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# Nonfatal Choking-Related Episodes Among Children — United States, 2001

Food and nonfood substances can present a choking hazard for children, particularly younger children (1,2). During 2000, the latest year for which national mortality data were available, 160 children aged  $\leq$ 14 years died from obstruction of the respiratory tract associated with inhaled or ingested foreign bodies (International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, codes W79-W80); food and nonfood substances were associated with 41% and 59% of these deaths, respectively (CDC, unpublished data, 2002). To characterize nonfatal choking-related episodes in children treated in U.S. hospital emergency departments (EDs) during 2001, CDC analyzed data from the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System-All Injury Program (NEISS-AIP). This report summarizes the results of this analysis, which indicate that an estimated 17,537 children aged  $\leq$ 14 years were treated in EDs for choking-related episodes in 2001. Many of these episodes were associated with candy/gum (19.0%) and coins (12.7%). Parents and caregivers should be aware of the types of foods and objects that pose a choking risk for children, become familiar with methods to reduce this risk, and be able to treat choking in children.

NEISS-AIP is operated by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and collects data on initial visits for all types and causes of injuries treated in U.S. EDs (*3*). NEISS-AIP data are drawn from a nationally representative subsample of 66 (out of 100) NEISS-AIP hospitals, which were selected as a stratified probability sample of hospitals with a minimum of six beds and a 24-hour ED in the United States and its territories. NEISS-AIP provides data on approximately 500,000 injury- and consumer product–related ED cases each year.

Cases in this report occurred among patients aged  $\leq 14$  years treated for unintentional, nonfatal choking-related episodes in which the external cause of injury was coded as inhalation or suffocation, or a brief narrative describing the episode

included "choke," "choked," or "choking." Patients were excluded if the episode was related to smoke inhalation, choking on secretions or vomitus, submersion injury, strangulation, breath-holding spell, exposure to a toxic or noxious substance, or poisoning. Because deaths are not captured completely by NEISS-AIP, children who were dead on arrival or who died in EDs also were excluded. The narratives were reviewed for all cases to classify, when possible, the food and nonfood substances associated with the choking episode.

Each case was assigned a sample weight based on the inverse probability of selection; these weights were added to provide national estimates of choking-related episodes. Estimates were based on weighted data for 526 children with choking-related episodes treated at NEISS-AIP hospital EDs during 2001. Confidence intervals (CIs) were calculated by using a direct variance estimation procedure that accounted for the sample weights and complex sample design. Rates were calculated by using 2001 U.S. Census Bureau population estimates.

In 2001, an estimated 17,537 (95% CI=12,319–22,755) children aged  $\leq$ 14 years were treated in EDs for choking-related episodes for a rate of 29.9 per 100,000 population (95% CI=21.0–38.8) (Table). Rates were highest for infants aged <1 year (140.4) and decreased with age. The rate for boys (32.1) was similar to that for girls (27.3).

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Notifiable Disease Morbidity and 122 Cities Mortality Data

Robert F. Fagan Deborah A. Adams Felicia J. Connor Lateka Dammond Patsy A. Hall Pearl C. Sharp TABLE. Number, percentage, and rate\* of nonfatal choking– related episodes among children aged ≤14 years, by selected characteristics — United States, National Electronic Injury Surveillance System-All Injury Program, 2001

Characteristic	No.†	%	Rate	(95% CI§)
Age (yrs)				
<1	5,341	( 30.5)	140.4	(90.1–190.7)
1	3,942	(22.5)	104.9	(59.9–150.0)
2	2,124	(12.1)	56.5	(26.7- 86.3)
3	2,104	(12.0)	55.9	(25.9- 86.0)
4	915	( 5.2)	23.9	(10.9- 37.0)
5–9	2,179	(12.4)	11.1	(5.8–16.5)
10–14	931	( 5.3)	4.6	(2.3–6.8)
Sex				
Male	9,656	(55.1)	32.1	(20.1- 44.2)
Female	7,831	(44.7)	27.3	(19.6- 35.0)
Unknown	50	( 0.3)		
Substance				
Food	10,438	(59.5)	17.8	(11.7– 23.8)
Candy/Gum	3,325	(19.0)	5.7	(3.6–7.7)
Other solid food <sup>¶</sup>	5,192	(29.6)	8.8	(5.2–12.5)
Liquid	1,328	(7.6)	2.3	( 0.9– 3.6)
Unspecified	594**	( 3.4)	1.0**	(0.1-1.9)
Nonfood	5,513	(31.4)	9.4	(5.4–13.4)
Coins	2,229	(12.7)	3.8	(1.5–6.1)
Other <sup>††</sup>	3,284	(18.7)	5.6	(3.2-8.0)
Unknown	1,586	( 9.0)	2.7	(1.2–4.2)
Total	17,537	(100.0)	29.9	(21.0- 38.8)

\* Per 100,000 population.

<sup>T</sup> Numbers might not add to total because of rounding.

§ Confidence interval.

Includes cookies, chips/crackers, popcorn, nuts/seeds, bones, bread/ sandwich, meat/fish/poultry, fruit, pasta/rice/cereal, vegetables, and other specified food.

\*\* Estimates might be unstable because the coefficient of variation is >30%.
 Includes toys, marbles, balloons, puzzle pieces, paper, pen caps, tape, screws and other hardware, keys, plastic, cellophane, plants, rocks, jewelry, hair accessories, soda can tabs, and other specified nonfood items.

Although the majority of patients were treated and released, 1,844 (10.5%; 95% CI=3.1–18.0) were hospitalized or transferred to a facility with a higher level of care.

Of the 17,537 children treated in EDs, 10,438 (59.5%; 95% CI=39.3%–79.7%) were treated for choking on a food substance, 5,513 (31.4%; 95% CI=18.0%–44.9%) on a non-food substance, and 1,586 (9.0%; 95% CI=4.1%–14.0%) on an undetermined substance. Of overall choking-related cases, 2,229 (12.7%; 95% CI=5.0%–20.4%) were associated with coins, and 3,325 (19.0%; 95% CI=12.1%–25.8%) were associated with candy/gum. Of episodes related to candy/gum, 2,153 (64.8%; 95% CI=35.5%–94.0%) were associated with hard candy, 419 (12.6%; 95% CI=3.8%–21.4%) with other specified types of candy (e.g., chocolate and gummy candy) and gum, and 752 (22.6%; 95% CI=8.2%–37.1%) with an unspecified candy.

Food and nonfood substances associated with chokingrelated episodes varied by age group. Food substances accounted for 2,355 (75.7%; 95% CI=40.3%–111.2%) choking-related episodes among children aged 5–14 years, 5,302 (58.4%; 95% CI=37.8%–78.9%) episodes among children aged 1–4 years, and 2,781 (52.1%; 95% CI=30.7%– 73.4%) episodes among infants aged <1 year. Candy/gum was associated with approximately one fourth of choking-related episodes among children aged 5–14 years (860 [27.6%; 95% CI=11.4%–43.9%]) and those aged 1–4 years (2,223 [24.5%; 95% CI=14.7%–34.2%]). Coins accounted for 1,658 (18.2%; 95% CI=5.8%–30.7%) choking-related episodes among children aged 1–4 years.

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**Editorial Note:** This report provides national estimates of nonfatal choking-related episodes in children aged  $\leq 14$  years. On the basis of national mortality data compared with estimates described in this report, for every choking-related death in this age group, an estimated 110 children were treated for choking-related episodes in U.S. hospital EDs. Children are at risk for infection in the respiratory tract and complications associated with lack of oxygen from airway obstruction, including permanent brain damage and death (4,5).

Several public health strategies can reduce the risk for choking in children, including public education, product-safety labeling, changes in product design, and the instruction of parents and caregivers in emergency preparedness for the early treatment of choking. Public education can increase the awareness of the problem, the items that present a choking hazard, the ages at which children are at highest risk, and the importance of adult supervision when young children are eating and playing. Product-safety labeling can inform consumers of potential choking dangers through age-appropriate labeling on toys and warnings on high-risk items (e.g., balloon packages and small balls). The design of some products has changed to reduce choking risks, such as eliminating small parts of toys designed for toddlers and nonfood toys packaged with food items. In addition, parents and caregivers can receive instruction on treating choking from health-care providers or take courses that teach basic lifesaving skills and first aid. Further evaluation of all of these strategies is needed to assess their effectiveness in reducing fatal and nonfatal choking-related episodes.

