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World No Tobacco Day — May 31, 2005

Tobacco use causes approximately 5 million deaths worldwide each year (1). Since 1987, the World Health Organization (WHO) has sponsored World No Tobacco Day to encourage countries to implement comprehensive programs to reduce tobacco use. The focus this year is on the role of health professionals in tobacco control. Studies indicate that smokers are more likely to quit smoking permanently if they receive physician assistance, behavioral counseling, and pharmacologic treatment (2).

In accordance with a code of practice proposed in 2004 (*3*), WHO is encouraging health-care professionals to provide patients with information about the health consequences of smoking, help their smoking patients quit, and act as role models who promote tobacco-free lifestyles. CDC, WHO, and the Canadian Public Health Association have developed and pilot-tested the Global Health Professionals Survey, which assesses health-care-professional tobacco use, attitudes about tobacco, and training to counsel patients in tobacco-cessation techniques (4). Additional information on WHO tobacco-control programs is available at http://www.who.int/tobacco.

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Tobacco Use and Cessation Counseling — Global Health Professionals Survey Pilot Study, 10 Countries, 2005

Tobacco use is projected to cause nearly 450 million deaths worldwide during the next 50 years (1). Health professionals can have a critical role in reducing tobacco use; even brief and simple advice from health professionals can substantially increase smoking cessation rates (2-4). Therefore, one of the strategies to reduce the number of smoking-related deaths is to encourage the involvement of health professionals in tobacco-use prevention and cessation counseling. Studies have collected information from health-profession students in various countries about their tobacco use and training as cessation counselors (5-8); however, no study has collected this information cross-nationally by using a consistent survey methodology. The World Health Organization (WHO), CDC, and the Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA) developed the Global Health Professionals Survey (GHPS) to collect data on tobacco use and cessation counseling among health-profession students in all WHO member states. This report summarizes findings from the GHPS Pilot Study, which consisted of 16 surveys conducted in 10 countries among thirdyear students in four health-profession disciplines (dentistry, medicine, nursing, and pharmacy) during the first quarter of 2005. The findings indicated that current cigarette smoking among these students was higher than 20% in seven of the 10 countries surveyed. Nevertheless, 87%-99% of the students surveyed believed they should have a role in counseling patients to quit smoking; only 5%-37% of these third-year

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students had actually received formal training in how to conduct such counseling. Schools for health professionals, public health organizations, and education officials should work together to design and implement training in smokingcessation counseling for all health-profession students.

GHPS is part of the Global Tobacco Surveillance System (GTSS), which collects data through three surveys: the Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS), the Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS), and GHPS. GHPS is a school-based survey of third-year students pursuing advanced degrees in dentistry, medicine, nursing, or pharmacy. GHPS uses a core questionnaire on demographics, prevalence of cigarette smoking and other tobacco use, knowledge and attitudes about tobacco use, exposure to secondhand smoke, desire for smoking cessation, and training received regarding patient counseling on smoking-cessation techniques. GHPS has a standardized methodology for selecting participating schools and classes and uniform data processing procedures. The GHPS Pilot Study surveyed third-year students from Albania (dental [57], medical [138], nursing [356], and pharmacy [56]), Argentina (Buenos Aires) (medical [348]), Bangladesh (dental [205]), Croatia (medical [404]), Egypt (medical [1,770]), Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (nursing [874]), India (dental [1,499]), the Philippines (pharmacy [1,045]), the Republic of Serbia (Belgrade) (dental [160], medical [218], and pharmacy [118]), and Uganda (medical [162] and nursing [444]).

Depending on the number of schools and third-year students in participating countries and disciplines and the resources available, the 16 GHPS studies included a census of students and schools or a sample of schools and a sample of students. Albania, Argentina (Buenos Aires), Bangladesh, Croatia, Egypt, the Republic of Serbia (Belgrade), and Uganda conducted a census of schools and third-year students. The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, India, and the Philippines drew a two-stage sample of schools and classes of thirdyear students in selected schools. For each of the 16 surveys, the school response rate was 100%, and the third-year student response rate ranged from 65.6% (Republic of Serbia [Belgrade] [pharmacy students]) to 100% (Albania [pharmacy students]). GHPS was conducted in schools during regular class sessions. GHPS follows an anonymous, self-administered format for data collection, and the questionnaires were translated into local languages as needed. Current cigarette smokers were defined as those who reported that they currently smoke daily or occasionally. Differences in rates for these indicators were considered statistically significant at the p<0.05 level.

Current cigarette smoking among third-year healthprofession students was most prevalent in Albania, Argentina (Buenos Aires), Bangladesh, Croatia, Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Philippines, and the Republic of Serbia (Belgrade), with rates ranging from 18.1% (Republic of Serbia [Belgrade] medical students) to 47.1% (Albania pharmacy students) (Table 1); the lowest current smoking prevalences were reported among Ugandan nursing (0.5%) and medical (2.8%) students, Egyptian medical students (7.9%), and Indian dental students (9.6%). Male students were significantly more likely than female students to currently smoke cigarettes in Albania, Bangladesh, Egypt, India, Philippines, Republic of Serbia (Belgrade) (medical students only), and Uganda. Only among Serbian dental students were females significantly more likely than males to currently smoke cigarettes.

The majority of third-year students (range: 86.6%–99.8%) in all four health disciplines and in all 10 countries believed health professionals should advise patients about smoking cessation (Table 2). However, the percentage of third-year students who had received formal training in tobacco cessation counseling ranged from 5.2% among medical students in Argentina (Buenos Aires) to 36.6% among pharmacy students in the Philippines. Formal training can include classroom lectures, special seminars, clinical practicum, and other problem-based learning opportunities, but training of health professionals varies among countries and across disciplines within countries.

Data on receipt of formal cessation-counseling training among third-year students of different disciplines within the same country were available for Albania, the Republic of Serbia (Belgrade), and Uganda. In Albania, nursing students (22.6%) were significantly more likely than medical students (10.3%) or pharmacy students (7.7%) to have received such training but not significantly more likely than dental students (14.2%). In the Republic of Serbia (Belgrade), medical (32.6%) and dental (20.7%) students were significantly more likely than pharmacy students (9.5%) to have received cessation training. In Uganda, nursing students (35.1%) were more than twice as likely as medical students (15.9%) to have received training. More than 90% of third-year students (range: 90.3%-99.0%) in every survey except medical students in Croatia

TABLE 1. Prevalence of current cigarette smoking* among third-year health-profession students, by sex, country, and discipline — Global Health Professionals Survey Pilot Study, 10 countries, 2005

		Total			Male		Female			
Country/Discipline	No.†	%	(95% Cl [§])	No.	%	(95% CI)	No.	%	(95% CI)	
Albania										
Dental	41	30.1	(23.2-38.1)	12	38.0	(24.9–53.1)	29	27.1	(19.4–36.6)	
Medical	114	43.3	(40.7–45.9)	28	65.1	(59.8–69.9)	85	35.7	(32.8–38.7)	
Nursing	271	41.5	(37.9–45.1)	63	57.5	(49.8–64.8)	208	36.4	(32.5-40.5)	
Pharmacy	40	47.1	(42.8–51.4)	12	65.8	(58.0-72.9)	28	38.9	(34.1-44.0)	
Argentina (Buenos Aires)										
Medical	296	35.5	(33.6–37.4)	118	33.4	(30.4–36.4)	177	36.5	(34.1–39.1)	
Bangladesh										
Dental	192	22.2	(18.2–26.8)	84	46.7	(39.0–54.7)	108	3.3	(1.6–6.7)	
Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	l									
Nursing	791	33.0	(28.8–37.6)	212	27.3	(21.1–34.5)	576	34.8	(29.8–40.2)	
Croatia										
Medical	377	36.6	(34.1–39.2)	120	35.9	(31.5–40.4)	256	37.1	(34.1–40.3)	
Egypt										
Medical	1,749	7.9	(5.7–10.7)	993	12.9	(9.9–16.5)	756	1.2	(0.5–3.0)	
India										
Dental	1,266	9.6	(6.7–13.6)	719	14.9	(10.7–20.4)	541	2.4	(0.8–6.9)	
Philippines										
Pharmacy	595	22.1	(16.8–28.5)	119	37.8	(26.5–50.5)	469	18.1	(12.8–24.9)	
Republic of Serbia (Belgrade)										
Dental	152	42.5	(39.1–45.9)	42	30.2	(24.6-36.4)	110	47.2	(43.2–51.2)	
Medical	187	18.1	(15.9–20.7)	54	23.8	(19.3–29.1)	133	15.9	(13.3–18.8)	
Pharmacy	113	20.4	(16.2–25.2)	24	16.7	(9.5–27.7)	89	21.3	(16.6–26.9)	
Uganda										
Medical	151	2.8	(1.8–4.2)	101	4.1	(2.7-6.3)	49	0		
Nursing	378	0.5	(0.3–0.9)	60	3.3	(1.9–5.6)	316	0		

* Current smokers were defined as those who reported that they currently smoke daily or occasionally. The reported number is the unweighted number of cases in the denominator. The male and female numbers might not add to the total number because of nonresponse on the question that determines sex.

Confidence interval.

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Discipline/Country	No.*	%	(95% Cl ⁺)	No.	%	(95% CI)	No.	%	(95% CI)	
Albania										
Dental	51	95.6	(91.2-97.9)	53	14.2	(9.7-20.2)	53	97.9	(94.2-99.3)	
Medical	135	95.0	(93.8–95.9)	133	10.3	(9.0–11.9)	135	97.1	(96.2–97.8)	
Nursing	331	89.4	(87.2–91.4)	338	22.6	(16.8–24.3)	336	96.7	(95.3–97.7)	
Pharmacy	52	86.6	(83.9-89.0)	52	7.7	(5.9–10.0)	52	98.1	(96.8–98.9)	
Argentina (Buenos Aires)										
Medical	304	98.8	(98.3–99.1)	305	5.2	(4.4–6.1)	305	91.3	(90.1–92.3)	
Bangladesh										
Dental	204	98.1	(96.1–99.1)	204	24.9	(20.7–29.5)	202	97.5	(95.4–98.7)	
Croatia										
Medical	393	97.7	(96.8–98.4)	392	14.5	(12.8–16.4)	395	71.7	(69.3–73.9)	
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Medical	1,767	91.1	(89.6–92.4)	1,770	20.9	(18.4–23.6)	1,766	92.5	(90.4–94.2)	
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Nursing			NA [§]	851	28.6	(23.7–34.0)	851	90.3	(87.8–92.3)	
India										
Dental	1,335	99.8	(99.8–99.9)	1,332	10.5	(5.8–18.1)	1,339	99.0	(97.9–99.6)	
Philippines										
Pharmacy	632	99.3	(98.3-99.7)	629	36.6	(30.6-43.1)	631	93.9	(91.7–95.5)	
Republic of Serbia (Belgrade)										
Dental			NA	156	20.7	(18.1–23.6)	157	91.5	(89.5-93.2)	
Medical			NA	190	32.6	(29.8–35.6)	189	95.9	(94.5–97.0)	
Pharmacy			NA	116	9.5	(6.7–13.2)	116	93.1	(89.7–95.9)	
Uganda										
Medical	153	98.8	(97.7–99.3)	154	15.9	(13.5–18.6)	154	97.3	(95.9–98.2)	
Nursing	394	98.4	(97.8–98.9)	391	35.1	(33.2–37.0)	388	97.1	(96.3–97.7)	

TABLE	2. Third-yea	ar health-pro	ofession students	' attitudes t	oward and t	raining in	smoking-cessatio	n counseling,	by country ar	۱d
discipli	ne — Globa	al Health Pro	fessionals Survey	Pilot Study	/, 10 countrie	es, 2005				

* The reported number is the unweighted number of cases in the denominator.

