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Multistate Measles Outbreak Associated with an International Youth Sporting Event — Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Texas, August–September 2007

Measles, a highly infectious viral illness, is no longer endemic in the United States because of high coverage rates with an effective vaccine (1). However, imported cases continue to cause illness and outbreaks among susceptible U.S. residents (2-5). In August 2007, a participant in an international youth sporting event who traveled from Japan to the United States became ill with measles. Because he traveled while infectious to an event with thousands of participants and spectators, an outbreak investigation was conducted in multiple states by state and local health departments in coordination with CDC, using standard measles surveillance case definitions and classifications.* This report summarizes the results of that investigation. which identified six additional measles cases that were linked epidemiologically to the index case and two generations of secondary transmission. Viral genotyping supported a single chain of transmission; six of the seven cases were linked by genetic sequencing (Figure). U.S. organizers of large-scale events attended by international travelers, especially youths, should consider documentation of adequate participant vaccination. This outbreak highlights the need to maintain the highest possible vaccination coverage in the United States, along with disease surveillance and outbreakcontainment capabilities.

A sporting event held in central Pennsylvania during August 17–26, 2007, included eight U.S. teams and eight international teams representing Canada, Chinese Taipei, Curaçao, Japan, Netherlands, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela. Combined participant and spectator attendance for the event was approximately 265,000. Team members (boys aged 10–13 years) and coaches resided in the same compound during the event, with a common area shared

by all teams. Access to the compound was restricted to a small number of officials, corporate sponsors, and event staff members.

Cases 1 and 2: Pennsylvania, Imported from Japan

A boy aged 12 years on the Japanese team (the index patient), who had unknown vaccination status, had been exposed to a sibling with measles-like illness in Japan in late July 2007. The boy had a sore throat and malaise on August 11 and traveled to the United States on August 13. The Japanese and Chinese Taipei teams traveled together by aircraft from Tokyo, Japan, to Detroit, Michigan, where they cleared immigration and customs, and then traveled by aircraft to Baltimore, Maryland, where they chartered a bus to Pennsylvania. On August 14, the patient visited the event infirmary to be evaluated for his sore throat. On August 16, he had a measles-compatible rash, cough, Koplik's spots, fever (102.4°F [39.1°C]), and coryza. The infectious period for measles extends from 5 days before to 4 days after rash onset. The Pennsylvania Department of Health (PADOH) was notified, and the patient was isolated. Measles-specific immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibodies were detected in his serum sample; urine culture yielded measles virus, genotype D5.

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PADOH reviewed vaccination records for 481 players, coaches, translators, and event staff members at the compound; 292 (61%) either had documentation of 2 doses of measles-containing vaccine or history of measles disease, or were born before 1957 and were, therefore, considered immune. The remaining 189 (39%) were offered measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine or serologic testing; 104 chose to be vaccinated, and 85 chose serologic testing. Sixteen (19%) of those tested lacked evidence of immunity and subsequently were vaccinated. Public health staff members and health-care providers in Pennsylvania were alerted through the state Health Alert Network, and public announcements were issued. State health departments in California, Georgia, and Texas were informed of potential measles exposures among visiting corporate representatives who had already attended the event and departed from Pennsylvania.

A second boy aged 12 years with unknown vaccination status who had direct contact with the index patient only on August 12 in Japan, arrived in the United States on August 15 to watch the competition. On August 20, he had a sore throat and fever, followed by cough and rash on August 23. On August 24, nasopharyngeal, urine, and blood specimens were collected from the boy at a local emergency department. He was placed in isolation in his hotel room. His serum sample was positive for measlesspecific IgM antibodies. Nasopharyngeal culture yielded measles virus genotype D5. The boy had minimal public interaction during his infectious period and was deemed not infectious during his airline travel.

The 29 members of his travel group and all 27 hotel staff members were interviewed; 38 (68%) persons without adequate evidence of immunity (6) received MMR vaccine. Guests registered at the hotel during the boy's infectious period were advised to contact their physicians and local health departments in the event of illness. No measles cases were identified among these groups.

Cases 3 and 4: Michigan

In accordance with CDC protocol (CDC, unpublished document, 2008), passenger manifests for the August 13 Tokyo–Detroit and Detroit–Baltimore flights were obtained to contact persons seated within one row of the index patient. A woman aged 53 years seated one row in front of the index patient on the Detroit–Baltimore flight acquired measles (case 3). Although born in 1954, she recalled no history of measles or receiving measles-containing vaccine and was administered immunoglobulin prophylaxis after being identified as a contact. On August 25, she had fever, cough, and coryza, followed by rash on August 28. Serum

initially was negative for measles IgM and immunoglobulin G antibodies, but she subsequently seroconverted. Measles viral RNA, detected in urine by reverse transcription—polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR), had an identical sequence to the genotype D5 sequences obtained from the two patients in Pennsylvania.

Case 4 was identified in a U.S.-born man aged 25 years who was employed as a federal airport officer and had no documented measles vaccination. The officer and the index patient had been present in the same Detroit customs area on August 13. On August 23, the officer had wheezing, abdominal pain, and sweating, followed by rash on August 27. A serum sample obtained August 30 was positive for measles IgM antibodies. Measles virus RNA was detected by RT-PCR from a throat swab; however, attempts to amplify the larger region of the *N* gene necessary for genotyping were unsuccessful in this case.

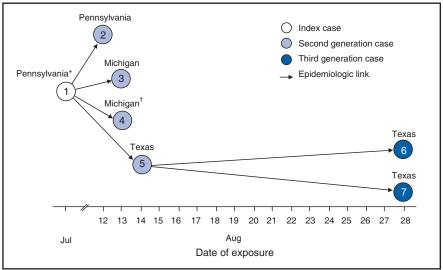
A coworker of the officer at the same airport had measles 1 month later. The source of this infection could not be determined; the coworker's measles might have been linked to case 4 through an unrecognized chain of transmission (because the incubation period for measles ranges from 7 to 18 days) or might have resulted from a separate, unrelated exposure.

Cases 5, 6, and 7: Texas

Case 5 was identified in a U.S.-born man aged 40 years who was employed as a corporate sales representative and had no documented measles vaccination. The sales representative had met the index patient on August 14 in Pennsylvania and had cough, conjunctivitis, coryza, and fever on August 26. He had rash on August 28 and was hospitalized the next day with a seizure, fever of 105.7°F (40.9°C), and pneumonia. Measles was confirmed by serum IgM antibodies and viral RNA detected in urine by RT-PCR. He recovered and was discharged from the hospital after 4 days.

Before his hospitalization, the man had made sales visits to three Houston-area colleges. Cases 6 and 7 were identified among male college roommates, aged 18 and 19 years, who had attended one of the sales events on August 28. Both students were born in the United States and had received 2 documented doses of MMR vaccine. They had fever, chills, and myalgia on September 9 and 10, respec-

FIGURE. Chain of measles transmission associated with an international youth sporting event, by date of exposure — Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Texas, 2007



*Date of exposure in late July is unknown.

tively; one had conjunctivitis. Both had rash on September 11, detectable measles IgM antibodies in serum, and measles virus RNA by RT-PCR in throat swab specimens. No additional cases were identified. The genotype D5 sequences obtained from the three Texas patients were identical to those of the two patients from Pennsylvania and to one of the two patients (case 3) from Michigan. On August 30, the outbreak was reported to the World Health Organization under the revised International Health Regulations[†] as a public health emergency of international concern.

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Editorial Note: Measles is no longer endemic in the United States because of high 2-dose MMR vaccination coverage rates among children and adolescents (1) in conjunction with effective surveillance and outbreak response. Today, measles among U.S. residents typically is linked to imported cases, although source cases are not always detected (2). Imported cases have caused outbreaks resulting in morbidity and substantial expenditure of local, state, and federal public health resources (5,7). This importation-associated outbreak demonstrates the highly infectious nature of measles, the potential severity of the disease (case 5), and the possibility that illness can occur among persons not considered at high risk for measles (cases 3, 6, and 7).

Although the risk for measles transmission through air travel in the United States is considered low because of high U.S. population immunity (8), infection was transmitted to an airline passenger and at least one airport worker. Persons in routine contact with international travelers entering the United States can be exposed to persons with measles. All persons aged ≥12 months without adequate evidence of immunity should receive 1 or 2 doses of measles or MMR vaccine in accordance with current recommendations (6). Vaccination records should be actively maintained for adults and children. Although 2 doses of measles vaccine are 99% effective, cases can still occur in appropriately vaccinated persons, as observed in this investigation (cases 6 and 7). Likewise, persons born before 1957 might also remain susceptible to measles. Health-care providers should consider measles in any person with clinically compatible illness.

As endemic measles has disappeared in the United States, viral genotyping has become an increasingly important component of measles surveillance. The variety of measles genotypes now detected in the United States reflects measles activity in countries of visitor origin and countries visited by U.S. travelers. Genotype D5 was associated with a large, concurrent outbreak in Japan. The identical genotype D5 sequences obtained from the index patient, who came from Japan, and from five of six patients with secondary cases suggests that Japan was the source of the virus and confirms the epidemiologic link between the cases.

Because international events provide opportunities for measles transmission (3,9), organizers of large gatherings attended by international travelers, especially youths, should consider documentation of adequate participant vaccination. To prevent spread of measles, international trav-

elers are encouraged to be fully vaccinated. MMR vaccine, administered to susceptible persons within 72 hours of measles exposure, is a recommended intervention for measles outbreak containment.

Ongoing circulation of measles virus outside the United States necessitates continued measures by national and international health agencies to achieve and maintain high vaccination coverage rates. After success in eliminating endemic measles virus transmission in the Pan-American Health Organization Region in 2002, three other World Health Organization regions have established target dates for measles elimination: the European and Eastern Mediterranean regions by 2010, and the Western Pacific Region (of which Japan is a member) by 2012.

The attack rate of measles among susceptible persons has been documented as >90% (10). Previous imported measles cases have demonstrated the potential for larger outbreaks in U.S. communities with poor vaccination coverage (3). The small number of identified cases in this outbreak, despite the large number of exposed persons, demonstrates the value of maintaining high measles vaccination coverage in the U.S. population through adherence to routine vaccination recommendations. This outbreak also highlights the continuing importance of promoting measles control and elimination in other countries and sustaining strong surveillance and response measures in the United States.

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Emergence of Fluoroquinolone-Resistant *Neisseria meningitidis* — Minnesota and North Dakota, 2007–2008

Meningoccocal disease causes substantial morbidity and mortality; approximately 10% of cases are fatal. Among those who survive, 10%-15% have long-term sequelae. Nasopharyngeal carriage of Neisseria meningitidis is a precursor to disease; however, the majority of carriers do not develop disease. Household and other close contacts of persons with meningococcal disease have a higher risk for carriage and therefore invasive disease. These persons should receive antibiotic chemoprophylaxis to eliminate nasopharyngeal carriage of N. meningitidis as soon as possible (1). The rate of secondary disease for close contacts is highest immediately after onset of disease in the index patient; secondary cases rarely occur after 14 days (1). Ciprofloxacin, a second-generation fluoroquinolone, is an effective singledose oral chemoprophylaxis agent. Although isolated cases of ciprofloxacin-resistant meningoccocal disease have been described in Argentina, Australia, China, France, India, and Spain, resistance has not been reported in North America (2–4). This report describes a cluster of three cases of fluoroquinolone-resistant meningococcal disease that occurred among residents of the border area of North Dakota and Minnesota during January 2007–January 2008. The first of these cases was epidemiologically linked and had closely related molecular features to a 2006 case of fluoroquinolone-susceptible meningococcal disease that occurred in the same geographic region. Until further notice, ciprofloxacin should not be used for chemoprophylaxis of close contacts of persons with meningococcal disease in selected counties in North Dakota and Minnesota. Ceftriaxone, rifampin, and azithromycin are alternative agents.

Case Reports

In August 2006, a worker in a day care center in eastern North Dakota became ill with fever, rash, headache, and abdominal pain. The patient had a precipitous clinical decline and died on the first day of hospitalization. *N. meningitidis* was not isolated from postmortem samples of cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), but polymerase chain reaction (PCR) results were positive for serogroup B *N. meningitidis* (5). DNA sequencing of the *gyrA* gene revealed none of the mutations previously associated with fluoroquinolone resistance, consistent with fluoroquinolone susceptibility (3). The majority of children at the day care center received rifampin, and staff members received ciprofloxacin for antibiotic prophylaxis.

Case 1. A child from eastern North Dakota, who was a student in the same classroom in the day care center of the worker who died, received rifampin prophylaxis in 2006. In January 2007, the child was hospitalized with meningitis and treated with ceftriaxone; the patient made a full recovery. Serogroup B N. meningitidis was isolated from CSF culture. Subsequently, the isolate was determined to be resistant to ciprofloxacin by epsilometer test (E-test), an agar diffusion method, with a minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) of 0.19 µg/mL at the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDH). Broth microdilution testing at the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) laboratory indicated an MIC of 0.25 µg/mL for ciprofloxacin and levofloxacin, indicating fluoroquinolone resistance (6). The isolate was susceptible to ceftriaxone, rifampin, and azithromycin by broth microdilution at the MDH laboratory. Sequencing of the gyrA gene revealed a threonine to isoleucine change at amino acid 91, which had been associated previously with fluoroquinolone resistance in N. meningitidis (3). Except for differences in the gyrA gene, isolates from this patient and the worker who died in 2006 were indistinguishable on further molecular characterization, including multilocus sequence typing (MLST) and porA and porB typing. Day care attendants and staff members and household contacts of the child were administered antibiotic prophylaxis with rifampin (for children) and ciprofloxacin (for adults) before antibiotic susceptibility results were available.

Case 2. On January 7, 2008, an adult resident of western Minnesota had meningococcal disease and died. Serogroup B *N. meningitidis* was isolated from CSF culture. Antibiotic susceptibility testing by broth microdilution on the isolate at the MDH laboratory revealed identical results to the isolate in case 1, and results of MLST and pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) testing were indistinguishable from the isolate in case 1. DNA sequencing revealed the same *gyrA* sequence detected in the isolate in case 1. Household contacts were administered ciprofloxacin or rifampin for chemoprophylaxis. When antibiotic susceptibility results were available, more than 2 weeks had passed, and adults were not offered chemoprophylaxis with another agent.

Case 3. On January 24, 2008, a college senior from western Minnesota had headache, fever, and rash; the student recovered completely. Serogroup B *N. meningitidis* was isolated from CSF culture. Antibiotic susceptibility of the isolate was identical to that in cases 1 and 2 by broth microdilution at the MDH laboratory. MLST, *porA* and *porB* typing, and PFGE of this isolate were indistinguishable from the isolates in cases 1 and 2. DNA sequencing revealed the same *gyrA* sequence detected in isolates from cases 1 and 2. Close contacts initially received ciprofloxacin but were offered azithromycin after the isolate was determined to be fluoroquinolone resistant.

