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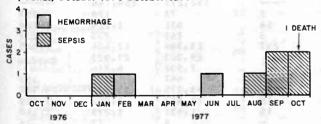
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Cluster of Abortion-Related Complications — Texas

In the period August 8-October 14, 1977, 5 women with septic complications following abortion were admitted to a south Texas hospital. One of the women died with septicemia and renal failure; *Clostridium perfringens* organisms grew from a blood culture.

A review of the hospital records at the 270-bed community facility revealed that only one case of septic complications following abortion had been admitted during the previous year; 2 more women had had such complications but were not admitted (Figure 1). Further investigation indicated that, according to patient or family interviews, all 5 women had had abortions in Mexico. All were of Hispanic descent; 4 were U.S. citizens.

FIGURE 1. Cases of illegally induced abortion complications, McAllen, Texas, October 1976-October 1977



Endometrial and/or blood cultures from 3 of the women grew *C. perfringens* organisms; a fourth patient had tetanus. Three patients were Medicaid recipients. Details of the fatal case follow.

A 27-year-old woman was hospitalized September 26, 1977, with symptoms of fever, knee pain, and lower abdominal pain. She had had 1 previous live birth (in 1973) and 1 abortion (1975). On September 1 and September 19 she had consulted her physician about sternal pain. On the second visit, when she indicated to her physician that she might be pregnant, he informed her that Medicaid no longer paid for abortions. She subsequently obtained an induced abortion in Mexico. On September 26 she was hospitalized. On

admission she had a temperature of 101.8 F, with a blood pressure of 110/80 and a pulse of 110. Her uterus was markedly tender and was not easily examined because of abdominal guarding. *C. perfringens* organisms were grown from blood and endometrium. On September 27 a hysterectomy was performed to remove the focus of infection. Her condition continued to deteriorate, however, and she died October 3 from renal and cardiac failure. On October 18, her private physician notified CDC of this death, and, at the request of the Texas Department of Health Resources, an investigation was conducted.

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Editorial Note: This is the first confirmed illegal abortion-related death reported to CDC since February 2, 1976, when a death occurred in El Paso, Texas. Since 1970, however, CDC has investigated 4 other clusters of abortion-related complications. Mexican public health authorities have been informed of the recent cluster and have initiated their own investigation.

Not all states have discontinued public financing of abortions, but Texas law requires that publicly financed health services be partially supported by federal funds. Therefore, by law, Texas withdrew financial support for abortions after federal support was withdrawn on August 4.

While this case was reported to CDC by a private physician, CDC is presently monitoring abortion-related morbidity and mortality through a sentinel hospital system both in states that have stopped funding abortion and in those which are continuing it.

Feline Plague — California

Two cases of plague in domestic cats were recently reported to the California Department of Health. The animals' case histories—of particular importance because of the potential for human transmission—are reported below.

On September 12, 2 young cats owned by a family living in Plumas County, California, were seen by a veterinarian. One of the cats had been ill for 2 days and presented with unilateral submandibular lymphadenopathy, swelling beneath the eyes, and sluggishness. The cat was subsequently observed to sneeze profusely, producing purulent material. The second cat had a temperature of 107 F and right submandibular lymphadenopathy. Plague was suspected by the veterinarian, who had diagnosed and treated plague in a cat 2 years earlier. A cervical lymph node aspirate of the second cat revealed bipolar staining bacilli, which were confirmed as *Yersinia pestis* by the Microbial Diseases Laboratory, California Department of Health. Both cats were treated with tetracycline and recovered.

The cats lived outdoors and were known to hunt small rodents. The culture-confirmed cat was seen with a chipmunk in its mouth 6 days before being brought to the veterinarian. Since one of the cats had been sneezing, chemoprophylaxis was recommended for the 13 persons

who had face-to-face contact with either animal; all contacts frave remained well.

Reported by R Fitch, MD, L Smith, DVM, Plumas County; SL Christenson, MD, Plumas County Health Dept; EV Bayer, DVM, G Nygaard, SB Werner, MD, California Dept of Health, in California Morbidity Weekly Report No. 38, September 30, 1977.

