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EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORTS

Mortality

Mortality from all causes was higher than expected for the sixth consecutive week, but slightly lower than the figure reported for last week. By geographic division, reports for the current week were significantly higher than expected for the New England, South Atlantic, East South Central, West South Central, and Mountain Divisions.

The number of deaths from influenza and pneumonia reported by the large cities for the week ended February 13 increased over the previous week as shown in the table below. This increase amounted to 1.7 percent. The total for the current week does not include Cleveland. (For the week ended February 6 Cleveland reported 29 deaths.)

Week ended-	1960	1959	1958
Total	5,064	3,261	4,092
January 9	645	613	549
January 16	689	585	660
January 23	779	568	676
January 30	930	532	703
February 6	11,002	500	769
February 13	1,019	463	735

Revised figure.

The number of deaths from influenza and pneumonia for 1960 are about 50 percent in excess of the expected values for Continued on page 2

Table I. Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States

(Cumulative totals include revised and delayed reports)

		6th week		Cumulative							
Disease (Seventh Revision of International	Ended	Ended Feb. 14, 1959	Median 1955-59	F1	rst 6 wee	ks	Since s	Approxi- mate seasonal			
Lists, 1955)	Feb. 13, 1960 ¹			1960 ¹	1959	Median 1955-59	1 9 59-60 ¹	1958-59	Median 1954-55 to 1958-59	low point	
Anthrax062	-	-	1		-	1	(2)	(²)	(2)	(²)	
Botulism	-	-	-	3	-	-	[(²)	(²)	(2)	(2)	
Brucellosis (undulant fever) 044	20	11	11	92	70	77	(2)	(²)	(2)	(2)	
	12	18	18	128	145	145	696	751	909	July 1	
encephalitis, infectious	21	24	16	161	147	117	1,783	1,882	1,468	June	
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serum092 N998 5 pt	664	593	522	4,284	3,210	3,041	12,714	8,627	8,627	Sept. 1	
Maiaria110-117	1	-	1	6	10	10	(²)	(²)	(²)	(2)	
reasles085	9,201	11,786	14,520	50,556	58,117	66,779	90,025	109,506	109,506	Sept.	
meningitis, asentic340 nt	22			179							
remingococcal infections	49	51	77	328	312	367	992	1,175	1,376	Sept.	
orromyelitis080	18	17	44	149	130	295	8,448	5,972	14,672	Apr.	
Paralytic080.0.080.1	13	12	22	101	93	166	5,623	3,112	6,308	Apr.	
Monparalytic080.2	4	4	12	28	18	77	2,148	1,973	5,692	Apr.	
Unspecified090 3	1	1	10	20	19	52	677	887	2,672	Apr.	
sittacosis096.2	-	1	4	18	9	29	(2)	(2)	(²)	(2)	
Streptococcal sore throat.	-	(*)	-	-	-	1	(²)	(²) (²)	(²)	(2)	
Including scarlet fever050.051	7,531			49,524						6200	
JPHOID fever	11	7	25	52	67	134	792	966	1,594	Apr.	
Typhus fever, endemic101	-	2	2	3	3	6	44	67	106	Apr.	
Rabies in animals	94	67	104	469	463	588	1,518	1,364	1,638	Oct.	

Data exclude report from Arizona for the current week.

²Data show no pronounced seasonal change in incidence.

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this season of the year. The numbers reported in the past few weeks have been larger than those for the peak weeks in the fall of 1957. However, the present excess is not greater than that for the fall of 1957 because expected values are higher in January and February than in October and November.

The number of deaths from influenza and pneumonia declined again in California cities, particularly in Los Angeles where there were 46 deaths as compared with 83 for the previous week. There was also a decline in the East North Central cities. In all other divisions there were increases which ranged from slight to about 50 percent.

Influenza

The pattern of localized outbreaks of respiratory infections, some of which have been confirmed as influenza, has not changed, but occurrence in new areas and subsidence in others has been reported. A severe outbreak in Grand Island County has been reported in northern Vermont with extension into Franklin County. A considerable number of cases complicated by pneumonia were reported and in one instance there were 4 cases of pneumonia in 1 family. Influenza has not been confirmed by laboratory tests so far in Vermont. No sharp outbreaks have been reported in Connecticut but absenteeism rates in some schools have been "moderate." No schools have been closed. Some industries have reported an increase in absenteeism from about 5 to 6½ percent. Type A2 infection has been identified by virus isolation in New Haven.