Parents and caregivers can reduce choking hazards in a child's environment. Special attention should be given to food and nonfood items (e.g., candy, nuts, and coins) commonly involved in choking. Younger children are particularly at risk because of their tendency to place objects in their mouths, poor chewing ability, and narrow airways compared with those of older children (1,2). Recommendations are available to guide parents and caregivers about the types of food items that are inappropriate for children aged <4 years (6,7). Removal of nonfood choking hazards also is important for infants and children aged  $\leq 4$  years because approximately one third of all choking episodes involve nonfood items.

Because complete removal of all choking hazards is unlikely, parents and caregivers should learn how to treat a child who is choking. A federal campaign has been launched to encourage parents and caregivers to learn early treatment of childhood medical emergencies, including choking (8). Early and effective treatment is crucial to prevent morbidity and mortality from childhood choking. Methods taught routinely in courses on cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or first aid can be lifesaving when instituted early by trained parents and caregivers (9). Opening the airway quickly by ejecting the foreign body can avoid potentially severe injuries. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that all parents and caregivers participate in the American Heart Association's Basic Lifesaving Course or the American Red Cross' Infant/Child CPR Course (10).

The findings in this report are subject to at least five limitations. First, the analysis included all cases in which choking was involved. It was not possible, using information obtained in NEISS-AIP, to distinguish cases in which the child choked on a substance that entered and blocked the airway from other cases in which the child choked as the result of pharyngeal irritation or an esophageal foreign body. Second, this report considered only cases treated in EDs and did not include deaths or episodes in which medical care was obtained at a physician's office or another health-care facility or was not received at all. For example, only 55% of choking children for whom emergency medical services were contacted were transported to EDs for care (1). Third, NEISS-AIP does not provide information on outcomes after discharge from EDs. Fourth, NEISS-AIP is designed to provide national estimates and does not provide state or local estimates. Finally, exposure to candy, food, and other items differs by age group and was not considered in this analysis.

Parents, caregivers, health-care providers, and the public should remain vigilant in the prevention and treatment of choking-related episodes. Additional information about choking prevention and treatment is available from CDC's Division of Unintentional Injury Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/ duip/spotlite/choking.htm.

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## Prevalence of Self-Reported Arthritis or Chronic Joint Symptoms Among Adults — United States, 2001

Arthritis and other rheumatic conditions comprise the leading cause of disability among adults in the United States (1), and the cost of this public health burden is expected to increase as the U.S. population ages (2). State-specific estimates of the prevalence of arthritis and chronic joint symptoms (CJS) are important for planning health services and programs to prevent arthritis-related disability and for tracking progress toward meeting state and national health objectives for 2010 (3). In 2001, questions about arthritis and CJS were asked of adult respondents in every state through the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). This report summarizes the results of that survey, which indicate that the estimated U.S. prevalence of arthritis/CJS was 33.0% among adults. Increased intervention efforts, including early diagnosis and appropriate clinical and self-management (e.g., physical activity, education, and maintaining appropriate weight), are needed to reduce the impact of arthritis and CJS.

BRFSS is a state-based, random-digit-dialed telephone survey of the noninstitutionalized U.S. population aged  $\geq$ 18 years. BRFSS is administered in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico (4). Respondents were classified as having CJS if they answered "yes" to two questions: "In the past 12 months, have you had pain, aching, stiffness, or swelling in or around a joint?" and "Were these symptoms present on most days for at least a month?" Respondents were considered to have physician-diagnosed arthritis if they answered "yes" to the question, "Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have arthritis?" Respondents reporting either CJS or physician-diagnosed arthritis were classified as having arthritis/CJS. Respondents who did not know, were not sure, or refused to answer were classified as not having either condition. The median response rate for 2001 was 51.4%. Data were weighted by age and sex to reflect each state's most recent adult population estimate. SUDAAN was used to calculate point estimates and 95% confidence intervals (CIs).

In 2001, the estimated prevalence of arthritis/CJS among U.S. adults was 33.0% (95% CI=32.7%-33.4%), representing approximately 69.9 million adults (Table 1), including 10.6% (22.4 million) of the adult population with physiciandiagnosed arthritis only, 10.0% (20.9 million) with CJS only, and 12.4% (26.6 million) with both. Prevalence increased with age. Women had higher prevalence than men, and non-Hispanic whites and non-Hispanic blacks had higher prevalence than Hispanics and persons of other racial/ethnic groups. Other groups with higher prevalence were persons who had not completed high school, those who were physically inactive, and those who were obese or overweight (i.e., having a body mass index  $\geq 25.0$ ). The median state prevalence was 33.1% (range: 17.8% [Hawaii]–42.6% [West Virginia]) (Table 2), with states in the central and northwestern United States having the highest prevalence (Figure). To reflect each state's burden of arthritis/CJS more accurately, state estimates were made without any adjustment; comparisons among states would require adjusting for recognized risk factors such as age, which differ among states.

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**Editorial Note:** The findings in this report provide the first direct measurements of arthritis/CJS prevalence for all states. Self-reports are required to estimate prevalence in the

TABLE 1. Estimated number and percentage of persons aged ≥18 years with arthritis/chronic joint symptoms, by selected characteristics — United States, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2001

Characteristic	No.*	%	(95% CI†)
Age group (yrs)			
18–44	20,610	19.0	(18.5–19.4)
45–64	27,112	42.1	(41.5–42.8)
<u>≥</u> 65	21,704	58.8	(58.0–59.7)
Sex			
Male	28,926	28.4	(27.9–28.9)
Female	41,008	37.3	(36.9-37.8)
Race/Ethnicity			
White, non-Hispanic	53,247	35.3	(34.9–35.7)
Black, non-Hispanic	6,330	31.5	(30.3–32.6)
Hispanic	5,796	23.3	(21.9–24.7)
Other	3,798	27.8	(26.2-29.3)
Education level			
<8 yrs	4,519	44.3	(42.0-46.6)
9–11 yrs	6,964	40.7	(39.3–42.1)
High school			
or equivalent	23,302	35.8	(35.2–36.5)
13–15 yrs	18,799	32.8	(32.2–33.5)
≥16 yrs	16,086	26.1	(25.6–26.7)
Physical activity			
Recommended§	25,924	28.9	(28.4–29.4)
Insufficient <sup>¶</sup>	24,691	32.3	(31.6–32.8)
Inactive**	14,047	44.5	(43.5–45.5)
Body Mass Index (BMI)			
BMI <18.5 (underweight)	1,153	27.2	(24.9–29.6)
BMI 18.5–24.9 (normal)	21,532	26.6	(26.1–27.1)
BMI 25.0–29.9 (overweight)	25,011	33.6	(33.0–34.2)
BMI <u>≥</u> 30 (obese)	18,879	44.6	(43.7–45.4)
Total	69,934	33.0	(32.7–33.4)

\* In thousands.

<sup>1</sup> Confidence interval.

§ Recommended activity is moderate physical activity ≥5 days per week for ≥30 minutes per day, vigorous physical activity on ≥3 days per week for ≥20 minutes per day, or both. Physical activity includes leisure-time, household, and transportation activities.

<sup>¶</sup>Insufficient activity is some activity but not enough to meet recommendations.

\*\* Inactive is no reported moderate or vigorous physical activity in leisuretime, household, or transportation activities.

population because many persons with arthritis/CJS do not see a clinician for their symptoms, and their conditions remain undiagnosed (5). Methods to capture self-reported arthritis at the national and state levels have evolved over time. An earlier definition of arthritis based on the *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Clinical Modification* (ICD-9-CM) was used to generate the previous national estimate of 43 million (6) and to develop indirect, synthetic state estimates for 1990 by using age-, race/ethnicity-, and regionspecific rates (7).