Editorial Note: Domestic feline plague has been reported to be the most probable source of human infection in 2 instances in 1977 in the United States (1,2). The feline cases reported here further document this potential source of infection for humans living in plague-enzootic areas. Cats and dogs have been shown experimentally to be susceptible to plague infection, although cats may develop more severe illness (3). Veterinarians practicing in plague-enzootic areas should be aware that domestic pets brought to their offices for treatment may have plague. Suspicious animals should be reported to appropriate local and state health authorities.

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Table I. Summary—Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States

[Cumulative totals include revised and delayed reports through previous weeks] **43rd WEEK ENDING CUMULATIVE, FIRST 43 WEEKS** MEDIAN DISEASE October 29. October 30. October 29. October 30. MEDIAN 1972-1976 1972-1976 1977 1976 1977 1976 3, 323 3.797 2,695 120 87 93 Aseptic meningitis 160 256 Brucellosis 2 2 186 152,273 154,766 Chickenpox 1.021 1.202 157 2 73 128 Diphtheria 31 34 851 1. 224 34 1,224 Primary Encephalitis 237 167 230 Post-Infectious 13,384 8,065 265 263 237 12.404 Type B 25,300 573 586 27,923 Hepatitis, Viral 34,666 921 7,507 188 151 6,766 (Type unspecified 447 353 393 53,375 24, 748 158 182 156 35,388 Measles (rubeola) 1, 159 24 13 18 1,443 1,292 1,140 1,431 1,275 18 24 13 17 26 258 285 555 16,928 34,118 49,477 Mumps 78 1,369 800 16 Pertussis 15,321 73 79 128 18,944 11,047 Rubella (German measles) 56 80 2 3 3 55 Tuberculosis 659 645 25,170 27,322 113 5 2 133 113 Tularemia 350 Typhoid fever 10 332 350 741 Typhus, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. spotted fever) 15 1,066 Venereal Diseases: Civilian 21,895 18,338 826,393 836,412 Gonorrhea Military 470 400 22.125 24,376 Syphilis, primary and secondary Mintary 445 475 17.113 20,060 7 252 2 284 2,508 Rabies in animals 38 43 2 ,553 2,508 60

Table II. Notifiable Diseases of Low Frequency: United States CUM. CUM. Poliomyelitis, total: Paralytic: 8 87 Congenital rubella syndrome: Psittacosis: Mass. 1, Wisc. 1, Ariz. 1 58 14 Rabies in man: 111 Trichinosis: Conn. 1. Ohio 1. 36 66

Table III

Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States Weeks Ending October 29, 1977 and October 30, 1976 - 43rd Week

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Virgin Islands	_			_	_	_	_			_	_	_				

NN: Not notifiable NA: Not available *Delayed reports:

Asep. meng.: N.J. +2, Wisc. -3, W. Va. -1, Ky. -1, Okla +6, Nev. +2; Bruc.: Mo. -1, Texas +1; Chickenpox: Calif. +3, Guam +3; Enceph.: Ind. +4, Wisc. -1, S. Dak. -2; Hep. B: N.H. +1, Vt. -2, Pa. +37, Ohio +1, Mo. +2, Okla. +6, Texas +1, Nev. +2, Guam +2; Hep. A: N.H. +3, Pa. +40, Ohio -1, Mo. -2, Va. -1, Okla. +10, Texas -3, Nev. +1; Hep. unsp.: Vt. +1, Pa. +3, Va. -3, Okla.+5, Texas -2, Calif. +3, Guam +2.

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Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States