Confidence interval.

[§]Question not asked.

(71.7%) thought health-profession students should receive cessation counseling training as part of their normal curriculum. **Reported by:** *V Costa de Silva, PhD, Tobacco Free Initiative, World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland. J Chauvin, Canadian Public Health Assoc, Ottawa, Canada. NR Jones, PhD, W Warren,*

PhD, S Asma, DDS, T Pechacek, PhD, Office on Smoking and Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, CDC.Editorial Note: Health professionals who continue to smoke cigarettes send an inconsistent message to patients whom they counsel to quit smoking. Findings from the 2005 GHPS Pilot Study indicate that the current cigarette-smoking rate

among third-year health-profession students is higher than 20% in seven of the 10 countries surveyed. The public health community should target cigarette smoking among healthprofession students because this behavior endangers their own health and reduces their ability to deliver effective antitobacco counseling to their patients. The findings in this report also indicate that most third-year health-profession students in the countries surveyed did not receive formal training in smokingcessation counseling, even though more than 90% of the same students want such training to be included in their formal curricula. All health-profession schools, public health organizations, and education officials should discourage tobacco use among health professionals and work together to design and implement programs that train all health professionals in effective cessation-counseling techniques.

The WHO Framework Convention for Tobacco Control (WHO-FCTC), adopted by the 56th World Health Assembly in May 2003, is the first international public health treaty on tobacco control (9). In addition to providing a blueprint for a global response to the pandemic of tobacco-induced death and disease, WHO-FCTC calls for countries to use standard methods and procedures for surveillance. GHPS provides

countries with a way to measure tobacco use among their thirdyear health-profession students, the desire for cessation among students who smoke, the extent to which students are being trained to provide tobacco-cessation counseling, and the willingness of students to use such training to reduce tobacco use among their patients. The GHPS Pilot Study proved successful in terms of school and student participation, fieldwork procedures, data collection, cost, and reliability of data. In light of these successes, GHPS will be expanded during academic year 2005–06 to include approximately 40 additional countries. The goal of WHO, CDC, and CPHA is to gather data from all four disciplines in as many of the 192 WHO member states by the end of academic year 2008.

The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, because GHPS respondents are third-year healthprofession students who have not had substantial interaction with patients, survey results should not be extrapolated to account for practicing health professionals in any of the countries. Second, the GHPS did not survey students in all health professions whose members could provide patients with cessation counseling (e.g., chiropractors, traditional healers, psychologists, and counselors). Third, because adult smoking rates across countries are not collected by using a standardized and consistent methodology, comparison of the prevalence in this report with the prevalence in the general adult populations is not possible. Finally, a reliability study of the GHPS core questionnaire items has not been undertaken but is required before full expansion of the survey.

The theme of WHO's World No Tobacco Day (WNTD) 2005 is the role of health professionals in tobacco control. Organizations of health professionals are aware of members' potential role and responsibility in tobacco control, and several have already initiated specific activities. For example, the Doctors' Manifesto for Tobacco Control was launched in 2002 with the support of medical associations worldwide (*10*). In addition, several individual associations have adopted their own codes regarding tobacco control, such as the provision in the Pharmacists against Tobacco code of practice that bans smoking in pharmacies.* Countries in each of the six WHO regions will sponsor events for WNTD 2005, including the dissemination of GHPS findings. A list of the events is available at http://www.who.int/tobacco/communications/events/wntd/2005.

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Cigarette Smoking Among Adults — United States, 2003

One of the national health objectives for 2010 is to reduce the prevalence of cigarette smoking among adults to 12% (objective 27-1a) (1). To assess progress toward this objective, CDC analyzed self-reported data from the 2003 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS). The results of that analysis indicated that, in 2003, approximately 21.6% of U.S. adults were current smokers. Although this prevalence is lower than

^{*} Additional information is available at http://www.fip.org/pharmacistsagainsttobacco.

the 22.5% prevalence among U.S. adults in 2002 and significantly lower than the 22.8% prevalence in 2001, the rate of decline is not sufficient to meet the national health objective for 2010 (2). Comprehensive, sustained interventions that reduce the rate of smoking initiation and increase the rate of cessation are needed to further the decline in cigarette smoking among adults (3).

Questions on smoking in the 2003 NHIS were included in the adult core questionnaire, which was administered by in-person interview to a nationally representative sample of 30,852 persons aged ≥ 18 years in the civilian, noninstitutionalized U.S. population; survey response rate for adults was 74.2%. Respondents were asked, "Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?" and "Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?" Ever smokers were defined as those who reported smoking ≥ 100 cigarettes during their lifetimes. Current smokers were defined as those who reported smoking ≥ 100 cigarettes during their lifetimes and currently smoking every day or some days. Former smokers were defined as ever smokers who no longer smoked. Poverty-level status was calculated on the basis of U.S. Census Bureau 2002 poverty thresholds. Data were adjusted for nonrespondents and weighted to provide national estimates of cigarette smoking prevalence; 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were calculated to account for the multistage probability sample design.

In 2003, an estimated 21.6% (45.4 million) of U.S. adults were current smokers; of these, 81.0% (36.8 million) smoked every day, and 19.0% (8.6 million) smoked some days. Among those who currently smoked every day, 41.1% (15.1 million) reported they had stopped smoking for at least 1 day during the preceding 12 months because they were trying to quit. Among the estimated 43.4% (91.5 million) of persons who had ever smoked, 50.3% (45.9 million) were former smokers.

Prevalence of current cigarette smoking varied substantially across populations and subpopulations (Table). More men (24.1%) than women (19.2%) reported current smoking. Among racial/ethnic populations, Asians (11.7%) and Hispanics (16.4%) had the lowest prevalence, and American Indians/Alaska Natives had the highest prevalence (39.7%). By education level, smoking prevalence was highest among adults who had earned a General Educational Development diploma (44.4%) and lowest among those with graduate degrees (7.5%). Among age groups, persons aged ≥ 65 years had the lowest prevalence of cigarette smoking (9.1%), and persons aged 25–44 years had the highest prevalence (25.6%). Current smoking prevalence was higher among adults living below the poverty level (30.5%) than among those at or above the poverty level (21.7%). Persons in certain subpopulations had cigarette smoking prevalence rates below the 2010 health objective target of 12%. These subpopulations included women with undergraduate (11.0%) or graduate degrees (6.7%), men with graduate degrees (8.1%), Hispanic women (10.3%), Asian women (6.5%), and men and women aged \geq 65 years (10.1% and 8.3%, respectively) (Table).

During 1983–2003, a sustained decline in cigarette smoking occurred in all age groups except persons aged 18–24 years (Figure). In this group, prevalence increased during 1993– 2002, before declining significantly from 28.5% in 2002 to 23.9% in 2003, the lowest reported prevalence for persons aged 18–24 years since 1991 (4).

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Editorial Note: The findings in this report indicate that cigarette smoking continues to decline among adults in the United States. In 2003, for the first time since NHIS began collecting smoking data in 1965, the prevalence of cigarette smoking among women declined below 20%, to 19.2%. For the second consecutive year, more than half of U.S. adults who ever smoked reported they were no longer smokers. In addition, cigarette smoking among persons aged 18-24 years declined to the lowest level since 1991. The increase in smoking prevalence among young adults during 1991–2002 was similar to an increase in smoking among youths in 8th, 10th, and 12th grades during the early 1990s (5). Factors associated with the increase in smoking among adolescents (e.g., increased tobacco industry marketing to youths) might have had a similar influence on smoking prevalence among young adults (6). A cohort effect might also have contributed to the increase in smoking prevalence among young adults, as youths with high rates of smoking during the early 1990s entered the young adult age group during 1992–2002 (5-7).

Although tobacco use usually begins during adolescence, initiation also can occur during young adulthood (6,7). Preventing smoking initiation and tobacco use among youths and young adults is critical to reducing tobacco use in the United States. Young adults, who constitute the youngest legal market for the tobacco industry in the United States, and adolescents continue to be the target of intensive tobacco industry marketing efforts, including sponsorship of agespecific promotions and other marketing strategies that appeal to persons in these age groups (7,8).

Efforts to reduce cigarette smoking prevalence among all adults include increasing the retail price of tobacco products and implementing complete smoking bans in all worksites, campuses, sports arenas, concert venues, bars, restaurants, and

	(n =	Men 13,427)	W (n =	omen 17,425)	Total (N = 30,852)		
Characteristic	%	(95% Cl [†])	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)	
Race/Ethnicity [§]							
White, non-Hispanic	24.3	(<u>+</u> 1.0)	21.2	(<u>+</u> 0.9)	22.7	(<u>+</u> 0.7)	
Black, non-Hispanic	25.5	(+2.5)	18.3	(<u>+</u> 1.8)	21.5	(+1.6)	
Hispanic	22.1	(+2.0)	10.3	(+1.1)	16.4	(+1.2)	
American Indian/Alaska Native [¶]	42.0	(<u>+</u> 15.9)	37.3	(±14.7)	39.7	(<u>+</u> 11.9)	
Asian**	17.5	(+4.5)	6.5	(<u>+</u> 2.2)	11.7	(+2.5)	
Education ^{††}				· ,			
0–12 (no diploma)	32.4	(+2.1)	21.2	(+1.9)	26.6	(+1.4)	
<8 yrs	23.4	(+2.9)	11.8	(+2.0)	17.6	(+1.8)	
9–11 yrs	40.6	(+3.4)	28.5	(+3.0)	34.0	(+2.3)	
12 yrs (no diploma)	35.2	(<u>+</u> 7.7)	23.7	(+5.8)	29.3	(+4.6)	
GED (diploma) ^{§§}	43.4	(<u>+</u> 5.9)	45.6	(<u>+</u> 5.8)	44.4	(<u>+</u> 4.1)	
12 yrs (diploma)	29.2	(<u>+</u> 2.0)	22.1	(<u>+</u> 1.5)	25.4	(<u>+</u> 1.2)	
Associate degree	21.9	(<u>+</u> 2.9)	18.2	(<u>+</u> 2.1)	19.8	(<u>+</u> 1.7)	
Some college (no degree)	23.7	(<u>+</u> 1.8)	20.4	(<u>+</u> 1.3)	21.9	(<u>+</u> 1.1)	
Undergraduate degree	13.6	(<u>+</u> 1.8)	11.0	(<u>+</u> 1.5)	12.3	(<u>+</u> 1.1)	
Graduate degree	8.1	(<u>+</u> 1.6)	6.7	(<u>+</u> 1.5)	7.5	(<u>+</u> 1.1)	
Age group (yrs)							
18–24	26.3	(+2.6)	21.5	(+2.3)	23.9	(+1.8)	
25–44	28.4	(+1.4)	22.8	(+1.2)	25.6	(+1.0)	
45–64	23.9	(+1.5)	20.2	(+1.4)	22.0	(+1.0)	
≥65	10.1	(<u>+</u> 1.4)	8.3	(<u>+</u> 1.1)	9.1	(<u>+</u> 0.9)	
Poverty level ^{¶¶}							
At or above	24.2	(+1.0)	19.1	(+0.9)	21.7	(+0.7)	
Below	33.0	(<u>+</u> 3.1)	28.8	(<u>+</u> 2.5)	30.5	(<u>+</u> 2.1)	
Unknown	21.2	(<u>+</u> 1.6)	16.0	(<u>+</u> 1.3)	18.4	(<u>+</u> 1.0)	
Total	24.1	(<u>+</u> 0.8)	19.2	(<u>+</u> 0.7)	21.6	(<u>+</u> 0.6)	

TABLE. Percentage of persons aged ≥18 years who were current smokers,* by sex and selected characteristics — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2003

* Persons who reported smoking at least 100 cigarettes during their lifetimes and who reported at the time of interview smoking every day or some days. Excludes 402 respondents whose smoking status was unknown.

