# Morbidity and Mortality 

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## Provisional Information on Selected Notifiable Diseases in the United States and on Deaths in Selected Cities for Week Ended October 22, 1960

The 1960 cumulative number of cases of human rabies has been changed from 3 to 2 . One case reported in Georgia for the week ended September 10 had previously been reported for the week ended August 4. The $\mathbf{2}$ cases this year occurred in Georgia and in Ohio.

A total of 140 cases of poliomyelitis, of which 93 were paralytic cases, was reported for the week ended October 22. This is an increase over the revised figures for the previous week-a total of 122 cases, of which 78 were paralytic. For the week ended October 24, 1959, the total was 248, including 194 paralytic cases. So far this year the cumulative number of paralytic cases (1838) is still slightly below the figure (1881) for the comparable period of 1957, the low year since records on paralytic cases have been kept.

The increase in paralytic cases for the current week compared to the previous week resulted primarily from larger
figures being reported in the New England, East North Central, and South Atlantic Divisions. A total of 18 cases ( 14 paralytic) was reported in Maryland. Last week, the total was 15 cases, all paralytic. Ten of the 14 paralytic cases and 4 nonparalytic cases occurred in Baltimore.

Three paralytic cases were reported in Puerto Rico. The cumulative total now stands at 462 paralytic cases. The previous high figure for the last 10 years was 404 paralytic cases reported during 1955.

The Colorado Communicable Disease Summary for the week ended October 8 states that of the 13 cases of poliomyelitis, all paralytic, reported by October 8 all but one were in children less than 5 years of age. The one exception was a case in a 16 -year-old girl. Only 3 of the cases were in females. Ten of the individuals had not been vaccinated and 1 had received 3 doses of vaccine.

# Table 1. Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States <br> (Cumalative totala include revised and delayed reports) 

| Disease <br> (Seventh Reviaion of International ILate, 1955) | 42 d week |  |  | Cumulative |  |  |  |  |  | Approximate seasonal low point |
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|  | Ended oct.$1960^{1}$ | Ended oct. 24, 1959 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l} \text { Median } \\ \text { 1955-59 } \end{array}$ | First 42 veeks |  |  | Since seasonal low week |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $1960{ }^{1}$ | 1959 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Median } \\ & 1955-59 \end{aligned}$ | 1959-60 ${ }^{1}$ | 1958-59 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Median } \\ & 1954-55 \\ & \text { to } \\ & 1958-59 \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | - | - | - | 15 | 12 | 16 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
|  | - | 1 | - | 10 | 20 | 11 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Brucelloais (undulant fever)------044 | 20 | 11 | 20 | 649 | 610 | 791 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
|  | 26 | 22 | 38 | 551 | 649 | 841 | 222 | 252 | 305 | July 1 |
| Encephalitis, infectious--------082 | 24 | 52 | 52 | 1,562 | 1,813 | 1,813 | 949 | 1,235 | 1,235 | June 1 |
| Hepatitis, infectious, and <br>  | 944 | 433 | 353 | 31, 259 | 17,973 | 15,814 | 5,756 |  |  |  |
| Malarie------------------110-117 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 60 | 65 | 135 | (2) | (2) | (2) | Sept. 1 <br> (2) |
|  | 1,331 | 1,259 | 1,305 | 406,054 | 370,336 | 523,967 | 6,296 | 7,021 | 7,099 | Sept. 1 |
| Meningitia, aseptic----------340 pt. | 96 | , | --- | 2,475 | --- | --- |  | , | 7, | Sept 1 |
| Meningococcal infections---------057 | 50 | 35 | 43 | 1, 780 | 1,848 | 2,124 | 245 | 281 | 288 | Sept. 1 |
| Pollomyelitis-----------------080-080 | 140 | 248 | 249 | 2,699 | 7,199 | 7,199 | 2,482 | 6,906 | 6,096 | Apr. 1 |
| Paralytic------------080.0,080.1 | 93 | 194 | 157 | 1,838 | 4,704 | 4,704 | 1,685 | 4,496 | 4,496 | Apr. I |
| Nomparalytic----------000.-0.2 | 22 | 42 | 65 | 576 | 1,910 | 2,673 | 539 | 1,862 | 2,507 | Apr. 1 |
| Unspecifi 1 d----------------080.3 | 25 | 12 | 27 | 285 | 585 | 852 | ${ }^{258}$ | 548 | ${ }^{763}$ | Apr: 1 |
| Psittacosis-----------------096.2 | 2 | - | 2 | 82 | 88 | 213 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
|  | - | - | - | 2 | 4 | 4 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Btreptococcel aore throat, including acarlet fever-----050,051 |  | -- | -- | 250,524 | -- |  | --- | , | - |  |
|  | 28 | 21 | 27 | 677 | 700 | 1,133 | 550 | 573 | 872 | Apr. 1 |
| Typhus fever, endemic.----m-------101 |  | 1 | 1 | 55 | 39 | 88 | 50 | 33 | 68 | Apr. 1 |
|  | 43 | 75 | 68 | 2,888 | 3,152 | 3,824 | 117 | 206 | 198 | oct. 1 |

[^0]The chart below shows the number of cases of paralytic poliomyelitis reported each week since the beginning of July 1960, compared with the number reported for the comparable weeks in 1959 and 1958, and the highest and lowest figures for each week in the years 1955-59. For most of the period included in the chart, the highest weekly number of cases was reported in 1955. For 2 weeks in July, the highest figure occurred In 1956. The lowest figures for the first weeks of the period were in 1958 and then in 1957.