Weeks Ending October 29, 1977 and October 30, 1976 – 43rd Week

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UNITED STATES	158	53,375	35,388	24	1,440	1,292	258	16,928	78	73	18,944	56	
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Pennsylvania	2	3,616	3,053	2	59	39	ī	182			550		
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	39	11,441	14,968	2	143	164	91	5,747	13	30	3,808	5	
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Indiana*	5	4,344	3,397	-	10	8	4	338	-	6	963	1	
Illinois	22	1,787	1,649	1	23 43	20 57	22 43	1,028	9	8	331 971	1 2	
Michigan	6	2,447	3,468	A _	14	11	17	1,953	_	11	414	-	
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	25	9.373	1,299	1	73	87	47	3,824	-	3	522	9	
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Missouri*	1	915	47	1	30	37	7	1,322	C 2 12 1	-	37	3	
North Dakota	2	26	3	-	1	3	1	20	-	04(11	13	-	
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SOUTH ATLANTIC	18	4,650	2,195	5	309	251	19	837	23	5	1,687	12	
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Oklahoma	2	75 62	224 295	2	129 14	35 21	in T	55 524	1	11.73	27 33	2	
Texas*	8	1,949	226	1	124	127	12	869	6 2	2	758	7	
MOUNTAIN	2	2,533	5,151	-	33	37	4	612	1	6	381	2	
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Oregon	120	366	170		17	17	6	259	14	431121	115	-	
California	49	9,375	2,089	<u> -</u>	109	119	35	795	12	17	1,569	7	
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Guam*	NA	11	16	-	1		NA	6	NA	NA	10		
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Virgin Islands	-	14	14	-	92 1	í	-	189	-	- 10	2		

NA: Not available

*Delayed reports: Measles: Ind. -3, Texas +5, Guam -2; Men. inf.: S.C. +1, Texas +1; Pertussis: N.J. +1, Mo. -5, Fla. -2, Texas -1; Rubella: Ind. +1, Texas -4, Guam +1

Table III-Continued

Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States Weeks Ending October 29, 1977 and October 30, 1976 - 43rd Week

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UNITED STATES	659	25,170	138	9	332	15	1.066	21,895	826,393	836,412	445	17,110	20,060	2,558	
EW ENGLAND	26	926	1	-	17	-	10	587	22,267	23, 267	14	672	679	44	
Maine		72	7834	_	1		13-01	61 16	1,632 902	1,994		23	20	32 1	
Vermont	1	32	-	_		_	3 4	7	553	584	1	7	9	1	
Massachusetts	8	523	1		12	-	5	251	9,487	11,045	9	470	487	8	
Rhode Island	2 15	77 198	-	Ξ	2		3 2	57 195	1,787 7,936	1,611 7,338	4	8 160	17 137	3	
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	90	4,064	3		64	1	73	2.094	86,320	95,592	72	2,412	3,337	98	
Upstate New York	13	704	3	-	8		41	430	14,783	15,660	8	227	202	56	
New York City	34	1,276	-	-	26	1	1	816	33,531	42,071	49	1,519	2,115	- 10	
New Jersey	10	1,024	-	-	19		11	250	15,474	14,819	14	314	472	28	
Pennsylvania	33	1,060	331	_	11	III II	20	598	22,532	23,042	1	352	548	14	
AST NORTH CENTRAL	64	3,903	3	2	32	5	35	3,719	130,727	131,757	40	1,757	1,716	122	