[†] Confidence interval.

§ Excludes 310 respondents of unknown or multiple racial/ethnic categories or whose race/ethnicity was unknown.

[¶] Wide variances among estimates reflect small sample sizes.

** Does not include Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders.

^{††} Among persons aged ≥25 years; excludes 409 persons with unknown years of education.

§§ General Educational Development.

Calculated on the basis of U.S. Census Bureau 2002 poverty thresholds.



FIGURE. Percentage of current cigarette smoking among persons aged \geq 18 years, by age group and year — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 1983–2003

nightclubs. Strategies for reducing cigarette smoking prevalence among young adults include 1) providing effective smoking-cessation interventions and quitlines tailored to youths and young adults in school, work, and community settings; 2) conducting countermarketing campaigns designed to help young persons reject messages promoting cigarette use, reduce access by minors to tobacco products, and increase access to school programs for preventing tobacco use; and 3) monitoring smoking trends among youths and young adults (6-10). Ongoing surveillance of smoking patterns among young adults and evaluation of tobacco-control programs can identify those interventions that are most effective for this age group.

The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, the wording of questions about cigarette smoking and NHIS data collection procedures have changed since 1993. Before 1993, current smokers were defined as those who had smoked at least 100 cigarettes and currently smoked. Starting in 1993, current smokers were defined as those who had smoked at least 100 cigarettes and currently smoked either every day or some days. Therefore, any comparison of data collected before 1993 with data collected since 1993 should be interpreted with caution. Second, many young adults view themselves as "social smokers" and might not identify themselves as smokers even on "some days" when completing the NHIS questionnaire, leading to underestimates of current smoking. Third, the NHIS questionnaire is administered only in English and Spanish, which might lead to imprecise estimates of smoking prevalence among other racial/ethnic populations who are unable to respond to the survey. Finally, because NHIS sample sizes for some subpopulations are minimal (e.g., Asians and American Indians/Alaska Natives), estimates derived from 1 year of data are less precise for these groups.

Effective interventions for tobacco-use prevention and cessation should be implemented in the United States among persons of all ages to accelerate the decline in smoking prevalence among adults and decrease the public health burden of tobacco-related diseases (3, 6-10). In addition, tailored interventions for populations and subpopulations at high risk are needed to reduce disparities in cigarette smoking by age, race/ethnicity, and education level.

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During 2002–2003, young women were more likely than young men to report having never smoked cigarettes. Among those aged 18–24 years, Hispanic and non-Hispanic black adults were more likely than non-Hispanic white adults to have never smoked.

Source: National Health Interview Surveys, 2002 and 2003. Available at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm.

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Blood Lead Levels — United States, 1999–2002

Adverse health effects caused by lead exposure include intellectual and behavioral deficits in children and hypertension and kidney disease in adults (1). Exposure to lead is an important public health problem, particularly for young children (2). Eliminating blood lead levels (BLLs) $\geq 10 \ \mu g/dL$ in children is one of the national health objectives for 2010 (objective no. 8-11) (3,4). Findings of National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (NHANES) from the period 1976-1980 to 1991-1994 reveal a steep decline (from 77.8% to 4.4%) in the percentage of children aged 1–5 years with BLLs $\geq 10 \,\mu g/dL$ (5,6). However, BLLs remain higher for certain populations, especially children in minority populations, children from low-income families, and children who live in older homes (5). This report updates estimates of BLLs in the U.S. population with the latest NHANES data, collected during 1999–2002. The findings indicated that BLLs continued to decrease in all age groups and racial/ethnic populations. During 1999–2002, the overall prevalence of elevated BLLs for the U.S. population aged ≥ 1 year was 0.7%. BLLs in non-Hispanic black children remained higher than in non-Hispanic white or Mexican-American children, although the proportion of BLLs $\geq 10 \ \mu g/dL$ in this population decreased (72%) since 1991-1994. Approximately 310,000 children aged 1-5 years remained at risk for exposure to harmful lead levels. Public health agencies should continue efforts to eliminate or control sources of lead, screen persons at highest risk for exposure, and provide timely medical and environmental interventions for those identified with elevated BLLs.

NHANES is an ongoing series of cross-sectional surveys on health and nutrition designed to be nationally representative of the noninstitutionalized, U.S. civilian population by using a complex, multistage probability design. All NHANES surveys included a household interview followed by a detailed physical examination in a mobile examination center (MEC), at which time venous blood samples were obtained from persons aged ≥ 1 year. BLLs were measured by graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrophotometry in the inorganic toxicology laboratory at CDC.

Detailed analyses compared BLLs of 16,825 persons from the NHANES survey conducted during 1999–2002 with BLLs of 13,472 persons from the NHANES survey conducted during 1991–1994. Results were analyzed by age group, race/ ethnicity (i.e., non-Hispanic white, non-Hispanic black, and Mexican American), and low-income status (with the threshold determined by multiplying the U.S. Census Bureau poverty level threshold for the year of the interview by 1.3). Elevated BLLs were defined as BLLs $\geq 10 \ \mu g/dL$ for all ages. Geometric mean (GM) BLLs and 95% confidence intervals were calculated. All analyses used MEC sample weights to account for the unequal probability of selection, oversampling, and survey nonresponse.

For 1999–2002, the overall prevalence of elevated BLLs for the U.S. population was 0.7% (Table 1), a decrease of 68% from 2.2% in the 1991–1994 survey. The largest decrease (72%) in elevated BLLs, from 11.2% to 3.1%, was among non-Hispanic black children aged 1–5 years, consistent with a previous decline from 1988–1991 to 1991–1994 (Figure).

During the 1999–2002 survey period, children aged 1–5 years had the highest prevalence of elevated BLLs (1.6%), indicating that approximately 310,000 children in that age group remained at risk for exposure to harmful lead levels. Youths aged 6-19 years had the lowest prevalence of elevated BLLs (0.2%), although this estimate was not statistically reliable. Overall, by race/ethnicity, non-Hispanic blacks and Mexican Americans had higher percentages of elevated BLLs (1.4% and 1.5%, respectively) than non-Hispanic whites (0.5%) (Table 1). Among subpopulations, non-Hispanic blacks aged 1–5 years and aged \geq 60 years had the highest prevalence of elevated BLLs (3.1% and 3.4%, respectively). Although the prevalence of elevated BLLs among non-Hispanic black children was higher compared with children in the other two racial/ethnic populations, statistical power was not sufficient to examine these differences because of the small proportions and variability around the estimates.

GM BLLs declined significantly (p<0.05) from the 1991– 1994 survey period in all populations and subpopulations (Table 2). Overall, the GM BLL declined from 2.3 μ g/dL in 1991–1994 to 1.6 μ g/dL in 1999–2002. The highest GM BLLs in 1999–2002 were among children aged 1–5 years (1.9 μ g/dL) and adults aged \geq 60 years (2.2 μ g/dL), and the lowest were among youths aged 6–19 years (1.1 μ g/dL). Males had significantly higher GM BLLs than females, except among children aged 1–5 years, which is consistent with the 1991–

	No. in		NHANES 1991–1994 % (95% confidence interval)									
Sex/Age (yrs)	sample	All racial/ethnic groups	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Mexican American							
Both sexes												
≥1	13,472	2.2 (1.6–2.8)	1.5 (0.9–2.2) ^{†§}	5.3 (3.8–6.9) ^{§¶}	2.9 (2.0–4.0) ^{†¶}							
1–5	2,392	4.4 (2.7–6.5)	2.3 (0.8–4.5)††	11.2 (5.9–18.0)	4.0 (1.8–6.9)							
6–19	2,960	1.3 (0.7–2.1)	0.6 (0.1–1.8) ^{††}	3.2 (2.3-4.3)	2.3 (0.7–4.7)††							
20–59	5,596	1.7 (1.1–2.5)	1.1 (0.5–2.1) ^{††}	4.1 (2.7–5.7)	2.9 (1.9-4.0)							
≥60	2,524	3.6 (2.8–4.5)	3.0 (2.2–3.9)†	10.5 (7.2–14.3) ^{§¶}	3.8 (1.8–6.6)†							
Male												
>1	6,204	3.5 (2.5–4.6)	2.3 (1.3–3.7) [†]	8.4 (6.2–10.8) ^{§¶}	4.0 (2.6–5.7) [†]							
1 <u>–</u> 5	1,211	5.5 (3.1-8.4)	2.4 (0.7–5.3)††	13.8 (8.5–20.0)	4.7 (2.0-8.4) ^{††}							
6–19	1,443	1.5 (0.8–2.5)	0.4 (0.0-1.7) ^{††}	4.5 (3.3–5.9)	2.4 (0.6–5.3) ^{††}							
20–59	2,365	3.1 (1.9–4.6)	2.1 (0.8-4.0) ^{††}	7.0 (4.4–10.3)	4.3 (2.5–6.5)							
<u>></u> 60	1,185	6.5 (4.6–8.8)	5.2 (3.2–7.6)†	20.5 (13.2–28.9) ^{§¶}	7.5 (3.4–13.0)†							
Female												
<u>≥</u> 1	7,268	0.9 (0.6–1.3)	0.7 (0.3–1.1) ^{††}	2.6 (1.4–4.1)	1.7 (0.9–2.9)							
1–5	1,181	3.3 (2.0-4.9)	2.1 (0.6-4.3) ^{††}	8.7 (3.0–16.8) ^{††}	3.3 (1.2–6.4) ^{††}							
6–19	1,517	1.1 (0.2–2.6) ^{††}	0.9 (0.0–3.3)††	1.9 (0.7–3.7)††	2.2 (0.6-4.8) ^{††}							
20–59	3,231	0.4 (0.2–0.6)	0.2 (0.0–0.5)††	1.6 (0.7–2.8)††	1.3 (0.5–2.3)††							
≥60	1,339	1.5 (0.7–2.6)	1.4 (0.5–2.7)††	<i>3.5</i> (1.3–6.7) ^{††}	0.9 (0.1–2.3)††							

