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## Provisional Information on Selected Notifiable Diseases in the United States and on Deaths in Selected Cities for Week Ended September 13, 1958

The number of reported cases of poliomyelitis this week totals 399, of which 193 were paralytic and 155 nonparalytic. The corrected figures for last week are 319 total, 153 paralytic, and 124 nonparalytic cases. For the 37th week of last year 282 cases were reported; 90 were paralytic and 149 were nonparalytic. Since the slight drop in the number of reported cases for the week ended August 30 the number has been increasing again, and the figures for this week are the highest recorded in all categories this year.

The number of reported cases in the Middle Atlantic and East North Central areas are substantially higher than last week's figures for total cases and also higher for paralytic cases. Figures for the New England, Mountain, and West North Central areas are also higher this week, but the figures are still relatively small. The South Atlantic area has reported considerably fewer cases this week. The other areas report about the same as last week or somewhat less.

The number of reported cases from Michigan is higher again this week, but the percentage of paralytic cases is only about 30 percent; the percentage of paralytic cases for the Nation is close to 50 percent. Ohio has also reported a relatively high number of cases compared with the previous weeks.

The breakdown of the 120 cases reported in Michigan by week of onset is as follows:

Week ended	Cases
August 8	- 2
August 15	. 2
August 22	. 16
August 29	
September 5	- 41
September 12	- 1

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## Table I. Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: Continental United States

(Numbers after diseases are category numbers of the Seventh Revision of the International Lists, 1955)

		37th WEE	К	CUMULATIVE NUMBER								
DISEASE	Ended Sept. 13, 1958	Ended Sept. 14, 1957	Median 1953-57	F1:	rst 37 wee	ks	Since s	Approxi- mate				
				1958	1957	Median 1953-57	1957-58	1956-57	Median 1952-53 to 1956-57	seasonal low point		
Anthrax062		1	1	11	15	20	(1) (1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Botulism049.1	-	_	10 and	3	11	8	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Brucellosis (undulant fever) 044	15	11	25	584	702	950	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1) (1)		
Diphtheria055	17	43	42	453	665	1,046	103	201	296	July 1		
Encephalitis, infectious082	132	50	50	<sup>2</sup> 1,537	1,293	1,270	2928	733	677	June 1		
Hepatitis, infectious,	1		100		1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1		Acres Acres	Charles .	- 11			
and serum092, N998.5 pt.	278	248	442	11,143	11,494	22,957	548	484	848	Sept. 1		
Malaria110-117	3	4	8	52	112	334	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Measles085	1,185	1,007	874	712,819	451,504	527,884	2,456	1,850	1,637	Sept. 1		
Meningococcal infections057	56	35	38	1,891	1,754	2,679	119	69	82	Sept. 1		
Meningitis, other340	<sup>3</sup> 183	62		32,518	1,700							
Poliomyelitis080	399	282	2,007	2,942	4,402	18,350	2,723	3,876	17,199	Apr. 1		
Paralytic080.0,080.1	193	90		1,417	1,390		1,296	1,116		Apr. 1		
Nonparalytic080.2	155	149		1,098	2,305		1,030	2,142		Apr. 1		
Unspecified080.3	51	43		427	707		397	618		Apr. 1		
Psittacosis096.2	1	1	1	111	194	199	(1)	(1)	(1)			
Rabies in man094	- 15		- 1	2	4	5	(1) (1)	(1) (1)	(1) (1)	(1) (1)		
Typhoid fever040	36	29	45	723	939	1,339	546	682	1,027	Apr. 1		
Typhus fever, endemicl01	6	7	5	57	91	101	45	66	85	Apr. 1		
Rabies in animals	72	54	67	3,461	3,265	3,897	4,276	4,229	5,262	Oct. 1		

<sup>2</sup>Includes revised report from Colorado, Indiana, and New Mexico. Data show no pronounced seasonal change in incidence. Includes 37 cases of aseptic meningitis; 3 in the District of Columbia, 18 in Florida, 3 in Iowa, 9 in Maryland, and 4 in Wisconsin. Cumulative data include revised report from New York for week ended August 30, **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CENTER** 

Symbols. - 1 dash - : no cases reported; 3 dashes --- : data not available.