Ohio *	19	678	1	1	10	5	17	353	34,576	32,804	15	412	423		
Indiana	6	451	-315	1	3 6	- 5	15	276	12,195 42,174	12,936	1 2	133	89	9	
Michigan *	17	1,524	45.5		12	VΞ	2	857	30,226	45, 655 28, 647	13	914 205	897 217	39	
Wisconsin	3	168	2	==	1	14	_	288	11,556	11,715	4	93	90	68	
VEST NORTH CENTRAL	39	839	26	-	21	1	33		43, 256	43,984	7	376	379	638	
Minnesota	5	181	-	-	5	-		146	7,784	7,625	1	117	83	230	
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Missouri	27	361	23	-	11	1	13	419	17,929	17,601	4	149	155	46	
North Dakota	6	26		_	1 -	5 T	2		814 1,302	674 1,296	Ξ	9	5	95 120	
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Nebraska Kansas	1	122		-	3	-	11	146	6,650	7.508		38	68	40	
OUTH ATLANTIC	183	5,524	11	1	53	5	573	5,349	203,655	205,212	105	4,676	6,084	303	
Delaware	-	53	11 J	-	-	-	3		2,807	2,908	-	19	58	2	
Maryland*	20	780	2	-	4	1	75		24,874	26,568	3	289	488	mayst -	
District of Columbia	19	282	T .	-	1	-		309	13,380	13,961	5	473	482	- 100	
Virginia	10	638	2	-	8	-	152		21,353	22,004	9	463	580	5	
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South Carolina	7	501	2	_	3		52		19,118	19, 285	8	209	315	27	
Georgia*	50	753	3	_	13	- 1	64		39,249	38,965	21	1,036	906	181	
Florida*	44	1,416	-12-	1	16	-	1	1.872	49,746	49,494	51	1,543	2,117	68	
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	79	2,315	8	-	11	3	169		73,278	73,970	19	658	765	69	
Kentucky	22	636	2		5	3	43		9,853	9,845	10	85	111	25	
Tennessee	20 15	705 590	5 1	_	2		99		29,012 20,258	29,442	10	210 141	257 157		
Mississippi	22	414	414	_	3	-	9		14,155	14,019	5	222	240		
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	73	2,959	67	-	28	3 3/4	157	2,326	103,499	105,718	72	2,534	2,400	690	
Arkansas	7	318	46	-	6	-	52		7.917	9, 785	3	60	89	100	
Louisiana	11	540	1	-	1	-	5		15,477	15,643	20		493		
Oklahoma	1 54	256 1,845	11		20		73 29		10,135	10,282	5 44	1,813	82 1,736		
MOUNTAIN	14	717	13	_	27		13		33,336 1,757	34,026 1,702	11	392 4	50 7 9		
Montana	2	47 27	1 -	_	Ξ.	19	4		1,522	1,845	- 5	11	22		
Idaho	1	17	1	_	_	201	2		775	680		4	4		
Colorado	2	100	3	_	8		1		8,734	8,638	1		114		
New Mexico	1	137	_	_	-	T# -	-	77	4,857	6,129	3		126	19	
Arizona	4	305	3	-	13	-	-	279	9,259	9,997	5		180		
Utah	3	34 50	5		5		3 1	60 121	1,989	1,857 3,178	2	10	20 32		
4 1 5	5.5				79	- 17	5		130,055	122, 886	105		4,193		
PACIFIC	91 NA	3,923 246	6	6	2	- 1	-		9,993	10,389	NA		138		
Oregon	6	152	1	_	3		1	LUL	9,049	9,243	4		94		
California	69	2,964	5	5	72		4		104,213	97,379	99		3,863		
Alaska *	_	64		-	-	-	-	48	4,072	3,606	2		22	37	
Hawaii	16	497	-	1	2	=-	_	62	2,728	2,269		32	76	HEN -	
Guam*	NA	49		NA	1	NA		NA.	164	280	NA	2	2	C Of	
Puerto Rico	4	327	711	1	7	-	-	89	2,661	2, 249	10	442	513	47	
Virgin Islands	-	- 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	172	208	-	8	48	to will be	