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Editorial Note: This report describes three cases of fluoroquinolone-resistant serogroup B meningococcal disease among residents of the North Dakota–Minnesota border during 2007–2008. Case 1 was epidemiologically linked to a 2006 case in the same geographical region and had closely related molecular features to that case. However, the 2006 case lacked the *gyrA* mutation that confers fluoroquinolone resistance.

This report is the first description of ciprofloxacin-resistant meningococcal disease reported in North America. The three fluoroquinolone-resistant cases were caused by serogroup B N. meningitidis. Serogroup B accounts for 35% of meningococcal disease cases in the United States. No licensed vaccine against serogroup B N. meningitidis is available in the United States. Many public health laboratories do not routinely test N. meningitidis isolates for antibiotic susceptibility. Therefore, other cases of fluoroquinolone-resistant meningococcal disease might have occurred in the United States that have not been detected. Neisseria gonorrhoeae and N. meningitidis are closely related pathogens; fluoroquinolone-resistant gonoccocal disease emerged rapidly in North America and now accounts for 13.6% of clinical isolates (7).

Ciprofloxacin is 95% effective in eliminating nasopharyngeal carriage of *N. meningitidis*, but the effectiveness of 500 mg of ciprofloxacin in eliminating carriage of fluoroquinolone-resistant *N. meningitidis* is unknown. Ciprofloxacin should not be used in areas where resistant strains have been identified; effective alternative antimicrobial chemoprophylaxis agents are available (Table).

TABLE. Interim recommendations for chemoprophylaxis against meningococcal disease in certain areas of North Dakota and Minnesota* where fluoroquinolone-resistant meningococcal disease has been identified

Drug	Age group	Dosage	Duration and route of administration
Rifampin	<1 mo	5 mg/kg body weight every 12 hrs	2 days of oral doses
	1 mo to <15 yrs	10 mg/kg body weight every 12 hrs	2 days of oral doses
	≥15 yrs	600 mg every 12 hrs	2 days of oral doses
Ceftriaxone	<15 yrs	125 mg	Single IM [†] dose
	≥15 yrs	250 mg	Single IM dose
Azithromycin [§]	<15 yrs	10 mg/kg body weight	Single oral dose
	≥15 yrs	500 mg	Single oral dose

^{*}North Dakota counties of Barnes, Cass, Cavalier, Grand Forks, Nelson, Pembina, Ramsey, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steele, Traill, and Walsh; Minnesota counties of Becker, Beltrami, Clay, Clearwater, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, Marshall, Norman, Otter Trail, Pennington, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Roseau, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin. Intramuscular.

⁹One study indicated that a single dose of azithromycin (500 mg) is equivalent to rifampin for eradication of nasopharyngeal carriage of *Neisseria meningitidis*. **Source**: Girgis N, Sultan Y, Frenck RW Jr, El-Gendy A, Farid Z, Mateczun A. Azithromycin compared with rifampin for eradication of nasopharyngeal colonization by *Neisseria meningitidis*. Pediatr Infect Dis J 1998;17:816–9.

Of 142 isolates tested at MDH from cases that occurred during 2002–2007, all were sensitive to ceftriaxone and azithromycin, and one isolate in 2002 was resistant to rifampin (8). Azithromycin is not recommended routinely for chemoprophylaxis, but one study determined that azithromycin was equivalent to rifampin for chemoprophylaxis (9). In decisions regarding prophylaxis of close contacts, all antibiotics should be used cautiously because of possible resistance resulting from widespread use.

A survey of pharyngeal carriage to determine the extent of fluoroquinolone-resistant meningococcus among residents of the North Dakota–Minnesota border area is being conducted jointly by NDDH, MDH, and CDC. Additionally, susceptibility testing of existing isolates from other regions of the United States and prospective surveillance are under way at CDC. The following are interim recommendations to state and local health departments and public health laboratories.

Until further notice, ciprofloxacin should no longer be prescribed for empiric antimicrobial chemoprophylaxis of meningococcal disease in the North Dakota counties of Barnes, Cass, Cavalier, Grand Forks, Nelson, Pembina, Ramsey, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steele, Traill, and Walsh, and in the Minnesota counties of Becker, Beltrami, Clay, Clearwater, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, Marshall, Norman, Otter Trail, Pennington, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Roseau, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin. Ceftriaxone, rifampin, and azithromycin are alternative agents (Table). Ciprofloxacin may continue to be used for chemoprophylaxis of adults outside this region (1). If an isolate is tested and determined to be resistant to ciprofloxacin within 2 weeks of illness onset in the index patient, close contacts should be offered an alternative agent for antibiotic chemoprophylaxis.

Laboratories are encouraged to conduct surveillance for antibiotic-resistant isolates of meningococcal disease, especially in serogroup B isolates. Laboratories that seek support for such testing should contact CDC. Health departments should enhance surveillance for chemoprophylaxis failure among reported cases of meningococcal disease.

All cases of ciprofloxacin-resistant meningococcal disease and ciprofloxacin prophylaxis failures should be reported to local and state health authorities and to CDC. Laboratories that routinely test meningococcal isolates for resistance to ciprofloxacin should report any ciprofloxacin-resistant isolates identified retrospectively to the Meningitis and Vaccine Preventable Diseases Branch at 404-639-3158.

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Disparities in Adult Awareness of Heart Attack Warning Signs and Symptoms — 14 States, 2005

In 2005, approximately 920,000 persons in the United States had a myocardial infarction (i.e., heart attack); in 2004, approximately 157,000 heart attacks were fatal (1). One study indicated that approximately half of cardiac deaths occur within 1 hour of symptom onset, before patients reach a hospital (2). Timely access to emergency cardiac care, receipt of advanced treatment, and potential for surviving a heart attack all depend on 1) early recognition of warning signs and symptoms of a heart attack by persons who are having a heart attack and bystanders and 2) immediately calling 9-1-1. Healthy People 2010 includes an objective to increase from 46% to 50% the proportion of adults aged ≥20 years who are aware of the early warning signs and symptoms of a heart attack and the importance of accessing rapid emergency care by calling 9-1-1 (objective 12-2) (3,4). To update estimates of public awareness of heart attack warning signs and symptoms and knowledge of the importance of calling 9-1-1, CDC analyzed 2005 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) data from the 14 states that included questions on signs and symptoms of a heart attack. This report describes the

results of that analysis, which indicated that although the awareness of certain individual warning signs was as high as 93% (i.e., for shortness of breath), awareness of all five warning signs was 31%, underscoring the need for public health measures to increase public awareness of heart attack warning signs and symptoms. In addition, disparities in awareness were observed by race/ethnicity, sex, and level of education, suggesting that new public health measures should target populations with the lowest levels of awareness.

BRFSS is a state-based, random-digit—dialed telephone survey of the U.S. civilian, noninstitutionalized population aged ≥18 years. The survey is administered in all 50 states, the District of Columbia (DC), and the three U.S. territories (Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands). In 2005, 13 states and DC included modules on heart attack and stroke in their surveys. The median response rate for the 13 states and DC was 54.5% (range: 45.1%–61.3%). Data were weighted according to 2005 state population estimates. Nonoverlapping 95% confidence intervals were used to identify statistically significant prevalence differences.

A total of 71,994 respondents answered questions* regarding signs and symptoms of heart attack (with response options of "yes," "no," and "don't know/not sure"). An incorrect symptom (i.e., sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes) was included to assess whether respondents would answer "yes" to all the items in a series of closed-ended questions. Respondents also were asked to choose the one action that they would take first, from the following list of actions, if they thought that a person was having a heart attack or stroke: take the person to the hospital, advise the person to call a doctor, call 9-1-1, call a spouse or family member, or do something else.

In 2005, respondent awareness of each of the five major warning signs and symptoms of heart attack varied: pain or discomfort in the jaw, neck, or back (48%); feeling weak, lightheaded, or faint (62%); chest pain or discomfort (92%); pain or discomfort in the arms or shoulder (85%); and shortness of breath (93%). A total of 86% of respondents reported that they would call 9-1-1 if they thought someone was having a heart attack or stroke.

Awareness of each of the five major heart attack warning signs and symptoms varied by race/ethnicity, sex, and level of education. Non-Hispanic whites, women, and those with higher levels of education were significantly more likely to be aware of heart attack warning signs and symptoms and more likely to call 9-1-1 if they thought someone was having a heart attack than non-Hispanic blacks, Hispanics, men, and persons with a lower level of education (Table 1). Awareness of the signs and symptoms also varied by state: pain or discomfort in the jaw, neck, or back ranged from 34% in DC to 59% in West Virginia; feeling weak, lightheaded, or faint ranged from 53% in DC to 70% in Iowa; chest pain or discomfort ranged from 86% in Tennessee to 96% in West Virginia; pain or discomfort in the arms or shoulder ranged from 77% in DC to 92% in West Virginia; and shortness of breath ranged from 90% in DC to 96% in West Virginia. The proportion of respondents who reported they would call 9-1-1 if they thought that someone was having a heart attack or stroke ranged from 78% in Mississippi to 89% in Minnesota (Table 1).

Awareness of all five heart attack warning signs and symptoms was low among respondents (Table 2); 31% of the respondents knew all five signs, 18% were aware of all five signs and the one incorrect symptom, and 27% were both aware of all heart attack warning signs and symptoms and indicated that they would first call 9-1-1 if they thought someone was having a heart attack or stroke. In addition, 16% of respondents were both aware of all five heart attack warning signs and symptoms but also knew that sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes was not a warning sign and also indicated that they would call 9-1-1 if they thought someone was having a heart attack or stroke.

Awareness of all five heart attack warning signs and symptoms and calling 9-1-1 was significantly higher among non-Hispanic whites (30.2%), women (30.8%), and those with a college education or more (33.4%) than among non-Hispanic blacks and Hispanics (16.2% and 14.3%, respectively), men (22.5%), and those with less than a high school education (15.7%), respectively. By state, awareness of all five signs and symptoms and calling 9-1-1 was highest in West Virginia (35.5%) and lowest in DC (16.0%).

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Editorial Note: Persons who have a heart attack can benefit from new treatments, such as thrombolytic drugs that can stop certain heart attacks in progress. However, to be effective, these drugs ideally should be administered within 1 hour of symptom onset (5). In 2001, the American Heart Association and the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute launched the Act in Time campaign to increase awareness of heart attack warning signs and symptoms and

^{* &}quot;Do you think pain or discomfort in the jaw, neck, or back are symptoms of a heart attack?" "Do you think feeling weak, lightheaded, or faint are symptoms of a heart attack?" "Do you think chest pain or discomfort are symptoms of a heart attack?" "Do you think pain or discomfort in the arms or shoulder are symptoms of a heart attack?" "Do you think shortness of breath is a symptom of a heart attack?"

TABLE 1. Age-adjusted percentage of persons aware of certain heart attack warning signs and symptoms and who indicated "call 9-1-1" as the first action to take if they thought a person was having a heart attack or stroke, by selected characteristics — Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 13 states and the District of Columbia, 2005

					Hea	rt attac	k sign or sym _l	ptom					
	No. of	dis	Pain or comfort in eck, or back		Weak, htheaded, or faint		hest pain discomfort	disc	Pain or comfort in or shoulder		hortness f breath	i	illing 9-1-1 dentified first action
Characteristic	respondents	%	(95% CI*)	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)
Total	71,994	47.6	(47.0-48.2)	61.7	(61.1–62.4)	92.1	(91.7–92.5)	85.1	(84.5-85.6)	93.4	(93.0-93.7)	85.9	(85.4–86.4)
Race/Ethnicity													
White, non-Hispanic	57,761	51.6	(50.9 - 52.3)	64.9	(64.2-65.6)	94.4	(94.1-94.7)	89.1	(88.6-89.6)	94.3	(93.3-94.6)	86.8	(86.3-87.3)
Black, non-Hispanic	7,673	33.6	(31.8 - 35.4)	50.7	(48.8-52.6)	85.7	(84.3-87.1)	73.0	(71.1–74.7)	90.3	(89.2 - 91.4)	83.7	(82.3-85.1)
Hispanic	2,548	29.3	(26.4-32.3)	51.8	(48.5–55.1)	80.9	(77.9-83.5)	68.8	(65.5–71.9)	89.2	(86.7-91.3)	83.1	(80.3-85.6)
Other	3,351	41.0	(37.4-44.7)	55.8	(52.1-59.5)	86.5	(83.8-88.8)	77.5	(74.3-80.4)	90.6	(87.8-92.7)	83.1	(79.9–85.9)
Sex													
Male	27,163	41.5	(40.5 - 42.5)	61.0	(60.0-62.0)	90.9	(90.2-91.5)	82.1	(81.2-83.0)	93.1	(92.5-93.7)	83.7	(82.9-84.5)
Female	44,831	53.1	(52.3–53.9)	62.3	(61.5–63.8)	93.1	(92.7–93.5)	87.7	(87.1–88.2)	93.5	(93.1–93.9)	87.9	(87.4–88.4)
Education													
Less than high school													
diploma	8,744	34.7	(32.7 - 36.7)	50.3	(48.1 - 52.5)	83.0	(81.2-84.7)	71.7	(69.6-73.8)	86.0	(84.2-87.6)	82.7	(81.0-84.3)
High school diploma	23,728	42.9	(41.8-44.1)	57.3	(56.1 - 58.5)	90.2	(89.4-91.0)	82.2	(81.2-83.2)	92.8	(92.2 - 93.3)	85.1	(84.2-86.0)
Some college	18,505	51.3	(50.1 - 52.5)	64.8	(63.6-66.0)	94.2	(93.6-94.8)	88.8	(87.1-88.9)	94.6	(94.0-95.1)	86.5	(85.6-87.3)
College or more	20,839	53.9	(52.7-55.0)	67.6	(66.5–68.7)	95.7	(95.1-96.2)	90.3	(89.6–91.1)	95.4	(94.9–95.9)	87.4	(86.6-88.2)
State													
Alabama	3,197	47.4	(45.2 - 49.7)	61.3	(59.0-63.5)	93.2	(92.0-94.2)	86.1	(84.1-87.9)	94.1	(93.0 - 95.0)	86.2	(84.4-87.9)
District of Columbia	3,743	33.5	(31.5-35.5)	53.0	(50.8 - 55.2)	89.5	(88.1-90.7)	76.6	(74.7 - 78.3)	89.8	(88.2-91.1)	86.4	(84.8-87.9)
Florida	8,190	44.4	(42.8 - 46.0)	60.9	(59.3-62.5)	90.7	(89.5-91.7)	82.3	(80.8-83.6)	93.2	(92.3 - 94.0)	87.0	(85.7-88.2)
Iowa	5,051	54.6	(52.9 - 56.3)	69.9	(68.4-71.5)	95.2	(94.5-95.9)	89.5	(88.3 - 90.6)	94.3	(93.3-95.1)	86.9	(85.6-88.0)
Louisiana	2,936	43.6	(41.4-45.7)	53.6	(51.4-55.8)	86.1	(84.5-87.5)	78.1	(76.1-80.0)	91.5	(90.0 - 92.8)	80.4	(78.5-82.1)
Maine	3,960	50.4	(48.4-52.3)	62.2	(60.2-64.1)	93.1	(92.0-94.0)	88.7	(87.3 - 90.0)	93.8	(92.8 - 94.7)	88.2	(86.8-89.5)
Minnesota	2,829	52.8	(50.6-55.0)	68.2	(66.1 - 70.3)	96.5	(95.6-97.1)	89.6	(87.9-91.0)	95.1	(94.0 - 96.0)	89.0	(87.6-90.3)
Mississippi	4,439	43.2	(41.4-45.1)	56.4	(54.5-58.3)	91.2	(90.1-92.1)	82.8	(81.2-84.2)	90.7	(89.5-91.8)	77.7	(76.0-79.3)
Missouri	5,164	52.7	(50.6-54.9)	65.4	(63.3-67.4)	95.2	(94.1 - 96.0)	88.4	(86.8 - 89.9)	92.8	(91.6-93.8)	85.9	(84.4-87.2)
Montana	4,983	53.9	(52.0-55.9)	66.2	(64.3-68.1)	93.2	(92.2-94.2)	88.4	(86.8-89.8)	94.4	(93.4-95.2)	83.8	(82.1-85.3)
Oklahoma	13,707	49.8	(48.3-51.3)	60.2	(58.8-61.7)	91.9	(90.9 - 92.8)	84.6	(83.3-85.8)	91.9	(91.0-92.7)	80.6	(79.4-81.8)
Tennessee	4,749	44.3	(42.2-46.4)	58.3	(56.1-60.4)	85.8	(84.3-87.3)	81.9	(80.1-83.6)	91.8	(90.6-92.9)	87.1	(85.5-88.4)
Virginia	5,493	46.3	(44.4-48.1)	59.9	(57.9-61.8)	94.5	(93.6-95.3)	87.3	(85.8-88.6)	94.7	(93.7-95.6)	87.8	(86.5-89.0)
West Virginia	3,553	58.5	(56.5-60.4)	69.3	(67.4-71.0)	95.8	(95.0-96.5)	91.5	(90.2-92.6)	96.1	(95.3-96.8)	85.4	(84.0-86.7)

^{*} Confidence interval.

the importance of calling 9-1-1 immediately at the onset of such symptoms. In addition, certain states with heart disease and stroke prevention programs are conducting activities to increase public awareness of the signs and symptoms of heart attack and the importance of calling 9-1-1 (6).