The 1957-58 disease year for measles, meningococcal infections, and infectious and serum hepatitis closed with the week ended August 30. A review of the data on these diseases since the approximate seasonal low point in 1957 shows that the incidence of measles this year was considerably higher than the incidence for the 1956-57 disease year; that the number of cases of meningococcal infections was somewhat higher; and that for infectious and serum hepatitis the number of cases was lower for the 1957-58 period.

The total of 743,133 cases of measles reported during the disease year was considerably higher than the 1956-57 figure of 486,863 cases. The number of cases reported was higher than that reported in the 1956-57 period in all areas except the West North Central and Pacific areas. The peak in the incidence curve occurred during the first part of May. For several weeks—during April and May—about 40,000 cases were reported each week.

The number of meningococcal infections reported has been decreasing slowly since 1953, but the 2,728 cases in the 1957-58 disease year is higher than the 1956-57 figure of 2,416 cases. The median for the last 5 years is 3,619. Incidence was generally distributed over the Nation. The pattern of the seasonal incidence showed more cases were reported during February and early March, when about 75 cases were reported per week. During the summer weeks the number of cases ranged from 40 to 45 cases per week.

During the 1957-58 disease year, 14,386 cases of infectious and serum hepatitis were reported. For the previous disease year, 16,209 cases were reported. The median for the last 5 years is 28,079 and reflects the high incidence reported during 1953-55. The Mountain and Pacific areas reported the most cases of hepatitis in relation to population; and the South Atlantic area had a relatively low incidence when compared with the population of that area. The number of reported cases was generally high during February, March, April, and May, usually with more than 300 cases reported each week. The highest number of cases for any week was 447, reported in mid-April.

#### EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORTS

#### Staphylococcal food poisoning

Dr. A. L. Marshall, Jr., Indiana State Board of Health, has reported an outbreak of staphylococcal food poisoning in 14 persons who ate contaminated ham at a women's club luncheon. The luncheon menu included ham, potato salad, tossed salad, mushrooms with sauce, bread, cookies, and coffee. During a period from 1½ to 5 hours after eating, the individuals became ill with severe nausea and vomiting, abdominal cramps and diarrhea. Four persons were hospitalized. All were reported to be acutely ill. Three still showed some effects of the illness 2 days after onset. Investigation revealed that the ham was cooked over a barbecue pit for 4½hours, then refrigerated until the following day when it was sliced. After slicing, the ham

was again refrigerated for several hours and then taken to the home of the hostess where it remained out of refrigeration until served the next day. It was unrefrigerated for about 19 hours. Coagulase-positive <u>Staphylococcus aureus</u> was isolated from samples of the ham in quantities of more than 1 million per gram. A small number of <u>S. aureus</u> were also isolated from the potato salad. Investigation of the preparation of the other items served revealed nothing unusual.

#### Aseptic meningitis

Information has been received from Dr. Linus J. Leavens, Vermont Department of Health, about an outbreak of suspect viral meningitis in east central Vermont which has affected more than 100 persons in 10 towns. The earliest reported case had onset on July 31. The cases now under epidemiological investigation occurred during August, but new cases are being reported almost daily. The range in age of the individuals is from 4 to 55 years but most of the cases have occurred among children and young adults. The symptoms of the illness are moderate fever, severe headache, stiff neck, and occasionally pain in the ocular muscles. About half of the cases report sore throat. Additional symptoms include malaise, muscular aches and pains, nausea, vomiting, and occasional abdominal pain. The symptoms vary from mild to severe. The severe headache is the outstanding symptom. In no instance has a skin rash been observed. Investigation indicates the incubation period may be from 4 to 6 days. Eight of the cases have occurred in 3 related families. One member of these families had been in New Jersey in late July and became ill on July 31.

Twenty acute-phase blood specimens and 14 convalescent blood specimens have been collected and are under laboratory study. Several stool specimens are also under study. Cerebrospinal fluid from 3 individuals has been examined, and no microorganisms could be cultured. One meningitis case showed a cerebrospinal fluid leucocyte count of 615 per cu. mm.; 76 percent of the cells were lymphocytes. The cerebrospinal fluid from another case showed 28 lymphocytes.

Cases of aseptic meningitis have occurred sporadically elsewhere in the State, but there has been no such concentration of cases as in this outbreak.

#### QUARANTINE MEASURES

<u>Immunization Information for International Travel</u> Public Health Service Publication No. 384 (1958)

#### Changes Reported

Africa.—Liberia (p. 23) now requires yellow fever vaccination of all arrivals. All other information remains the same.