NA: Not available

*Delayed reports: TB: Ohio -1, Mich. -2, Md. -1, N.C. -2, Alaska +7; Tularemia: Okla. +1; Typhoid fever: W. Va. +1, Ga. +1; RMSF: Okla. -2, Texas -1; GC: Guam +5, Syphilis: Fla. -1, Texas -73.

Table IV Deaths in 121 United States Cities* Week Ending October 29, 1977 – 43rd Week

		Α	LL CAUS	ES		Pneu- monia	MACHET THE	ALL CAUSES					
REPORTING AREA	ALL AGES	65 Years and Over	45-64 Years	25-44 Years	Under 1 Year	and Influenza ALL AGES	REPORTING AREA	ALL AGES	65 Years and Over		25-44 Years	Under 1 Year	monia and Influenz ALL AGES
NEW ENGLAND	645	414	151	31	37	39	SOUTH ATLANTIC	1,036	614	300	65	26	44
Boston, Mass	165	107	39	7	9	14	Atlanta, Ga	1 24	63	39	16	1	6
Bridgepart, Conn	44	23	17	3	_	4	Baltimore, Md Charlotte, N. C	168 55	94 31	58 19	8 2	3	4
Cambridge, Mass.	28 22	20 20	8	1		2 1	Jacksonville, Fla.	67	38	21	4	i	3
Fall River, Mass	49	25	18	2	1	ì	Miami, Fla.	97	65	25	3	2	2
Lowell, Mass.	17	12	3	0.00	1		Norfolk, Va.	37	23	10	2	1	5
Lynn, Mass	25	20	5	54/-1	2	U 10 - 11	Richmond, Va	95	50	30	5	7	5
New Bedford, Mass	30	23	4	2	1	1	Savannah, Ga	31	14	11	1	5	1
New Haven, Conn	65	24	15	5	19	1	St. Petersburg, Fla	80	69	8	2	1	5
Providence, A.I	69	45	14	6	4	10	Tampa, Fla.	70	42	18	6	1	3
Somerville, Mass.	12	8	3	1	-	1	Washington, D. C	1 59	91	45	14	3	7 2
Springfield, Mass	47	40	,	1	- 1	3	William groun, Del	53	34	16	2	1500	
Waterbury, Conn Worcester, Mass		17	6	3	2	1	1 24 11 -						
WUICESTEI, Mass	49	30	13	,	2	17 1	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	6 83	376	197	45	35	21
							Birmingham, Ala.	110	63	30	10	í	ī
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	2.989	1,885	732	176	112	1+2	Chattanooga, Tenn	37	24	6	2	2	2
Albany, N. Y.	65	39	13	6	4	1	Knoxville, Tenn	57	39	17	1	- 1	-
Allentown, Pa	23	21	-	1	i	2	Louisville, Ky.	135	69	40	11	8	7
Buffalo, N. Y	128	79	32	9	4	6	Memphis, Tenn	1 50	82	41	11	10	5
Camden, N. J.	35	18	15	1	-	1	Mobile, Ala	48	24	17	4	2	1
Elizabeth, N. J.	27	17	8	2	-		Montgomery, Ala	41	21	13	2	3	-
Erie, Pa.	37	27	8	2	-	2	Nashville, Tenn.	1 05	54	33	4	9	5
Jersey City, N. J.	52	18	28	3	2	-							
Newark, N. J	64	29	20	1	13	1	WEST SOUTH SENTEN	15.00					20
	1,399	932	306	81	43	59	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	1,061	592	276	90	52	30 8
Paterson, N. J	36	20	7	7	2	2	Austin, Tex	54 42	35 28	13	2	3	
Philadelphia, Pa	494	291	135	33 8	23	18	Corpus Christi, Tex.	28	15	8	2	2	3
Reading, Pa.	235 45	129 36	79	8	8	18	Dallas, Tex.	163	95	37	14	8	100
Rochester, N. Y.	136	67	18	9	5	14	El Paso, Tex.	40	26	10	3	_	3
Schenectady, N. Y	21	14	5	í	ĭ	3	Fort Worth, Tex.	60	26	19	8	4	-
Scranton, Pa.	37	25	10	1	4.0	2	Houston, Tex.	176	77	51	25	4	-