An outbreak of influenza has been reported in a penal institution in Minnesota. Up to February 4 about 300 of the 1,800 inmates had been affected. The epidemic which also affected staff members is now declining. Type A2 influenza virus was isolated from the throat of one inmate. There were several cases of pneumonia following acute attacks. Several physicians in the State have expressed concern about the occurrence of pneumonia following clinical influenza.

In Mississippi preliminary reports have been received of 3 cases of myocarditis following influenza, all in 1 county. One of the cases was an individual who was previously reported as having a type B influenza infection which was confirmed by a serologic test. The last 2 developed an influenza syndrome which was followed by a rapidly fulminating and massive pulmonary congestion. One died 1 day after onset. The other was in extremis 2 days after onset. Postmortem specimens yielded a strain of hemolytic Staphylococcus aureus. These 3 cases are unrelated and occurred in an area where there appeared to be little influenza. A number of cases of an unusually severe influenza syndrome with predominant neuromyasthenia findings has been reported in one county, but levels of school absentecism in this county are not above expected levels.

A strain of type A2 influenza has been isolated from a Tulane University student in New Orleans. A type B virus had previously been isolated from a person in the same area.

Dr. J. C. Wilt, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada, states that there has been a considerable amount of respiratory disease in that community associated with fever, sore throat, "head cold," and occasionally pneumonitis simulating mild influenza. Most of the infections have been seen in children under the age of 5 years, although some persons up to the age of 60 years have been infected. From such persons, 10 strains of type 3 adenovirus and 1 strain of type 1 adenovirus were isolated in December and January. Since October 1959, 5 deaths occurred in children under 19 months of age, 4 were under 12 months, in which interstitial pneumonitis was demon-

strated at autopsy. A strain of type 3 adenovirus was isolated from each of these 5 fatal cases. There has been no laboratory evidence of influenza in the community.

Diphtheria

Dr. Don E. Wilcox, Kansas State Board of Health, supplied information on an outbreak of diphtheria in which 7 cases were confirmed and 9 carriers were identified. Another case. not laboratory confirmed, occurred outside the community but no epidemiologic link with the other cases was found. The 7 cases were confirmed as Corynebacterium diphtheriae, gravis type. Six of the cases and all 9 carriers were either first-grade pupils at a school or familial contacts of such pupils. One case in a 13-year-old boy could not be linked directly with the other cases. One case and a carrier were adults, the others ranged in age from 16 months to 15 years. A 6-year-old child died during the course of acute illness, and a 16-month-old child died suddenly 2 weeks after discharge from a hospital. This death was thought by investigators to be a result of the diphtheria infection although it was not so ascribed by the attending physician. A recent statewide immunization survey indicated that 60 percent of the children in the community had received 3 inoculations against diphtheria but only 48 percent had received the necessary booster doses.

Q fever

Dr. R. A. Tjalma, State University of Iowa College of Medicine, Institute of Agricultural Medicine, reported that 22 cases of Q fever were identified and confirmed during the period February 1958 to July 1959 as part of a Q fever research study. All cases occurred in males—14 farmers, 3 meat plant employees, a policeman, milk processer, truck-driver, student, and a factory worker. The course of illness varied from 9 to 37 days. In every instance the patient had a history of routine exposure to domestic ruminants and/or their products. However, in only 2 cases, both farmers, it was possible to identify specifically the probable exposure source by demonstrating infection in contact animals.

Staphylococcal infections

The Washington State Weekly Communicable Disease Report for the week ended February 6 states that a sample of 800 reports of staphylococcal disease out of the 4,000 cases in hospitals reported during 1959 indicate that 49.4 percent were medical patients, 32.1 percent surgical, 10.0 percent pediatric, and 0.9 percent of the cases were in personnel. Other patients, including outpatients, made up the remaining 7.6 percent.

Brucellosis

Dr. Don E. Wilcox, Kansas State Board of Health, supplied information on 23 cases of brucellosis reported in Labette County during 1959. Many of the cases were detected as a result of a multiple screening program. Titers of 1:80 or higher for brucellosis were observed in 23 individuals, or 1.1 percent of those tested. Followup questionnaires submitted to physicians indicated that 5 of the individuals were consuming raw milk from the same dairy. Investigation did not reveal any positive-reacting cows in the dairy herd at that time. Most of the 23 individuals regularly drank raw milk. Several positive reactors were found during recent tests of the various milk supplies.