Asia,—Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (p. 45) now requires cholera vaccination of all arrivals from India. All other information remains the same.

Table 2. CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES, EACH DIVISION AND STATE, ALASKA, HAWAII, AND PUERTO RICO, FOR WEEKS ENDED SEPTEMBER 14, 1957, AND SEPTEMBER 13, 1958

(By place of occurrence. Numbers under diseases are category numbers of the Seventh Revision of the International Lists, 1955)

AREA	BRUCEL (UNDU FEV	LANT		DIPHTH	ERIA 055			ENCEPHALITIS, INFECTIOUS		HEPATITIS, INFECTIOUS, AND SERUM 092, N998.5 pt.				
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	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957		
CONT. UNITED STATES	1.5	11	17	43	453	665	132	50	278	248	11,143	11,494		
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Massachusetts	_ [		-	1	- 4		-	-	1	-	15	86		
Rhode Island	_				*	17	[		10	7	198	186		
Connecticut	39.0	-	_		1				1	1	49 82	59		
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	_									-	02	94		
New York	_	- []	-	2000	33 15	57	14	9	50	52	1,416	1,800		
New Jersey	_		-	Visit I	2	<b>3</b> 0	9	9	34	38	964	1,096		
Pennsylvania				_	16	18	3	_	10	1	113	229		
EAST NORTH CENTRAL				- 91					10	13	339	475		
Ohio		3	-	2	30	40	15	13	34	37	1,938	1,965		
Indiana		- [	-	2	6	11	12	8	7	6	611	497		
Illinois		1			14	9	-	-	2	6	175	281		
Michigan		ı		5-11	5	3 15	3	2	11	15	465	438		
Wisconsin	<u>*</u>	ī	112	o 19.	1	2		1 2	11	5	533	540		
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Iowa	10	-	_	_	13	7	10-1		4 9	1 2	124	236		
Missouri		2		-	14	i	1		1	2	172 180	164		
North Dakota	-	-		-	3	3	2	1		1	149	114		
South Dakota		-	_	- D-	5	6		_		ı	10	34		
Nebraska	-	-	-	2	8	10	7	2			56	20		
Kansas	2	1		1	1	6	25		7/1	_	215	23		
SOUTH ATLANTIC	-	1	5	28	117	217	5	,	10					
Delaware	-		-	_	411	211		1 :	16	23	800	883		
Maryland	-		-	17.67	3	2	1	- 1.9	3		39 89	7		
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West Virginia	-	-	42	100	9	5	- m-	_	2	i	115	75		
North Carolina	-	-	1	2	15	27	3	-	1	6	41	81		
Georgia			3	21	20	60	-		-	2	37	26		
Florida	-	1	1	3	32	48	-	1	2	4	85	97		
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EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	-	-	3	4	46	91	2	4	15	26	917	1,519		
Kentucky	-	-	-	1	4	14	-	4	9	13	422	645		
Alabama	-	-	1	1	7	10	-		5	9	254	570		
Mississippi		-	2	2	20	37	-	-	-	4	179	196		
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Louisiana	-		-	- 2	12	12	-		2	1	85	66		
Oklahoma		1	9	2	20	12	1	-	-	2	9	48		
Texas				2	25	18	5	3	3	2	115	103		
					41	86	7	- 11	25	21	676	672		
MOUNTAIN	2	1	-	-	41	26	22		41	26	1,754	993		
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Colorado		1	-		2	1	17	-	1		9	45		
New Mexico	1	-		- 1-	7	2		-	4	2	178	158		
Arizona		-	- 1		12	9	3		5	2	259	323		
Utah	1		1		3	3		OK 61	13	5	676	178		
Nevada				-		1	1		5 2	3	138	38		
PACIFIC						-			4		100	28		
Washington	1	1	1	1	9	32	27	6	65	40	2,130	2,132		
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	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
CONT. UNITED STATES	399	282	2,942	4,402	193	90	155	149	3	4	1,185	1,00
NEW ENGLAND	10	8	62	6 <b>4</b>	8	3	2	5	-	-	50 8	4
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ermont	2	-	4	4	2	2	2	7	-	-	24	
Assachusettshode Island	5	6	21	19	3		_	4			9	
onnecticut	2	2	28	31	2	1	-	1		-	7	
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	68	18	364	240	36	9	20	5			175	1
lev York	27	14	151	148	22	. 8	5	4		2.	97	13
lew Jersey	29	4	163	57	7	1	14	1	-	-	32	2
ennsylvania	12	-	50	35	7	-	1	-	-		46	2
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	190	119	844	1,104	70	32	94	65	1	-	237	20
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Worth Carolina	3	5	74	178	3		_	5	_	-	5	
South Carolina	3	5	15	101	2	2	-	1			1	
Georgia	1	2	34	63	1	1	-	-	-	-	16	100
Florida	7	6	174	107	5	1	-	3	-		4	18.3
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	13	10	197	295	12	2	1	4	-	-	147	
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Alabama	2	1	72	90	2	-		1			4	
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes cases not specified by type, category number 080.3.