TABLE 1. Percentage of persons with elevated blood lead levels*, by selected characteristics — National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (NHANES), United States, 1991–1994 and 1999–2002

TABLE 1. (Continued) Percentage of persons with elevated blood lead levels*, by selected characteristics - National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (NHANES), United States, 1991–1994 and 1999–2002

	No. in	NHANES 1999–2002 % (95% confidence interval)									
Sex/Age (yrs)	sample	All racial/ethnic groups	White, non-Hispanic	Black,	non-Hispanic	Mexican American					
Both sexes											
<u>></u> 1	16,825	0.7 (0.5–0.9)**	0.5 (0.4–0.7) ^{†§**}	1.4	(0.9–1.9) [¶] **	1.5 (1.0–2.1) ^{¶**}					
1–5	1,160	1.6 (1.1–2.2)**	1.3 (0.6–2.5)††	3.1	(1.7–4.9)**	2.0 (0.5-4.4) ^{††}					
6–19	6,283	0.2 (0.0–0.4)††	0.2 (0.0–0.6)††	0.3	(0.1–0.6)††	0.3 (0.1–0.6) ^{††}					
20–59	5,876	0.7 (0.5–1.0)**	0.6 (0.4–0.9) [§]	1.3	(0.6-2.1)**	2.0 (1.2–2.9) [¶]					
<u>></u> 60	3,056	0.8 (0.4–1.2)**	0.4 (0.1–0.7)††	3.4	(1.9–5.3)**	1.8 (0.9–3.1)					
Male											
<u>></u> 1	8,202	1.1 (0.8–1.4)**	0.8 (0.6–1.1) ^{†§**}	2.2	(1.3–3.3) [¶] **	2.1 (1.3–3.1) [¶] **					
1–5	846	1.7 (0.8–2.9)**	1.4 (0.3–3.3)††	2.5	(1.0–4.6)††	3.2 (0.7–7.2) ^{††}					
6–19	3,158	0.2 (0.0-0.4)**	0.2 (0.0-0.6) ^{††}	0.3	(0.1–0.5)**	0.1 (0.0–0.3) ^{††}					
20–59	2,689	1.2 (0.8–1.7)**	1.0 (0.5–1.5) [§]	2.3	(1.0-4.0) ^{††}	3.0 (1.8–4.5) [¶]					
<u>></u> 60	1,509	1.5 (0.8–2.4)**	0.7 (0.2–1.5) ^{††}	7.5	(4.4–11.3) [§] **	2.2 (1.0–3.7) ^{†**}					
Female											
<u>></u> 1	8,623	0.3 (0.2–0.5)**	0.3 (0.1–0.5) ^{††}	0.7	(0.4-1.0)**	0.8 (0.4–1.3)					
1–5	764	1.4 (0.7–2.4)**	1.3 (0.2–3.5)††	3.7	(1.6–6.6)††	0.7 (0.0–2.3)††					
6–19	3,125	0.2 (0.0-0.5)**	0.2 (0.0-0.8)**	0.3	(0.0–1.0)††	0.5 (0.1–1.1) ^{††}					
20–59	3,187	0.3 (0.1–0.6) ^{††}	0.3 (0.0-0.7)††	0.5	(0.1–1.2)††	0.8 (0.3–1.7)††					
<u>≥</u> 60	1,547	0.2 (0.0–0.4)††	0.1 (0.0–0.3) ^{††}	0.8	(0.1–2.3)††	1.6 (0.6–3.1)††					

≥10 µg/dL.

Significantly different from non-Hispanic blacks at p<0.05, with Bonferroni adjustment.

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[§] Significantly different from Mexican Americans at p<0.05, with Bonferroni adjustment.
 ¹ Significantly different from non-Hispanic whites at p<0.05, with Bonferroni adjustment.

Significantly different between NHANES 1999-2002 and NHANES 1991-1994 at p<0.05.

⁺⁺ Does not meet standard of statistical reliability and precision (i.e., relative standard error is >30%), and significant testing was not performed.

1994 survey. By racial/ethnic group, among children aged 1–5 years, the GM BLL was significantly higher for non-Hispanic blacks (2.8 µg/dL), compared with Mexican Americans $(1.9 \ \mu g/dL)$ and non-Hispanic whites $(1.8 \ \mu g/dL)$. Among children aged 1-5 years from families with low income, the GM BLL also declined significantly, from 3.7 µg/dL in the 1991–1994 survey to 2.5 µg/dL in 1999–2002.

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Editorial Note: The findings in this report indicate that BLLs continue to decline in the United States, as measured by NHANES, the only survey providing national data on lead

FIGURE. Percentage of children aged 1–5 years with blood lead levels \geq 10 µg/dL, by race/ethnicity and survey period — National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys, United States, 1988–1991, 1991–1994, and 1999–2002



* 95% confidence interval.

exposure. The GM BLL for the U.S. population aged ≥ 1 year decreased by 30% from 1991–1994 to 1999–2002, and the prevalence of elevated BLLs decreased by 68% overall and by 64% for children aged 1–5 years. Differences in proportions of elevated BLLs among children by race/ethnicity also were reduced, likely because of the substantial decline among non-Hispanic black children. However, the GM BLL for non-Hispanic black children remains higher than that for Mexican-American and non-Hispanic white children, indicating that differences in risk for exposure still persist. Exposure risk remains of particular concern in light of reported adverse health effects at BLLs <10 μ g/dL (7).

The decline in BLLs in the United States has resulted from coordinated, intensive efforts at the national, state, and local levels beginning with efforts to remove lead from gasoline, food cans, and residential paint products (4). Beginning in 2003, CDC and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) required funded programs to develop formal plans to eliminate lead poisoning in their jurisdictions. Key components of these plans include coordination of activities by state, local, and nongovernmental organizations, linking BLL surveillance and Medicaid claims data to identify gaps in screening of populations at high risk, and eliminating lead paint hazards in housing, particularly in homes with more than one child with an elevated BLL.

The findings in this report are subject to at least three limitations. First, although NHANES is a nationally representative survey, the current design does not allow for estimates in smaller geographic areas or for identifying risk in certain subpopulations such as recent immigrants. Second, NHANES does not identify specific sources of lead exposure. Finally, the low prevalence of elevated BLLs does not allow stratification by more than one factor that might be related to exposure, such as race/ethnicity or age of residence.

A critical factor in reducing BLLs in children has been the decline in the number of U.S. homes with lead-based paint, from an estimated 64 million in 1990 to 38 million in 2000 (8). This decline might be associated, in part, with federal appropriations to HUD of \$700 million during fiscal years 1992–2002 for residential lead control in low-income, privately owned housing (9), and to investments in housing rehabilitation made by other government agencies and the private sector. Lead-control enforcement action by HUD, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of Justice has resulted in approximately 200 on-site inspections and 30 settlements involving approximately 160,000 housing units nationwide (10). State and local governments have provided substantial additional funding for leadpoisoning-prevention activities and enforcement of local ordinances. However, an estimated 24 million housing units still contain substantial lead paint hazards, with 1.2 million of these units occupied by low-income families with young children (8). Findings in this report demonstrate progress toward achieving the national health objective for 2010 to eliminate elevated BLLs in children. Continued vigilance to identify remaining lead hazards and children at risk for lead exposure is necessary to meet this goal.

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	No. in	NHANES 1991–1994* GM (95% confidence interval)									
Sex/Age (yrs)	sample	All racial/ethnic groups	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Mexican American						
Both sexes											
<u>≥</u> 1	13,472	2.3 (2.1–2.4)	2.2 (2.0–2.3) ^{†§}	2.8 (2.5–3.0) [¶]	2.4 (2.3–2.6) [¶]						
1–5	2,392	2.7 (2.5–3.0)	2.3 (2.1–2.6) ^{†§}	4.3 (3.6–5.0) ^{§¶}	3.1 (2.7–3.5) ^{†¶}						
6–19	2,960	1.7 (1.5–1.8)	1.5 (1.4–1.7) ^{†§}	2.3 (2.1–2.6) [¶]	2.0 (1.8–2.1) [¶]						
20–59	5,596	2.2 (2.1-2.3)	2.1 (2.0-2.2) ^{†§}	2.6 (2.4–2.8) [¶]	2.5 (2.4–2.6) [¶]						
≥60	2,524	3.4 (3.2–3.5)	3.3 (3.2–3.4) [†]	4.3 (3.7–4.9) ^{§¶}	3.1 (2.7–3.6) [†]						
Male											
>1	6,204	2.8 (2.6–2.9)	2.6 (2.5–2.8) ^{†§}	3.6 (3.3–4.0) ^{§¶}	3.1 (2.9–3.3) ^{†¶}						
1–5	1,211	2.8 (2.5-3.1)	2.3 (2.1–2.6) ^{†§}	4.7 (3.9–5.5) ^{§¶}	3.3 (2.9–3.6) ^{†¶}						
6–19	1,443	1.9 (1.7–2.1)	1.7 (1.5–1.9) ^{†§}	2.7 (2.4–3.1) [¶]	2.3 (2.0–2.5)¶						
20–59	2,365	2.9 (2.7-3.1)	2.7 (2.5–3.0) ^{†§}	3.6 (3.2–3.9) [¶]	3.4 (3.2–3.6)¶						
<u>></u> 60	1,185	4.2 (4.0-4.4)	4.0 (3.8–4.2)†	6.3 (5.4–7.1) ^{§¶}	4.1 (3.5–4.8)†						
Female											
<u>≥</u> 1	7,268	1.9 (1.8–2.0)	1.8 (1.7–1.9)†	2.2 (2.0–2.4) ^{§¶}	1.9 (1.8–2.1)†						
1–5	1,181	2.7 (2.4–2.9)	2.3 (2.0–2.6)†	4.0 (3.2–4.8)¶	2.9 (2.4–3.4)						
6–19	1,517	1.5 (1.3–1.7)	1.4 (1.2–1.6) [†]	2.0 (1.7–2.2) [¶]	1.7 (1.5–1.9)						
20–59	3,231	1.7 (1.6–1.8)	1.6 (1.5–1.7) ^{†§}	1.9 (1.8–2.1) [¶]	1.8 (1.7–1.9) [¶]						
<u>≥</u> 60	1,339	2.9 (2.7–3.0)	2.8 (2.7–3.0)	3.3 (2.8–3.8)	2.5 (2.1–2.9)						