Additional information has been received that 40 cases of brucellosis now have been reported among employees of a

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Table 2. CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES, EACH DIVISION AND STATE, AND PUERTO RICO, FOR WEEKS ENDED FEBRUARY 14, 1959, AND FEBRUARY 13, 1960

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

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New Hampshire	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
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Includes cases not specified by type, category number 080.3.

Data exclude report from Arizona for the current week.

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NEW ENGLAND	1	1	2	2	3	4	25	17	158	107	744	1,124
Maine	-	-		-	-	1	_	7	12	27	164	19
New Hampshire	-	-		-		-			-		5	15
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Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	3	30	21	-	740
MIDDLE ATLANTIC		-	5	3	3	6	64	87	387	425	1,160	3,076
New York	-	-	1	2	3	3	30	56	181	254	933	366
New Jersey	-	-			- 1		6	5	27	60	154	1,161
Pennsylvania	70 = 5	- 5	4	1	-	3	28	26	179	111	73	1,549
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	-	1	11	10	4	4	112	106	740	497	2,443	1,418
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Illinois	1	11.7	i	6	3	1	26	25	174	91	604	216
Michigan	_	_	ī	_	-	ī	33	32	226	154	839	289
Wisconsin	-	1		2	-	1	12	11	61	29	538	283
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	1 2	2	9	4	- 1	-	35	39	346	298	226	1,104
Minnesota	-	1	2	2	-	= =	5	7	40	56	145	20
Iowa		7	1	1	-	-	10	4	72	29	48	67
Missouri	75	-	1	-		- 1	9	3	92	63	6	99
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Alabama	-		6	6		-	21	18	145	57	43	169
Mississippi	-	2	5	18	1	1	3	8	37	24	27	2
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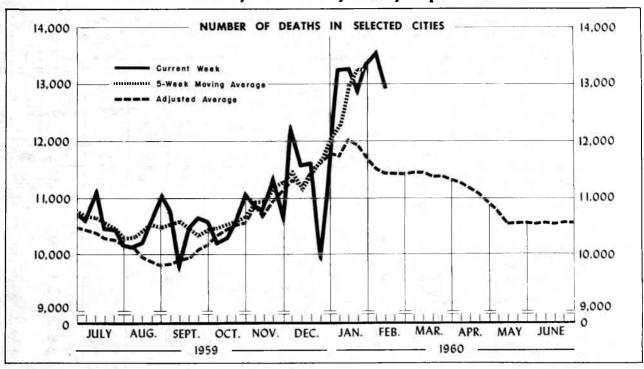
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²Data exclude report from Arizona for the current week.



The chart shows the number of deaths reported for 117 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 for comparison. For 1954-58, this average is based on data for 114 cities; for 1955-59, on data for 117 cities. The adjusted average is computed as follows: From the total deaths reported each week, 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 this moving average increased by 4.0 percent to allow for estimated population growth in the cities and surrounding areas.

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 selected cities. 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 used.

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. Data exclude figures shown in parentheses in table 4)

	6th Week	5th week	Adjusted	0	Cumulative, first 6 weeks					
Area	ended Feb. 13, 1960	ended Feb. 6, 1960	average, 6th week 1955-59	Percent change ¹	1960	1959	Adjusted average, 1955-59	Percent change		
TOTAL, 117 REPORTING CITIES	² 12,921	² 13,489	11,471	+12.6	² 79,280	73,999	70,459	+12.5		
New England (14 cities) Middle Atlantic (20 cities) East North Central (21 cities) West North Central (9 cities) South Atlantic (11 cities) East South Central (8 cities) West South Central (13 cities) Mountain (8 cities) Pacific (13 cities)	1,019 ² 3,400 ² 2,540 872 1,322 635 1,305 361 1,467	899 3,481 2,935 986 1,178 567 1,225 432 1,786	772 3,444 2,614 849 1,000 537 956 288 1,461	+32.0 -1.3 -2.8 +2.7 +32.2 +18.2 +36.5 +25.3 +0.4	5,187 ² 21,084 ² 17,294 5,385 6,942 3,598 7,194 ² 2,345 10,251	4,642 21,141 15,992 5,166 6,296 3,468 6,279 2,027 8,988	4,750 21,127 15,892 5,065 6,232 3,312 5,899 1,793 8,953	+9.2 -0.2 +8.6 +6.3 +11.4 +8.6 +22.0 +30.8 +14.5		

¹Current figure divided by adjusted average.