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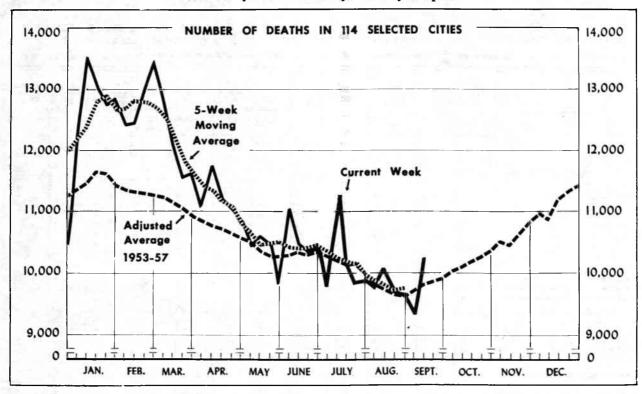
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Florida	1	1	423	-	-	1	1	17	38	2	-	
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	4	7	2	1	_	- 3	2	80	145	2	7	8-1-8
Kentucky	- 1	1	1	841.7	- 12	2	1	25	46		4	
Tennessee	1	1	1	-	-	1	1	23	58	Section.	2	<b>3000</b>
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California	3	2	_	112-01-	1.35	1	5	39	52	1	-	-
Alaska		-		200	-			1	1	697 2		
Havaii	1	1		-			_	1	4			-
Puerto Rico		5 -	3		- 36-7	2	-	19	15	-	3 7	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Aseptic meningitis.

SIncludes 9 cases of aseptic meningitis.

Includes 18 cases of aseptic meningitis.

Symbols.—1 dash [-]: no cases reported; asterisk [\*]: disease not notifiable.



The chart shows the number of deaths reported for 114 major cities of the United States by week for the current year, a 5-week moving average of these figures plotted at the central week and an adjusted average, 1953-57, for comparison. The adjusted average is computed as follows: From the total deaths reported each week for the years 1953-57, 3 central figures are selected by eliminating the highest and lowest figures reported for that week. A 5-week moving average of the arithmetic means of the 3 central figures is then computed. The adjusted average shown in the chart is the 5-week moving average increased by 2.3 percent to allow for estimated population growth in the cities.

The use of the adjusted average is based on the assumption that the crude death rate and changes in population will remain at the level of recent years. No allowance has been made for increased use of city hospital facilities.

Table 4 shows the number of death certificates received during the week indicated for deaths that occurred in a specified city. Figures compiled in this way, by week of receipt, usually approximate closely the number of deaths occurring during the week. However, differences are to be expected because of variations in the interval between death and receipt of the certificate and because of incomplete reporting due to holidays or vacations. If a report is not received from a city in time to be included in the total for the current week an estimate is made for use in plotting the figure in the chart.

The number of deaths in cities of the same size may also differ because of variations in the age, race, and sex composition of the populations, and because some cities are hospital centers serving the surrounding areas. Changes from year to year in the number of deaths may be due in part to population increases or decreases.