Since 1996, a different set of self-report questions, developed in part by the National Arthritis Data Workgroup and not ICD-9-CM-based, has been used in BRFSS in selected TABLE 2. Estimated number and percentage of persons aged ≥18 years with arthritis/chronic joint symptoms, by state/area — United States, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2001

State/Area	No.*	%	(95% Cl†)
Alabama	1,355	40.5	(38.4–42.6)
Alaska	129	29.1	(26.8–31.5)
Arizona	1,278	33.3	(30.9–35.6)
Arkansas	786	39.1	(37.1–41.1)
California	7,023	28.0	(26.4-29.7)
Colorado	1,001	30.8	(28.6-33.0)
Connecticut	800	30.6	(29.4-31.8)
Delaware	206	34.4	(32.4-36.4)
District of Columbia	130	28.7	(26.3-31.1)
Florida	4,232	33.7	(32.1-35.2)
Georgia	1,978	32.2	(30.4 - 33.9)
Hawaii	164	17.8	(16.3–19.3)
Idaho	336	36.3	(34.6-37.9)
Illinois	3,061	32.9	(30.6-35.2)
Indiana	1,685	37.0	(35.4–38.7)
Iowa	719	32.8	(31.0–34.5)
Kansas	686	34.4	(32.9–35.9)
Kentuckv	1.254	41.1	(39.5–42.7)
Louisiana	1.031	32.0	(30.6–33.4)
Maine	348	36.1	(34.0–38.2)
Maryland	1,190	29.6	(27.9–31.2)
Massachusetts	1,488	30.3	(29.2–31.5)
Michigan	2,867	38.7	(37.0–40.5)
Minnesota	1,251	34.3	(32.7–35.9)
Mississippi	750	36.3	(34.4–38.3)
Missouri	1,566	37.2	(35.2–39.2)
Montana	248	37.3	(35.1–39.5)
Nebraska	368	29.1	(27.5–30.8)
Nevada	520	33.8	(31.1–36.4)
New Hampshire	287	30.5	(29.0–32.1)
New Jersey	1,953	30.1	(28.6–31.6)
New Mexico	415	31.6	(29.8–33.4)
New York	4,660	32.1	(30.4–33.8)
North Carolina	2,012	32.4	(30.6–34.1)
North Dakota	148	31.3	(29.3–33.3)
Ohio	3,012	35.4	(33.5–37.3)
Oklahoma	936	36.3	(34.5-38.1)
Oregon	932	36.0	(33.9–38.0)
Pennsylvania	3,386	35.9	(34.1–37.7)
Puerto Rico	799	28.7	(27.0-30.5)
Rhode Island	282	34.9	(33.2-36.6)
South Carolina	1,009	33.5	(31.7–35.4)
South Dakota	173	31.7	(30.2-33.1)
Tennessee	1,549	35.6	(33.6-37.6)
Texas	4,571	29.9	(28.6-31.2)
Utah	471	31.9	(29.9-33.8)
Vermont	151	32.8	(31.3–34.4)
Virginia	1,771	32.6	(30.7–34.5)
Washington	1,527	34.4	(32.8–36.0)
West Virginia	593	42.6	(40.6–44.6)
Wisconsin	1,534	38.4	(36.5–40.3)
Wyoming	112	31.5	(29.7–33.2)

\* In thousands.

<sup>†</sup>Confidence interval.

FIGURE. Percentage of adults aged ≥18 years with arthritis/ chronic joint symptoms, by state/area — United States, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2001



states. The 2001 BRFSS estimate of 69.9 million persons with arthritis/CJS is considerably higher than earlier estimates, most likely because of differing case definitions, and does not indicate a substantial increase in arthritis and CJS prevalence.

The findings in this report are subject to at least five limitations. First, the estimates used self-reported data that were not confirmed by a physician. Second, the sample is drawn from the civilian, noninstitutionalized adult population and does not include military personnel and institutionalized persons. Third, BRFSS is a telephone survey and does not include persons who do not have telephone service. Fourth, the median response rate for 2001 was 51.4%; however, the distribution of demographic characteristics in the BRFSS sample was very similar to the distribution based on U.S. census data (i.e., sex, age, and race data). Finally, whereas previous estimates might have underestimated arthritis/CJS prevalence, BRFSS might overestimate prevalence because it might include persons with injuries rather than arthritis as the cause of CJS (CDC, unpublished data, 2001).

The questions used to define CJS and physician-diagnosed arthritis were modified for the 2002 BRFSS survey. As a result, these prevalence estimates might vary from the 2001 estimates. In 2002, the National Health Interview Survey began using these same case-defining questions; this change will allow better comparisons of national and state prevalence estimates.

BRFSS state-specific estimates of arthritis/CJS are important for planning and evaluating prevention programs and measuring progress toward meeting state and national health objectives for 2010. The CDC Arthritis Program funds arthritis programs in 36 states that rely on these data. These programs encourage interventions to reduce the impact of arthritis and CJS in state populations, including early detection and appropriate management of arthritis/CJS. Interventions include physical activity programs (e.g., the Arthritis Foundation's PACE [People with Arthritis Can Exercise] or Aquatics programs) and educational programs (e.g., the Arthritis Self-Help Course, which has helped persons with arthritis and CJS experience less pain and reduce the number of clinical visits they make) (8). Additional information about these programs is available at http://www.arthritis.org/events/ getinvolved/programs\_services.asp.

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### Public Health Dispatch

## Outbreak of Listeriosis — Northeastern United States, 2002

A multistate outbreak of *Listeria monocytogenes* infections with 46 culture-confirmed cases, seven deaths, and three stillbirths or miscarriages in eight states has been linked to eating sliceable turkey deli meat. Cases have been reported from Pennsylvania (14 cases), New York (11 in New York City and seven in other locations), New Jersey (five), Delaware (four), Maryland (two), Connecticut (one), Massachusetts (one), and Michigan (one). Culture dates ranged from July 18 to September 30, 2002; case-finding is ongoing. Outbreak isolates share a relatively uncommon pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) pattern. One intact food product and 25 environmental samples from a poultry processing plant have yielded *L. monocytogenes*. The isolate from the food product had a PFGE pattern different from the outbreak strain; however, two environmental isolates from floor drains shared a PFGE pattern indistinguishable from that of outbreak patient isolates, suggesting that the plant might be the source of the outbreak. The investigation to identify a definite source or sources for this outbreak is ongoing.

On the basis of these findings, the plant, operated by Pilgrim's Pride Foods and located in Franconia, Pennsylvania, recalled 27.4 million lbs. of fresh and frozen ready-to-eat turkey and chicken products on October 12, and the company voluntarily suspended operations. The products subject to this recall were produced during May 1–October 11. A list of recalled products is available at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/oa/ recalls/prelease/pr090-2002products.htm.

Eating food contaminated with *L. monocytogenes* can result in listeriosis, an uncommon but potentially fatal disease. The majority of listeriosis cases occur among pregnant women, the elderly, and persons with weakened immune systems. Illness in pregnant women can result in miscarriage, stillbirth, or severe illness or death of a newborn infant. Listeriosis begins often with influenza-like symptoms, and sometimes with diarrhea, which might occur within 1 week after eating contaminated food. Symptoms might progress to include high fever, severe headache, and neck stiffness. Additional information about listeriosis, including high-risk foods and protective measures, is available at http://www.cdc.gov/od/oc/ media/pressrel/r021015.htm.

Consumers should avoid eating recalled products and should return them to the place of purchase. The risk for developing *Listeria* infection after eating a contaminated product is low. If a person has eaten a recalled product and does not have any symptoms, no tests or treatment are needed, even if the person is in a high-risk group. However, persons who become ill with fever or have signs of serious illness suggestive of listeriosis within 1 month after eating sliced deli turkey meat should consult a health-care provider and provide information about this exposure. Physicians and clinical laboratories should report cases of listeriosis immediately to state health departments, and public health laboratories should expedite processing of *L. monocytogenes* samples.

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# West Nile Virus Activity — United States, October 17–23, 2002

This report summarizes West Nile virus (WNV) surveillance data reported to CDC through ArboNET and by states and other jurisdictions as of 7 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time, October 23, 2002.

During October 17–23, a total of 244 laboratory-positive human cases of WNV-associated illness were reported from Ohio (n=37), Illinois (n=30), Michigan (n=30), Texas (n=30), the District of Columbia (n=14), Louisiana (n=11), Arkansas (n=10), Missouri (n=10), Kentucky (n=nine), Wisconsin (n=nine), New York (n=eight), Mississippi (n=seven), Minnesota (n=six), Iowa (n=five), Tennessee (n=five), Maryland (n=four), Oklahoma (n=four), Alabama (n=two), Connecticut (n=two), Georgia (n=two), Massachusetts (n=two), New Jersey (n=two), North Dakota (n=two), Delaware (n=one), Florida (n=one), and Virginia (n=one). During this reporting period, Delaware reported its first human cases of WNV infection. During the same period, WNV infections were reported in 285 dead crows and 308 other dead birds. A total of 634 veterinary cases (630 equine and four other species) and 183 WNV-positive mosquito pools were reported.