By October 1, 1960, a total of 586 cases of paralytic poliomyelitls had been reported in Canada. The peak week was the week ended August 27 when 60 cases were reported. For the week ended October 1 there were 25 cases. About 73 percent of the cases have been reported in the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, and Quebec with 134, 148, and 145 cases, respectively. Except for 1959, the 1960 cumulative total exceeds all yearly totals reported since 1955. Preliminary surveillance reports have been received for 401 cases. These reports show that 36.2 percent of the cases have been in children under 5 years of age and 21.4 percent in adults. Of the 401 cases, 60.4 percent had not received any vaccine and 23.5 percent had received 3 or more doses. Fifty-two deaths have been reported.

Preliminary reports on 35 of these show that 75 percent of the individuals had not been vaccinated and 18.7 percent had received 3 or more doses. Ten of the deaths occurred among children under 5 years of age, and 10 were among adults.

## EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORTS

## Q fever

A report of a case of $Q$ fever was received from the Kansas State Board of Health. The patient was a 48 -year-old male. Onset of infection was characterized by sudden severe headache, malaise, generalized aching, and fever up to $106^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. Subsequently, the man developed a dry, unproductive cough which progressed into bronchopneumonia. Complement-fixation tests for $Q$ fever showed a 4 -fold rise in antibody titer. Following treatment, the man responded rapidly. There was no history of contact with animals which might have been infected, with meat of suspicious quality, nor of consuming unpasteurized milk. However, it was learned that the individual occasionally cleaned the filters on the air conditioning system of a viralrickettsial laboratory.

## Staphylococcal food poisoning

Dr. Josef Preizler, Wisconsin State Board of Health, reported that 13 persons became ill with nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea from 4 to 6 hours following consumption of chocolate eclairs at dinner. The eclairs were baked early in the morning of the same day. Eight persons were hospitalized because of prostration. The baker who prepared the eclairs had suppurative lesions on his hand and cultures from these lesions revealed the presence of coagulase-positive staphylococci, phage type 29. The same type of staphylococci was recovered from three samples of chocolate eclairs found in a patient's home. The same organism was grown from throat swabs from 6 persons.

## QUARANTINE MEASURES

Immunization Information for International Travel Public Health Service Publication No. 334 (1960)

## Changes Reported

Asia.-Section 5. Cholera vaccination for countries of the Near East. It is recommended that all persons traveling into countries of the Near East be vaccinated against cholera and carry a valid certificate of vaccination against the disease.

Cholera is epidemic in Afghanistan for the first time since 1956, and it has been reported unofficially in Abadan, Iran, where the last epidemic occurred in 1939.

Unofficial information was received from Iraq that all persons, including those with valid certificates of vaccination against cholera, arriving from infected areas may be held in quarantine for the incubation of the disease, which is 5 days.

Table 2. CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES, EACH DIVISION AND STATE, AND PUERTO RICO, FOR WEEKS ENDED OCTOBER 24, 1959, AND OCTOBER 22, 1960
(By place of occurrence. Numbers under diseases are category numbers of the Seventh Revision of the International Lists, 1955)


[^1]${ }^{2}$ Data exclude report from Nevada for the current week.

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The chart shows the number of deaths reported for 117 major cittes of the United States by week for the current year, a 5 -week moving average of these figures plottedat the central week, and an adjusted average for comparison. The adjusted average is computed as follows: From the total deaths reported each week for the years 1955-59, 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 varlations 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 showin jarentheses in table 4)


[^4]Table 4. DEATHS IN SELECTED CITIES
(By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths)

