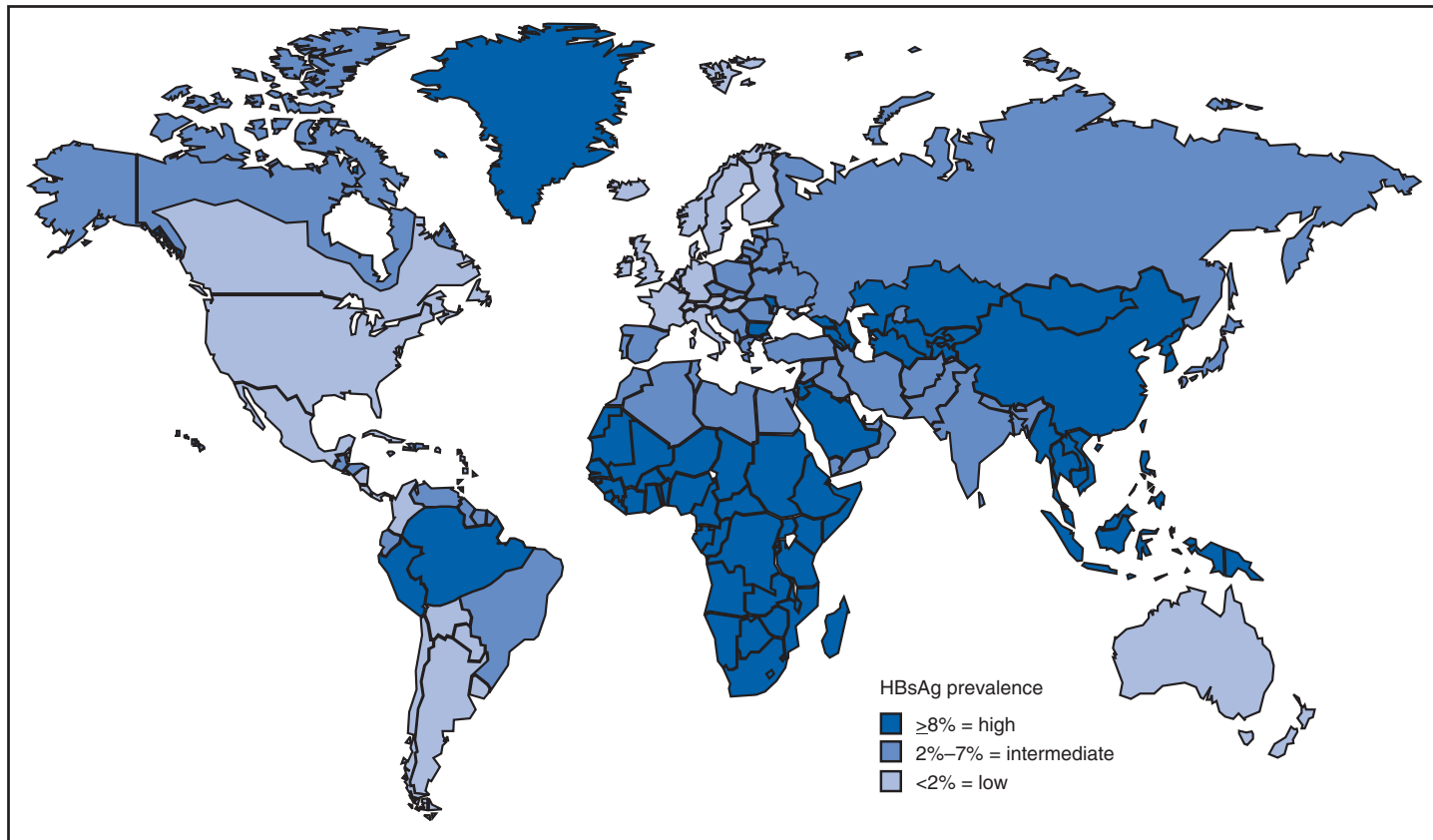


**FIGURE 3. Geographic distribution of chronic hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection — worldwide, 2006\***



\* For multiple countries, estimates of prevalence of hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg), a marker of chronic HBV infection, are based on limited data and might not reflect current prevalence in countries that have implemented childhood hepatitis B vaccination. In addition, HBsAg prevalence might vary within countries by subpopulation and locality.

**Source:** CDC. Travelers' health; yellow book. Atlanta, GA: US Department of Health and Human Services, CDC; 2008. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/travel/yellowbookch4-HepB.aspx>.