²Includes estimates for missing cities.

Table 4. DEATHS IN SELECTED CITIES

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

Area	6th week ended Feb. 13,	5th week ended Feb.	Cumula first 6		Area	6th week ended Feb.	5th week ended Feb.	Cumulat first 6	
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NEW ENGLAND:					WEST NORTH CENTRAL—Con.:				
Boston, Mass.	327	341	1,746	1,540	St. Louis, Mo	251	297	1,679	1,589
Bridgeport, Conn	63	44	282	260	St. Paul, Minn	81	105	513	431
Cambridge, Mass	43	28	224	184	Wichita, Kans	28	62	290	319
Fall River, Mass	48	34	208	187	SOUTH ATLANTIC:			-	
Hartford, Conn	83	67	350	315	Atlanta, Ga	171	136	815	731
Lowell, Mass	32	25	161	149	Baltimore, Md	345	314	1,774	1,502
Lynn, Mass.	24	31 22	172	151	Charlotte, N.C.	75	52	298	225
New Bedford, Mass	50	67	192 334	148 303	Jacksonville, Fla	77	79	423	389
Providence, R.I.	101	80	471	465	Miami, Fla	90	102	540	504
Somerville, Mass	25	17	112	108	Norfolk, Va	64	44	330	288
Springfield, Mass	89	51	369	295	Richmond, Va	119	84	554	478
Waterbury, Conn	25	28	171	172	Savannah, Ga	48	33	249	248
Worcester, Mass	79	64	395	365	St. Petersburg, Fla	(72)	(88)	(508)	(471
The state of the s			330	300	Tampa, Fla	74	69	414	435
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:				- 1	Washington, D.C	222	225	1,274	1,236
Albany, N.Y.	52	29	256	339	Wilmington, Del	37	40	271	260
Allentown, Pa.	33	40	211	227	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
Buffalo, N.Y	173	170	1,034	841	Birmingham, Ala	111	92	587	590
Camden, N.J.	52	62	312	241	Chattanooga, Tenn	45	51	323	292
Elizabeth, N.J.	41	3 5	172	174	Knoxville, Tenn	54	28	220	195
Erie, Pa	32	3 5	233	233	Louisville, Ky	151	115	769	739
Jersey City, N.J	75	69	498	507	Memphis, Tenn	122	114	709	791
Newark, N.J	78	89	630	678	Mobile, Ala	42	45	285	244
New York City, N.Y	1,761	1,709	10,408	10,661	Montgomery, Ala	41	41	247	207
Paterson, N.J	34	49	269	248	Nashville, Tenn	69	81	458	410
Philadelphia, Pa	508	546	3,199	3,442	LICETT COLUMN CENTRAL.				
Pittsburgh, Pa	205	248	1,497	1,293	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:	53	36	261	104
Reading, Pa.	19	24	155	161	Baton Rouge, La	21	30	261	184 207
Rochester, N.Y	ຸ95	106	719	627	Corpus Christi, Tex	43	33	204	133
Schenectady, N.Y	1 2 0	31	² 154	149	Dallas, Tex	153	154	836	773
Scranton, Pa	50	47	271	252	El Paso, Tex	43	62	306	235
Syracuse, N.Y	71	79	426	376	Fort Worth, Tex	96	86	453	381
Trenton, N.J.	42	51	250	303	Houston, Tex.	213	233	1,209	1,047
Utica, N.Y	28	29	188	189	Little Rock, Ark	55	74	414	398
Yonkers, N.Y.	31	33	202	200	New Orleans, La	228	196	1,202	1,102
PACIT MODEL					Oklahoma City, Okla	129	79	556	453
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:		70	770		San Antonio, Tex	124	121	805	636
Akron, Chio	69	79	378	374	Shreveport, La	63	56	332	390
Canton, Chio	30 726	36 921	248	218	Tulsa, Okla	84	65	428	340
Cincinnati, Chio	218	179	5,409	4,864	MOURIUM TAY				
Cleveland, Ohio	¹ 214	255	1,133 ² 1,468	1,097 1,398	MOUNTAIN: Albuquerque, N. Mex	20	124	3198	017
Columbus, Ohio	89	128	813	735		29 21	1		213
Dayton, Ohio	95	81	496	398	Colorado Springs, Colo Denver, Colo	142	23 161	121 832	102 744
Detroit, Mich.	374	453	2,477	2,165	Ogden, Utah	18	27	114	91
Evansville, Ind.	36	34	227	227	Phoenix, Ariz	52	84	464	3 65
Flint, Mich.	51	36	261	246	Pueblo, Colo	16	15	86	80
Fort Wayne, Ind.	51	36	260	223	Salt Lake City, Utah	49	44	321	288
Gary, Ind.	¹ 29	31	2 ₁₉₆	223	Tucson, Ariz	34	54	209	144
Grand Rapids, Mich	45	51	291	259			01	203	144
Indianapolis, Ind.	115	148	874	980	PACIFIC:				
Madison, Wis.	25	20	193	178	Berkeley, Calif	13	21	116	121
Milwaukee, Wis	120	139	859	890	Fresno, Calif	(72)	(58)	(360)	(261
Peoria, Ill.	36	44	200	171	Glendale, Calif	(27)		(299)	(238
Rockford, Ill	27	29	189	195	Honolulu, Hawaii	43	40	255	231
South Bend, Ind.	¹ 26	39	² 208	181	Long Beach, Calif	44	66	373	368
Toledo, Ohio	101	121	733	607	Los Angeles, Calif	553	712	3,970	3,200
Youngstown, Ohio	63	75	381	363	Oakland, Calif	95	104	650	614
March Control of the			_		Pasadena, Calif	29	35	252	194
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:					Portland, Oreg	127	107	686	721
Des Moines, Iowa	64	79	363	353	Sacramento, Calif	69	95	465	326
bututh, Minn	26	44	193	16 5	San Diego, Calif	97	96	686	554
Mansas City, Kans.	39	35	237	191	San Francisco, Calif	205	264	1,404	1,239
Mansas City, Mo	178	146	840	825	San Jose, Calif	(24)	(29)	(179)	(178
Lincoln, Nebr	(24)	(36)	(179)	(169)	Seattle, Wash	108	158	840	873
Minneapolis, Minn	118	133	779	788	Spokane, Wash	41	46	280	311
Omaha, Nebr.									