TABLE 2. Geometric means (GMs) of blood lead levels (measured as μ g/dL), by race/ethnicity, sex, and age group — National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (NHANES), United States, 1991–1994 and 1999–2002

TABLE 2. (*Continued*) Geometric (GMs) means of blood lead levels (measured as μ g/dL), by race/ethnicity, sex, and age group — National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (NHANES), United States, 1991–1994 and 1999–2002

	No. in		NHANES 1999–2002* GM (95% confidence interval)										
Sex/Age (yrs)	sample	All racial/ethnic groups	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Mexican American								
Both sexes													
≥1	16,825	1.6 (1.5–1.6)	1.5 (1.5–1.6) [†]	1.8 (1.7–1.9) [¶]	1.6 (1.6–1.7)								
1–5	1,610	1.9 (1.8–2.1)	1.8 (1.6–2.0) [†]	2.8 (2.5–3.1) ^{§¶}	1.9 (1.8–2.0) [†]								
6–19	6,283	1.1 (1.1–1.2)	1.1 (1.0–1.1) ^{†§}	1.5 (1.4–1.6) ^{§¶}	$1.3 (1.2-1.4)^{\dagger 1}$								
20–59	5,876	1.5 (1.5–1.6)	1.5 (1.4–1.5) ^{†§}	1.7 (1.6–1.8) [¶]	1.8 (1.6–1.9) [¶]								
≥60	3,056	2.2 (2.1–2.3)	2.2 (2.1–2.3)†	2.7 (2.5–2.8) ^{§¶}	2.1 (1.9–2.3)†								
Male													
<u>></u> 1	8,202	1.9 (1.8–2.0)	1.9 (1.8–1.9) ^{†§}	2.1 (2.0–2.3) [¶]	2.0 (1.9–2.2) [¶]								
1–5	846	1.9 (1.8–2.1)	1.8 (1.6–2.0) [†]	2.8 (2.5–3.1) ^{§¶}	2.0 $(1.8-2.1)^{\dagger}$								
6–19	3,158	1.3 (1.3–1.4)	1.2 (1.1–1.3) ^{†§}	1.7 (1.5–1.8) [¶]	1.5 (1.4–1.6) [¶]								
20–59	2,689	2.0 (1.9-2.0)	1.9 (1.8–2.0) [§]	2.1 (2.0-2.3)	2.3 (2.2–2.5) [¶]								
<u>></u> 60	1,509	2.7 (2.6–2.8)	2.6 (2.5–2.7)†	3.4 (3.1–3.6) ^{§¶}	2.6 (2.3–2.8)†								
Female													
<u>≥</u> 1	8,623	1.3 (1.3–1.3)	1.3 (1.2–1.3) [†]	1.5 (1.4–1.6) ^{§¶}	1.3 (1.2–1.4) [†]								
1–5	764	1.9 (1.8–2.1)	1.8 (1.5–2.1) [†]	2.8 (2.5–3.2) ^{§¶}	1.8 (1.7–2.0) [†]								
6–19	3,125	1.0 (0.9–1.0)	0.9 (0.8–1.0) ^{†§}	1.3 (1.2–1.5) ^{§¶}	1.1 (1.0–1.2) ^{†¶}								
20–59	3,187	1.2 (1.2–1.2)	$1.2 (1.1-1.2)^{\dagger}$	1.4 (1.3–1.5) [¶]	1.3 (1.2–1.4)								
≥60	1,547	1.9 (1.8–2.0)	1.9 (1.8–2.0)†	2.3 (2.1–2.4) ^{§¶}	1.8 (1.6–2.0)†								

* Differences in GMs between NHANES 1999–2002 and NHANES 1991–1994 are all significant at p<0.05.

Significantly different from non-Hispanic blacks at p<0.05, with Bonferroni adjustment.

Significantly different from Mexican Americans at p<0.05, with Bonferroni adjustment.

¹Significantly different from non-Hispanic whites at p<0.05, with Bonferroni adjustment.

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FIGURE I. Selected notifiable disease reports, United States, comparison of provisional 4-week totals May 21, 2005, with historical data

DISEASE

DECREASE

INCREASE

* No rubella cases were reported for the current 4-week period yielding a ratio for week 20 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.

TAB	LE	l. Summaı	y of	provis	sional	cases	of se	lected	notif	iable	diseas	s, Un	ited	States,	, cumul	ative	, week	c endin	g Ma	y 21	, 2005 (20th Wee	k)*
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Disease	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Disease	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004
Anthrax	—	—	Hemolytic uremic syndrome, postdiarrheal [†]	43	27
Botulism:			HIV infection, pediatric ⁺¹	116	117
foodborne	5	4	Influenza-associated pediatric mortality ^{†**}	34	—
infant	21	25	Measles	15††	14 ^{§§}
other (wound & unspecified)	9	3	Mumps	96	82
Brucellosis	30	38	Plague	—	—
Chancroid	10	16	Poliomyelitis, paralytic	—	—
Cholera	1	4	Psittacosis [†]	7	4
Cyclosporiasis [†]	307	86	Q fever [†]	22	20
Diphtheria	-		Rabies, human	1	—
Domestic arboviral diseases			Rubella	4	7
(neuroinvasive & non-neuroinvasive):	-	—	Rubella, congenital syndrome	1	_
California serogroup ^{†§}	-	4	SARS [†] **	—	—
eastern equine ^{†§}	-		Smallpox [†]	—	—
Powassan ^{†§}	-	—	Staphylococcus aureus:		
St. Louis ^{† §}	-		Vancomycin-intermediate (VISA) [†]	—	—
western equine ^{†§}	l —		Vancomycin-resistant (VRSA) [†]	_	_
Ehrlichiosis:	-		Streptococcal toxic-shock syndrome [†]	64	77
human granulocytic (HGE)†	30	36	Tetanus	5	4
human monocytic (HME) [†]	31	23	Toxic-shock syndrome	42	37
human, other and unspecified [†]	10	5	Trichinellosis	7	_
Hansen disease [†]	14	43	Tularemia [†]	13	15
Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome [†]	5	4	Yellow fever	—	—

-: No reported cases.

* Incidence data for reporting years 2004 and 2005 are provisional and cumulative (year-to-date).

Not notifiable in all states. §

Updated weekly from reports to the Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases (ArboNet Surveillance).

¹ Updated weekly from reports to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention. Last update April 24, 2005. ^{**} Updated weekly from reports to the Division of Viral and Rickettsial Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases.

††

Of 15 cases reported, nine were indigenous and six were imported from another country.

§ Of 14 cases reported, five were indigenous and nine were imported from another country.

[¶] Formerly Trichinosis.

(A	IDS	Chlamydia [†]		Coccidioi	domycosis	Cryptosporidiosis		
Reporting area	Cum. 2005§	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	
UNITED STATES	13,232	12,150	327,461	352,369	1,610	1,809	671	921	
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. ¹¹ Mass. R.I. Conn.	532 4 7 3 275 47 196	370 5 19 10 119 44 173	10,722 824 705 384 5,507 1,299 2,003	11,658 754 661 444 5,221 1,340 3,238	N — — — — —	N 	35 3 5 9 12 1 5	55 9 14 6 19 1 6	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	2,558 253 1,476 413 416	2,414 186 1,134 524 570	38,792 8,167 11,959 4,341 14,325	43,745 8,453 13,511 7,007 14,774	 	 	100 26 23 7 44	153 28 48 12 65	
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	1,204 185 165 661 138 55	1,276 231 164 606 207 68	52,221 13,987 7,644 14,836 8,802 6,952	63,389 16,055 7,013 18,072 15,261 6,988	3 N - 3 N	5 N 5 N	125 45 11 2 20 47	237 53 30 40 47 67	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. ¹¹ Kans.	318 88 41 132 5 9 5 38	300 66 19 125 12 5 20 53	18,972 3,030 2,627 7,756 412 1,076 1,498 2,573	21,473 4,399 2,635 7,921 761 966 2,004 2,787	3 3 N N - N	4 N 3 	100 28 17 39 7 1 8	95 39 14 	
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. ¹¹ W. Va. N.C. S.C. ¹¹ Ga. Fla.	4,263 70 513 276 223 22 350 215 741 1,853	4,145 55 475 149 209 237 29 237 267 690 2.034	63,599 1,298 6,784 1,459 7,944 886 13,171 7,900 7,754 16,403	66,362 1,141 7,335 1,407 8,705 1,093 10,639 6,838 12,947 16,257	N N N N	 	153 — 8 2 12 4 21 7 45 54	168 	
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. ¹ Ala. ¹ Miss.	770 91 313 213 153	555 68 208 167 112	22,762 4,269 8,471 2,996 7,026	21,694 2,121 8,773 5,355 5,445	N N 	3 N N 	19 7 3 8 1	39 9 12 10 8	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex. ¹	1,513 71 278 112 1,052	1,707 88 337 68 1,214	42,542 3,413 6,982 4,116 28,031	44,547 3,125 10,043 4,155 27,224	 N	2 1 1 N N	18 1 3 7 7	42 7 — 8 27	
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho ¹¹ Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev. ¹¹	537 3 5 107 56 227 25 114	485 	20,534 798 731 427 5,071 1,478 8,018 1,645 2,366	19,806 877 1,190 425 5,096 3,244 5,550 1,270 2,154	1,079 N N 2 1,045 2 30	1,121 N N 9 1,085 6 21	39 4 2 16 2 4 4 5	36 3 4 19 1 5 1 1	
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. [¶] Calif. Alaska Hawaii	1,537 144 90 1,250 9 44	898 165 90 592 10 41	57,317 7,454 3,399 43,262 1,473 1,729	59,695 6,608 3,004 46,298 1,531 2,254	525 N 525 —	674 N 674	82 5 15 62 —	96 	
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	1 335 7 U 2	208 4 U U	1,631 32 U	438 1,144 150 U U	N U	N U U	N U	N 	

TABLE II. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending May 21, 2005, and May 22, 2004 (20th Week)*