The disparities observed in this report by race/ethnicity, sex, and education level, with higher levels of awareness among whites, women, and persons with a college education, suggest that public health measures should target blacks, Hispanics, men, and persons with less education. In addition, the state and local departments of health in states with lower awareness should collaborate to implement general public awareness campaigns to increase the percentage of persons aware of all five heart attack signs and symptoms and the percentage of persons who are both aware of all five signs and symptoms and who know to call 9-1-1 immediately if a person is having a heart attack or stroke.

BRFSS data from 2001 indicated that the proportion of respondents who were aware of all five heart attack signs

and symptoms and the one incorrect heart attack warning signs and symptoms and who indicated that they would to call 9-1-1 as their first action, also was low (11%) (7). However, the states participating in the heart attack and stroke module from BRFSS differed in 2001 and 2005; therefore, the data cannot be compared directly.

The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, BRFSS data are based on self-reports and subject to recall bias. Second, BRFSS excludes households without landline telephones, so the results might not be representative of certain segments of the U.S. population. Third, only 13 states and DC included the BRFSS question on heart attack warning signs and symptoms in 2005, so the results might not be generalizable to the entire U.S. population. Finally, although the *Healthy People 2010* objective (i.e., to increase from 46% to 50% the proportion of adults aged ≥20 years who are aware of the early warning signs and symptoms of a heart attack and the importance of calling 9-1-1) is being used as a gauge of current levels of awareness, the BRFSS findings in this report cannot

TABLE 2. Age-adjusted percentage of respondents aware of all five heart attack warning signs and symptoms and who indicated "call 9-1-1" as the first action to take if they thought a person was having a heart attack or stroke, by selected characteristics — Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 13 states and the District of Columbia, 2005

	No. of		e of all five nd symptoms*	and sym	of all five signs aptoms and one ect symptom†	signs a	re of all five and symptoms dicated calling as first action	symptoms sympto	all five signs and and one incorrect mand indicated 1-1 as first action
Characteristic	respondents	%	(95% CI [§])	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)
Total	71,994	30.6	(30.1–31.2)	17.8	(17.4–18.3)	26.9	(26.3–27.4)	15.7	(15.3–16.1)
Race/Ethnicity									
White, non-Hispanic	57,761	34.3	(33.7 - 34.9)	20.6	(20.0-21.1)	30.2	(29.6-30.9)	18.2	(17.7-18.7)
Black, non-Hispanic	7,673	18.8	(17.5–20.2)	8.4	(7.5–9.4)	16.2	(14.9–17.5)	7.3	(6.5-8.3)
Hispanic	2,548	16.0	(14.0-18.3)	7.8	(6.5-9.4)	14.3	(12.3–16.6)	6.8	(5.5-8.4)
Other	3,351	25.0	(22.0-28.2)	13.1	(10.7-15.9)	20.2	(17.7-22.9)	10.9	(9.1-13.0)
Sex									
Male	27,163	26.2	(25.3-27.0)	14.6	(14.0-15.3)	22.5	(21.7-23.3)	12.6	(12.0-13.2)
Female	44,831	34.6	(33.9–35.4)	20.7	(20.1–21.3)	30.8	(30.1–31.5)	18.5	(18.0–19.1)
Education									
Less than high school diploma	8,744	18.0	(16.6-19.6)	10.3	(9.3-11.5)	15.7	(14.3-17.1)	8.9	(7.9-10.1)
High school diploma	23,728	25.7	(24.7–26.6)	14.8	(14.1–15.5)	22.2	(21.3-23.1)	12.8	(12.1-13.4)
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College or more	20,839	37.6	(36.6-38.7)	22.7	(21.8-23.6)	33.4	(32.4-34.5)	20.4	(19.5–21.3)
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Iowa	5,051	39.0	(37.4-40.5)	22.5	(21.2-23.8)	34.3	(32.8 - 35.8)	20.0	(18.8-21.3)
Louisiana	2,936	26.4	(24.6-28.2)	14.2	(12.8-15.6)	21.5	(19.8-23.2)	11.4	(10.2-12.8)
Maine	3,960	32.4	(30.7-34.2)	20.3	(18.9-21.9)	28.9	(27.2-30.6)	18.0	(16.6-19.5)
Minnesota	2,829	38.7	(36.7-40.8)	22.0	(20.4-23.7)	34.7	(32.7 - 36.7)	19.9	(18.3-21.5)
Mississippi	4,439	26.5	(24.9-28.1)	15.3	(14.2-16.5)	20.8	(19.4-22.4)	12.5	(11.4-13.6)
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Virginia	5,493	28.1	(26.5-29.7)	17.5	(16.2-18.8)	25.2	(23.7-26.7)	15.6	(14.4–16.9)
West Virginia	3,553	41.4	(39.5-43.3)	22.9	(21.3-24.5)	35.5	(33.6 - 37.3)	19.4	(17.0-20.9)

^{*} Five signs and symptoms: 1) pain or discomfort in jaw, neck, or back; 2) weak, lightheaded, or faint; 3) chest pain or discomfort; 4) pain or discomfort in arms or shoulder; and . 5) shortness of breath.

§ Confidence interval.

be compared with baseline data of *Healthy People 2010* from the 2001 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) (4). NHIS is conducted with in-person interviews of a representative U.S. population, whereas BRFSS is a telephone survey that only includes households with telephones, and the heart attack module questions were asked in only 13 states and DC.

Mortality from heart attack would decrease if patients received medical assistance more quickly (8). The time between symptom onset and treatment depends on several factors, including actions taken by the patient or bystanders, prehospital emergency care, transport systems, and in-hospital systems. Research suggests that patient delays in seeking help are a major factor related to delay in care (9). Although emergency care and medical therapies for acute events have improved, studies have shown that the time from symptom onset to treatment overall has not decreased (10). Because only approximately one third of the surveyed population knew all five correct heart attack signs

and symptoms, and only 16% of the population knew 1) all five signs and symptoms, 2) the one incorrect symptom, and 3) to call 9-1-1 immediately, state and local public health measures should be developed to improve public awareness of heart attack warning signs and symptoms.

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Update: Influenza Activity — United States, September 30, 2007–February 9, 2008

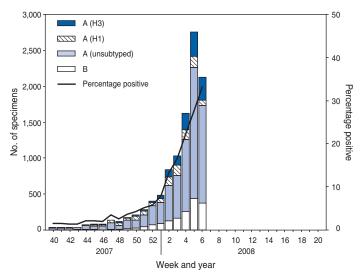
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This report summarizes U.S. influenza activity* since the beginning of the 2007–08 influenza season (September 30, 2007) and updates the previous summary (1). From September through early December, influenza activity remained low in the United States. Activity increased from early December through the end of the year and has continued to increase in January and February.

Viral Surveillance

During September 30, 2007–February 9, 2008,[†] World Health Organization (WHO) and National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS) collaborating laboratories in the United States reported testing 94,502 specimens for influenza viruses, and 10,568 (11%) tested positive (Figure 1). Of these positive specimens, 8,889 (84%) were influenza A viruses, and 1,679 (16%) were influenza B viruses. A total of 2,299 (26%) of the influenza A viruses have been subtyped: 1,033 (45%) were

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 type, week, and year — United States, September 30, 2007–February 9, 2008



* N = 10,568 (of 94,502 tested).

influenza A (H1N1) viruses, and 1,266 (55%) were influenza A (H3N2) viruses. Although influenza A (H1N1) viruses predominated through mid-January, an increasing proportion of subtyped influenza A viruses are influenza A (H3N2) viruses. Influenza A (H3N2) viruses were reported more frequently than influenza A (H1N1) viruses during January 20–February 9. During the week ending February 9, H3N2 became the predominant virus for the season overall.

This season, more influenza A viruses than influenza B viruses have been identified in all regions. Among influenza A viruses, influenza A (H1N1) has predominated in the New England, Mid-Atlantic, West North Central, Mountain, and Pacific regions, and influenza A (H3N2) has predominated in the East North Central, South Atlantic, East South Central, and West South Central regions. This season, laboratory-confirmed influenza has been reported by the District of Columbia and 47 states from all nine surveillance regions. §

^{*}The CDC influenza surveillance system collects five categories of information from 10 data sources. *Viral surveillance*: U.S. World Health Organization collaborating laboratories, the National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System, and novel influenza A virus case reporting. *Outpatient illness surveillance*: U.S. Influenza Sentinel Provider Surveillance Network and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs/U.S. Department of Defense BioSense Outpatient Surveillance System. *Mortality*: 122 Cities Mortality Reporting System and influenza-associated pediatric mortality reports. *Hospitalizations*: Emerging Infections Program and New Vaccine Surveillance Network. Summary of geographic spread of influenza: state and territorial epidemiologist reports.

[†] As of February 9, 2008. Data are preliminary and might change as more reports are received.

New England (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Rhode Island); Mid-Atlantic (New Jersey, New York City, upstate New York, and Pennsylvania); East North Central (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin); West North Central (Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota); South Atlantic (Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia); East South Central (Alabama, Kentucky, Mississisppi, and Tennessee); West South Central (Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas); Mountain (Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming); Pacific (Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington).

Antigenic Characterization

Since September 30, 2007, CDC has antigenically characterized 250 influenza viruses submitted by U.S. laboratories: 117 influenza A (H1N1), 65 influenza A (H3N2), and 68 influenza B viruses. One hundred seven (91%) of the 117 influenza A (H1N1) viruses were characterized as A/Solomon Islands/3/2006-like, the influenza A (H1N1) component of the 2007-08 influenza vaccine for the Northern Hemisphere and the 2008 influenza A (H1N1) component of the vaccine for the Southern Hemisphere; 10 (9%) of the 117 influenza A (H1N1) viruses were observed to have somewhat reduced titers with antisera produced against A/Solomon Islands/3/2006. Nine (14%) of the 65 influenza A (H3N2) viruses were characterized as A/Wisconsin/67/2005-like, the influenza A (H3N2) component of the 2007-08 influenza vaccine for the Northern Hemisphere. Fifty-three (81%) of the 65 influenza A (H3N2) viruses were characterized as A/Brisbane/10/2007-like, a recent antigenic variant that has evolved from A/Wisconsin/ 67/2005-like. A/Brisbane/10/2007-like virus is the recommended influenza A (H3N2) component for the 2008 Southern Hemisphere vaccine. Three (5%) of the 65 influenza A (H3N2) viruses were observed to have somewhat reduced titers with antisera produced against A/Wisconsin/67/2005 and A/Brisbane/10/2007.

Influenza B viruses currently circulating can be divided into two antigenically distinct lineages represented by B/Victoria/02/87 and B/Yamagata/16/88. Four (6%) of the 68 influenza B viruses characterized belong to the B/Victoria lineage of viruses. One virus with B/Victoria lineage, B/Malaysia/2506/2004, is the influenza B component of the 2007–08 influenza vaccine. Sixty-four (94%) of the 68 influenza B viruses belong to the B/Yamagata lineage of viruses.

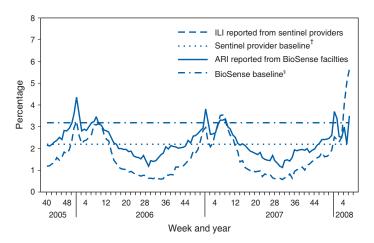
Outpatient Illness Surveillance

For the week ending February 9, the percentage of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) reported by approximately 1,400 U.S. sentinel providers in 50 states, Chicago, the District of Columbia, and New York City was 5.7%. This marks the seventh consecutive week that the percentage of outpatient visits for ILI exceeded the national baseline of 2.2%.** ILI was reported above region-

specific baselines in all nine influenza surveillance regions. Also for the week ending February 9, the percentage of outpatient visits for acute respiratory illness (ARI)^{††} reported by approximately 800 U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA) BioSense^{§§} outpatient treatment facilities was 3.5%,^{¶¶} which was above the national baseline of 3.2% (Figure 2).

The national, regional, and age-specific baselines are the mean percentage of visits for ARI during noninfluenza weeks for the previous three seasons plus two standard deviations. A noninfluenza week is a week during which <10% of specimens tested positive for influenza. Use of the national baseline for regional data is not appropriate.</p>

FIGURE 2. Percentage of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) and acute respiratory illness (ARI) reported by the Sentinel Provider Surveillance Network and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs/U.S. Department of Defense BioSense Outpatient Surveillance System, by week and year — United States, 2005–06, 2006–07, and 2007–08 influenza seasons*



^{*} As of February 9, 2008.

⁹ Defined as a temperature of ≥100.0°F (≥37.8°C), oral or equivalent, and cough and/or sore throat, in the absence of a known cause other than influenza

^{**} The national and regional baselines are the mean percentage of visits for ILI during noninfluenza weeks for the previous three seasons plus two standard deviations. A noninfluenza week is a week during which <10% of specimens tested positive for influenza. National and regional percentages of patient visits for ILI are weighted on the basis of state population. Use of the national baseline for regional data is not appropriate.