Table 3. DEATHS IN SELECTED CITIES BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS

(By place of occurrence, and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths)

AREA	37th week ended	36th week ended Sept. 6, 1958	Adjusted average, 37th week 1953-57	Percent change, adjusted average	CUMULATIVE NUMBER FIRST 37 WEEKS				
	Sept. 13, 1958			to current week	1958	1957	Percent change		
TOTAL: 114 REPORTING CITIES	<sup>1</sup> 10,233	9,314	9,817	+4.2	<sup>1</sup> 413,006	397,017	+4.0		
New England(14 cities)	630	578	621	+1.4	26,063	25,551	+2.0		
Middle Atlantic(20 cities)	2,841	2,643	2,830	+0.4	119,032	115,070	+3.4		
East North Central(19 cities)	2,185	2,129	2,153	+1.5	87,985	85,453	+3.0		
West North Central(9 cities)	709	645	707	+0.3	29,162	28,262	+3.2		
South Atlantic(11 cities)	939	807	798	+17.7	36,042	33,398	+7.5		
East South Central(8 cities)	480	350	463	+3.7	19,306	17,761	+8-		
West South Central(13 cities)	942	768	774	+21.7	35,316	33,381	+5.8		
Mountain(8 cities)	<sup>1</sup> 293	247	226	+29.6	111,018	9,898	+11.3		
Pacific(12 cities)	11,214	1,147	1,190	+2.0	149,082	48,243	+1.7		
		2.0	(2.11						

Includes estimate for missing cities.

Table 4. DEATHS IN SELECTED CITIES

(By place of occurrence, and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths)

