

REPORTED CASES OF  
COMMUNICABLE DISEASES  
IN PHILADELPHIA



PHILADELPHIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
DIVISION OF DISEASE CONTROL  
MONTHLY COMMUNICABLE DISEASE SURVEILLANCE REPORT

REPORTED THROUGH  
MARCH 2009  
(INCLUSIVE)

CATEGORY	DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED IN MARCH 2009*	TOTAL REPORTED YEAR TO DATE (1/1 – 3/31)			TOTAL ANNUAL REPORTED CASES 2004-2008		
			2009*	2008*	AVERAGE 2005-2009*	FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE	FIVE-YEAR MINIMUM	FIVE-YEAR MAXIMUM
DISEASES OF THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM/SEPSIS	Encephalitis - Viral, not WNV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> , invasive disease	3	7	1	5	14	9	19
	Listeriosis	0	0	1	1	7	2	11
	Meningitis - Aseptic	5	18	18	12	83	66	95
	Meningitis - Bacterial	1	2	1	1	4	1	5
	Meningococcal Infection	2	5	1	2	7	2	14
	Streptococcal disease, invasive group A	11	16	24	12	40	27	75
	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> , invasive disease	17	58	55	50	142	94	164
RESPIRATORY	Legionnaire's disease	0	5	2	2	24	19	31
GASTROINTESTINAL INFECTIONS	Campylobacteriosis	10	22	20	21	88	73	118
	Cryptosporidiosis	2	4	6	5	38	19	94
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> , shiga-toxin producing**	0	3	1	2	7	3	11
	Giardiasis	6	22	22	21	88	65	104
	Salmonellosis	21	71	65	58	336	261	420
	Shigellosis	98	253	17	11	84	14	206
VIRAL HEPATITIS	Hepatitis A	0	1	5	5	18	9	39
	Hepatitis B - Acute	1	5	6	10	29	15	61
VECTOR-BORNE INFECTIONS	Dengue Fever	0	0	0	1	2	1	8
	Ehrlichiosis	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	Lyme Disease†	7	23	36	22	192	140	289
	Malaria	0	2	3	3	14	7	19
	Rocky Mountain spotted fever	0	0	0	1	4	2	8
	West Nile Virus	0	0	0	0	2	1	8
SELECT VACCINE- PREVENTABLE DISEASES	Measles	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Mumps	0	0	0	0	2	1	2
	Pertussis	1	12	9	13	65	39	109
	Rubella	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANIMAL EXPOSURE	Animal Bites/Exposure	165	395	342	302	1526	1431	1792

\*Data is provisional

\*\*This category includes *E.coli* O157:H7 and non-O1 serotypes that are shiga toxin positive

†The Lyme disease case definition was changed in 2008 to include suspect cases, statistics are only reported for confirmed and probable Lyme disease cases prior to 2008