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Escherichia coli, Enterohemorrhagic (EHEC)										
			Shiga toxi	n positive,	Shiga toxi	n positive,				
	015	7:H7	serogroup	non-0157	not sero	grouped	Giardi	asis	Gono	rrhea
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004
UNITED STATES	386	412	55	71	61	46	5,513	5,994	109,189	121,669
NEW ENGLAND	28	20	15	18	6	5	453	527	1,949	2,722
Maine N H	2		2	2	_	_	44 21	52 16	52 59	102 52
Vt.	1		—	_		_	59	39	15	35
Mass.	10	11	5	6	6	5	185 30	268 37	1,057	1,202
Conn.	12	3	7	10	_	_	114	115	574	973
MID. ATLANTIC	47	36	3	9	5	10	1,028	1,341	11,027	13,947
Upstate N.Y. N Y City	18 1	10 7	3		2	3	332 292	379 434	2,384 2 897	2,792 4 374
N.J.	11	7	—	3	_	4	135	175	1,607	2,579
Pa.	17	12	—	4	3	3	269	353	4,139	4,202
E.N. CENTRAL	79 34	85 18	7	13	3	4	777 226	913 270	20,633	25,726 8 200
Ind.	8	12	_			_	N	Ň	2,972	2,390
III. Mich	9	22	1			—	130	304	5,988	7,554
Wis.	14	14	5	9	_	_	182	139	1,909	1,710
W.N. CENTRAL	53	62	12	11	9	9	713	653	6,006	6,308
Minn.	6	23	3	6	2	2	356	206	865	1,114
Mo.	20	7	6	4	2	2	151	200	3,189	3,198
N. Dak.	1	2	—	—	_	3	1	11	19	57
Nebr.	5	8	3	1	2	_	38	54	349	414
Kans.	9	9	—	_	3	2	60	69	865	947
S. ATLANTIC	61	41	8	11	30	7	925	928	26,930	29,392
Md.	6	5	2	2		2	57	20 34	2,525	3,059
D.C.		1				—	18	29	790	947
W. Va.		1		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_	195	12	2,805	3,503
N.C.	-		—	—	16	4	N	N	6,263	5,796
Ga.	7	11	1	1	_	_	316	286	3,391	5,472
Fla.	45	18	2	2	8	1	290	378	7,145	6,633
E.S. CENTRAL	22	23	—	2	5	6	141	130 N	8,370	9,444
Tenn.	11	3	_	_	4	2	74	62	3,008	3,106
Ala.	7	6	—		_	—	67	68	1,910	3,041
		1		1				100	2,108	2,400
Ark.	o 1	40	_				30	45	1,723	1,497
La.	1	1	1	—	2	—	10	15	3,858	4,557
Tex.	3	30	_	2	_	5	43 N	42 N	9,337	8,738
MOUNTAIN	42	45	9	4	1	_	404	439	4,251	4,353
Mont.	3	3			—	—	11	15	44	30
Wyo.		12	1	_	_	_	7	5	25	22
Colo.	11	9	1	1	—	—	139	149	1,076	1,220
Ariz.	10	5 6	2 N	N	N	N	59	25 71	1,690	394 1,566
Utah	7	6	—	_	_	—	115	87	259	174
Nev.	8	4	—	1	I	_	28	23	800	913
Wash.	46 9	60 17	_	1	_	_	989 61	961 91	13,372	13,199 982
Oreg.	4	8	—	1	_	_	84	148	618	369
Jalit. Alaska	27 3	31 1	_	_	_	_	793 28	664 26	10,954 188	11,049 262
Hawaii	3	3	—	_	_	_	23	32	317	537
Guam	Ν	Ν	—	_	_	_				70
P.R. V.I.	_	_	_	_	_	_	10	22	153 2	101 53
Amer. Samoa	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Ū	Ŭ
U.IN.IVI.I.	_	U		U		U		U		U

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<u>, </u>	Haemophilus influenzae, invasive												
	All a	ages			Age <	5 years							
	All ser	otypes	Serc	otype b	Non-se	rotype b	Unknown	serotype					
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004					
UNITED STATES	906	892	2	6	49	46	87	94					
NEW ENGLAND	65	86	_	1	5	6	4	1					
Maine	3	7	—	—	_	_	1	—					
Vt.	6	5	_	_	_		2	1					
Mass.	24	43	—	1		2	1						
R.I.	6	2	_	_	2	2	_	_					
	178	185	_	1	_	2	21	24					
Upstate N.Y.	48	63	_	1	_	3	5	3					
N.Y. City	27	38	_	_	_	_	6	8					
N.J. Pa	37	34 50	_	_	_	_	5	2					
	100	160			1	7	6	24					
Ohio	61	57	_	_	_	2	5	10					
Ind.	35	22	—	_	1	4	1	1					
III. Mich	9	47	_	_	_	1	_	10					
Wis.	7	25	_	_	_	_	_	_					
W.N. CENTRAL	45	43	_	1	2	2	6	5					
Minn.	18	14	—	<u> </u>	2	2	—	_					
lowa Mo	20	1	_	1	_	_	4						
N. Dak.	1	3	_	_	_	_	1						
S. Dak.	_	_	—	—	_	_	_	—					
Nebr. Kans.	3	2	_	_	_	_	1	1					
S ATLANTIC	235	205	_	_	13	10	14	16					
Del.			_	_			_						
Md.	34	38	—	—	4	2	_						
Va.	18	17	_	_	_	_	_	1					
W. Va.	14	10	—	—	1	3	2						
N.C.	37	24	_	_	5	3	1						
Ga.	60	59	_	_	_	_	6	14					
Fla.	62	51	—	—	3	2	5	—					
E.S. CENTRAL	46	29	_	_	1	_	10	6					
Ky. Tenn	4		_	_	1	_	1						
Ala.	10	9	_	_	_	_	3	2					
Miss.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
W.S. CENTRAL	55	37	1	1	4	4	6	1					
Ark.		1	- 1	_	2	_	6	1					
Okla.	29	26	_	_	2	4	_	_					
Tex.	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—					
MOUNTAIN	121	105	—	2	14	10	17	12					
Mont. Idaho	3	4	_	_	_	_	1	2					
Wyo.	1	_	_	_	_	_	_	_					
Colo.	26	25	—	_			3	3					
Ariz.	55	43	_	_	8	6	4	4					
Utah	10	8	_	2	_	1	6	1					
Nev.	13	2	—	—	2	—	2	1					
PACIFIC	39	42	1	—	9	4	3	5					
Oreg.	17	22	_	_	_	_	3	2					
Calif.	16	12	1	_	9	4	—	1					
Alaska Hawaii	1 5	3 4	_	_	_	_	_	1					
Guam	- -		_	_	_	_		_					
P.R.	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_					
V.I. Amor Somoo													
C.N.M.I.	_	U	_	U	_	U	_	U					

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	Hepatitis (viral, acute), by type												
		Α		В		C							
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum.							
UNITED STATES	1,412	2,329	2,112	2,175	235	281							
NEW ENGLAND	189	319	114	141	6	4							
Maine		7	4	1	—	—							
Vt.	20	о 5	1	20	6	1							
Mass.	143	265	89	66	—	3							
R.I. Conn	5 20	6 28	 15	1 51	_	_							
	222	279	/81	208	41	46							
Upstate N.Y.	34	33	44	33	9	2							
N.Y. City	106	105	39	65	—	—							
N.J. Pa.	38 44	81	81	123	32	44							
E.N. CENTRAL	141	180	146	193	45	28							
Ohio	24	22	57	57	2	2							
Ina. III	20 27	18 58	10	9		2							
Mich.	56	62	65	106	36	18							
Wis.	14	20	—	21	—	—							
W.N. CENTRAL	48	56	105	136	14	1							
lowa	9	17	9	7	_	—							
Mo.	27	9	63	96	13	—							
S. Dak.	_	2	_			_							
Nebr.	2	10	13	11	—	—							
Kans.	/	/	12	9		_							
S. AILANTIC Del	209	388	616 26	686 17	51	70 2							
Md.	20	57	76	60	12	1							
D.C. Va	2	3 27	74	12 72	6	1							
W. Va.	2	1	14	2	5	8							
N.C.	29	25	57	57	7	6							
Ga.	41	157	113	212	3	7							
Fla.	79	94	215	207	17	32							
E.S. CENTRAL	85	65	125	187	27	27							
Ky. Tenn.	4 60	9 45	29 56	21 87	1 7	13							
Ala.	9	6	23	29	7	1							
MISS.	12	5	17	50	12	7							
W.S. CENTRAL	87	443	101 17	102	25	65							
La.	28	11	20	23	6	3							
Okla.	3	16 370	7 57	23	 10	2							
	144	169	202	159	0	17							
Mont.	6	3	2			2							
Idaho	12	10	5	6	—	1							
Colo.	15	14	12	21	_	4							
N. Mex.	7	6	5	9	—	5							
Utah	86 12	17	20	78 17	6	2							
Nev.	6	2	12	25	3	2							
PACIFIC	287	430	222	273	17	23							
vvash. Oreg.	16 17	26 33	17 39	22 40	3 8	6 7							
Calif.	242	359	161	200	6	10							
Alaska Hawaii	3	2 10	4	8 3	_	_							
Guam		1		1	_	_							
P.R.	2	11	3	21	_	_							
V.I. Amer Samoa													
C.N.M.I.	<u> </u>	U	<u> </u>	U	_	U							

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	Legion	ellosis	Liste	riosis	Lyme c	lisease	Malaria		
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	
UNITED STATES	388	462	168	192	1,910	3,043	348	450	
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass	19 1 3 	9 	6 1 2	11 2 1 	108 2 18 2 69	401 20 14 11 234	$\frac{15}{3}$	31 2 1 19	
R.I. Conn.	1 3	1 4	1 2	1 4	3 14	32 90	2	2 7	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	109 30 12 22 45	84 18 10 13 43	31 8 7 7 9	44 12 6 15 11	1,315 217 597 501	2,100 758 68 476 798	94 19 40 24 11	111 13 55 23 20	
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	83 42 5 9 23 4	93 39 9 15 25 5	19 7 1 	27 9 5 6 2	33 21 2 8	129 15 1 19 94	19 3 5 8 3	31 8 4 9 6 4	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	11 1 8 1 1	10 3 4 1 1 1	11 2 4 2 	3 1 1 	68 54 8 5 — — 1	38 12 10 13 	16 6 2 7 — — 1	24 9 1 5 2 1 1 5	
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla. E S. CENTBAL	83 1 19 1 5 4 9 2 6 36 10	99 2 14 3 7 2 8 2 14 47 20	40 N 5 9 1 8 16 9	26 N 5 	328 77 171 3 28 3 18 7 21	307 44 189 2 11 2 34 3 6 16 12	84 26 2 8 1 13 3 14 17 11	113 2 26 5 10 	
Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	2 3 5	4 9 6 1	9 1 4 3 1	9 2 5 1 1	11 11 —	5 5 2	2 6 3	1 3 7 2	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	11 1 4 1 5	98 — 5 2 91	5 - 3 - 2	32 1 — 30	15 2 3 — 10	26 1 25	22 1 2 19	57 2 3 1 51	
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	37 2 1 2 7 1 12 5 7	25 1 4 5 8 3	1 1 	3 1 1 1	2 - - - - 2 -	5 2 2 — 1	15 — 1 8 — 2 4 —	15 6 1 2 3 2	
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	25 — N 25 —	24 4 N 20 —	46 2 3 41 —	37 5 4 28 —	30 27 1 N	25 2 13 10 N	72 3 1 62 2 4	55 1 8 44 2	
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	 	1 U U	 	 U U	N U	 U	 	 U U	

 TABLE II. (Continued) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending May 21, 2005, and May 22, 2004