^{††} Based on *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision* codes for ARI: 460–66 and 480–88.

^{§§} BioSense is a national surveillance system that receives, analyzes, and evaluates health data from multiple sources, including 1) approximately 1,150 VA/DoD hospitals and ambulatory-care clinics; 2) multihospital systems, local hospitals, and state and regional syndromic surveillance systems in 37 states; and 3) Laboratory Corporation of America (LabCorp) test orders.

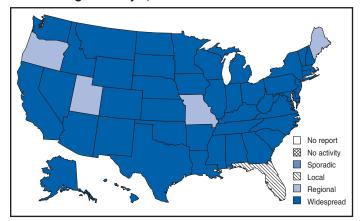
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State-Specific Activity Levels

Until the week ending January 5, widespread*** influenza activity had not been reported in any state. During the week ending January 5, widespread influenza activity was reported in Colorado. The number of states reporting widespread activity has increased each week. For the week ending February 9, widespread activity was reported by 44 states, and regional activity was reported by five states (Figure 3).

FIGURE 3. Estimated influenza activity levels reported by state epidemiologists, by state and level of activity* — United States, week ending February 9, 2008



^{*}Levels of activity are 1) no activity; 2) sporadic: isolated laboratory-confirmed influenza cases or a laboratory-confirmed outbreak in one institution, with no increase in activity; 3) local: increased influenza-like illness (ILI), or at least two institutional outbreaks (ILI or laboratory-confirmed influenza) in one region with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in that region; virus activity no greater than sporadic in other regions; 4) regional: increased ILI activity or institutional outbreaks (ILI or laboratory-confirmed influenza) in at least two but less than half of the regions in the state with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in those regions; and 5) widespread: increased ILI activity or institutional outbreaks (ILI or laboratory-confirmed influenza) in at least half the regions in the state with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in the state.

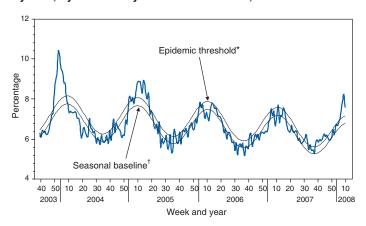
Pneumonia and Influenza-Related Mortality

Pneumonia and influenza (P&I) was listed as an underlying or contributing cause of death for 7.6% of all deaths reported through the 122 Cities Mortality Reporting System for the week ending February 9. This percentage was above the epidemic threshold of 7.2% for the week^{†††} and marked the fifth consecutive week that P&I deaths were above the epidemic threshold since influenza activity began rising in the United States (Figure 4).

Influenza-Associated Pediatric Hospitalizations

Pediatric hospitalizations associated with laboratory-confirmed influenza infections are monitored by two population-based surveillance networks, the Emerging Infections Program (EIP) and the New Vaccine Surveillance Network (NVSN). During November 4, 2007–January 26, 2008, the preliminary laboratory-confirmed influenza-associated hospitalization rate reported by NVSN for children aged 0–4 years was 0.73 per 10,000. During

FIGURE 4. Percentage of all deaths attributed to pneumonia and influenza (P&I) reported by the 122 Cities Mortality Reporting System, by week and year — United States, 2003–2008



^{*} The epidemic threshold is 1.645 standard deviations above the seasonal . baseline.

^{***} Levels of activity are 1) no activity; 2) sporadic: isolated laboratory-confirmed influenza cases or laboratory-confirmed outbreak in one institution, with no increase in ILI activity; 3) local: increased ILI or at least two institutional outbreaks (ILI or laboratory-confirmed influenza) in one region with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in that region; virus activity no greater than sporadic in other regions; 4) regional: increased ILI activity or institutional outbreaks (ILI or laboratory-confirmed influenza) in at least two but fewer than half of the regions in the state with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in those regions; and 5) widespread: increased ILI activity or institutional outbreaks (ILI or laboratory-confirmed influenza) in at least half the regions in the state with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in the state.

the expected seasonal baseline proportion of P&I deaths reported by the 122 Cities Mortality Reporting System is projected using a robust regression procedure in which a periodic regression model is applied to the observed percentage of deaths from P&I that occurred during the preceding 5 years. The epidemic threshold is 1.645 standard deviations above the seasonal baseline.

The seasonal baseline is projected using a robust regression procedure that applies a periodic regression model to the observed percentage of deaths from P&I during the preceding 5 years.

September 30, 2007–February 2, 2008, EIP sites reported a preliminary laboratory-confirmed influenza-associated hospitalization rate of 0.36 per 10,000 for children aged 0–17 years. For children aged 0–4 years, the rate was 1.0 per 10,000, and for children aged 5–17 years, the rate was 0.1 per 10,000.§§§

Influenza-Related Pediatric Mortality

As of February 9, a total of 10 pediatric deaths among children with laboratory-confirmed influenza had been reported to CDC through the National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System for the 2007–08 influenza season. Ages of children who died ranged from 4 months to 14 years, with a median of 5.5 years. During the preceding three influenza seasons, the numbers of influenza-related pediatric deaths reported to CDC have ranged from 46 to 74.

Resistance to Antiviral Medications

During this influenza season, a small increase in the number of influenza viruses resistant to the neuraminidase inhibitor, oseltamivir, has been observed. Among the 350 influenza A and B viruses tested during the 2007-08 influenza season, 16 (4.6%) have been found to be resistant to oseltamivir. All of the oseltamivir-resistant viruses have been influenza A viruses (16 of 270, 5.9%). Of the resistant viruses, all are of the H1N1 subtype and have been determined to share the same genetic mutation that confers oseltamivir resistance. These 16 viruses represent 8.1% of the 198 influenza A (H1N1) viruses that have been tested, an increase from four (0.7%) of 588 influenza A (H1N1) viruses tested during the 2006-07 season. No resistance to oseltamivir has been determined among the 72 influenza A (H3N2) or the 80 influenza B viruses tested, and no antiviral resistance to zanamivir has been detected in any subtype. Adamantane resistance continues to be high; 87 (32%) of 271 influenza A viruses tested were resistant to adamantanes (i.e., amantadine or rimantadine), including 99% of influenza A (H3N2) viruses and 7.6% of influenza A (H1N1) viruses tested. Adamantanes are not recommended for the prevention or treatment of influenza this season because of the high rate of resistance among circulating influenza A viruses.

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Editorial Note: During October—December 2007, the United States experienced low but increasing levels of influenza activity. During January and early February, influenza activity increased more rapidly. For the week ending February 9, a total of 49 states reported either widespread or regional activity. During the most recent three influenza seasons (2004-05, 2005-06, and 2006-07), the number of states reporting regional or widespread activity peaked at 41-48 states. During this season, influenza virus isolates have been reported in all nine surveillance regions in the United States and, during the week ending February 9, 33% of specimens tested for influenza were positive. The peak percentage of specimens testing positive for influenza during the preceding three seasons ranged from 23% to 28%. During the week ending February 9, 5.7% of outpatient visits to sentinel providers were for influenza-like illness (ILI). The peak percentage of visits for ILI in the three previous seasons ranged from 3.3% to 5.4%.

Since 1977, influenza A (H1N1), influenza A (H3N2), and influenza B viruses have circulated globally. Each year's influenza vaccine contains a virus representing each of these three distinct influenza virus groups. The three viruses selected to be included in this season's vaccine were selected in February 2007 as the viruses that appeared most likely to be circulating during this influenza season (2). The degree of antigenic match between current influenza vaccine strains and the influenza viruses that are circulating this season will continue to be assessed as more viruses become available for analysis. To date, 91% of influenza A (H1N1) viruses sent to CDC for antigenic characterization were similar to A/Solomon Islands/3/2006, the influenza A (H1N1) component of the 2007-08 influenza vaccine. Although the majority of influenza A (H3N2) and influenza B viruses are not optimally matched, vaccination with the trivalent influenza vaccine continues to be recommended because the vaccine can provide partial protection against related strains and reduce the risk for influenza-related complications and deaths (3-6). In addition, the vaccine contains three strains, and

NVSN conducts surveillance in Monroe County, New York; Hamilton County, Ohio; and Davidson County, Tennessee. NVSN provides population-based estimates of laboratory-confirmed influenza hospitalization rates in children aged <5 years admitted to NVSN hospitals with fever or respiratory symptoms. Children are prospectively enrolled, and respiratory samples are collected and tested by viral culture and reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR). EIP conducts surveillance in 60 counties associated with 12 metropolitan areas: San Francisco, California; Denver, Colorado; New Haven, Connecticut; Atlanta, Georgia; Baltimore, Maryland; Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Las Cruces, New Mexico; Albany, New York; Rochester, New York; Portland, Oregon; and Nashville, Tennessee. EIP conducts surveillance for laboratory-confirmed, influenza-related hospitalizations in persons aged <18 years. Hospital laboratory and admission databases and infection-control logs are reviewed to identify children with a positive influenza test (i.e., viral culture, direct fluorescent antibody assays, RT-PCR, or a commercial rapid antigen test) from testing conducted as a part of their routine care.

communities can experience outbreaks with more than one strain of influenza in a given year.

Vaccination with trivalent influenza vaccines remains the best method for preventing influenza and its potentially severe complications. Although influenza activity is on the rise, vaccination during the current season still can provide benefit. Because persons require approximately 2 weeks after vaccination to develop immune response to vaccination, use of neuraminidase inhibitors for prevention of influenza in the 2 weeks after vaccination might be considered, especially for persons at high risk during a documented influenza outbreak (7).

Antiviral medications are an important tool for treatment of influenza and also can be used for prevention. Recent studies have identified a considerable protective effect of antiviral treatment against complications associated with influenza (8), including death among older adults hospitalized with laboratory-confirmed influenza (9). This season, a low level of resistance to the influenza antiviral drug oseltamivir among influenza A viruses (16 of 270 tested, 5.9%) has been detected. All 16 resistant viruses identified this season were of the influenza A (H1N1) subtype and share the same genetic mutation; this mutation is the most common mutation in this subtype that confers resistance to oseltamivir. Given the low level of resistance to oseltamivir, the finding of resistance only in influenza A (H1N1) viruses, and no resistance to zanamivir, these drugs continue to be recommended for the treatment and prophylaxis of influenza (10). Although recommendations for use of antiviral medications have not changed, enhanced surveillance for detection of oseltamivir-resistant viruses is ongoing and will enable continued monitoring for changing trends over time. In addition to vaccination and antivirals, other means of decreasing the spread and impact of influenza include frequent handwashing, staying home from work or school when ill, and covering the nose or mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Additional information is available at http://www.cdc.gov/flu/ protect/habits.htm.

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TABLE I. Provisional cases of infrequently reported notifiable diseases (<1,000 cases reported during the preceding year) — United States, week ending February 16, 2008 (7th Week)*

	Current	Cum	5-year weekly	Total	cases rep	orted for	previous	syears	
Disease	week	2008	average†	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	States reporting cases during current week (No.)
Anthrax	_		0		1	_	_	_	
Botulism:									
foodborne	_	1	0	20	20	19	16	20	
infant	_	5	2	84	97	85	87	76	
other (wound & unspecified)	_	_	1	25	48	31	30	33	
Brucellosis	1	4	2	126	121	120	114	104	CA(1)
Chancroid	1	4	1	31	33	17	30	54	TX (1)
Cholera		7	0	7	9	8	6	2	17(1)
Cyclosporiasis§	5	7	1	99	137	543	160	75	EL /E)
Diphtheria	5	/		99	137	343	100	1	FL (5)
	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	'	
Domestic arboviral diseases§.¶:				4.4	07	00	110	400	
California serogroup	_	_	_	44	67	80	112	108	
eastern equine	_	_	_	4	8	21	6	14	
Powassan	_	_	_	1	. 1	. 1	. 1		
St. Louis	_	_	_	7	10	13	12	41	
western equine	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Ehrlichiosis/Anaplasmosis§:									
Ehrlichia chaffeensis	1	1	_	N	N	N	N	N	MD (1)
Ehrlichia ewingii	_	_	_	N	N	N	N	N	
Anaplasma phagocytophilum	_	_	_	N	N	N	N	N	
undetermined	_	_	_	N	N	N	N	N	
Haemophilus influenzae,**									
invasive disease (age <5 yrs):									
serotype b	_	3	0	21	29	9	19	32	
nonserotype b	2	18	3	170	175	135	135	117	OH (1), FL (1)
unknown serotype	4	29	4	190	179	217	177	227	OH (3), GA (1)
Hansen disease§	1	6	1	65	66	87	105	95	CA (1)
Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome§	_	_	0	32	40	26	24	26	
Hemolytic uremic syndrome, postdiarrheal§	_	3	2	259	288	221	200	178	
Hepatitis C viral, acute	2	54	16	772	766	652	720	1,102	CO (1), WA (1)
HIV infection, pediatric (age <13 yrs) ^{††}	_	_	5	_	_	380	436	504	00 (.),(.)
Influenza-associated pediatric mortality ^{§,§§}	12	21	2	76	43	45	_	N	AR (1), CA (1), CO (2), FL (1), IL (1), IN (1),
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Listeriosis	2	45	8	767	884	896	753	696	NC (1), TN (1)
Measles ⁿ	_	1	1	36	55	66	37	56	(.),
Meningococcal disease, invasive***:				00	00	00	O1	00	
A, C, Y, & W-135	2	13	7	277	318	297	_	_	CT (1), WA (1)
serogroup B	1	11	4	141	193	156	_	_	FL(1)
other serogroup		3	1	31	32	27	_		1 L(1)
unknown serogroup	7	38	18	595	651	765	_	_	NY (2), OH (1), MO (1), FL (1), TX (1), AZ (1)
	14	62	12	757	6.584	314	258	231	
Mumps Novel influenza A virus infections	14	02	12	4	0,564 N	314 N	236 N	231 N	OH (13), MD (1)
	_	_	0	6			3		
Plague	_				17	8		1	
Poliomyelitis, paralytic	_	_	_	_	_	1	_	_	
Poliovirus infection, nonparalytic§	_	_	_	_	N	N	N	N	
Psittacosis [§]	_	_	0	10	21	16	12	12	
Q fever [§] :		_							****
acute	1	2	_	_	_	_	_	_	NYC(1)
chronic	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Rabies, human	_	_	_	_	3	2	7	2	
Rubella ^{†††}	_	_	0	11	11	11	10	7	
Rubella, congenital syndrome	_	_	0	_	1	1	_	1	
SARS-CoV ^{§,§§§}	_	_	0	_	_	_	_	8	
Smallpox§	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Streptococcal toxic-shock syndrome§	_	7	3	104	125	129	132	161	
Syphilis, congenital (age <1 yr)	_	5	7	268	349	329	353	413	
Tetanus	_	_	0	23	41	27	34	20	

^{—:} No reported cases. N: Not notifiable. Cum: Cumulative year-to-date counts.

^{*} Incidence data for reporting years 2007 and 2008 are provisional, whereas data for 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006 are finalized.