¹Estimated.

²Includes estimate for current week.

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Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORTS-Continued

swine slaughtering plant in Iowa. A previous report appeared in the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report for the week ended January 30.

Staphylococcal food poisoning

Dr. Norbert P. Ringelmann, Albany County (New York) Health Department, reported an outbreak of 200 cases of food poisoning following a supper eaten by some 450 persons. The suspect food was creamed turkey from which coagulase-positive staphylococci, <u>Bacillus subtilis</u>, and <u>Escherichia coli</u> were grown. Symptoms consisted of nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps.

Gastroenteritis

Information has been received from the Mississippi State Board of Health about 3 cases of food poisoning following a meal eaten by 4 members of a family in their home. One case resulted in death. The suspect food was pork sausage, purchased on the same afternoon, from a local retail outlet. The meat was brought home and refrigerated within a half-hour. Within 2 hours after the meal, 3 of the family members suffered onset of nausea and vomiting, with severe prostration. One of the family. a 69-year-old man, became severely dehydrated, tetanus became apparent, and he died en route to the hospital several hours after onset. This man's wife, who did not become ill, is not a meat-eater and ate only a bite of the sausage. She did eat the various other foods consumed by the family. Another package of the sausage, purchased at the same time as that eaten, and stool specimens from 2 patients were examined but did not reveal any organism of pathologic significance. No organism was isolated from syrup served at the meal. No other cases resulting from earlier sales of the sausage were reported. Examination of the family members did not indicate any source of contamination.

QUARANTINE MEASURES

Immunization Information for International Travel
No changes reported

SOURCE AND NATURE OF MORBIDITY DATA

These provisional data are based on reports to the Public Health Service from the health departments of each State and Puerto Rico. They give the total number of cases of certain communicable diseases reported during the week usually ended the preceding Saturday. Total figures for the United States and the Pacific Division include data for Alaska for 1959 and 1960; data for Hawaii are included for 1960 only. Cases of anthrax, botulism, and rabies in man are not shown in table 2, but a footnote to table 1 shows the States reporting these diseases. When diseases of rare occurrence are reported by a State (cholera, dengue, plague, louse-borne relapsing fever, smallpox, louse-borne epidemic typhus, and yellow fever) this is noted below table 1.

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS USED IN TABLES	
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Quantity zero	-
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