 (20th Week)*

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	Meningococcal disease												
	All sero	groups	Sero A, C, Y, a	group Ind W-135	Serogi	oup B	Other se	rogroup	Serogrou	unknown			
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004			
UNITED STATES	518	617	42	39	26	24	1	_	449	554			
NEW ENGLAND	36	29	1	4	_	2	_	_	35	23			
Maine N H	1	8	_	_	_	1	_	_	1	7			
Vt.	3	1	_	_	_	_	_	_	3	1			
Mass. B I	18	17	_	4	_	1	_	_	18	12			
Conn.	9	_	1	_	_	_	_	_	8	_			
MID. ATLANTIC	74	86	21	23	4	5	_	_	49	58			
Upstate N.Y.	19 10	25 15	2	4	3	3	_	_	14 10	18 15			
N.J.	20	17					_	_	20	17			
Pa.	25	29	19	19	1	2	—	_	5	8			
E.N. CENTRAL Obio	51 23	57 34	13	8	4	4	_	_	34 19	45 27			
Ind.	8	8	_	_	_		_	_	8	8			
III. Mich	2 13	1	13		_		_	_		1			
Wis.	5	9		_	—	—	_	_	5	9			
W.N. CENTRAL	31	37	2	_	1	3	_	_	28	34			
Minn. Iowa	6 9	9 8	1	_	1	2	_	_	5 8	9 6			
Mo.	9	11	1	—		1	_	_	8	10			
N. Dak. S. Dak	1	1	_	_	_		_	_	1	1			
Nebr.	2	3	_	—	—	—	_	_	2	3			
Kans.	4	4				_	—	_	4	4			
S. ATLANTIC	92	121	2	2	4	2	_	_	86	117			
Md.	8	6	1		2	—	_	_	5	6			
D.C. Va		5	_		_		_	_		3			
W. Va.	4	4		—			_	_	4	4			
N.C. S.C	11 11	18 12	1	_	2	2			8 11	16 12			
Ga.	8	7	—	—	—	_			8	7			
Fla.	39	61	—	_	_	_	—	—	39	61			
E.S. CENTRAL Kv.	27	29 3	_	_	2	_	_	_	25 6	29			
Tenn.	13	10	—	_	_	_	_	—	13	10			
Ala. Miss.	2 4	6 10	_	_	_	_	_	_	2 4	6 10			
W.S. CENTRAL	41	56	1	1	3	1	_	_	37	54			
Ark.	8	10	_	_		—	_	_	8	10			
La. Okla.	19 6	20	1	1	2	1	_	_	17	19			
Tex.	8	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	23			
MOUNTAIN	41	30	1	—	3	3	1	_	36	27			
Mont. Idaho	1	1	_	_	_	_	_	_	1	1			
Wyo.		3	_	_	_	—	_	—	_	3			
N. Mex.	10	9 4	1	_	_	2	1	_	8	9 2			
Ariz.	21	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	19	5			
Nev.	5	2	_	_		1	_	_	4 3	2			
PACIFIC	125	172	1	1	5	4	_	_	119	167			
Wash.	20	15	1	1	4	4	—	—	15	10			
Calif.	23 75	35 115	_	_	_	_	_	_	23 75	35 115			
Alaska	1	2	—	—		—	—	—	1	2			
nawali	Ø	5	_	_	I	_	_	_	5	5			
P.R.	3	5	_	_	_	_	_	_	3	5			
V.I. Amer Samoo	—	_	_	—	_	—	—	—	—	—			
C.N.M.I.	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_			

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	Pertussis		Rabies,	animal	Rocky M spotted	ountain I fever	Salmoi	nellosis	Shigellosis		
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	
UNITED STATES	5,935	3,772	1,887	2,614	219	212	8,927	10,479	3,520	4,978	
NEW ENGLAND	304	572	287	183	1	5	539	481	68	86	
Maine	12	3	19	19	N	N	26	29	2	1	
Vt.	46	38	22	6	_	_	33	18	4	2	
Mass.	211	484	174	79	—	5	289	266	38	55	
R.I. Conn	8 14	9 17	6 62	10 63	1	_	19 133	31 107	2 18	4 21	
MID. ATLANTIC	583	862	204	271	15	25	1.142	1.333	395	464	
Upstate N.Y.	199	620	152	130	_	1	292	310	98	194	
N.Y. City	28	63	9	5	1	8	292	388	163	139	
Pa.	258	121	43	136	9	10	368	401	29	48	
E.N. CENTRAL	1,436	804	38	14	4	10	950	1,420	228	324	
Ohio	627	163	21	5	3	4	291	336	23	66	
III.	83	152	8	4	_	4	108	431	24	131	
Mich.	98	39	6	2	1	1	231	255	96	33	
Wis.	496	428	—	1	—	—	208	247	52	41	
W.N. CENTRAL	805	213	127	213	24	10	647	664	262	135	
lowa	277	32	26	21	_	_	101	132	38	29	
Mo.	165	112	19	6	22	9	195	181	157	49	
N. Dak. S. Dak	48	6	6 12	23	_	_	11	13	2	1	
Nebr.	72	4	1Z	58	1	1	48	49	20	7	
Kans.	102	10	36	45	1	—	84	103	14	26	
S. ATLANTIC	450	197	631	959	130	115	2,500	2,132	617	1,127	
Del. Md	12 73	44	109	9 112	1 10	2	13 196	19 185	4 27	3	
D.C.	3	5	_	_		_	14	15	6	21	
Va.	74	48	224	176	4	—	255	238	33	34	
vv. va. N C	22	33	13	28	1 87	78	33 410	46 247	63	129	
S.C.	161	30	5	58	6	10	161	136	35	205	
Ga.	15	9	86	121	13	17	407	366	175	253	
E S CENTRAI	161	47	5	205	14	26	460	574	402	400	
Ky.	49	47	6	11			90	98	43	31	
Tenn.	65	26	15	17	11	15	173	174	302	87	
Ala. Miss	34 13	7	29	21 5	3	5	147 59	168 134	115 33	78 25	
W.S. CENTRAL	149	139	438	812	8	16	591	1.481	665	1.816	
Ark.	74	12	13	23	2		122	102	20	18	
La.	13	7	41	<u> </u>	1	3	175	174	41	123	
Tex.	62	107	384	735			204	1,112	323	1,509	
MOUNTAIN	1,447	405	70	43	19	2	605	706	212	272	
Mont.	307	11	_	5	1		32	51	2	3	
Wyo.	13	3	9	_	1	_	12	20	_	1	
Colo.	595	215	3	4	1	1	155	162	34	48	
N. Mex.	52 261	59 71	58	34	13	_	48	73	28	50 132	
Utah	155	28			3	_	72	76	16	15	
Nev.	18	1	—	—	—	—	55	40	25	18	
PACIFIC	600	533	42	65	4	3	1,484	1,688	580	533	
oreg.	135 245	160	_	_	_	2	106 97	118 139	22 23	28 26	
Calif.	160	175	41	54	4	1	1,162	1,280	519	459	
Alaska	15	9	1	11	—	—	17	28	5	4	
Guam	40	ō	_	_	_	_	102	123	11	10	
P.R.	_	1	28	18	N	N	29	75	_	1	
V.I. Amor Samoa											
C.N.M.I.	_	U	_	U	_	U	_	U	_	U	

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			Strepto	coccus pneum	<i>oniae</i> , invasiv					
	Streptococ	cal disease,	Drug res	sistant,			Brimany &	Syp	hilis	nital
	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	ges Cum.	Age <5 Cum.	years Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	Cum.
Reporting area	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
UNITED STATES	1,951	2,323	1,135	1,181	352	392	2,558	2,863	97	150
NEW ENGLAND	70	165	11 N	57 N	32	57	73	68	_	_
N.H.	5	11			2	Ň	5	1	_	_
Vt.	7	_5	5	5	3	1			_	—
Mass. R I	50	16	6	9 7	27	36	56	43	_	_
Conn.	_	53	Ŭ	36	U	16	9	18	_	_
MID. ATLANTIC	433	381	121	87	58	53	330	385	15	21
Upstate N.Y.	155	114	46	39	36	34	27	31	11	1
N.J.	85	82	N	N	11	4	44	74	1	10
Pa.	130	120	75	48	11	15	44	55	_	1
E.N. CENTRAL	391	518	286	264	94	93	216	342	15	22
Ohio	99	130	186	196	44	45	76	97	2	1
III.	82	155	2		24		72	130	3	2
Mich.	160	147		N		N	32	78	7	18
Wis.	8	38	N	N	4	30	8	16	2	_
W.N. CENTRAL	137	163	28	10	43	32	68	77	_	2
lowa	52 N	N	N	N	24 —	N	1	4	_	_
Mo.	43	40	26	9	4	8	46	44	_	1
N. Dak. S. Dak	2	6	2		1	_	_	_	_	_
Nebr.	9	11		_	4	4	2	5	_	_
Kans.	22	26	N	N	10	2	7	12		—
S. ATLANTIC	398	434	488	576	43	26	674	706	20	24
Del. Md	110	66		3	29	18	119	134	7	3
D.C.	5	4	13	5	2	4	46	20	_	1
Va.	27	37	N 40	N	10	N	35	25	3	1
N.C.	63	56	49 N	N	U IZ	4 U	89	57	3	1
S.C.	11	43		58	—	N	26	52	—	7
Ga. Fla	75 100	114	155 270	147 298	_	N	74 277	129 284	7	1 10
ES CENTRAL	79	11/	87	73	3	9	139	145	, 11	7
Ky.	19	35	14	18	Ň	Ň	12	22	—	_
Tenn.	60	79	73	53	—	N	60	54	8	1
Ala. Miss.	_	_	_	2	3	N 9	56 11	54 15	3	4
W.S. CENTRAL	84	266	75	36	51	97	468	427	20	30
Ark.	7	5	8	5	10	5	22	13		3
La.	5	1	67	31	16	19	92	93	2	2
Tex.	11	228	N	N	9	23 50	338	309	17	23
MOUNTAIN	319	246	39	17	28	25	136	147	12	11
Mont.	_		_	_	_	_	5	_	_	_
Idaho	1	4	N 16	N	—	N	9	10	_	2
Colo.	124	48	N	Ň	27	25	15	27	_	_
N. Mex.	23	52		5	_		18	39	1	2
Ariz. Utah	127	116 21	N 22	N 6	1	N	56 4	61	11	
Nev.	1		1	2	_	_	29	7	_	_
PACIFIC	40	36	_	61	_	_	454	566	4	33
Wash.	N	N	N	N	N	N	56	31		_
Calif.	IN	IN	N	N	N	N	380	518	4	33
Alaska			_			N	4		_	_
Hawaii	40	36	—	61	—	—	2	3	—	—
Guam		N		N	—	N	 5.5			
V.I.					_			4		
Amer. Samoa	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
C.N.M.I.	_	U	_	U	—	U	—	U	—	U