[†] Calculated by summing the incidence counts for the current week, the 2 weeks preceding the current week, and the 2 weeks following the current week, for a total of 5 preceding years. Additional information is available at http://www.cdc.gov/epo/dphsi/phs/files/5yearweeklyaverage.pdf.

Not notifiable in all states. Data from states where the condition is not notifiable are excluded from this table, except in 2007 and 2008 for the domestic arboviral diseases and influenza-associated pediatric mortality, and in 2003 for SARS-CoV. Reporting exceptions are available at http://www.cdc.gov/epo/dphsi/phs/infdis.htm.

Includes both neuroinvasive and nonneuroinvasive. Updated weekly from reports to the Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases, National Center for Zoonotic, Vector-Borne, and Enteric Diseases (ArboNET Surveillance). Data for West Nile virus are available in Table II.

^{**} Data for *H. influenzae* (all ages, all serotypes) are available in Table II.

the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention. Implementation of HIV reporting influences the number of cases reported. Updates of pediatric HIV data have been temporarily suspended until upgrading of the national HIV/AIDS surveillance data management system is completed. Data for HIV/AIDS, when available, are displayed in Table IV, which appears quarterly.

^{§§} Updated weekly from reports to the Influenza Division, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases. 22 cases occurring during the 2007–08 influenza season have been reported.

No measles cases were reported for the current week.

Data for meningococcal disease (all serogroups) are available in Table II.

No rubella cases were reported for the current week.

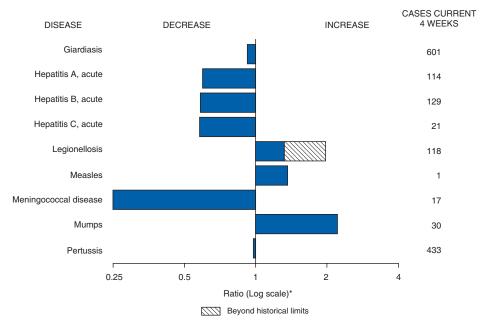
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TABLE I. (Continued) Provisional cases of infrequently reported notifiable diseases (<1,000 cases reported during the preceding year) — United States, week ending February 16, 2008 (7th Week)*

	Current	Cum	5-year weekly	Total	cases rep	orted for	previous	years	
Disease	week	2008	average [†]	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	States reporting cases during current week (No.)
Toxic-shock syndrome (staphylococcal)§	_	5	2	78	101	90	95	133	
Trichinellosis	_	1	0	6	15	16	5	6	
Tularemia	_	1	0	114	95	154	134	129	
Typhoid fever	6	32	5	350	353	324	322	356	NYC (1), NC (1), TN (1), TX (1), CO (1), WA (1)
Vancomycin-intermediate Staphylococcus au	reus§ —	_	_	28	6	2	_	N	
Vancomycin-resistant Staphylococcus aureu	<i>s</i> § —	_	_	_	1	3	1	N	
Vibriosis (noncholera Vibrio species infection	s)§ —	12	1	360	N	N	N	N	
Yellow fever	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	

^{-:} No reported cases. N: Not notifiable. Cum: Cumulative year-to-date counts.

FIGURE I. Selected notifiable disease reports, United States, comparison of provisional 4-week totals February 16, 2008, 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.

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[†] Calculated by summing the incidence counts for the current week, the 2 weeks preceding the current week, and the 2 weeks following the current week, for a total of 5 preceding years. Additional information is available at http://www.cdc.gov/epo/dphsi/phs/files/5yearweeklyaverage.pdf.

Not notifiable in all states. Data from states where the condition is not notifiable are excluded from this table, except in 2007 and 2008 for the domestic arboviral diseases and influenza-associated pediatric mortality, and in 2003 for SARS-CoV. Reporting exceptions are available at http://www.cdc.gov/epo/dphsi/phs/infdis.htm.

TABLE II. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending February 16, 2008, and February 17, 2007 (7th Week)*

			Chlamyd	ia [†]			Coccid	ioidomyc	osis			Cry	otosporidi	iosis	
	Current		vious veeks	Cum	Cum	Current		vious veeks	Cum	Cum	Current		/ious /eeks	Cum	Cum
Reporting area	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007
United States	9,558	20,855	25,187	104,629	133,966	53	138	276	730	1,056	27	84	975	310	388
New England Connecticut Maine [§] Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island [§] Vermont [§]	574 — 53 426 47 48	690 223 49 305 38 62	1,493 1,065 74 661 73 98 32	4,077 464 353 2,537 316 401 6	3,929 531 354 2,143 275 477 149	N 	0 0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0 1 0	1 N — 1 — N	N — — — N	_ _ _ _	4 0 1 2 1 0	16 2 5 11 5 3 4	12 2 — 3 — 7	59 42 4 4 7 —
Mid. Atlantic New Jersey New York (Upstate) New York City Pennsylvania	1,328 130 410 788	2,870 406 548 976 809	4,196 524 2,013 2,206 1,764	13,500 1,492 2,414 5,165 4,429	19,969 3,001 2,213 6,943 7,812		0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0		N N N N		10 0 3 1 6	118 8 20 10 103	43 — 8 4 31	43 2 5 15 21
E.N. Central Illinois Indiana Michigan Ohio Wisconsin	684 4 259 348 73	3,228 1,012 395 703 801 364	6,197 2,149 629 971 3,620 463	14,222 2,647 2,568 4,747 2,634 1,626	23,575 6,546 3,087 5,634 5,558 2,750		1 0 0 0 0	3 0 0 2 1 0	4 — 3 1 N	6 — 5 1 N	5 — 1 4	20 2 2 4 5 7	134 13 32 11 61 59	67 3 7 19 27 11	83 17 1 15 28 22
W.N. Central lowa Kansas Minnesota Missouri Nebraska [§] North Dakota South Dakota	176 — — 133 — 43	1,203 156 149 262 460 92 27 52	1,462 251 394 478 551 183 61 81	5,586 597 650 824 2,766 336 37 376	8,467 1,235 1,061 1,854 3,099 625 257 336	N N N N N N N	0 0 0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0 1 0 0	N N — N N N	2 N N 2 N N N	7 2 — 3 1 1 —	14 2 2 3 2 1 0 2	125 61 16 34 13 24 6 16	45 14 6 12 3 7 1	43 9 5 8 7 3 — 11
S. Atlantic Delaware District of Columbia Florida Georgia Maryland [§] North Carolina South Carolina [§] Virginia [§] West Virginia	3,289 83 105 1,221 7 457 478 534 391 13	4,012 64 113 1,253 513 412 376 533 490 60	5,960 140 182 1,565 1,502 696 2,595 3,030 628 94	24,133 459 748 8,258 45 2,672 4,829 3,919 2,859 344	21,846 504 704 3,387 4,805 2,061 3,658 3,399 2,918 410	 z z z z z z z z z z z z z z z z	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	 N N N N N	1 	11 4 2 5 	19 0 0 9 5 0 1 1 1	69 4 0 35 17 2 18 15 5	92 4 — 39 32 — 7 5 2 3	90 1 3 45 22 3 2 5 8
E.S. Central Alabama [§] Kentucky Mississippi Tennessee [§]	322 31 268 23	1,522 490 181 279 514	1,982 604 357 1,174 719	7,686 2,174 1,560 922 3,030	11,049 3,551 927 2,674 3,897	N N N N	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	N N N N	N N N N	1 - - 1	4 2 1 0 1	65 14 40 11 18	11 6 2 1 2	20 6 5 8 1
W.S. Central Arkansas [§] Louisiana Oklahoma Texas [§]	1,254 289 81 224 660	2,499 202 358 248 1,685	3,496 395 851 467 3,059	15,989 1,738 1,077 1,533 11,641	13,891 938 2,219 1,494 9,240		0 0 0 0	1 0 1 0	N - N N	 N N	1 - 1 -	6 0 1 1 3	28 8 4 11 16	19 1 1 6 11	18 2 6 4 6
Mountain Arizona Colorado Idaho [§] Montana [§] Nevada [§] New Mexico [§] Utah Wyoming [§]	456 61 259 — 4 — — 132	1,257 452 185 56 44 178 163 114 22	1,667 665 384 233 329 293 394 215 35	3,008 393 423 380 296 238 467 800 11	8,133 2,676 1,467 522 394 1,148 1,154 608 164	46 46 N N N	93 91 0 0 0 1 0	169 168 0 0 0 5 2 7	602 599 N N N 1 —	671 653 N N N 3 5	2 2 	8 1 2 1 1 0 2 1	572 6 26 72 7 6 9 488 8	17 6 8 3 	22 3 10 1 — 6 1
Pacific Alaska California Hawaii Oregon [§] Washington	1,475 58 1,143 — 274	3,365 87 2,688 108 181 150	4,046 124 3,408 134 403 621	16,428 488 13,847 541 1,444 108	23,107 602 18,233 772 1,288 2,212	7 N 7 N N	41 0 41 0 0	176 0 176 0 0	123 N 123 N N N	376 N 376 N N	_ _ _ _	1 0 0 0 1	16 2 0 0 16 0	4 — — 4 —	10 — — 10
American Samoa C.N.M.I. Guam Puerto Rico U.S. Virgin Islands	 225 	0 13 116 3	32 — 34 612 10	29 — 12 597 —	109 967 28	N _ N _	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	N — N	N — N —	 N	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	_ _ N _	_ _ N

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TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending February 16, 2008, and February 17, 2007

			Giardiasi	s				onorrhea	ı		Нае	All age	s, all ser	<i>zae</i> , invas otypes†	ive
Reporting area	Current	Prev 52 w Med		Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current		evious weeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current		vious veeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007
United States	130	295	842	1,267	1,873	2,428	6,784	7,951	30,668	44,961	21	42	106	321	391
New England Connecticut Maine§ Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island§ Vermont§	3 — — — 1 2	23 6 3 8 0 0	54 18 10 29 3 15 8	75 29 12 — 7 10 17	134 38 17 62 2 — 15	35 — 3 28 1 3	106 42 2 51 2 7	220 192 8 127 6 14 5	542 102 9 372 9 50	635 117 14 396 18 79 11	_ _ _ _	3 0 0 1 0 0	8 7 4 6 2 2	8 2 1 2 3	37 15 — 18 4 —
Mid. Atlantic New Jersey New York (Upstate) New York City Pennsylvania	17 — 15 2	59 7 23 16 14	113 15 96 29 29	236 11 92 49 84	343 50 96 122 75	231 35 89 107	677 119 131 183 248	1,013 159 513 376 586	2,942 571 626 655 1,090	5,367 852 599 1,617 2,299	2 - 2 -	9 1 3 2 3	26 4 19 6 10	65 11 17 10 27	84 13 18 19 34
E.N. Central Illinois Indiana Michigan Ohio Wisconsin	17 N 4 13	47 14 0 10 15 6	89 33 0 20 37 21	196 28 N 37 108 23	291 80 N 88 81 42	264 3 126 117 18	1,284 375 162 283 345 121	2,580 745 308 482 1,559 210	5,111 906 1,140 1,692 924 449	9,751 2,418 1,242 2,120 2,931 1,040	5 — — 5 —	6 2 1 0 2	14 6 7 3 6 1	44 8 4 3 29	54 17 5 6 21 5
W.N. Central lowa Kansas Minnesota Missouri Nebraska [§] North Dakota South Dakota	13 1 10 1 1 —	22 4 3 0 8 3 0 1	384 23 11 379 23 8 3 6	115 31 16 11 31 19 4 3	123 28 13 2 57 14 1 8	46 — — 41 — 5	368 33 39 67 188 25 2	445 56 102 117 255 57 4 11	1,556 96 169 231 935 95 2	2,798 293 325 522 1,463 145 14 36	1 - - - 1 -	3 0 0 1 1 0 0	22 1 1 20 5 3 1	36 1 1 9 17 7 1	15 -4 -9 2 -
S. Atlantic Delaware District of Columbia Florida Georgia Maryland [§] North Carolina South Carolina [§] Virginia [§] West Virginia	25 — 19 1 5 —	53 1 0 23 12 4 0 2 10	94 6 6 47 36 18 0 6 39 8	285 5 — 130 92 25 — 12 20 1	313 3 11 140 67 33 — 6 52 1	1,010 22 43 428 3 115 26 228 142 3	1,560 25 46 490 204 117 231 203 129 17	2,339 43 71 623 643 234 1,170 1,361 224 38	8,100 159 256 3,109 18 763 1,389 1,485 842 79	9,007 217 318 1,672 2,062 709 1,921 1,475 512 121	7 — 4 1 2 —	12 0 0 3 2 1 1 1 1	30 3 1 10 8 6 9 4 23 3	98 1 — 27 29 25 7 5 2	89 1 1 25 20 23 3 6 8
E.S. Central Alabama [§] Kentucky Mississippi Tennessee [§]	3 1 N N 2	10 4 0 0 5	23 11 0 0	41 27 N N 14	67 41 N N 26	112 9 92 11	582 209 64 112 178	868 281 161 402 261	2,903 926 614 390 973	4,243 1,509 353 1,021 1,360	1 - - 1	2 0 0 0	8 3 1 2 6	16 4 — 1 11	27 6 2 2 17
W.S. Central Arkansas [§] Louisiana Oklahoma Texas [§]	2 1 — 1 N	7 1 2 3 0	21 9 14 9 0	15 4 3 8 N	34 12 11 11 N	373 74 60 56 183	1,004 77 208 92 619	1,310 138 384 235 926	5,646 592 666 638 3,750	6,100 539 1,402 539 3,620	4 - 3 1	2 0 0 1 0	15 2 2 8 3	11 — 10 1	11 1 2 8
Mountain Arizona Colorado Idaho ^{\$} Montana ^{\$} Nevada ^{\$} New Mexico ^{\$} Utah Wyoming ^{\$}	11 1 5 5 — — —	31 3 10 3 2 2 2 7 1	68 11 26 19 8 8 5 33 4	67 14 6 19 7 — 17 4	182 36 69 13 9 10 15 25	36 13 11 — — — — 12	234 99 36 5 1 43 31 13	322 130 85 19 48 87 64 36 5	453 123 24 18 10 62 143 73	1,705 587 448 23 21 291 216 110 9	1 1 - - - - - -	4 2 1 0 0 0 0 0	13 8 4 1 1 1 4 6	34 25 — 1 1 7	49 25 9 1 — 2 6 5
Pacific Alaska California Hawaii Oregon [§] Washington	39 2 21 — 11 5	61 1 43 0 8 8	199 5 83 2 17 113	237 8 171 1 46 11	386 11 295 1 62 17	321 10 273 — 38 —	672 9 586 12 23 23	799 18 712 23 63 142	3,415 53 3,085 67 195 15	5,355 65 4,538 85 156 511	_ _ _ _	2 0 0 0 1	6 4 5 1 4	9 2 — 1 6 —	25 4 5 — 16
American Samoa C.N.M.I. Guam Puerto Rico U.S. Virgin Islands	_ _ _ _	0 0 4 0	0 1 21 0	_ _ _ _		 9 	0 1 5 1	2 — 13 23 3	1 4 42 —	 10 38 11	_ _ _ _	0 0 0 0	0 0 1 0	_ _ _ _	_ _ _ _

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Data for *H. influenzae* (age <5 yrs for serotype b, nonserotype b, and unknown serotype) are available in Table I. Contains data reported through the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS). Med: Median.

TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending February 16, 2008, and February 17, 2007 (7th Week)*

				titis (viral,	acute), by	type [†]		В				1.4	egionellos	is	
		Previ	ous				Prev	B ious					vious	,,,,	
Reporting area	Current week	52 we		Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current week		eeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current week		veeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007
United States	22	53	117	276	308	32	78	127	299	496	8	46	91	207	211
New England	_	2	6	10	5	_	1	5	_	6	1	2	14	12	8
Connecticut Maine [§]	_	0 0	3 1	3 1	1	_	0	5 2	_	3	1	0	4 2	3	1
Massachusetts	_	1	4	_	3	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	2	_	6
New Hampshire Rhode Island§	_	0 0	3 2	6	1	_	0	1 3	_	1 2	_	0	2 6	1 6	
Vermont [§]	_	Ö	1	_	_	_	Ö	1	_	_	_	Ö	2	2	1
Mid. Atlantic	1	9	21	35	49	2	8	15	27	84	_	13	37	47	50
New Jersey New York (Upstate)	_ 1	2 1	6 5	4 8	16 6		1 2	4 7	4	27 6	_	1 4	11 15	4 10	12 6
New York City	_	3	9	8	16	_	2	6	1	23	_	2	11	1	9
Pennsylvania	_	2	5	15	11	_	3	10	22	28	_	5	21	32	23
E.N. Central Illinois	2	5 2	12 5	27 2	42 21	1	7 2	15 6	30 4	77 16	3	9 1	28 12	44 1	61 12
Indiana	_	0	4	1	_	_	0	8	1	1	_	1	7	1	4
Michigan Ohio	1	2 1	5 4	18 6	12 8		2 2	6 7	3 20	31 22	3	3 4	10 17	11 31	19 22
Wisconsin		Ö	3	_	1	<u>.</u>	0	2	2	7	_	0	1	_	4
W.N. Central	2	3	18	37	8	_	2	8	9	22	1	1	9	10	11
lowa Kansas	_	1 0	4	12 4	3	_	0	2 2	_	5 1	_	0	2 1	2	1
Minnesota	_	0	17	2	_	_	0	4	_	_	_	0	6	_	1
Missouri Nebraska [§]	_	0 0	3 2	9 9	2 1	_	1 0	5 1	5 2	13 2	1	1 0	3 2	3 4	6 2
North Dakota	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	0	_	_
South Dakota	_	0	1	1	2	_	0	1	_	1	_	0	1	1	1
S. Atlantic	10	10	21 1	53	54	15	19 0	42 2	103	126	2	8	26 2	49	48
Delaware District of Columbia	_	0 0	5	_	4	_	0	1	_	2	_	0	1	_	1
Florida	8	3	8	22	23	11	6	12	51	45	1	3	12	21	21
Georgia Maryland [§]		1 1	4 5	7 10	12 5	1 2	2	6 6	11 8	22 15	_ 1	1 1	3 5	12 10	4 12
North Carolina	_	0	9	9	1	_	0	16	18	16	_	0	4	3	3
South Carolina [§] Virginia [§]	_	0 2	4 5	1 4	2 7	1	1 2	6 14	7 6	6 17	_	0 1	2 5	1 1	3
West Virginia	_	0	2	_	_	_	0	13	2	3	_	0	5	1	1
E.S. Central	1	2	5	6	11	1	7	14	34	37	_	2	6	7	10
Alabama [§] Kentucky	_	0 0	4 2	1 2	2 2	_	2 1	6 7	10 15	13 4	_	0 1	1 3	<u> </u>	2
Mississippi	_	0	1	_	4	1	0	3	1	8	_	Ó	0	_	_
Tennessee§	1	1	5	3	3	_	3	8	8	12	_	1	4	2	4
W.S. Central Arkansas§	3	5 0	32 2	18	25 2	12	18 1	45 4	53	59 6	_	2	8 3	7 1	1
Louisiana	_	0	3	_	3	_	1	6	2	13	_	0	1	<u>.</u>	_
Oklahoma Texas [§]	3	0 3	8 31	— 18	 20	4 8	1 12	38 28	4 47	1 39	_	0 2	2 7	<u> </u>	_ 1
Mountain	_	4	15	19	33	_	2	5	4	19	_	2	6	12	13
Arizona	_	3	11	16	26	_	0	1	1	_	_	0	5	8	2
Colorado Idaho§	_	0 0	2		3	_	0	3 1	1	5 2	_	0	2 1	_ 1	3 1
Montana§	_	0	2	_	_	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	1	i	_
Nevada [§] New Mexico [§]	_	0	2 1	_	1 1	_	1 0	3 2	_	10 2	_	0	2 1	_	2
Utah	_	0	2	1	1	_	0	2	2	_	_	0	3		2
Wyoming§	_	0	1	_	1	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	1	_	1
Pacific	3	12 0	45	71	81	1	10 0	31 2	39 2	66 2	1	3	15 0	19	9
Alaska California		11	1 36	— 58	— 77	_	7	22	27	47	1	2	13	18	9
Hawaii	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	2	1	_	_	0	0	_	_
Oregon§ Washington	1	1 1	3 7	8 5	3 1	1	1 1	4 9	7 2	15 2	_	0	2	1	_
American Samoa	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	13	_	_	N	0	0	N	N
C.N.M.I.	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_		_	_		
Guam Puerto Rico	_	0	0 4	_	10	_	0 1	1 5		1 10	_	0	0 1	_	_
U.S. Virgin Islands	_	0	0	_	_	_	Ö	0	_	_	_	Ö	Ö	_	_

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* Data for acute hepatitis C, viral are available in Table I.

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TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending February 16, 2008, and February 17, 2007

		L	yme disea	ase				/lalaria					serogrou	se, invasiv ıps	
	0		rious	0		0		ious	<u> </u>		0		vious	0	_
Reporting area	Current week	Med Med	eeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current week	Med Med	eeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current week	Med Med	reeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007
United States	28	315	1,302	578	978	4	24	81	83	131	10	18	47	65	159
New England	_	44	301	11	72	_	1	16	_	6	1	0	3	1	7
onnecticut laine [§]	_	12 5	214 61	_	12 1	_	0	16 2	_	_ 1	1	0	1 1	1	1
lassachusetts	_	0	31	_	27	_	0	3	_	5	_	0	2	_	4
ew Hampshire hode Island§	_	8 0	88 74	8	28 —	_	0	4 0	_	_	_	0	1 1	_	=
ermont [§]	_	1	13	3	4	_	0	2	_	_	_	0	i	_	1
lid. Atlantic	5	157	664	352	540	_	7	18	14	29	2	2	8	6	17
ew Jersey ew York (Upstate)	 5	36 54	177 192	25 26	165 48	_	0 1	4 8	_	2 2		0 1	2	1 4	3
ew York City	_	3	25	_	14	_	4	9	8	20	_	0	4	1	;
ennsylvaniá	_	51	321	301	313	_	0	4	4	5	_	1	5	_	-
.N. Central	_	12	169	10	34	1	2	7	18	25	1	3	9	13	28
inois Idiana	_	1 0	16 7	_	2 1	_	1 0	6 2	6	13	_	1 0	3 4	2 1	-
ichigan	_	0	5	3	2	1	0	2	4	4	_	0	2	4	(
hio 'isconsin	_	0 10	4 149	1 6	2 27	_	0	3 2	7 1	3 5	1	1 0	2 1	6	
.N. Central		5	483	1	15		0	8	1	8	1	1	8	12	10
wa	_	1	11	1	2	_	0	1		1		0	3	2	
ansas innesota	_	0 1	2 483	_	1 12	_	0	1 8	_	<u> </u>	_	0	1 7	_ 7	2
innesola issouri	_	0	463	_	- IZ	_	0	1	_	1	1	0	2	2	
ebraska§	_	0	2	_	_	_	0	1	1	2	_	0	2	1	_
orth Dakota outh Dakota	_	0	2 0	_	_	_	0	1 1	_	_	_	0	1 1	_	
Atlantic	19	69	213	174	298	2	5	14	28	30	2	3	11	10	22
elaware	2	11	34	42	54	_	0	1	_	1	_	0	1	_	_
strict of Columbia orida		0 1	7 11	9	3		0 1	1 7	— 13	1 8		0 1	0 7	3	-
eorgia	_	0	3	1	_	_	i	3	6	1	_	Ó	3	_	2
aryland [§]	15	34	130	106	212	_	1	5	7	9	_	0	2	1	
orth Carolina outh Carolina§	_	0 0	8 4	2 1		_	0 0	4 1	2	2	_	0	4 2	3 3	- 2
rginia§	_	17	62	13	27	_	1	7	_	8	_	0	2	_	4
est Virginia	_	0	9	_	_	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	1	_	_
S. Central abama§	_	1 0	5 3	_	3 1	_	1 0	3 1	2 1	5	_	1 0	3 2	7	12
entucky	_	0	2	_		_	0	i	i	1	_	0	2	4	
ississippi ennessee§	_	0	1 4	_	_ 2	_	0	1 2	_	1 3	_	0	2	_ 3	4
.S. Central	_		6					35				2	9		14
kansas§	_	1 0	1	<u>1</u>	4	_	2 0	35	3	9	1	0	2	6	16
ouisiana	_	0	1	_	1	_	0	2	_	2	_	0	3	3	
klahoma exas§	_	0 1	0 6	_ 1	3	_	0 1	2 34	1 2	1 6	_ 1	0 1	4 4	2 1	
ountain	_	1	3	1	2	_	1	6	1	6	1	1	4	3	1
izona	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	1	0	2	1	:
olorado aho§	_	0	1 2	1	_	_	0	2	1	6	_	0	2 2	_ 1	
ontana§	_	0	2	_	1	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	1		
evada [§] ew Mexico [§]	_	0	2 1	_	1	_	0	1 1	_	_	_	0	1 1	_	
ah	_	0	2	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	_	0	2	_	
yoming§	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	1	1	-
acific	4	3	10	28	10	1	3	9	16	13	1	4	19	7	36
aska alifornia	4	0 2	2 9	 28	1 9	1	0 2	0 8	 11	2 7	_	0 3	1 11	1	3
awaii	Ň	0	0	N	N	_	0	1	1	_	_	0	1	_	_
regon§ ′ashington	_	0	1 7	_	_	_	0	2 3	3 1	3 1	_ 1	0	3 7	3 3	3
nerican Samoa	N	0	0	N	 N	_	0	0			_	0	0	_	_
N.M.I.		_	_	—	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	=
uam uorto Pico		0	0			_	0	2	_	_	_	0	0	_	-
uerto Rico	N	0	0	N —	N —	_	0 0	1 0	_	1	_	0 0	1 0	_	1

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* Data for meningococcal disease, invasive caused by serogroups A, C, Y, & W-135; serogroup B; other serogroup; and unknown serogroup are available in Table I.

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TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending February 16, 2008, and February 17, 2007 (7th Week)*

			Pertussi	s				ies, anim	al		R			otted feve	
	Current	Prev 52 w	ious eeks	Cum	Cum	Current		/ious /eeks	Cum	Cum	Current		vious veeks	Cum	Cum
Reporting area	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007
United States	56	174	407	701	1,288	23	103	191	268	579	1	34	147	33	48
New England Connecticut	_	24 0	45 5	10	236 10	6 4	11 4	22 10	25 13	66 29	_	0	1 0	_	_
Maine [†]	_	1	5	4	18	_	1	5	1	12	_	0	1	_	_
Massachusetts New Hampshire	_	18 1	33 5	_ 1	183 11	_ 1	0 1	0 4	4	N 7	_	0	1 1	_	_
Rhode Island†	_	0	8	3	_	_	1	4	3	4	_	0	0	_	_
Vermont [†] Mid. Atlantic	9	0 22	9 38	2 96	14 250	1	2 26	13 56	4 32	14 125		0 1	0 7	2	 6
New Jersey	_	2	6	_	39	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	3	_	1
New York (Upstate) New York City	9	8 2	23 7	33	132 22	3	9 0	20 5	32	36 12	_	0	1 3	_ 1	_
Pennsylvania	_	7	22	63	57	_	16	44	_	77	_	Ő	3	1	3
E.N. Central	25	25 2	181 8	331 7	271 48	_	4 1	48 15	_	2 1	_	1 0	4	_	3 1
Indiana	_	0	9	2	_	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	2	_	_
Michigan Ohio	 25	4 12	16 176	11 311	58 129	_	1 1	27 11	_	1	_	0	1 2	_	1 1
Wisconsin	_	0	24	_	36	N	0	0	N	N	_	Ő	ō	_	_
W.N. Central lowa	1	12 2	67 8	71 5	88 32	_	4	13 3	8 1	18 2	_	5 0	37 4	8	5
Kansas	_	2	8	1	39	_	2	7	_	10	_	0	2	_	2
Minnesota Missouri	_ 1	0 2	65 15	— 55	<u> </u>	_	0	6 3	5	2 1	_	0 5	2 29	 8	3
Nebraska [†]	_	1	12	9	3	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	2	_	_
North Dakota South Dakota	_	0 0	4 7	1	8	_	0 0	5 2	_	3	_	0 0	0 1	_	_
S. Atlantic	6	16	48	64	105	14	40	65	180	321	1	15	111	20	18
Delaware District of Columbia	_	0 0	2 1	_	_ 1	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	2 1	_	2
Florida	1	3	17	13	41	6	0	3	16	124	1	0	3	1	_
Georgia Maryland [†]	_	0 2	3 6	1 9	10 22	_	5 8	31 18	42 8	21 46	_	0 1	6 5	3 4	6
North Carolina South Carolina [†]	5	5 1	34 11	32 3	— 15	8	9 0	19 11	50	42 12	_	7 0	96 7	11	3
Virginia [†]	_	2	11	6	16	_	12	31	57	70	_	2	11	1	4
West Virginia E.S. Central	_	0 6	12 35	 28	— 43	_	0	11 6	7 2	6 12	_	0 5	3 16	3	14
Alabama [†]	_	1	6	5	15	_	0	0	_	_	_	1	10	2	7
Kentucky Mississippi	_	0 3	4 32	4 15	1 11	_	0	3 1	2	4	_	0	2 2	_	_ 1
Tennessee [†]	_	1	5	4	16	_	2	6	_	8	_	2	10	1	6
W.S. Central Arkansas [†]	5 1	20 2	79 17	30 7	38 2	_	1 1	23 3	5 5	10 2	_	1 0	30 15	_	1
Louisiana		0	2	_	3	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	1	_	_
Oklahoma Texas [†]	4	0 16	26 69	1 22	33	_	0	22 0	_	8	_	0 1	20 5	_	_ 1
Mountain	7	19	40	40	177	_	3	14	9	7	_	0	4	_	1
Arizona Colorado	1 6	2 5	13 14	4 11	54 53	_	2	12 0	8	6	_	0	1 2	_	_
Idaho†	_	0	4	1	9	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	1	_	1
Montana [†] Nevada [†]	_	1 0	7 6	9	5 5	_	0	3 2	_	_	_	0	1 0	_	_
New Mexico†	_	1	7 27	15	7	_	0	2	_	<u> </u>	_	0	1	_	_
Utah Wyoming [†]	_	6 0	2	15 —	35 9	_	0 0	2 4	1		_	0	0 2	_	=
Pacific	3	14	131	31	80	_	4	10	7	18	_	0	2		_
Alaska California	2	1 6	6 24	12	9 43	_	0 3	3 8	4 3	14 4	N —	0 0	0 2	<u>N</u>	_ N
Hawaii Oregon [†]	-	0	1 14	_ 7	2 13	N	0	0	N	N	N	0	0 1	N	N
Washington	_	3	113	12	13	_	0	0	_	=	N	0	0	N	N
American Samoa	_	0	0	_	_	N	0	0	N	Ν	N	0	0	Ν	N
C.N.M.I. Guam	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	N	0	0	N	N
Puerto Rico	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	5 0	1	7	N	0	0	N	N
U.S. Virgin Islands		U	U				U	U				U	U		