During 2002, a total of 3,296 human cases with laboratory evidence of recent WNV infection have been reported from Illinois (n=705), Michigan (n=463), Ohio (n=378), Louisiana (n=310), Indiana (n=204), Mississippi (n=178), Missouri (n=159), Texas (n=137), Nebraska (n=114), New York (n=71), Kentucky (n=59), Tennessee (n=49), Pennsylvania (n=47), Iowa (n=44), Alabama (n=41), Minnesota (n=39), South Dakota (n=37), Wisconsin (n=37), the District of Columbia (n=27), Georgia (n=25), Virginia (n=24), Maryland (n=23), Massachusetts (n=21), Arkansas (n=21), North Dakota (n=17), Connecticut (n=14), Florida (n=13), New Jersey (n=10), Oklahoma (n=eight), Kansas (n=six), Colorado (n=five), North Carolina (n=two), West Virginia (n=two), California (n=one), Delaware (n=one), Rhode Island (n=one), South Carolina (n=one), Vermont (n=one), and Wyoming (n=one) (Figure). Among the 2,885 patients for whom data were available, the median age was 56 years (range: 1 month-99 years); 1,545 (54%) were male, and the dates of illness onset ranged from June 10 to October 13. A total of 165 human deaths have been reported. The median age of decedents was 79 years (range: 27-99 years); 99 (60%) deaths were among men. In addition, 6,574 dead crows and 4,919 other dead birds with WNV infection were reported from 42 states and the District of Columbia; 7,061 WNV infections in mammals (7,048 equines, three canines, and 10 other species) have been reported from 35 states (Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa,



FIGURE. Areas reporting West Nile virus (WNV) activity — United States, 2002\*

\* As of 7 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time, October 23, 2002. <sup>†</sup>California has reported human WNV activity only.

Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming). During 2002, WNV seroconversions have been reported in 365 sentinel chicken flocks from Florida, Iowa, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Texas, and New York City; 4,617 WNV-positive mosquito pools have been reported from 26 states (Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Vermont, and Virginia), New York City, and the District of Columbia.

Additional information about WNV activity is available from CDC at http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/ index.htm and http://www.cindi.usgs.gov/hazard/event/ west\_nile/west\_nile.html.

## Notice to Readers

## 25th Anniversary of the Last Case of Naturally Acquired Smallpox

On October 26, 1977, the last case of naturally acquired smallpox occurred in the Merca District of Somalia. In May 1980, the World Health Assembly certified the world free of naturally occurring smallpox. The eradication of a disease was an unprecedented accomplishment. Eradication efforts for both paralytic poliomyelitis and dracunculiasis (i.e., guinea worm disease) are ongoing. Beyond the benefit to the world population's health and economy, smallpox eradication demonstrated the benefits of international commitment and cooperation toward a common cause in public health. Improvements made in international vaccination programs, global disease surveillance, and public health logistics systems that were results of the smallpox eradication program continue today (1).

Although smallpox was eradicated in 1977, the risk for importation of disease into the United States had greatly decreased before that time. As a result, the United States discontinued routine smallpox vaccinations for the general population in 1971, and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommended against routine vaccination of health-care workers in 1976. The last case of smallpox in the United States occurred in 1949. An *MMWR* report in 1997 commemorating the 20th anniversary of the eradication of smallpox noted that smallpox vaccine and its eradication of smallpox disease were on the list of things that need be done only once in the history of the world (*I*).

The U.S. public health system is preparing for the potential use of smallpox (variola) virus as a bioterrorism agent. Although preparedness efforts have been ongoing since at least 1999 and a strategic plan for preparedness and response against biologic and chemical terrorism was published in April 2000 (2), the terrorist attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001, prompted extensive review of policies and procedures about potential acts of bioterrorism, especially the intentional release of smallpox virus. To enhance preparedness, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has contracted for production of enough smallpox vaccine for the entire U.S. population if vaccination becomes necessary, developed a plan for responding to a smallpox attack (http://www.bt.cdc.gov/agent/smallpox/response-plan/ index.asp), and is reviewing whether increased vaccination before an attack is warranted and how such a vaccination program would be implemented. A final U.S. policy on smallpox vaccination is pending. Additional information on smallpox is available at http://www.bt.cdc.gov/agent/smallpox/index.asp.

### References

2. CDC. Biological and chemical terrorism: strategic plan for preparedness and response. MMWR 2000;49(No. RR-4).

<sup>1.</sup> CDC. Smallpox surveillance-worldwide. MMWR 1997;46:990-4.

### FIGURE I. Selected notifiable disease reports, United States, comparison of provisional 4-week totals ending October 19, 2002, with historical data



\* No measles cases were reported for the current 4-week period yielding a ratio for week 42 of zero (0). † Ratio of current 4-week total to mean of 15 4-week totals (from previous, comparable, and subsequent 4-week periods for the past 5 years). The point where the hatched area begins is based on the mean and two standard deviations of these 4-week totals.

#### TABLE I. Summary of provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, cumulative, week ending October 19, 2002 (42nd Week)\*

		Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001		Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001
Anthrax		2	10	Encephalitis: West Nile <sup>†</sup>	1,083	50
Botulism:	foodborne	12	33	Hansen disease (leprosy) <sup>†</sup>	61	57
	infant	44	79	Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome <sup>†</sup>	11	7
	other (wound & unspecified)	20	13	Hemolytic uremic syndrome, postdiarrheal <sup>†</sup>	159	147
Brucellosis <sup>†</sup>		64	106	HIV infection, pediatric <sup>†§</sup>	137	147
Chancroid		57	30	Plague	-	2
Cholera		4	4	Poliomyelitis, paralytic	-	-
Cyclosporiasis <sup>†</sup>		161	130	Psittacosis <sup>†</sup>	17	13
Diphtheria		1	2	Q fever <sup>†</sup>	35	22
Ehrlichiosis:	human granulocytic (HGE) <sup>†</sup>	266	188	Rabies, human	2	1
	human monocytic (HME) <sup>†</sup>	146	98	Streptococcal toxic-shock syndrome <sup>†</sup>	64	63
	other and unspecified	7	5	Tetanus	18	26
Encephalitis:	California serogroup viral <sup>†</sup>	97	89	Toxic-shock syndrome	91	95
	eastern equine <sup>†</sup>	2	8	Trichinosis	12	20
	Powassan <sup>†</sup>	-	-	Tularemia <sup>†</sup>	54	117
	St. Louis <sup>†</sup>	4	75	Yellow fever	1	-
	western equine <sup>†</sup>	4	-			

-: No reported cases.

\* Incidence data for reporting year 2001 and 2002 are provisional and cumulative (year-to-date).

<sup>†</sup>Not notifiable in all states.

<sup>§</sup> Updated monthly from reports to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention — Surveillance and Epidemiology, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP). Last update September 29, 2002.

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<u> </u>							Escherichia coli, Enterohemorrhagic			ic
	AID	s	Chlar	nydia⁺	Cryptos	poridiosis	O157	7:H7	Shiga Toxi Serogroup	n Positive, non-O157
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002§	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001
UNITED STATES	31,555	30,610	614,558	621,284	2,255	3,172	2,843	2,619	135	119
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	1,236 27 25 12 629 82 461	1,116 36 27 13 595 76 369	21,283 1,365 1,282 754 8,689 2,197 6,996	19,320 1,077 1,120 492 8,210 2,379 6,042	152 10 26 29 53 19 15	123 16 10 30 47 4 16	232 33 28 11 105 13 42	217 25 29 13 107 11 32	29 5 1 9 - 14	35 1 3 1 9 1 20
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	7,170 482 4,225 1,117 1,346	7,965 1,079 4,361 1,345 1,180	68,845 13,634 22,708 10,158 22,345	66,883 10,821 24,142 10,810 21,110	270 107 112 9 42	283 82 105 14 82	194 148 12 34 N	199 126 15 58 N	- - - -	- - - -
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	3,291 663 422 1,556 500 150	2,223 424 264 989 411 135	104,637 23,909 13,097 28,665 26,064 12,902	115,151 30,415 12,541 34,769 24,186 13,240	691 110 36 78 91 376	1,436 148 71 465 162 590	707 135 55 145 121 251	674 153 73 160 82 206	14 12 - 2 -	10 8 - 2 -
W.N.CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	507 113 67 229 1 4 44 49	636 105 73 302 2 22 61 71	33,572 7,583 4,086 11,960 740 1,764 2,362 5,077	31,583 6,627 4,011 11,323 821 1,403 2,594 4,804	348 187 39 32 6 27 43 14	441 137 74 41 12 6 168 3	424 149 106 58 3 35 44 29	433 174 72 54 18 37 58 20	30 25 - - 2 3 -	33 27 N 2 3 1
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W.Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	9,368 155 1,412 453 612 72 782 649 1,356 3,877	9,405 202 1,494 639 763 59 699 565 1,027 3,957	117,190 2,149 13,121 2,576 12,760 1,960 19,908 9,570 23,482 31,664	120,043 2,283 12,266 2,615 14,680 1,905 17,684 12,754 25,869 29,987	280 3 20 4 13 2 31 6 121 80	314 6 32 11 22 2 24 7 141 69	249 7 23 - 5 5 7 38 5 51 63	199 4 27 47 10 41 14 30 26	39 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	22 1 - 2 - - 9 10
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	1,469 253 620 298 298	1,401 278 438 347 338	38,417 7,183 12,994 10,213 8,027	40,107 7,205 11,851 11,220 9,831	105 6 51 42 6	41 4 12 13 12	90 28 38 17 7	120 60 35 16 9	- - - -	- - - -
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	3,336 190 815 156 2,175	3,087 156 652 187 2,092	87,371 5,903 15,762 8,875 56,831	86,471 6,090 14,932 8,316 57,133	34 7 5 17 5	112 6 7 12 87	57 10 2 20 25	167 14 7 26 120	- - - -	- - - -
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	1,043 9 24 8 212 65 444 53 228	1,068 14 17 3 244 107 417 87 179	37,603 1,719 2,017 749 11,194 5,123 11,944 2,001 2,856	37,277 1,528 1,549 659 10,539 5,050 11,768 1,998 4,186	136 4 27 9 50 18 12 12 4	187 28 20 6 38 21 7 62 5	307 26 43 13 82 9 33 75 26	239 16 54 82 13 21 30 15	17 8 2 3 3 1 -	13 2 2 6 3 -
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	4,134 386 260 3,379 22 87	3,709 385 154 3,098 17 55	105,640 11,794 5,460 81,991 2,890 3,505	104,449 10,940 5,854 82,260 2,148 3,247	239 43 33 161 - 2	235 U 46 185 1 3	583 138 200 202 6 37	371 102 63 185 4 17	6 - 6 - -	6 - 6 - -
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	2 915 67 U 2	9 932 2 U U	1,909 125 U 138	331 2,123 125 U U	- - U -	- - - U U	N - - - -	N 2 - U U	- - - U	- - U U