Syracuse, N. Y	88	50	20	13	3	1	Little Rock, Ark	60	32	14	2	9	2
Trenton, N. J.	30	21	7		1	3	New Orleans, La.	2 09	118	57	14	16	1
Utica, N. Y	31	28	3	250		4	San Antonio, Tex	1 25	73	34	9	4	
Yonkers, N. Y.	36	24	10	1	1	3	Shreveport, La	41 63	25 42	10 16	4	1	1 12
	2 524		1				F 22 1						
AST NORTH CENTRAL	2,526	1,511	631	158	119	73	MOUNTAIN	6 20	202	140	25	34	24
Akron, Ohio	68	42	12	3	5 1	ī	MOUNTAIN	5 3 9 6 7	302 31	148	25 4	8	2
Canton, Ohio	38 603	24 333	163	59	29	20	Colorado Springs, Colo.	33	15	8	3	3	4
Cincinnati, Ohio	215	125	62	13	8	20	Denver, Colo	126	73	34	3	7	7
Cleveland, Ohio	201	114	53	17	12	3	Las Vegas, Nev	29	20	8		10.00	1
Calumbus, Ohio	132	71	38	7	7	6	Ogden, Utah	22	16	5	_	1	2
Dayton, Ohio	96	59	20	10	5	6	Phoenix, Ariz.	134	73	39	7	7	3
Detroit, Mich.	293	160	77	22	21	7	Pueblo, Colo	26	17	7	_	1	4
Evansville, Ind	59	40	15	1	2	8	Salt Lake City, Utah	55	29	16	2	6	-
Fort Wayne, Ind.	63	44	10	4	3	4	Tucson, Ariz	47	28	12	6	1	1
Gary, Ind	23	14	3	2	2								
Grand Rapids, Mich	50	37	9	1	-	2		1134					
Indianapolis, Ind	155	89	51	5	5	3	PACIFIC		1,142	439	128	61	42
Madison, Wis	44	25	7	4	5	3	Berkeley, Calif	13	10	3		-	_
Milwaukee, Wis	114	89	19	3	2		Fresno, Calif	58	35	10	4	4	1
Pearia, III	87	63	11	5	5	2	Glendale, Calif	36	26	7	2	4	
Rockford, III	51 57	31	12	2	I -	4	Honolulu, Hawaii Long Beach, Calif	66 105	34	22 30	2 5	2	4
Toleda, Ohio	57 114	43 69	13 27	7	3	1	Long Beach, Calif	704	66 434	169	66	16	17
Youngstown, Ohio	63	39	17	425	3	e2 1	Oakland, Calif.	73	53	12	5	3	1
	- 55	F5.1 pt		Teller	,	17	Pasadena, Calif	31	28	2	í		11 11 12
							Portland, Oreg.	1 19	66	37	5	7	1
VEST NORTH CENTRAL	724	453	173	42	36	37	Sacramento, Calif	66	45	12	6	3	3
Des Maines, lowa	46	37	6	2	-	3	San Diego, Calif	135	84	29	6	8	2
	28	18	6	3	1	2	San Francisco, Calif	146	79	45	10	5	1
Duluth, Minn	45	23	14	1	7	2	San Jose, Calif	50	35	5	4	3	2
Kansas City, Kans	145	75	50	7	8	6	Seattle, Wash	1 26	75	35	11	3	5
Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo.		28	5	3	-	5	Spokane, Wash	45	34	9	-	1	2
Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo. Lincoln, Nebr	36						Tacoma, Wash	54	38	12	1	2	3
Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo. Lincoln, Nebr Minneapolis, Minn	1 05	75	21	4	4	5	1444		30	12		2	
Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo Lincoln, Nebr Minneapolis, Minn	1 05 82	75 51	19	5	5	2		4	10	12	4		
Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo	1 05 82 156	75 51 97	19 38	5 9	5	2 7			40		<u> </u>	_	452
Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo Lincoln, Nebr Minneapolis, Minn	1 05 82	75 51	19	5	5	2	TOTAL	12,030	40		770	512	452