AREA	37th week ended Sept.	36th week ended Sept.	CUMULATIVE FIRST 37		AREA	37th week ended Sept.	36th week ended Sept.	CUMULATIVE FIRST 37	
	13, 1958	6, 1958	1958	1957		13, 1958	6, 1958	<b>19</b> 58	1957
NEW ENGLAND:	7.0	3.77	100 00 14	100	WEST NORTH CENTRAL—Con.:			1 1 2 3	
Boston, Mass	194	195	8,986	8,616	St. Louis, Mo	235	214	9,087	8,758
Bridgeport, Conn	41	3 <b>3</b>	1,388	1,391	St. Paul, Minn	52	55	2,686	2,449
Cambridge, Mass	26	26	1,065	1,114	Wichita, Kans	42	40	1,684	1,601
Fall River, Mass	23	20	1,013	987	SOUTH ATLANTIC:				
Hartford, Conn	38	43	1,846	1,798	Atlanta, Ga	112	81	4,079	3,975
Lowell, Mass	25	20	978	1,033	Baltimore, Md	230	189	9,215	8,784
Lynn, Mass	24	18	830 878	763 889	Charlotte, N. C	33	37	1,305	1,220
New Haven, Conn	46	37	1,687	1,688	Jacksonville, Fla	52	52	2,250	1,987
Providence, R. I	65	57	2,368	2,278	Miami, Fla	62	61	2,690	1,829
Somerville, Mass	17	15	514	500	Norfolk, Va	43	24	1,320	1,322
Springfield, Mass	42	40	1,566	1,562	Richmond, Va	78	55	2,803	2,743
Waterbury, Conn	21	20	975	930	Savannah, Ga	34	(61)	1,218	1,091
Worcester, Mass	44	34	1,969	2,002	St. Petersburg, Fla Tampa, Fla	46	(61) 65	2,509	2,297
1					Washington, D. C	215	172	7,265	6,816
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:		- 1	3 000	1 03 0	Wilmington, Del	34	34	1,388	1,334
Allenterm Do	50	40	1,807	1,810				_,555	_,
Allentown, Pa Buffalo, N. Y	30 156	18 134	1,207 5,544	1,391 5,247	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL: Birmingham, Ala	77	52	3 225	2 000
Camden, N. J.	39	44	1,583	1,468	Chattanooga, Tenn.	44	34	3,235 1,794	2,862
Elizabeth, N. J	44	31	1,132	1,040	Knoxville, Tenn	19	14	1,027	1,022
Erie, Pa	35	48	1,319	1,314	Louisville, Ky	91	78	4,064	3,839
Jersey City, N. J	50	53	2,619	2,488	Memphis, Tenn	107	70	4,286	3,919
Newark, N. J	75	87	3,536	3,753	Mobile, Ala	37	35	1,447	1,317
New York City, N. Y	1,409	1,331	60,185	58,039	Montgomery, Ala	45	21	1,267	921
Paterson, N. J	41	40	1,525	1,429	Nashville, Tenn	60	46	2,186	2,183
Philadelphia, Pa	391	375	18,651	17,826	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:		- 1		
Pittsburgh, Pa	186	157 15	7,109	6,603 861	Austin, Tex	35	23	1,225	1,096
Rochester, N. Y	15 93	77	3,720	3,513	Baton Rouge, La	22	29	1,051	910
Schenectady, N. Y	22	23	843	871	Corpus Christi, Tex	21	17	780	77
Scranton, Pa.	43	24	1,280	1,387	Dallas, Tex	111	102	4,288	4,04
Syracuse, N. Y	63	66	2,311	2,135	El Paso, Tex	39	18		1,14
Trenton, N. J	44	27	1,754	1,631	Fort Worth, Tex	51	47	2,256	2,28
Utica, N. Y	28	24	989	1,168	Little Rock, Ark	186	125 47		5,51 1,98
Yonkers, N. Y	27	29	1,126	1,096	New Orleans, La	153	131		6,38
EACH NOTHING CHANGE AT	14			191	Oklahoma City, Okla	74	59		2,27
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:	44	44	2,118	1,966	San Antonio, Tex	88	82		3,51
Canton, Ohio	40	26	1,166	1,131	Shreveport, La	56	46		1,71
Chicago, Ill	632	703	28,022	27,525	Tulsa, Okla	55	42	1,857	1,72
Cincinnati, Ohio	148	134	6,007	5,573	MOUNTAIN:	P		- N - N - N - N - N - N - N - N - N - N	
Cleveland, Ohio	222	188	7,739	7,622	Albuquerque, N. Mex	29	33	1,060	94
Columbus, Ohio	170	133	4,188	4,135	Colorado Springs, Colo	16	14		50.
Dayton, Chio	79	67	2,701	2,640	Denver, Colo	107	75		4,05
Detroit, Mich	314 27	284 27	11,793	11,846	Ogden, Utah	14	9		1,09
Evansville, Ind	29	25	1,387	1,365	Phoenix, Ariz	45 114	44	1 6 1	
Flint, MichFort Wayne, Ind	35	35	1,304	1,302	Pueblo, Colo Salt Lake City, Utah	50	14		1,62
Gary, Ind.	18	24	1,180	1,061	Tucson, Ariz	18	18		76
Grand Rapids, Mich	31	41	1,532	1,494	The second secon				
Indianapolis, Ind	153	123	4,738	4,340	PACIFIC:	16	10		70
Madison, Wis		(34)		(1,176)	Berkeley, Calif Fresno, Calif	16 (43)			70
Milwaukee, Wis	106	102	4,862	4,748	Glendale, Calif	(36)			
Peoria, Ill	34	32	1,178	1,081	Long Beach, Calif	51	50		1,99
Rockford, Ill	(13)	(18)	(968) 983	(933) 947	Los Angeles, Calif	417	395		17,44
South Bend, Ind	22 97	17 83	3,687	3,511	Oakland, Calif	76		3,468	3,46
Toledo, Ohio	44	41	1,946	2,022	Pasadena, Calif	42	28		1,31
Youngstown, Ohio	**		-,523		Portland, Oreg	181	105		3,53
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				764	Sacramento, Calif	46	44		1,88
Des Moines, Iowa	41	53	2,014	2,004	San Diego, Calif.	73 196			2,92
Duluth, Minn	25	17	927	956	San Francisco, Calif	(24)			7,05
Kansas City, Kans	32	7	962	1,085	San Jose, Calif	123			4,80
Kansas City, Mo	100	116	4,525	4,338	Seattle, Wash	52			1,68
Lincoln, Nebr	(37)	(15)		4 500	Tacoma, Wash.	41	30		1,44
Minneapolis, Minn	114	97		4,568		(38		1.0	(1,42
Omaha, Nebr	68	46	2,587	2,503	Honolulu, Hawaii	(30	1 ,52	1 (1,000)	(1) 42

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Estimated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Includes estimate for current week.

Symbols.—Parentheses [( )]: data not included in table 3; 3 dashes [---]: data not available.

#### SOURCE AND NATURE OF MORBIDITY DATA

These provisional data are based on reports to the Public Health Service from health departments of each State and of Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. They give the total number of cases of certain communicable diseases reported during the week usually ended the preceding Saturday. Cases of anthrax, botulism, and rables in man are not shown in table 2, but a footnote to table 1 shows the States reporting on these diseases. In addition, when diseases of rare occurrence (cholera, dengue, plague, louse-borne relapsing fever, smallpox, louse-borne epidemic typhus, and yellow fever) are reported, this will be noted at the end of table 1.

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