 TABLE II. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending October 19, 2002, and October 20, 2001

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

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 \* Chlamydia refers to genital infections caused by *C. trachomatis.* Septembor 29, 2002.
 The Importance and Epidemiology, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention. Last update

(42nd Week)*			1				11			
	Escherichia coli					Invasive				
	Enterohei Shiga Toxi	<i>morrhagic</i> in Positive,	-			All	Ages,	Age <5 Serot	Years	
Departing Area	Cum.	Cum.	Giardiasis Cum.	Gono Cum.	rrhea Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	
HEPOTTING AREA	31	15	13 306	259 539	287 140	1 2002	1 177	19	2001	
	51	15	1.054	239,339	207,140	1,209	1,177	19	20	
Maine	-	-	1,354	5,943	5,469	1	2	-	-	
N.H.	-	-	33	106	150	8	4	-	-	
Vt.	-	1	113	81	53	7	3	-	-	
R I	-	-	129	2,633	2,529	45 10	39	-	-	
Conn.	-	-	228	2,286	1,966	15	36	-	-	
MID. ATLANTIC	-	2	2,863	31,501	33,103	217	172	3	3	
Upstate N.Y.	-	-	972	6,986	6,724	98	56	2	-	
N.Y. City	-	-	1,068	9,440 5,608	10,136	53	43	-	-	
Pa.	-	2	540	9,467	10,626	21	33	1	3	
E N CENTRAI	11	5	2 512	50 800	60 459	178	222	3	2	
Ohio	10	5	762	13,288	17,005	67	57	-	1	
Ind.	-	-	-	5,649	5,498	36	43	1	-	
III. Mich	- 1	-	575 716	15,380 11 806	19,312	57 11	79 12	- 2	-	
Wis.	-	-	459	4,677	4,858	7	31	-	1	
W.N. CENTRAL	-	3	1.611	13,122	13,459	53	58	1	1	
Minn.	-	-	637	2,332	2,111	39	32	1	-	
lowa	-	-	256	944	1,055	1	-	-	-	
M0. N Dak	N -	N 3	388	6,817 42	6,978 37	10	16 7	-	-	
S. Dak.	-	-	61	212	226	-	-	-	-	
Nebr.	-	-	122	711	933	-	2	-	1	
Kans.	-	-	136	2,064	2,119	3	1	-	-	
S. ATLANTIC	1	-	2,309	66,844	74,761	312	291	4	1	
Del. Md.	-	-	42 101	7.038	7.298	71	72	2	-	
D.C.	-	-	32	2,126	2,335	-	-	-	-	
Va.	-	-	223	7,592	8,632	28	25	-	-	
w.va. N C	1	-	46	12 926	541 13 999	15 30	14 42	-	1	
S.C.	-	-	114	5,828	9,136	12	4	-	-	
Ga.	-	-	712	12,915	14,286	79	75	-	-	
Fla.	-	-	1,039	16,347	17,162	11	59	2	-	
E.S. CENTRAL	8	3	306	22,060	25,873	55	63	1	-	
Tenn.	o -	-	142	7,590	2,073	28	33	-	-	
Ala.	-	-	164	6,609	8,574	16	26	1	-	
Miss.	-	-	-	4,794	6,440	7	2	-	-	
W.S. CENTRAL	-	-	193	39,190	42,545	54	45	2	1	
Ark. La	-	-	135	3,715	3,758	2	9	-	-	
Okla.	-	-	55	3,825	3,788	40	35	-	-	
Tex.	-	-	-	21,898	24,730	5	1	2	1	
MOUNTAIN	11	1	1,331	7,963	8,453	143	126	2	7	
Mont. Idaho	-	-	76	77 74	86 61	- 2	-	-	-	
Wvo.	-	_	26	51	65	1	1	-	-	
Colo.	11	1	440	2,739	2,552	27	34	-	-	
N. Mex.	-	-	131	1,047	805	23	21	-	1	
Utah	-	-	265	2,939	152	16	6	-	-	
Nev.	-	-	121	835	1,540	10	11	1	2	
PACIFIC	-	-	827	22,116	23,018	111	113	3	4	
Wash.	-	-	319	2,302	2,424	3	3	2	-	
Oreg. Calif	-	-	348	695 18 089	925 18 834	53 22	32 51	- 1	-	
Alaska	-	-	86	486	340	1	6	-	-	
Hawaii	-	-	74	544	495	32	21	-	-	
Guam	-	-	-	-	43	-	-	-	-	
P.R.	-	-	33	285	480	1	1	-	-	
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TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending October 19, 2002, and October 20, 2001

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. - : No reported cases. \* Incidence data for reporting year 2001 and 2002 are provisional and cumulative (year-to-date).

	На	emophilus in	<i>fluenzae</i> , Inva	sive							
	Age <5 Years					Hepatitis (Viral, Acute), By Type					
	Non-Ser	Non-Serotype B		Serotype		A		В	C; Non-	A, Non-B	
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	
UNITED STATES	194	193	15	24	6,809	8,094	5,321	5,784	12,162	3,247	
NEW ENGLAND	10	15	-	-	249	549	201	112	21	31	
Maine	-	-	-	-	8	10	8	5	-	-	
Vt.	-	-	-	-	1	12	4	5	12	6	
Mass.	7	7	-	-	112	260	111	23	9	25	
R.I. Conn	- 3	- 7	-	-	30 87	46	24	25	-	-	
	07	05	-	-	07	1 000	1 102	1 107	1 071	1 001	
Upstate N.Y.	27 11	25 7	-	3	156	205	1,193	1,107	56	25	
N.Y. City	8	7	-	-	398	361	594	518	-	-	
N.J.	5	4	-	-	115	245	310	237	1,288	1,000	
Pa.	3	7	-	2	182	221	179	251	27	56	
E.N. CENTRAL	28	34	1	2	889	1,000	493	765	85	146	
Ind.	7	6	-	1	41	88	38	43	-	1	
III.	11	13	-	-	243	379	106	122	13	11	
Mich.	1	-	-	1	194	280	266	475	65	126	
WIS.	1	6	-	-	135	66	-	37		-	
W.N. CENTRAL	4	3	3	6	262	323	181	175	685	952	
lowa	-	-	-	-	69	29	12	20	1	-	
Mo.	-	-	2	4	74	71	99	99	670	931	
N. Dak.	-	1	-	-	1	3	4	1	-	-	
S. Dak. Nebr	-	-	-	-	3 17	2	2	1 24	1	- 5	
Kans.	-	-	-	-	61	153	19	11	4	7	
S. ATLANTIC	45	40	2	6	2.027	1.820	1.381	1.188	146	83	
Del.	-	-	_	-	11	14	7	24	5	10	
Md.	4	7	-	1	255	203	102	116	7	7	
D.C.	-	-	-	-	65	43	18	11	- 10	-	
W.Va.	1	1	1	1	17	18	18	20	3	9	
N.C.	3	2	-	4	192	173	194	173	22	18	
S.C.	2	1	-	-	55	65	102	26	4	6	
Ga. Fla.	14	8	- 1	-	385 927	798 396	438	346	29 66	33	
E S CENTRAI	11	12	1	з	219	332	286	388	164	177	
Ky.	1	-	-	1	41	116	45	47	3	9	
Ténn.	6	6	-	1	100	123	109	193	25	60	
Ala. Miaa	3	5	1	1	32	68	62	75	5	4	
IVII55.	1	-	-	-	40	25	70	73	131	104	
W.S. CENTRAL	12	/	-	-	435	/33	433	664 79	9,546	619 10	
La.	2	2	-	-	41	78	70	106	37	131	
Okla.	7	5	-	-	48	102	43	84	5	4	
Tex.	2	-	-	-	307	491	244	395	9,497	474	
MOUNTAIN	34	21	7	1	484	609	506	386	55	47	
Mont.	- 1	-	-	-	13	10 51	9	3	1	1	
Wvo.	-	-	-	-	3	7	17	2	5	5	
Colo.	2	2	-	-	72	77	66	83	17	7	
N. Mex.	6	9	1	1	25	34	122	108	1	11	
Anz. Utah	10	2	5	-	200 51	59	192	21	4	3	
Nev.	4	-	1	-	40	59	47	41	23	9	
PACIFIC	23	36	1	3	1.393	1.696	647	999	89	111	
Wash.	1	2	-	ī	137	120	56	117	17	19	
Oreg.	5	5	-	-	56	90	104	135	16	13	
Jani. Alaska	13	<i>∠1</i> 1	-	-	1,189 Q	1,450	4/8 2	721 Q	00	/9	
Hawaii	3	i	-	1	2	16	6	17	-	-	
Guam	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
P.R.	-	1	-	-	87	179	75	223	-	1	
V.I. Amor Somos	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	U -	U	-	U	-	U	37	U	-	U	