^{*}By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths.

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Current Trends

Surveillance of Childhood Lead Poisoning — United States

During the third quarter of fiscal year 1977, the number of children screened and referred to the Childhood Lead Poisoning Screening Programs* increased by 10,000 over that reported the previous quarter (Table 1).

Although the number of children confirmed with undue lead absorption (6.7 per 100 screened) increased over the last quarter, the percentage of children in risk classification III and IV[†] continued to decrease. It would appear that, in general, children are being identified earlier, before lead absorption reaches significantly high levels.

There was a 5% increase over the previous quarter in the number of dwellings reduced of lead hazards. This shows a general trend of improvement in the program's lead hazard identification and reduction activities, but it is still below national goals when compared to the number of children whose environments need to be reduced of lead hazards.

Reported by the Environmental Health Services Div, Bur of State Services, CDC.

TABLE 1. Results of screening in childhood lead poisoning control projects - United States, third quarter fiscal year 1977 (April 1, 1977-June 30, 1977)

	galleg II			BER OF CH	NUMBER	LINGS			
	Thousand a	W	th Confirm	ed Undue L	tion ¹				
Projects	Screened	Pedi	Requiring			Management	Inspected	Found with	Reduced
		Total	Class ((Classes III & IV	Total	Chelation Therapy		Lead	Kal
Augusta, Me.	797 7,035	51 507	33 370	16 137	76 779	2 38	24 31 3	21 204	18 225
Boston, Mass. Fall River, Mass. Lawrence, Mass.	413 793	51 87	42 56	31	142	4	48 91	22 91	20 78
Lowell, Mass.	216	1	0	1	7.3	9 2 9	1	1	1
Lynn, Mass. Portland, Me.	529 152	35 7	27	8 2	194 31 406	9	70	70	49
Rhode Island State Stamford, Conn.	1.884	41	27	14	406 260	13	6 35	10	32
Waterbury, Conn. Worcester, Mass.	269 534 868	7 45 86	42 60	3 26	191 341	a 1 4 32	276 88	172 87	21 8 62
REGION I TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	13,490	918	668	250 670	2,633	114	953	682	703 2,379
Camden, N.J.	326	-,	48	9	199	0	48	30	
Erie Co. N.Y. Hoboken, N.J.	512 137	57 73 29 0	52 22	21	332 31	19	17 31	28	23
Jersey City, N.J.	1,256	0	161	0 51		0	0	0	0
Jersey City, N.J. Monroe Co. N.Y. Newark, N.J.	I 883 I	212 115	1 791	36	226 253	40	92 98	87 104	51 64
New York City Onondaga Co. N.Y. Paterson, N.J.	17,210* 1,098	645 °	486 31	159 17	NR 164	18 10 15	156 35	112 28	67 46
Plainfield, N.J.	783 442	17 B 90	122	56 23	409 112	15	83 40	112 28 65 19	29 5
Rensselaer, N.Y. Westchester, N.Y.	264 801	21 35	24	12 11	144 188	2	19 26	9	29 5 12 30
REGION II TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	23,712 67,765	1,503	1,101 3,457	402 1,437	2,058 10,517	114 414	645 2,381	493 1,465	337 1,174
Baltimore, Md.	1,949	81	35	46	434	23	144	123	70
Chester, Pa. Delaware State	757 997	45 48	33	12	494 57	1	63 52	48 28	27 10
Norfolk, Va. Philadelphia, Pa. Richmond, Va.	1,482 2,333 1,881	69 380	34 240	35 140	310 597	23	37 615	28 26 474	35 510
Richmond, Va. Washington, D.C.	2.965	48 146	29 100	19 46	65 8 35 5	18	137	118	45 63
Washington, D.C. Wilkes-Barre, Pa. REGION III TOTAL	12,969	30	21 531	316	119 3,024	5 1	1,459	18 953	63 21 781
CUMULATIVE FY 77	41,715	2,840	1,834	1,006	10,462	138	4,630	2,461	2,113
Augusta, Ga. Louisville, Ky. Memphis, Tenn.	691 593	39 28 45	29 21	10	164 460	16	36 78	16 64	6 95
Mobile, Ala.	978 666	30	30	15 12	174 321	1 0	42 36	28	61
South Carolina State Wilmington, N.C.	1,478	39 12	24	15	793 74	9	235	232	116
REGION IV TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	4,537 12,062	193	130	63 219	1,986	29 101	449 1,478	383 1,249	316 856
Akron, Ohio	21	4	4	o	17	NR	13	13	7
Chicago, III. Cincinnati, Ohio	13,410 1,170 3,163	754 82	514 53	240 29 29	2,551 316	185	21,504 119 131 133	4.185 112	1,354
Cleveland, Ohio Columbus, Ohio	3,163	122 38	93	29 5	526 107	2 8	131	59 43	40 39
Detroit, Mich East St. Louis, III.	1,792 2,589 259	230	156	74	397 30	9	267	256	149
	540	12	10	2 2	44	0	4	Ä	4
Kanosha, Wisc. Milwaukee, Wisc.	30 6 65 8	143	6 97	46	12 337	14	107	97	68
Peorla, III. Racine, Wisc.	413 174	17	13 1 57	4 2	30 43	0	36	28	21 25
Rockford, III. St. Paul. Minn.	706 201	98	57	41	439 NR	NR I	47	30	47
Toledo, Ohio Wayne Co. Mich.	202 107	47	35	12	93 120	10	NR 31	NR 31	NR 51
REGION V TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	25,711 75,186	1,568	1,078	490 1.319	5,062 15,523	244	22,405 43,134	4,865	1,917
Arkansas State	893	51	29	22	183	0	38	17	7
Houston, Texas New Orleans, La.	2,518 3,368	141 228	165	54 63	115 285	24	132	1 6 65	6 21
REGION VI TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	6,779 19,425	420 992	281 657	139 335	583 2,233	26 70	242 724	98 264	34 135
Davenport-Scott Co. Iowa	699	32	24		34	2	25	24	2
Kansas City-Wyandotte Co. Kansas	611	14	9	5	101	3	19	12	
Kansas City, Mo.	956 942	13	6 27	11	106	1 0	27	24 22	9
Omaha, Neb. Springfield, Mo.	564	38 1 857	541	0	15	0	16	13 438	2 456
St. Louis, Mo. REGION VII TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	3,718 7,490 19,131	955 2,651	541 608 1.636	316 347 1,015	2,453 2,755 8,703	129 135 258	622 733 2,221	438 533 1,775	456 480 1,043
Alameda Co. Calif.	750	2,651	1,636	1,015	56	1	2,221	6	1,043
Contra Costa Co. Calif.	322	3	12	3	40			30	0
Los Angeles, Calif.	1,452	43	23	20	43	6	93 22	13	29
REGION IX TOTAL CUMULATIVE FY 77	2,524 4,646	56 302	35 182	31 120	139 593	7	123 291	49 142	31 152
U.S. TOTALS CUMULATIVE FY 77	97,212 278,848	6,470	4,432 12,805	2,038	18,240	750 2.155	27,009 57,736	■,056 20,151	4,600

