U Uif. 169 . 127 alif. U U f. 29 120 120	587 64 U 399 66 158 158 20 63 67 922 8 46 21 31 22 22 U 124 86 60 45 62 62 6,826	187 17 U 15 22 49 5 40 1 20 18 224 3 14 6 15 9 71 5 U 27 27 U U 3 21 12 11 2,012	71 7 7 15 13 12 2 15 2 8 7 7 1 3 2 3 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	26 3 U 2 - 6 6 - 7 - 6 2 24 - 1 11 12 - U 3 1 1 U U - 3 1 1 278	20 - U 1 2 4 4 - 9 - 2 2 2 1 8 1 2 6 2 2 U U - 2 1 1 - 1 1 9 2	63 4 U 2 10 15 2 11 3 8 8 119 5 1 2 6 3 5 2 U 24 19 U U - 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10

U: Unavailable. -:No reported cases.

*Mortality data in this table are voluntarily reported from 122 cities in the United States, most of which have populations of ≥100,000. A death is reported by the place of its occurrence and by the week that the death certificate was filed. Fetal deaths are not included.

¹Pneumonia and influenza.

^{*}Because of changes in reporting methods in this Pennsylvania city, these numbers are partial counts for the current week. Complete counts will be available in 4 to 6 weeks.

*Total includes unknown ages.

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In the Notice to Readers, "Deferral of Routine Booster Doses of Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids for Adolescents and Adults," three errors occurred. The second sentence of the first paragraph should read "Aventis Pasteur (Swiftwater, Pennsylvania) is the only major manufacturer of tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Td) in the United States." The last sentence of the second paragraph should read "Td use should follow existing recommendations for all other indications, which include 1) persons traveling to a country where the risk for diphtheria is high*; 2) persons requiring tetanus vaccination for prophylaxis in wound management; 3) persons who have received <3 doses of any vaccine containing tetanus and diphtheria toxoids; and 4) pregnant women who have not been vaccinated with Td during the preceding 10 years." The fourth sentence in the fourth paragraph should read "For persons with \geq 3 doses of tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine and severe or contaminated wounds, Td should be given only if >5 years have passed since the last dose of tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine."

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