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(42nd Week)*									Mea	sles
	Legior	nellosis	Liste	riosis	Lyme	Disease	Ma	laria	То	tal
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001
UNITED STATES	845	870	450	488	12,902	12,627	1,028	1,227	22†	106 <sup>§</sup>
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	77 2 4 31 27 2 11	58 7 9 5 19 9	49 5 4 3 25 1 11	45 1 2 23 1 14	3,806 53 211 27 1,118 306 2,091	3,644 73 16 1,067 436 2,052	51 5 7 4 16 5 14	80 4 2 1 43 7 23		5 - 1 3 - 1
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	225 76 44 21 84	203 55 40 20 88	130 51 28 27 24	90 24 21 16 29	7,506 4,247 134 1,155 1,970	6,882 2,817 61 1,912 2,092	243 36 155 28 24	374 54 224 55 41	7 1 6 -	19 4 6 1 8
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	204 92 17 - 67 28	242 100 17 24 61 40	50 22 6 1 16 5	77 12 8 23 22 12	71 53 18 - - U	676 33 22 30 5 586	115 20 11 28 44 12	151 22 16 62 33 18	3 1 2 - -	10 3 4 3 -
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	44 11 11 - 2 9	44 9 8 18 1 3 4 1	14 3 1 6 1 1 1 1	15 - 2 8 - - 1 4	217 137 32 36 - 1 5 6	342 279 27 30 - - 4 2	52 16 4 14 1 5 11	32 6 12 - 2 6	3 1 - 2 - - -	4 2 - - - -
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	166 7 34 5 20 N 11 6 14 69	147 11 30 7 20 N 7 10 11 51	67 	62 2 11 5 4 5 11 13	1,098 143 581 20 132 16 116 20 2 68	847 146 517 10 110 11 35 5 - 13	307 3 98 17 30 3 20 7 69 60	246 2 101 13 44 1 13 6 40 26	2 2	5 - - - - - 1 -
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	29 11 11 7	53 12 25 12 4	15 2 9 4	21 7 8 6	39 20 18 1	59 22 22 8 7	20 8 3 4 5	34 13 11 6 4	- - - -	2 2 - -
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	8 - 1 3 4	21 6 3 12	12 - - 7 5	31 1 - 2 28	18 3 2 - 13	78 - 7 - 71	14 2 4 8	75 3 6 3 63	2 - - 2	1 - - 1
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	37 3 1 6 2 8 12 4	46 3 2 13 3 15 6 4	27 2 6 3 12 3 1	32 - 1 9 7 6 2 6	18 - 4 1 3 1 2 6 1	10 - 5 1 - - 1 3	41 2 - 21 3 7 5 3	48 2 3 - 21 3 8 3 8 3 8	1 - - - - - 1	2 - - - - 1 -
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	55 5 N 49 - 1	56 8 N 42 1 5	86 8 62 - 8	115 7 11 91 - 6	129 10 15 101 3 N	89 7 9 71 2 N	185 21 9 146 2 7	187 9 13 153 1 1	4 - 3 - 1	58 15 3 33 - 7
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- - U -	2 - U U	- 1 - U -	- - - U U	N U	- N - U U	- - U -	1 5 U U	- - U -	- 1 - U U

TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending October 19, 2002, and October 20, 2001

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. -: No reported cases. \* Incidence data for reporting year 2001 and 2002 are provisional and cumulative (year-to-date). t Of 22 cases reported, 10 were indigenous and 12 were imported from another country. 9 Of 106 cases reported, 53 were indigenous and 53 were imported from another country.

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<u>.</u>	Meningococcal Disease		Mu	mps	Perl	ussis	Rabies, Animal	
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001
UNITED STATES	1,367	1,900	218	198	6,083	4,347	4,935	5,926
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt.	81 7 11 4	89 4 11 5	7 - 4 -	1 - -	502 12 17 101	404 21 15 32	771 53 41 86	615 58 19 56
Mass. R.I. Conn.	41 5 13	48 4 17	2 - 1	1 - -	334 13 25	314 5 17	241 68 282	225 56 201
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	129 38 21 25 45	214 55 38 35 86	24 6 2 - 16	24 3 12 3 6	364 265 13 3 83	287 121 46 18 102	944 597 10 157 180	1,102 673 31 163 235
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	182 69 29 36 36 12	296 75 34 76 65 46	29 12 2 7 7 1	24 1 2 16 3 2	729 365 103 117 45 99	702 253 74 75 128 172	140 36 31 30 43	131 42 2 24 45 18
W.N.CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N.Dak. S.Dak. S.Dak. Nebr. Kans	124 30 18 42 - 2 25 7	128 18 26 45 6 5 14 14	15 3 1 5 1 - 5	7 3 - - 1 3	620 318 129 116 6 6 45	250 105 25 87 4 4 5 20	336 36 65 47 12 65 -	320 42 74 38 33 46 4 83
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va.	246 7 8 - 36 4	292 3 38 - 35 12	24 - 5 - 3	34 - 5 - 6	360 3 56 2 124 31	208 - 35 1 35 2	1,981 24 199 418 156	2,054 30 423 - 389 121
N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	30 26 29 106	60 29 43 72	2 2 4 8	5 5 8 5	38 41 18 47	63 31 20 21	603 121 303 157	487 96 347 161
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	78 12 33 20 13	120 20 54 30 16	11 3 2 3 3	7 1 1 - 5	215 82 95 31 7	134 40 56 34 4	142 25 94 23	192 25 106 57 4
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	167 23 29 19 96	281 20 67 26 168	16 - 1 - 15	11 - 2 - 9	1,419 443 7 66 903	461 50 8 23 380	106 3 - 103	949 - 7 57 885
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz.	74 2 3 - 21 4 23	83 4 7 5 31 10 13	17 - 2 - 2 1 1	14 1 1 3 2 1	776 5 62 10 309 151 106	1,172 30 169 1 260 127 496	264 16 36 18 59 7 108	236 31 28 28 - 15 119
PACIFIC	17 286	6 397	5 75	4 76	90 43 1,098	74 15 729	8 251	14 1 327
Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	54 39 182 4 7	57 50 276 2 12	N 61 - 14	1 N 37 1 37	368 172 537 4 17	130 46 513 9 31	13 214 24	4 285 38
Guam P.R. V.I.	5	- 5 -	-	- 1 -	2	- -	49	76
Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	U	U U	U	U U	U 1	U U	U	U U