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					Var	icella	West Nile virus disease [†]			
	Tube	rculosis	Typho	id fever	(chicl	kenpox)	Neuro	invasive	Non-neuroinvasive [§]	
Reporting area	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	Cum. 2004	Cum. 2005	
UNITED STATES	3,343	4,618	68	96	9,332	10,689	_	14	_	
NEW ENGLAND	102	140	6	10	355	1,232	_	_	_	
Maine	7	8	—	—	101	43	—	—	—	
Vt.	4	6	_	_	52 24	315	_	_	_	
Mass.	68	78	5	9	178	15			—	
R.I. Conn.	6 17	15 33	1	1	_	859	_	_	_	
MID ATLANTIC	741	695	18	27	2 157	29	_	1	_	
Upstate N.Y.	85	81	3	2			_		_	
N.Y. City	384	353	3	9	—	_	_	_	—	
Pa.	107	148	5	5	2,157	29	_	1	_	
E.N. CENTRAL	486	394	3	11	3.114	3.342	_	_	_	
Ohio	93	64	_	2	733	862	_	—	—	
Ind.	48	50 183			119	N 1	_	_	_	
Mich.	71	70	1	3	2,024	2,127	_	_	_	
Wis.	32	27	1	1	221	352	—	—	—	
W.N. CENTRAL	172	150	1	2	72	120	_	1	—	
Minn. Iowa	69 17	60 15	1	1	N	N	_	_	_	
Mo.	43	41	_	1	3	2	_	_	_	
N. Dak.	2	3	—	—	10	68	—	_	—	
S. Dak. Nebr.	5 15	4 6	_	_	59	50	_		_	
Kans.	21	21	_	_	_	_	_	_	Ν	
S. ATLANTIC	714	911	9	8	878	1,222	—	1	—	
Del. Md	2 81	9 81			6	4	_	_	_	
D.C.	27	4	_		15	17	_	_	_	
Va.	94	72	2	2	141	316	—	—		
N.C.	72	85	1	2	539	028 N	_	_	IN	
S.C.	80	72	_	_	177	257	_	_	—	
Ga. Fla	58 292	265 313	2	2	_	_	_	1	_	
	102	170	1	-						
Ky.	40	29	1	2	N	N	_	_	_	
Tenn.	92	48	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	
Ala. Miss.	60	60 33	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
W.S. CENTRAL	276	817	3	9	1.348	3 382	_	1	_	
Ark.	36	52	_	_			_	· 	_	
La.	 50		—	—	96	42	_	_	—	
Tex.	188	710	3	9	1,252	3,340	_	1	_	
MOUNTAIN	81	192	3	3	1,408	1,362	_	10	_	
Mont.	—	_	—	—	_	_	—	—	—	
Idano Wvo.	_	1	_	_	42	17	_	_	_	
Colo.	16	51	—	1	994	1,041	—	1	—	
N. Mex.	4	14		1	78	35	_		_	
Utah	5	15	1	1	294	269	_	_	_	
Nev.	—	31	1	—	—	—	_	—	—	
PACIFIC	579	1,149	24	22			_	_	_	
vvasn. Oreg	76	78 36	1	1		N	_	_	_	
Calif.	405	981	17	15	—	_	—	_	_	
Alaska Hawaii	13 47	12 42		6	_	_	_	_	_	
Guam	47	4C 1 A	4	U	—		_	—		
P.R.	_	21	_	_	76	95 134	_	_	_	
V.I.									_	
Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	<u> </u>	U	<u> </u>	U	<u> </u>	U	<u> </u>	U	_	

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TABLE III. Deaths in 122 U.S. cities,* week ending May 21, 2005 (20th Week)

		All	causes, b	y age (ye	ars)					All	causes, b	oy age (y	ears)	_	
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	558	391	117	34	11	5	61	S. ATLANTIC	1,209	787	270	94	26	31	69
Boston, Mass.	137	90	37	6	4	_	11	Atlanta, Ga.	137	84	38	12	3	_	.4
Bridgeport, Conn.	54	40	9	4	1	_	7	Baltimore, Md.	150	84	46	13	5	2	15
Cambridge, Mass.	14	9	3	2	_	_	3	Charlotte, N.C.	109	78	14	10	3	4	6
Fall River, Mass.	17	13	3	1		_		Jacksonville, Fla.	157	100	35	15	4	3	5
Hartford, Conn.	10	45	11	2	3	_	/	Miami, Fia.	134	102	10	11	2	1	8
Lowell, Mass.	19	10	2	1		_	-	Dichmond Vo	50	37	10	2	1	0	6
Lymin, Mass.	9 21	16	2	3	_	_	7	Savannah Ga	50 60	33 45	12	2	2	3	5
New Haven Conn	/2	27	10	1		1	6	St Petersburg Ela	56	38	7	6	2	3	3
Providence B I	60	48	9	2	1		5	Tampa Fla	179	123	40	10	2	4	12
Somerville, Mass.	6	5	1	_		_	_	Washington, D.C.	102	55	36	7	2	2	1
Springfield, Mass.	31	14	8	5	2	2	5	Wilmington, Del.	14	9	3	2	_	_	_
Waterbury, Conn.	27	19	6	2	_	_	_		000	000	010	0.4	00	00	70
Worcester, Mass.	60	44	13	1	_	2	9	E.S. CENTRAL	936	606	213	64	29	23	70
	2 107	1 520	112	115	22	25	110	Chattanooga Tonn	193	117	49	13	2	2	12
Albany NV	2,107	1,520	413	115	33	20	1	Knowillo Tonn	100	49	21	1	2	2	1
Allentown Pa	27	23	1	1	_	2	1	Lexington Ky	99	58	21	12	2	5	q
Buffalo N Y	78	51	21	4	_	2	4	Memphis Tenn	183	123	38	12	5	5	19
Camden, N.J.	2	1	_	1	_	_	2	Mobile, Ala.	72	48	18	1	2	3	4
Elizabeth, N.J.	13	7	2	4	_	_	1	Montgomery, Ala.	59	44	12	1	_	2	6
Erie, Pa.	39	31	7	1	_	_	1	Nashville, Tenn.	157	94	41	14	4	4	12
Jersey City, N.J.	36	23	8	2	1	2	_	WS CENTRAL	2 /61	1 565	590	170	65	70	102
New York City, N.Y.	1,036	752	206	55	17	6	53	Austin Tex	2,401	1,505	17	7	05	2	123
Newark, N.J.	42	22	9	7	1	3	4	Baton Bourge La	82	52	12	5	3	10	_
Paterson, N.J.	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Corpus Christi Tex	70	50	12	5	2	1	8
Philadelphia, Pa.	380	262	81	22	9	5	20	Dallas, Tex.	166	91	52	9	7	7	17
Pittsburgh, Pa. ^s	31	25	5	1		_	1	El Paso, Tex.	93	65	22	4	_	2	4
Reading, Pa.	18	11	4	3		_	10	Ft. Worth, Tex.	113	74	27	5	4	3	1
Rochester, N.Y.	139	114	21	4	_	_	10	Houston, Tex.	347	206	99	23	5	14	17
Scheneciauy, N. I.	20	24	2	2	_		1	Little Rock, Ark.	87	48	29	3	3	4	_
Svracuse NY	107	24 84	17	3	1	2	5	New Orleans, La.	965	632	213	78	26	16	59
Trenton N.I	26	19	4	_	2	1	_	San Antonio, Tex.	238	150	59	17	7	5	12
Utica, N.Y.	21	14	6	1	_		_	Shreveport, La.	76	42	22	3	6	3	1
Yonkers, N.Y.	19	15	3	1	_	_	1	Tuisa, Okia.	139	96	25	11	2	5	_
E N CENTRAL	2 054	1 370	455	126	56	45	120	MOUNTAIN	1,138	737	255	81	38	27	72
Akron, Ohio	39	27	7	3	1	1	7	Albuquerque, N.M.	155	102	33	16	3	1	8
Canton, Ohio	30	28	2	_	_	_	3	Boise, Idano	37	21	8		5	3	2
Chicago, III.	318	187	83	32	6	8	18	Colo. Springs, Colo.	20	30	12	4	2		
Cincinnati, Ohio	99	58	30	5	4	2	4	Las Vagas Nov	242	156	27 52	21	0	4	20
Cleveland, Ohio	203	138	46	13	3	3	6	Orden Litah	243	130	5	21	2	-	20
Columbus, Ohio	218	152	48	12	2	4	14	Phoenix Ariz	198	111	52	22	4	9	12
Dayton, Ohio	117	82	29	5	1		10	Pueblo, Colo.	36	27	8	1		_	3
Detroit, Mich.	174	91	52	16	11	4	7	Salt Lake City, Utah	101	75	21	3	_	2	10
Evansville, Ind.	30	30	10	3		-	1	Tucson, Ariz.	183	129	36	4	10	4	10
Corv Ind	17	50	19	2	5	'	0	PACIEIC	1 669	1 1 9 7	226	00	22	20	160
Grand Banids Mich	62	40	11	2	5	4	3	Berkeley Calif	1,000	6	2	1		2	103
Indianapolis, Ind.	210	136	40	15	8	11	13	Fresno, Calif.	108	77	22	6	3	_	11
Lansing, Mich.	55	35	16	1	2	1	2	Glendale, Calif.	25	19	6	_	_	_	4
Milwaukee, Wis.	104	81	16	4	_	3	10	Honolulu, Hawaii	84	67	11	3	1	2	11
Peoria, III.	39	30	4	4	1	_	2	Long Beach, Calif.	70	46	16	6	2	_	11
Rockford, III.	54	43	10	1	_	_	1	Los Angeles, Calif.	339	240	67	20	6	6	35
South Bend, Ind.	54	39	10	1	2	2	—	Pasadena, Calif.	12	9	3	_	_	_	2
Toledo, Ohio	91	67	16	3	4	1	5	Portland, Oreg.	135	92	28	9	3	3	7
Youngstown, Ohio	57	48	7	1	1	_	6	Sacramento, Calif.	178	126	38	7	4	3	21
W.N. CENTRAL	601	395	137	37	15	15	37	San Diego, Calif.	164	113	30	14	3	4	15
Des Moines, Iowa	53	42	10	1	_	_	5	San Francisco, Calif.	59	37	15	5	1	1	10
Duluth, Minn.	28	23	5	_	_	_	5	San Jose, Calif.	181	141	31	4	2	3	18
Kansas City, Kans.	40	25	8	5	_	2	1	Santa Uruz, Ualli.	∠ö 110	10	2 2	2	I A	∠ 1	3
Kansas City, Mo.	91	62	20	6	2	1	4	Snokane Wash	50	74 20	20	1	+ 2	י ס	6
Lincoln, Nebr.	32	17	11	3	1	—	—	Tacoma Wash	114	84	10	7	ے 1	2	7
Minneapolis, Minn.	56	36	12	3	2	3	3		114	04	13			5	
Omaha, Nebr.	76	47	25	1	_	3	8	TOTAL	12,732¶	8,558	2,775	811	306	275	833
St. Louis, Mo.	99	51	26	8	7	5	4								
Si. Paul, MINN. Wichita Kana	50 76	37	6 1 /	5	2	1	5								
vviolilla. Malis.	/0		14	5			2	1							

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 \geq 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.

¹ Total includes unknown ages.

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