

Table 29. Sputum Culture Conversion by Age Group: United States, 2012

Age Group	Total Sputum Culture Positive ¹	Sputum Culture Conversion Documented ²		Sputum Culture Conversion Not Documented ³		Sputum Culture Conversion Unknown		Reason Sputum Culture Conversion Not Documented															
		Can't Produce Sputum	Sputum Not Collected	Died	Refused	Lost to Follow-up	Other	Unknown	Can't Produce Sputum		Sputum Not Collected		Died		Refused		Lost to Follow-up		Other		Unknown		
	No.	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)
Total	5,278	4,571	(86.6)	599	(11.3)	108	(2.0)	54	(9.0)	160	(26.7)	202	(33.7)	4	(0.7)	25	(4.2)	123	(20.5)	31	(5.2)		
0-4	5	1	(20.0)	4	(80.0)	0	(0.0)	1	(25.0)	2	(50.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	1	(25.0)
5-14	45	37	(82.2)	7	(15.6)	1	(2.2)	1	(14.3)	6	(85.7)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)
15-24	622	555	(89.2)	57	(9.2)	10	(1.6)	9	(15.8)	21	(36.8)	1	(1.8)	1	(1.8)	3	(5.3)	19	(33.3)	3	(5.3)		
25-44	1,690	1,507	(89.2)	140	(8.3)	43	(2.5)	14	(10.0)	43	(30.7)	11	(7.9)	1	(0.7)	8	(5.7)	53	(37.9)	10	(7.1)		
45-64	1,792	1,578	(88.1)	178	(9.9)	36	(2.0)	14	(7.9)	47	(26.4)	69	(38.8)	0	(0.0)	13	(7.3)	28	(15.7)	7	(3.9)		
65+	1,124	893	(79.4)	213	(19.0)	18	(1.6)	15	(7.0)	41	(19.2)	121	(56.8)	2	(0.9)	1	(0.5)	23	(10.8)	10	(4.7)		

¹ Among persons who were alive at diagnosis and had positive sputum culture.

² Among persons who had sputum culture conversion documented at any time.

³ Among persons who were alive at diagnosis, had positive culture, and did not have documented culture conversion (excludes patients with unknown culture conversion).