^{*}Five of the 65 reporting communities are no longer supported by federal grant funds, but they continue to report their screening activities as a part of the national effort to prevent childhood lead poisoning.

[†]Lead poisoning categories in children are defined in CDC Statement, Increased Lead Absorption and Lead Poisoning in Young Children: March, 1975. They are also summarized in MMWR 25:66,

Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

Follow-up on Legionnaires' Disease — Tennessee, Vermont

Tennessee: Since August 1, 1977, there have been 21 confirmed cases of Legionnaires' disease in Kingsport, Tennessee; 3 cases were fatal. Twenty of the patients had 4-fold or greater titer rises, and 1 had positive direct fluorescent antibody (FA) tests on autopsied lung tissue. None of the cases were nosocomial infections. Three other persons have had single convalescent serum samples with titers of ≥256.

The first case occurred in mid-August, and no case with a date of onset after September 28 has been identified. Nineteen of the 21 confirmed cases were admitted to a single Kingsport hospital. The other 2 were patients in another Kingsport hospital and in a neighboring county's hospital. Serologic surveys were performed in the previously implicated area in Kingsport (1) and in a similar control area in Bristol, Tennessee, where no cases of Legionnaires' disease had been detected. No significant differences in rates of persons with single reciprocal indirect FA titers of ≥128 were found. Of those with titers ≥128 (approximately 5% in each group), none reported pneumonia-like illness in the past 3 months. A study attempting to identify milder clinical disease has been conducted among hospital employees and construction workers; those serologic results are pending. The medical records of several other hospitals in the Tri-Cities area (Kingsport, Bristol, and Johnson City) are currently being evaluated as part of a more intensive case-finding effort.

Vermont: A total of 27 confirmed cases of Legionnaires'

disease, 15 fatal, have been reported from Vermont since May 1,5 1977. There have also been 20 highly probable cases identified; 2 of these were fatal.

The high case-fatality rate appears to be related to the presence of underlying disease. Patients with malignancy, immunosuppressant therapy, or renal disease had a case-fatality rate of 55%, whereas patients without underlying disease had a case-fatality rate of 17%. A serologic survey of hospital employees and employees of a large industry in Burlington revealed no significant difference between the titers of antibodies to the Legionnaires' disease bacterium in the 2 groups. Both groups, however, had a larger proportion of high titers than populations studied in other parts of the country.

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Influenza - Florida

Three Daytona, Florida, residents who returned on October 1 from a Caribbean cruise that included a stop in Puerto Rico developed febrile illness consistent with dengue, with onsets on October 2-3. Acute and convalescent phase serum specimens showed no rise in antibody to dengue but a 4-fold or greater rise in complement fixation antibody to influenza A and in hemagglutination inhibition (HI) antibody to A/Victoria/3/75 and A/Texas/1/77. Two of the 3 individuals had HI titer in convalescent phase serum specimens significantly greater to A/Texas/1/77 than to A/Victoria/3/75, suggesting they acquired an A/Texas/1/77-like infection following exposure in Puerto Rico (1).

Two other Florida residents, who had no recent travel history but had upper respiratory illnesses with onsets on August 27 and September 1, also had significant antibody titer rises to influenza A; HI titer rises to A/Victoria/3/75 and A/Texas/1/77 in convalescent phase serum samples were similar. No specimens were available for virus isolation.

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