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(/th Week)*		s	almonello	sis		Shiga	toxin-pro	ducing E	. coli(STE	(C)†			Shigellosi	is	
	Current		rious eeks	Cum	Cum	Current		/ious reeks	Cum	Cum	Current		vious veeks	Cum	Cum
Reporting area	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007
United States	286	850	1,319	2,717	4,332	26	70	214	176	265	96	358	555	1,547	1,341
New England Connecticut Maine [§] Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island [§] Vermont [§]	1 - - - 1	31 0 2 21 2 2	74 32 14 58 10 15	69 32 13 — 6 11	577 430 14 113 11 5		4 0 0 2 0 0	11 2 4 10 4 2 3	9 2 2 — 2 1 2	62 45 1 12 4 —	_ _ _ _	3 0 0 2 0 0	11 2 4 8 1 9	8 2 — 1 4 1	68 44 2 21 1
Mid. Atlantic New Jersey New York (Upstate) New York City Pennsylvania	16 — 16 —	108 19 27 25 34	190 48 63 51 69	316 9 90 87 130	577 119 107 148 203	1 1 —	9 2 3 1 2	27 7 12 5 11	18 — 8 3 7	34 10 9 3 12	_ _ _ _	14 3 3 5 2	119 10 19 11 108	80 18 19 25 18	68 4 8 47 9
E.N. Central Illinois Indiana Michigan Ohio Wisconsin	23 — 1 22 —	104 32 12 18 25 15	255 188 34 41 64 50	268 38 25 67 123 15	503 187 24 88 120 84	1 - - 1	9 1 1 1 2 3	35 13 13 8 9 11	17 2 5 6 4	39 5 8 24 2	13 — — — 13 —	54 14 3 1 18 4	133 25 81 7 104 13	284 65 104 7 95 13	129 78 8 7 18
W.N. Central lowa Kansas Minnesota Missouri Nebraska [§] North Dakota South Dakota	24 — 11 10 3 —	49 9 7 13 15 5 0 3	103 18 20 41 29 13 9	181 27 19 46 64 22 2	236 45 35 38 67 20 2	7 — 7 — — —	12 2 1 4 2 2 0 0	38 13 4 17 12 6 1 5	26 4 2 12 6 2 —	23 — 2 12 4 5 —	7 — 6 1 —	31 2 0 4 21 0 0	80 6 3 12 72 3 5 30	83 5 2 11 45 — 9 11	184 5 4 34 125 2 2
S. Atlantic Delaware District of Columbia Florida Georgia Maryland [§] North Carolina South Carolina [§] Virginia [§] West Virginia	133 — 68 7 10 45 2	229 2 0 87 33 14 25 18 22 4	436 8 4 181 82 44 191 51 50 20	1,020 7 — 533 172 65 122 73 40 8	1,151 11 6 494 172 91 182 86 103 6	9 2 3 4 	13 0 0 3 1 1 1 0 3	38 2 1 18 6 6 24 3 9	50 1 	51 3 — 14 7 12 4 — 11	36 — 18 14 1 — 3 —	82 0 0 36 28 2 0 4 3	154 2 1 75 86 7 12 20 14 62	402 — 153 178 7 12 44 8	442 1 2 270 142 13 — 6 8
E.S. Central Alabama [§] Kentucky Mississippi Tennessee [§]	19 3 3 — 13	59 16 10 13 17	145 50 23 57 35	218 71 37 38 72	322 87 52 101 82	_ _ _ _	4 1 1 0 2	26 19 12 1	17 4 3 1 9	11 1 2 1 7	10 1 2 — 7	49 13 8 18 4	177 42 35 111 32	216 51 31 74 60	113 36 10 27 40
W.S. Central Arkansas [§] Louisiana Oklahoma Texas [§]	9 5 — 4 —	88 13 16 9 46	249 50 42 43 181	127 29 24 27 47	177 24 53 26 74	1 - 1 -	4 0 0 0 3	13 3 2 3 11	7 1 - 2 4	9 4 1 1 3	20 4 — 6 10	44 1 9 3 32	135 11 22 9 126	319 11 11 17 280	72 9 22 4 37
Mountain Arizona Colorado Idaho [§] Montana [§] Nevada [§] New Mexico [§] Utah Wyoming [§]	21 8 8 4 1 —	49 17 10 3 2 5 5 4 1	83 40 24 10 9 12 13 17 5	137 89 13 15 5 — 7 8	280 106 62 18 12 23 27 21	3 2 — 1 — — —	10 2 1 2 0 0 0 0	42 8 17 16 0 3 3 9	23 9 — 14 — — —	25 6 6 1 — 3 7 2	3 1 2 — — — —	17 10 2 0 0 0 1 0	41 29 6 2 2 10 6 5	49 43 3 1 — — — 2	101 46 11 1 2 9 17 3
Pacific Alaska California Hawaii Oregon [§] Washington	40 1 21 — 1 17	113 1 85 1 6	351 5 227 13 16 124	381 3 300 23 29 26	509 4 447 — 34 24	4 N — 1 3	9 0 5 0 1	38 0 33 1 11 18	9 N 4 1 1 3	11 N 5 — 3 3	7 6 — 1	27 0 21 0 1	70 1 61 3 6 20	106 — 93 5 6 2	164 3 145 — 8 8
American Samoa C.N.M.I. Guam Puerto Rico U.S. Virgin Islands	_ _ _ _	0 0 12 0	1 5 55 0	1 1 5	 75 	 N 	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	_ N _	_ N _	_ _ _ _	0 0 0 0	1 3 2 0	1 1 —	_ 1 8 _

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Includes E. coli O157:H7; Shiga toxin-positive, serogroup non-O157; and Shiga toxin-positive, not serogrouped. Contains data reported through the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS). Cum: Cumulative year-to-date counts. Med: Median.

TABLE II. (*Continued*) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending February 16, 2008, and February 17, 2007 (7th Week)*

	Stre	<u> </u>		nvasive, gro	oup A	Streptococcus		Age <5 year		ondrug resistant [†]	_
Reporting area	Current	Prev 52 wo		Cum 2008	Cum 2007	Current		rious eeks Max	Cum 2008	Cum 2007	
United States	82				667	14	32	107			
		85	168	555					156	235	
New England Connecticut	_	5 0	28 22	4	47 2	_	1 0	7 1	2	29 4	
Maine§	_	0	3	1	3	_	0	1	_	_	
Massachusetts	_	2	12	_	31	_	1	4	_	19	
New Hampshire Rhode Island [§]	_	0 0	4 1	2	5 —	_	0 0	2 1	2	3 2	
Vermont§	_	Ö	i	1	6	_	Ö	i	_	1	
Mid. Atlantic	4	16	40	99	129	1	5	38	16	37	
New Jersey	-	2	12	5	24	-	1	.5	2	10	
New York (Upstate) New York City	4	6 3	20 13	46 10	25 37	<u>1</u>	2 1	13 35	14	18 9	
Pennsylvania	_	4	11	38	43	N	0	0	N	N	
E.N. Central	8	16	34	107	158	2	4	17	25	40	
Illinois	_	4	11	20	59	_	1	6	_	6	
ndiana	_	2	10	17	11	_	0	11	2	3	
Michigan Ohio	-	3 4	10 14	24 46	32 49		1 1	5 5	8 14	18 9	
Wisconsin	_	0	5	40	7	_	0	2	1	4	
W.N. Central	28	5	32	54	32	2	3	15	20	8	
lowa	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
Kansas		0	3	8	9	_	0	1	2	_	
Minnesota Missouri	17 8	0 2	29 4	17 20	— 18		1 0	14 2	6 10	 6	
Vilssouri Nebraska§	3	0	3	7	1	_	0	3	2	1	
North Dakota	_	0	3	_	2	_	0	0	_	1	
South Dakota	_	0	2	2	2	_	0	0	_	_	
S. Atlantic	18	23	49	157	132	2	6	14	24	45	
Delaware District of Columbia	_	0 0	1 3	1	1 1	_	0 0	0 0	_	_	
Florida	7	6	16	47	29	1	1	5	5	4	
Georgia	5	5	12	40	28	-	0	5		15	
Maryland [§] North Carolina	6	4 1	9 22	35 9	26 14	1	1 0	5 0	13	13 —	
South Carolina [§]	_	i	7	10	13	_	1	4	6	5	
Virginia [§]		3	12	13	17	_	0	3	_	8	
West Virginia	_	0	3	2	3	_	0	1	_	_	
E.S. Central	2	4	13	16	31	_	2	11	5	16	
Alabama [§] Kentucky	N 1	0 1	0 3	N 4	N 8	N N	0 0	0 0	N N	N N	
Mississippi	Ń	Ö	0	Ň	Ň	_	0	2	_	2	
Tennessee§	1	3	13	12	23	_	2	9	5	14	
W.S. Central	8	6	38	44	33	4	5	37	26	27	
Arkansas [§]	_	0	2	_	5	_	0	2	3	3	
Louisiana Oklahoma	4	0 1	4 8	1 18	4 14	3	0 1	3 5	 12	10 6	
Texas [§]	4	5	29	25	10	1	2	32	11	8	
Mountain	12	9	21	63	88	2	4	12	31	28	
Arizona	3	4	10	36	39	1	2	8	24	17	
Colorado daho§	9	3 0	8 2	17 3	18 2	<u>1</u>	1 0	4 1	4 1	6	
Montana [§]	N	0	0	N	N	N	0	0	N	N	
Vevada [§]	_	0	1	_	1	_	0	1	1	_	
New Mexico [§] Utah	_	1 1	4 6	- 7	10 17		0 0	4 2	<u> </u>	2 3	
Nyoming§	_	0	1	_	1	_	0	0		_	
Pacific	2	3	7	11	17	1	0	4	7	5	
Alaska	1	0	3	2	3	i	0	4	7	4	
California	N	0	0	N	N	N	0	0	N	N	
Hawaii Oregon§	1 N	2 0	5 0	9 N	14 N	N	0 0	1 0	 N	1 N	
Nashington	N	0	0	N	N	N N	0	0	N	N	
American Samoa	_	0	4	_	_	N	0	0	N	N	
C.N.M.I.	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Guam	_	0	0	_	_	N	0	0	N	N	
Puerto Rico	_	0 0	0 0	_	_	N	0 0	0 0	N	N	

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Includes cases of invasive pneumococcal disease, in children aged <5 years, caused by *S. pneumoniae*, which is susceptible or for which susceptibility testing is not available (NNDSS event code 11717).

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		St	reptococ												
			All ages	i			s	Syphilis, primary and secondary							
	Previous Current 52 weeks			Cum	Cum	Current		/ious /eeks	Cum	Cum	Current		vious veeks	Cum	Cum
Reporting area	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007
United States	31	40	97	378	488	6	7	23	44	80	96	215	279	1,074	1,252
New England	_	1	7	7	32	_	0	2	1	2	4	5	14	27	27
Connecticut	_	0	5	_	21	_	0	2	_	2	_	0	5	_	5
Maine§	_	0 0	1 0	2	3	_	0 0	1 0	1	_		0 3	2 8	 23	 15
Massachusetts New Hampshire	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	2	0	3	23 3	3
Rhode Island§	_	0	3	2	4	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	5	1	4
Vermont [§]	_	0	2	3	4	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	5	_	_
Mid. Atlantic	1	2	9	24	28	_	0	5	1	5	20	35	46	210	209
New Jersey New York (Upstate)	1	0 1	0 5	7	6	_	0	0 4	_		5 2	4 3	9 8	33 8	25 9
New York City	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	13	18	35	135	121
Pennsylvania	_	1	6	17	22	_	0	2	1	3	_	8	17	34	54
E.N. Central	7	10	36	82	140	_	2	11	8	20	20	15	25	82	113
Illinois Indiana	_	1 3	7 22	5 17	27 19	_	0 0	5 9	1	8 2	3	7 1	14 6	5 15	54 5
Michigan	_	0	1	2	_	_	Ö	1	1	_	12	2	9	13	18
Ohio	7	5	23	58	94	_	1	3	6	10	5	4	10	43	29
Wisconsin	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	0	_	_	_	1	4	6	7
W.N. Central lowa	2	2 0	49 0	24	32	_	0	3 0	_	3	1	7 0	14 2	42	27 1
Kansas	_	0	7	2	20	_	0	1	_	2	_	0	2	_	3
Minnesota	_	0	46	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	_	1	4	6	10
Missouri	2	1	8	22	11	_	0	1	_	_	1	5	10	35	13
Nebraska§ North Dakota	_	0 0	1 0	_	_	_	0 0	0 0	_	_	_	0 0	1 1	1	_
South Dakota	_	Ö	1	_	1	_	Ő	1	_	1	_	Ö	3	_	_
S. Atlantic	16	19	43	174	184	4	4	12	26	39	27	50	86	240	234
Delaware	_	0	1	1	_	_	0	1	_	1	1	0	.3	. 1	2
District of Columbia Florida	 13	0 11	1 27	109	2 100	3	0 2	0 7	19	18	2 7	2 17	12 34	14 88	22 61
Georgia	3	5	19	62	75	1	1	5	6	16		9	68	6	21
Maryland [§]	_	0	1	1	_	_	0	1	1	_	5	6	15	39	43
North Carolina South Carolina§	_	0 0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	11 1	5 1	23 11	53 15	42 14
Virginia [§]	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	0	_	_		4	16	24	28
West Virginia	_	1	9	1	7	_	0	1	_	4	_	0	1	_	1
E.S. Central	5	4	12	55	28	1	1	3	4	4	7	19	31	119	79
Alabama§	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	0	_	_	7	7	17	54	26
Kentucky Mississippi	1	0 0	2	8	6	_	0 0	1 0	1	_	_	1 2	7 15	7 13	10 14
Tennessee§	4	3	12	47	22	1	0	3	3	4	_	7	15	45	29
W.S. Central	_	2	12	8	34	1	0	3	3	3	12	37	55	185	204
Arkansas§	_	0	1	1	_	1	0	0	1	_	_	2	10	7	13
Louisiana	_	1	4	7	15	_	0	2	2	1	2	10	23	17	42
Oklahoma Texas [§]	_	0 0	10 0	_	19 —	_	0	2 0	_	2	1 9	1 24	3 39	9 152	12 137
Mountain	_	1	5	4	10	_	0	2	_	4	1	7	25	18	57
Arizona	_	Ö	0		_	_	0	0	_			3	17	2	31
Colorado		0	0			_	0	0	_	_	1	1	5	9	6
Idaho [§] Montana [§]	N	0 0	0	N	N —	_	0	0	_	_	_	0 0	1 3	_	_ 1
Nevada [§]		0	3	3	8	_	0	2	_	1	_	2	6	3	11
New Mexico§	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	_	1	3	4	5
Utah Wyoming [§]	_	0	5 2	1	1 1	_	0	2 1	_	2 1	_	0	2 1	_	2
		0	0	_	1	_	0	-	_	-		40	-		
Pacific Alaska	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	1 0	1	_	4	40 0	60 1	151	302 2
California	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	0	_	_	3	37	57	118	282
Hawaii		0	0			_	0	1	1	_	_	0	2	3	1
Oregon [§] Washington	N N	0 0	0	N N	N N	_	0	0 0	_	_	1	0 3	2 13	3 27	2 15
American Samoa	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	4	_	_
C.N.M.I.		_	_			=	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	=	_
Guam	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0		_
Puerto Rico	N	0 0	0	N	N	_	0 0	0 0	_	_	1	3 0	10	11	10
U.S. Virgin Islands				_			U	U				U	0		