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				R	ubella			
	Rocky N Spotter	lountain d Fever	Ruk	pella	Conge Rube	enital ella	Salmon	ellosis
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001
UNITED STATES	839	488	13	21	2	-	32,225	32,203
NEW ENGLAND	3	3	-	-	-	-	1,797	2,036
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-	121	158
N.H.	-	1	-	-	-	-	115	147
VI. Mass	-	- 2	-	-	-	-	67 992	1 168
R.I.	3	-	-	-	-	-	136	110
Conn.	-	-	-	-	-	-	366	382
MID. ATLANTIC	37	28	1	8	-	-	3,936	4,282
Upstate N.Y.	7	2	1	1	-	-	1,256	985
N.Y. City	8	2	-	6 1	-	-	1,109	1,084
Pa.	12	17	-	-	-	-	971	1,186
	15	16	1	2	_	_	1 377	1 206
Ohio	10	2	-	-	-	-	1.188	1.118
Ind.	2	1	-	-	-	-	392	444
III.	-	12	-	2	-	-	1,354	1,201
Wich. Wis	3	1	1	-	-	-	732	730 713
	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.100	715
W.N. CENTRAL Minn	96	64	-	3	-	-	2,132	1,894
lowa	3	2	-	1	-	-	421	287
Mo.	88	59	-	1	-	-	732	495
N. Dak.	-	1	-	-	-	-	25	54
S. Dak. Nebr	1	2	-	-	-	-	95 126	139
Kans.	-	-	-	1	-	-	255	258
S ATI ANTIC	420	234	5	5	_		8 747	7 323
Del.	420	10	-	-	-	-	71	83
Md.	47	36	-	1	-	-	783	660
D.C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	62	72
va. W Va	33	- 22	-	-	-	-	897	1,123
N.C.	238	126	-	-	-	-	1,195	1,055
S.C.	63	27	-	2	-	-	661	677
Ga.	21	9	-	-	-	-	1,538	1,419
гіа. 	12	4	5	2	-	-	3,429	2,122
E.S. CENTRAL	92	95	-	-	1	-	2,485	2,248
ry. Tenn	68	67	-	-	- 1	-	639	532
Ala.	16	13	-	-	-	-	676	597
Miss.	3	13	-	-	-	-	868	799
W.S. CENTRAL	157	36	2	1	-	-	2,608	4,165
Ark.	96	5	-	-	-	-	831	764
La. Okla	- 61	2	-	-	-	-	540 414	739
Tex.	-	-	2	1	-	-	823	2.263
ΜΟΙ ΙΝΤΔΙΝ	13	11	1		_		1 813	1 792
Mont.	1	1	-	-	-	-	77	60
Idaho	-	1	-	-	-	-	117	115
Wyo.	4	2	-	-	-	-	59	55
N Mex	2 1	∠ 1	-	-	-	-	475	497 235
Ariz.	-	-	-	-	-	-	492	495
Utah	-	3	1	-	-	-	171	190
Nev.	5	1	-	-	-	-	159	145
PACIFIC	6	1	3	2	1	-	4,330	4,257
wash. Oreg	- 0	- 1	-	-	-	-	421	428
Calif.	2 4	-	3	- 1	-	-	3,321	3,256
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	35
Hawaii	-	-	-	1	1	-	234	304
Guam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
P.R.	-	-	-	3	-	-	171	760
v.i. Amer. Samoa	-	-	- U	- U	-	- U	- U	- U
C.N.M.I.	-	Ŭ	-	Ŭ	-	Ŭ	25	Ŭ

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(	Shig	ellosis	Streptococ Invasive	cal Disease, , Group A	Streptococcu Drug Resist	<i>s pneumoniae,</i> ant, Invasive	Streptococcus pneumoniae, Invasive (<5 Years)	
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001
UNITED STATES	14,177	15,418	3,380	3,038	1,903	2,169	197	346
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn. MID.ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y.	274 9 11 167 16 70 1,073 240	263 6 6 7 185 17 42 1,251 416 250	160 20 31 9 85 15 - 550 256 250	190 10 N 13 57 12 98 556 225	18 - 5 N 13 - 91 79	105 7 N 4 94 139 133	2 - N 1 - 55 55	37 N 1 N 3 33 90 90
N.J. Pa.	305 184	243 242	116 48	113 66	N 12	N 6	N -	N -
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	1,463 550 82 556 142 133	3,695 2,471 183 507 264 270	589 185 46 105 253	685 171 56 220 187 51	184 43 136 2 3 N	153 - 153 - N	84 11 48 - N 25	100 47 53 N
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	839 181 103 148 15 150 166 76	1,486 355 331 268 20 372 76 64	201 103 - 41 - 12 16 29	319 143 - 67 17 11 34 47	295 180 N 5 1 1 29 79	130 58 N 9 6 3 19 35	42 42 N - - N N	53 44 N - 9 - N N
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	5,200 205 942 48 750 9 335 99 1,245 1,567	2,100 14 128 51 280 8 290 223 351 755	712 2 117 6 67 18 110 34 148 210	499 4 N 21 67 18 125 9 161 94	1,098 3 N 48 N 37 N 161 263 586	1,154 6 N 5 N 37 N 235 348 523	5 N 1 V 4 U N N N	5 N N 3 N 2 U N N
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	1,113 130 78 618 287	1,398 643 84 184 487	91 18 73 -	96 34 62 -	116 14 102 -	206 24 181 1	N N N	N N N
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	1,220 163 320 472 265	2,410 503 204 58 1,645	107 5 - 39 63	279 - 1 37 241	63 6 57 N N	244 14 230 N N	5 - 2 3 -	61 61 -
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	716 3 14 8 148 166 307 29 41	793 4 33 7 212 107 313 49 68	475 9 7 122 91 217 29	344 7 11 131 71 121 3	38 N 9 - 29	34 N 5 - 27 - 2	4 N - - N 4 -	N - N -
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	2,279 136 93 1,990 6 54	2,022 171 93 1,699 6 53	495 65 N 357 - 73	70 N - 70	N N	4 - N - 4	N N N	N N N
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- 7 - U 17	37 16 - U U	N U	1 N - U U			N U	- N - U U

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(42nd Week)*		Svr	hilis			Typhoid			
	Primary &	Secondary	Cong	genital	 Tuber	culosis	Fever		
Reporting Area	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	Cum. 2002	Cum. 2001	
UNITED STATES 5,037 4,815			274	404	9,366	10,995	211	294	
NEW ENGLAND	116	49	-	4	295	368	15	15	
Maine N H	2	- 1	-	-	10 10	15 13	-	1	
Vt.	, 1	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	
Mass.	79	27	-	3	168	192	9	9	
Conn.	21	10	-	1	77	93	6	3	
MID. ATLANTIC	558	418	51	64	1,681	1,842	47	99	
Upstate N.Y.	26	15	6 21	4	228	284	9	15	
N.J.	119	103	23	30	401	405	11	36	
Pa.	75	74	1	-	184	236	4	7	
E.N. CENTRAL	874	836 67	41	55	980 163	1,128	18	32	
Ind.	57	134	-	8	97	80	2	2	
III.	263	296	26	36	475	528	1	17	
Mich. Wis.	409 21	316 23	13	5 4	204 41	233 63	4 5	5 4	
W.N. CENTRAL	80	83	-	9	435	427	8	14	
Minn.	38	30	-	2	186	176	3	6	
Iowa Mo.	22	4 23	-	- 5	24 110	34 109	- 1	- 8	
N. Dak.			-	-	1	3	-	-	
S. Dak.	- 3	- 7	-	-	9	12	-	-	
Kans.	15	19	-	2	85	64	-	-	
S. ATLANTIC	1,333	1,648	62	99	1,881	2,012	36	38	
Del. Md	10 155	11 210	- 13	-	13	15 181	- 7	1	
D.C.	48	33	1	2	-	51	-	-	
Va.	52	87	1	4	145	198	2	11	
N.C.	237	379	18	12	285	20 274	- 1	2	
S.C.	106	201	7	20	141	150	-	-	
Ga. Fla.	283 440	315 409	8 14	22 35	315 729	369 748	8 18	9 5	
E.S. CENTRAL	384	521	17	27	590	673	4	1	
Ky.	78	39	3	-	106	102	4	-	
Ienn. Ala.	139 133	266 97	4	16 5	235 169	245 220	-	1	
Miss.	34	119	3	6	80	106	-	-	
W.S. CENTRAL	690	597	62	66	1,339	1,671	4	17	
Ark. La.	32 127	31 138	2	6	106	123	-	-	
Okla.	51	52	3	5	115	122	-		
lex.	480	376	57	55	1,118	1,326	4	17	
MOUN IAIN Mont	224	1//	12	27	275	432	10	8	
Idaho	2	1	-	-	9	7	-	-	
Wyo. Colo	-	1 20	- 1	- 1	3	3 107	- 5	- 1	
N. Mex.	26	15	-	2	21	45	1	-	
Ariz.	150	125	11	24	150	169	-	1	
Nev.	7	7	-	-	14	65	2	4	
PACIFIC	778	486	29	53	1,890	2,442	69	70	
Wash.	50	41	1	-	180	193	4	4	
Calif.	703	421	26	53	1.467	2.009	∠ 59	56	
Alaska	-		-	-	40	40		1	
Hawaii	8	11	1	-	117	116	4	2	
Guam P.R.	- 212	7 216	- 15	1 13	- 33	47 95	-	2	
V.I.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Amer. Samoa	U 15	U	U	U	U 32	U	U	U	