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		Vario	ella (chick	enpox)		West Nile virus disease† Neuroinvasive Nonneuroinvasive§										
	Varicella (chickenpox) Previous							ious/				Previous				
	Current		eeks	Cum	Cum	Current		eeks	Cum	Cum	Current		reeks_	Cum	Cum	
Reporting area	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	week	Med	Max	2008	2007	
United States	464	582	1,282	3,092	5,966	_	1	141	_	_	_	2	299	_	1	
New England Connecticut	7	12 0	47 1	64	104 1	_	0	2 2	_	_	_	0	2 1	_	_	
Maine [¶]	_	0	0	_		_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
Massachusetts	_	0	0	_		_	0	2	_	_	_	0	2	_	_	
New Hampshire Rhode Island ¹	1	6 0	17 0	22 —	44	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0 1	_	_	
Vermont ¹	6	5	38	42	59	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
Mid. Atlantic	_	68	154	300	982	_	0	3	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	
New Jersey New York (Upstate)	N N	0	0	N N	N N	_	0	1 1	_	_	_	0	0 1	_	_	
New York City	_	0	0	_	_	_	Ö	3	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	
Pennsylvania	_	68	154	300	982	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	1	_	_	
E.N. Central	91	164	358	897	2,229	_	0	18	_	_	_	0	12	_	1	
Illinois Indiana	N	2	11 0	13 N	25 N	_	0 0	13 4	_	_	_	0 0	8 2	_	_	
Michigan	31	73	146	387	911	_	0	5	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
Ohio Wisconsin	60	74 12	208 80	497 —	1,049 244	_	0 0	4 2	_	_	_	0	3 2	_	1	
W.N. Central	 25	25	114	196	307	_	0	41				1	117			
lowa	∠5 N	25 0	0	196	307 N	_	0	41	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	
Kansas	20	6	29	81	158	_	0	3	_	_	_	0	7	_	_	
Minnesota Missouri	 5	0 13	0 78	 112	131	_	0	9 9	_	_	_	0	12 3	_	_	
Nebraska ¹	Ň	0	0	N	N	_	0	5	_	_	_	0	15	_	_	
North Dakota South Dakota	_	0	60 14	1 2	 18	_	0	11 9	_	_	_	0	49 32	_	_	
									_	_		-			_	
S. Atlantic Delaware	84	89 1	214 4	461 1	751 7	_	0	12 1	_	_	_	0	6 0	_	_	
District of Columbia	_	0	8		_	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
Florida Georgia	83 N	26 0	76 0	240 N	174 N	_	0	1 8	_	_	_	0	0 5	_	_	
Maryland ¹	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	2	_	_	_	0	2	_	_	
North Carolina South Carolina ¹	_ 1	0 16	0 55	— 80	230	_	0	1 2	_	_	_	0	1 1	_	_	
Virginia ¹		17	85	15	115	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	1	_	_	
West Virginia	_	22	66	125	225	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
E.S. Central	6	12	82	116	60	_	0	11	_	_	_	0	14	_	_	
Alabama [¶] Kentucky	6 N	12 0	82 0	115 N	58 N	_	0 0	2 1	_	_	_	0 0	1	_	_	
Mississippi	_	0	1	1	2	_	0	7	_	_	_	0	12	_	_	
Tennessee [¶]	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	1	_	_	_	0	2	_	_	
W.S. Central	229	169	530	966	1,046 44	_	0	34	_	_	_	0	18	_	_	
Arkansas¹ Louisiana	24	12 1	46 8	75 5	31	_	0 0	5 5	_	_	_	0	2	_	_	
Oklahoma	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	11	_	_	_	0	7	_	_	
Texas ¹	205	155	484	886	971	_	0	18	_	_	_	0	10	_	_	
Mountain Arizona	21	40 0	130 0	91	472	_	0	36 8	_	_	_	1 0	143 10	_	_	
Colorado	19	13	62	28	200	_	0	17	_	_	_	0	65	_	_	
Idaho ¹ Montana ¹	N 2	0 6	0 40	N 32	N 52	_	0	3 10	_	_	_	0	22 30	_	_	
Nevada [¶]	_	0	1	32	1	_	0	10	_	_	_	0	3	_	_	
New Mexico ¹	_	4	37	_	47	_	0	8	_	_	_	0	6	_	_	
Utah Wyoming ¹	_	8 0	72 9	30 1	172 —	_	0	8 4	_	_	_	0	8 33	_	_	
Pacific	1	0	4	1	15	_	0	18	_	_	_	0	23	_	_	
Alaska	1	0	4	1	15	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
California Hawaii	 N	0	0	_ N	N	_	0	17 0	_	_	_	0	21 0	_	_	
Oregon [¶]	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	3	_	_	_	0	4	_	=	
Washington	N	0	0	N	Ν	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
American Samoa	N	0	0	N	N	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
C.N.M.I. Guam	_	3	 21	4	<u> </u>	_	0	0	_	_	_	0		_	_	
Puerto Rico	_	11	37	11	78	_	0	0	_	_	_	0	0	_	_	
U.S. Virgin Islands		0	0				0	0				0	0			

C.N.M.I.: Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands.
U: Unavailable. —: No reported cases. N: Not notifiable. Cum: Cumulative year-to-date counts. Med: Median. Max: Maximum.

* Incidence data for reporting years 2007 and 2008 are provisional.
Updated weekly from reports to the Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases, National Center for Zoonotic, Vector-Borne, and Enteric Diseases (ArboNET Surveillance). Data for California serogroup, eastern equine, Powassan, St. Louis, and western equine diseases are available in Table I.
Not notifiable in all states. Data from states where the condition is not notifiable are excluded from this table, except in 2007 for the domestic arboviral diseases and influenza-associated pediatric mortality, and in 2003 for SARS-CoV. Reporting exceptions are available at http://www.cdc.gov/epo/dphsi/phs/infdis.htm.
Contains data reported through the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS).

TABLE III. Deaths	in 122 U		s,* week			ary 1	6, 2008	(7th Week) All causes, by age (years)							
	All	All C	auses, D	y age (ye	a13)		P&I [†]		All						P&I†
Reporting Area	Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total	Reporting Area	Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total
New England Boston, MA	512 128	357 82	105 31	18 2	18 6	14 7	52 15	S. Atlantic Atlanta, GA	1,251 139	786 70	310 43	85 11	27 8	42 7	73
Bridgeport, CT	43	29	12	2	_	_	5	Baltimore, MD	187	109	56	15	5	2	17
Cambridge, MA	15	12	_	2	1	_	1	Charlotte, NC	144	109	27	5	_	3	15
Fall River, MA Hartford, CT	28 44	21 32	6 7	_ 3	1 2	_	3 1	Jacksonville, FL Miami, FL	169 73	121 47	32 12	14 10	_ 1	2	13 5
Lowell, MA	27	19	6	_	1	1		Norfolk, VA	49	31	12	3		3	4
Lynn, MA	10	7	3	_	_	_	1	Richmond, VA	56	32	16	5	1	2	4
New Bedford, MA	32	27	4	1	_	_ 1	2	Savannah, GA	52	39	11	_	1	1	3
New Haven, CT Providence, RI	26 U	14 U	6 U	2 U	3 U	Ü	7 U	St. Petersburg, FL Tampa, FL	69 205	45 131	20 51	1 14	<u> </u>	3	2 9
Somerville, MA	3	3	_	_	_	_	_	Washington, D.C.	100	47	28	6	5	13	_
Springfield, MA	54	37	8	3	1	5	6	Wilmington, DE	8	5	2	1	_	_	1
Waterbury, CT	27 75	20 54	6 16	1 2	3	_	5 6	E.S. Central	900	577	224	55	25	19	78
Worcester, MA								Birmingham, AL	187	121	43	7	7	9	13
Mid. Atlantic Albany, NY	1,992 53	1,414 41	422 10	82	39 1	35 1	117 3	Chattanooga, TN Knoxville, TN	92 103	56 76	26 20	4 6	5	1 1	4 5
Allentown, PA	39	31	8				_	Lexington, KY	56	46	20 5	1	3	1	5
Buffalo, NY	37	28	3	1	4	1	2	Memphis, TN	164	106	41	13	3	1	22
Camden, NJ	17	12	2	1	1	1	1	Mobile, AL	86	49	25	7	3	2	5
Elizabeth, NJ Erie, PA	19 55	14 41	4 9	1 1	_	_	4 2	Montgomery, AL Nashville, TN	52 160	28 95	15 49	6 11	4	3 1	6 18
Jersey City, NJ	17	9	7		_	1	1	· ·							
New York City, NY	1,098	760	255	49	17	17	51	W.S. Central Austin, TX	1,672 131	1,128 94	355 22	107 10	40 3	42 2	128 13
Newark, NJ	44	20	18	3	_	3	3	Baton Rouge, LA	64	45	15	2	_	2	_
Paterson, NJ Philadelphia, PA	19 172	12 116	4 35	2 13	<u> </u>	1 2	3 9	Corpus Christi, TX	64	47	9	7	_	1	2
Pittsburgh, PA§	28	22	6	_	_	_	_	Dallas, TX	211	135	46	12	8	10	16
Reading, PA	37	32	4	1	_	_	6	El Paso, TX Fort Worth, TX	96 128	74 88	12 28	5 8	1 1	4	12 10
Rochester, NY	124	92	21	5	2	4	11	Houston, TX	422	253	107	35	16	11	31
Schenectady, NY Scranton, PA	28 25	24 21	3 3	_ 1	_	1	5 —	Little Rock, AR	97	66	20	5	3	3	5
Syracuse, NY	122	98	17	4	3	_	12	New Orleans, LA ¹	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
Trenton, NJ	19	13	2	_	3	1	2	San Antonio, TX Shreveport, LA	222 52	152 37	51 9	13 3	3 2	3 1	24 4
Utica, NY Yonkers, NY	15 24	10 18	5 6	_	_	_	1 1	Tulsa, OK	185	137	36	7	3	2	11
E.N. Central	2,180	1,475	490	118	— 47	— 50	194	Mountain	1,243	811	294	79	26	33	107
Akron, OH	57	35	13	3	2	4	2	Albuquerque, NM	154	103	36	10	1	4	8
Canton, OH	44	31	9	2	_	2	7	Boise, ID Colorado Springs, CO	62 85	41 63	14 13	3	2 4	2	3 4
Chicago, IL	301	189	76	23	5	8	27	Denver, CO	81	50	23	4	_	4	9
Cincinnati, OH Cleveland, OH	134 255	80 190	38 42	5 14	4 4	7 5	27 11	Las Vegas, NV	288	179	77	25	7	_	32
Columbus, OH	209	135	53	11	4	6	24	Ogden, UT	46	31	9	6	_	_	2
Dayton, OH	133	101	24	6	2	_	13	Phoenix, AZ Pueblo, CO	196 28	113 23	53 4	10	4 1	16	21 1
Detroit, MI	180	85	60	22	8	5	19	Salt Lake City, UT	136	91	27	11	2	5	16
Evansville, IN Fort Wayne, IN	46 77	38 63	6 7	1 2	1 3	_	3 5	Tucson, AZ	167	117	38	7	5	_	11
Gary, IN	8	4	1	2	_	1	_	Pacific	1,655	1,184	324	76	44	27	195
Grand Rapids, MI	69	56	11	2	_	_	5	Berkeley, CA	12	9	2	_	_	1	_
Indianapolis, IN	176	110	46	11	6	3	10	Fresno, CA	158	112	35	7	1	3	23
Lansing, MI Milwaukee, WI	52 118	40 90	11 21	1 3	_	4	6 15	Glendale, CA Honolulu, HI	38 72	29 52	8 12	3	2	1 3	9 6
Peoria, IL	54	42	7	1	3	1	9	Long Beach, CA	86	59	22	4	1	_	15
Rockford, IL	57	33	18	5	1	_	1	Los Angeles, CA	269	196	45	17	10	1	47
South Bend, IN Toledo. OH	49	30	13	1 3	3	2	2	Pasadena, CA	20	16	3	1	_	_	1
Youngstown, OH	99 62	71 52	24 10	_	1	_	4 4	Portland, OR Sacramento, CA	152 U	106 U	32 U	8 U	3 U	3 U	18 U
W.N. Central				20	21	16		San Diego, CA	177	126	39	4	5	3	21
Des Moines, IA	730 128	516 99	145 23	32 3	21 2	16 1	55 11	San Francisco, CA	146	96	35	8	4	3	13
Duluth, MN	40	33	6	_	_	i	3	San Jose, CA Santa Cruz, CA	197 U	156 U	28 U	3 U	5 U	5 U	19 U
Kansas City, KS	25	17	6	_	1	1	2	Seattle, WA	139	99	25	6	5	4	11
Kansas City, MO	125	87	23	6	5	4	2	Spokane, WA	53	36	14	2	1	_	9
Lincoln, NE Minneapolis, MN	50 70	39 53	8 8	3 5	_ 1	3	8 2	Tacoma, WA	136	92	24	13	7	_	3
Omaha, NE	79	56	19	2	2	_	11	Total	12,135**	8,248	2,669	652	287	278	999
St. Louis, MO	76	36	21	10	6	3	3			-	-				
St. Paul, MN	72 65	52	16	1	1	2	9								
Wichita, KS	65	44	15	2	3	1	4	l							

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.

† Pneumonia 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.

¶ Because of Hurricane Katrina, weekly reporting of deaths has been temporarily disrupted.

**Total includes unknown ages.

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