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TABLE III. Deating III 122 0.0. Cities, week change october 13, 2002 (42110 week)	TABLE III.	Deaths in	122 U.S.	cities,*	week ending	October	19, 2002	(42nd Week)
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	All Causes, By Age (Years)						All Causes, By Age (Years)								
Reporting Area	All Ages	<u>≥</u> 65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	P&l⁺ Total	Reporting Area	All Ages	<u>≥</u> 65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	P&l⁺ Total
NEW ENGLAND	431	327	61	26	10	7	43	S. ATLANTIC	1,279	792	293	118	. 40	. 36	63
Boston, Mass.	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Atlanta, Ga.	115	68	30	15	2	-	3
Bridgeport, Conn.	29	23	4	1	-	1	3	Baltimore, Md.	159	94	43	13	8	1	17
Fall River Mass.	20	19	2	2	-	-	3	Jacksonville Fla	102	68 85	38	16	4	5 4	6
Hartford, Conn.	64	43	13	5	2	1	5	Miami, Fla.	65	48	14	2	1	-	7
Lowell, Mass.	26	18	5	1	-	2	1	Norfolk, Va.	33	22	7	2	2	-	2
Lynn, Mass.	9	8	-	1	-	-	2	Richmond, Va.	69	38	10	9	1	11	5
New Bedford, Mass.	27	23	2	1	-	1	4	Savannah, Ga.	52	41	8	2	-	1	1
New Haven, Conn.	33	21	6	2	3	1	5	St. Petersburg, Fla.	53	100	14	- 10	-	-	3
Somerville Mass	.3	3	-	4	-	-	-	Washington D.C.	309	170	32 78	38	15	8	3
Springfield, Mass.	49	35	10	2	2	-	6	Wilmington, Del.	13	10	2	1	-	-	1
Waterbury, Conn.	27	22	3	1	1	-	4		700	40.4	170	50	20	10	50
Worcester, Mass.	59	44	9	5	1	-	9	Birmingham Ala	135	484	29	58 10	30	10	53 14
MID. ATLANTIC	2.177	1.518	455	131	37	35	117	Chattanooga, Tenn.	91	52	23	8	5	3	4
Albany, N.Y.	40	30	3	2	-	5	3	Knoxville, Tenn.	104	71	18	9	2	4	6
Allentown, Pa.	18	15	1	2	-	-	4	Lexington, Ky.	80	54	17	5	3	1	7
Buffalo, N.Y.	126	90	30	4	1	1	13	Memphis, Tenn.	86	39	24	13	7	3	6
Camden, N.J.	33	22	6	4	1	-	1	Mobile, Ala.	97	64	22	5	2	4	4
Elizabelli, N.J. Frie Pa	10	28	2	4	-	-	- 1	Nonigomery, Ala.	44 123	82	30	- 8	3	-	4
Jersev City, N.J.	41	26	10	4	-	1	-		120	02	00			~~	
New York City, N.Y.	1,068	746	227	62	18	14	36	W.S. CENTRAL	1,422	933	309	92	50	38	79
Newark, N.J.	60	29	17	12	1	1	3	Austin, lex.	88 32	62 21	22	2	2	-	3
Paterson, N.J.	14	9	4	-	1	-	-	Corpus Christi, Tex.	49	29	10	5	3	2	4
Philadelphia, Pa.	387	256	86	27	9	9	26	Dallas, Tex.	183	112	43	15	8	5	10
Pittsburgn, Pa. <sup>3</sup>	23	13	8	1	I	-	1	El Paso, Tex.	73	53	13	5	2	-	2
Rochester N Y	128	23 91	29	6	2	-	13	Ft.Worth, Tex.	124	87	23	9	2	3	7
Schenectady, N.Y.	14	11	2	1	-	-	-	Houston, Tex.	340	210	87	21	6	16	21
Scranton, Pa.	22	17	4	1	-	-	-	Little Rock, Ark.	/8 50	47	20	4	4	3	-
Syracuse, N.Y.	97	82	13	-	1	1	11	San Antonio Tex	235	154	47	15	11	8	14
Trenton, N.J.	19	9	5	-	2	3	1	Shreveport, La.	40	33	4	-	3	-	6
Utica, N.Y. Vonkers, N.Y.	15	12	3	-	-	-	-	Tulsa, Okla.	130	95	27	7	-	1	10
	4 500	1 0 1 5	0	107	0	~~~~	107	MOUNTAIN	920	616	196	65	27	15	59
E.N. CENTRAL	1,589	1,045	360	107	35	38	107	Albuquerque, N.M.	137	97	26	9	4	1	6
Canton Ohio	46	37	5	2	1	1	5	Boise, Idaho	43	33	3	4	2	1	3
Chicago, III.	Ŭ	Ŭ	Ŭ	Ū	Ů	Ů	Ŭ	Colo. Springs, Colo.	64	46	13	2	1	2	-
Cincinnati, Ohio	73	52	9	2	2	8	4	Denver, Colo.	116	64 171	26	16	1	3	22
Cleveland, Ohio	136	90	28	9	7	2	5	Odden Litah	200	18	1	3	4	4	23
Columbus, Ohio	187	128	35	15	6	3	14	Phoenix, Ariz.	U	U	Ů	Ŭ	Ů	U	Ů
Dayton, Onio	124	88	28	6	1	1	13	Pueblo, Colo.	37	23	10	3	-	1	2
Evansville Ind	50	34	11	21	-	3	5	Salt Lake City, Utah	98	66	19	7	5	1	11
Fort Wayne, Ind.	56	38	10	4	4	-	3	Tucson, Ariz.	143	98	32	8	3	2	6
Gary, Ind.	12	7	2	2	-	1	-	PACIFIC	1,989	1,401	391	120	50	25	95
Grand Rapids, Mich.	55	41	10	2	1	1	5	Berkeley, Calif.	17	10	6	-	1	-	1
Indianapolis, Ind.	196	107	58	21	5	5	11	Fresno, Calif.	130	86	28	10	5	1	12
Lansing, Mich.	104	0 72	25	5	1	1	0	Giendale, Calif. Hopolulu Hawaii	39	28	12	- 3	2	-	- 7
Peoria. III.	40	26	10	3	-	1	3	Long Beach, Calif.	70	47	14	4	1	4	2
Rockford, III.	49	36	6	3	2	2	4	Los Angeles, Calif.	660	473	114	46	20	7	-
South Bend, Ind.	56	45	9	2	-	-	-	Pasadena, Calif.	18	12	3	3	-	-	2
Toledo, Ohio	85	57	21	2	1	4	7	Portland, Oreg.	173	119	35	12	4	3	9
Youngstown, Ohio	64	48	11	4	-	1	3	Sacramento, Calif.	181	131	39	5	4	2	21
W.N. CENTRAL	525	372	96	34	14	9	42	San Diego, Calli. San Francisco, Calif	140	95	31	0	4	i.	
Des Moines, Iowa	74	56	13	3	2	-	5	San Jose. Calif.	155	113	25	9	3	5	12
Duluth, Minn.	27	24	2	1	-	-	5	Santa Cruz, Calif.	31	17	10	4	-	-	-
Kansas City, Kans.	33	21	8 20	2	2	-	1	Seattle, Wash.	150	101	32	13	4	-	11
Lincoln Nehr	90 42	35	20 6	0 1	0 -	3	0	Spokane, Wash.	52	44	6	2	-	-	4
Minneapolis. Minn.	57	34	16	4	2	1	3	Tacoma, Wash.	110	79	27	1	1	1	3
Omaha, Nebr.	80	54	12	8	1	5	10	TOTAL	11,092 <sup>¶</sup>	7,488	2,333	751	293	219	658
St. Louis, Mo.	U	U	U	U	U	U	U								
St. Paul, Minn.	46	31	12	2	1	-	3								
wichita, Kans.	70	56	7	7	-	-	5								

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\* 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.
† Total includes unknown ages.

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In the report, "Human Rabies—Tennessee, 2002," use of the term "carry" did not mean to suggest that bats or other mammals are carriers of the rabies virus. "Carriers" implies prolonged or indefinite survival, viral excretion, and ability to transmit infection. No evidence supports the notion of a carrier state in bats or any other species with regard to rabies virus.

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