| Area | $42 d$ week ended Oct. 22, 1960 | 41st week ended oct. 15, 1960 | Cumulative, first 42 weeks |  | Area | 42 d week ended Oct. 22, 1960 | 41的 week ended Oct. 15, 1960 | Cumulative, first 42 weeks |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1960 | 1959 |  |  |  | 1960 | 1959 |
| NEW ENGLAND: |  |  |  |  | WEST NORTH CENTRAL-Con.: |  |  |  |  |
| Boston, Mass.------------ | 270 | 258 | 10,579 | 10,075 | St. Louis, Mo.-r------- | 247 | 208 | 10,301 | 9,813 |
| Bridgeport, Conn.-------- | 42 | 36 | 1,714 | 1,665 | St. Prul, Minn.--------- | 75 | 68 | 2,907 | 2,723 |
| Cambridge, Mass.--------- | 25 | 30 | 1,305 | 1,185 | Wichita, Kans. | 58 | 39 | 1,943 | 1,989 |
| Fall River, Mass.-------- | 36 | 21 | 1,181 | 1,180 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hartford, Conn.-------------- | 54 | 57 25 | 2,047 1,000 | 2,039 | SOUTH ATLANTIC: <br> Atlanta, Ga. | 96 | 107 |  | 4,622 |
| Lowell, Mass.------------- <br> Lynn, Mass. $\qquad$ | 24 28 | 25 | 1,000 1,023 | 973 981 | Atianta, Ga.----------------------- | 96 249 | 267 | 10,556 | 10,100 |
| New Bedford, Mass.-------------- | 16 | 29 | 1,023 | 1,901 | Charlotte, N.C.---------- | 26 | 34 | 1,628 | 1,524 |
| New Haven, Conn.-------- | 41 | 42 | 1,876 | 1,859 | Jacksonville, Fla.------ | 64 | 52 | 2,481 | 2,386 |
| Providence, R.I.-------- | 71 | 42 | 2,664 | 2,702 | Miami, Fla,-------------- | 73 | 66 | 3,038 | 2,917 |
| Somerville, Mass.------- | 10 | 8 | 554 | 537 | Norfolk, Va.-------------- | 39 | 35 | 1,676 | 1,649 |
| Springfleld, Mass.------- | 47 | 57 | 1,896 | 1,863 | Richmond, Va.---.--------- | 79 | 77 | 3,264 | 3,260 |
| Waterbury, Conn.--------- | 29 | 35 | 1,149 | 1,163 | Savarnah, Ga.------------ | 23 | 24 | 1,398 | 1,384 |
| Worcester, Mass.---....-- | 56 | 61 | 2,278 | 2,291 | St. Petersburg, Fla.----- | (64) | (56) | $(2,946)$ | (2,708) |
|  |  |  | 2,270 | 2,291 | Tampa, Fla. | 76 | 68 | 2,756 | 2,618 |
| MIDDLE ATLANTIC: |  |  |  |  | Washington, D.C.--------- | 181 | 188 | 8,059 | 8,074 |
| Albany, N.Y.------------- | 32 | 28 | 1,791 | 2,147 | Wilmington, Del.--------- | 39 | 46 | 1,590 | 1,587 |
| Allentown, Pa.----------- | 40 | 35 | 1,462 | 1,442 | EAST SOUIH CENTRAL: |  |  |  |  |
| Buffalo, N.Y. | 132 | 148 | 6,072 | 6,050 | Birmingham, Ala.--------- | 89 | 76 | 3,542 | 3,443 |
| Camden, N.J.------------- | 33 | 42 | 1,763 | 1,725 | Chattanooga, Tenn.------- | 43 | 46 | 1,982 | 1,933 |
| Elizabeth, N.J.--------- | 27 | 29 | 1,224 | 1,248 | Knoxville, Tenn. | 31 | 22 | 1,178 | 1,203 |
| Erie, Pa. | 39 | 33 | 1,619 | 1,527 | Loutsville, Ky.---------- | 94 | 127 | 4,813 | 4,731 |
| Jersey City, N.J.-------- | 74 | 59 | 2,989 | 3,064 | Memphis, Tenn.----------- | 95 | 104 | 4,671 | 4,704 |
| Newark, N.J.------------- | 112 | 90 | 4,091 | 4,171 | Mobile, Ala. | 42 | 32 | 1,730 | 1,610 |
| New York City, N.Y.------ | 1,707 | 1,760 | 68,288 | 68,957 | Montgomery, Ala.--------- | 34 | 29 | 1,450 | 1,378 |
| Paterson, N.J.------------ | 53 | 34 | 1,608 | 1,615 | Nashville, Tenn.--------- | 45 | 56 | 2,495 | 2,410 |
| Philadelphia, Pa.-------- | 502 | 435 | 20,529 | 20,520 | WEST SOUTH CENTRAL: |  |  |  |  |
| Pittsburgh, Pa.---------- | 203 | 164 | 8,040 | 7,757 | WEST SOUTH CENTRAL: <br> Austin, Tex. |  |  |  |  |
| Reading, Pa . <br> Rochester, N.Y. | 23 | 22 | 993 | 929 | Austin, Tex.--- | 33 | 42 31 | 1,434 1,216 | 1,337 1,123 |
| Rochester, N.Y. <br> Schenectady, N.Y.-...---.- | 99 15 | $\begin{array}{r}113 \\ 24 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 4,201 | 4,046 1,037 | Corpus Christi, Tex.----- | 24 | 24 | 987 | 878 |
| Scranton, Pa.------------ | 36 | 36 | 1,569 | 1,511 | Dellas, Tex. | 111 | 116 | 5,189 | 4,946 |
| Syracuse, N.Y.----------- | 82 | 86 | 2,614 | 1,639 | El Paso, Tex.- | 33 | 30 | 1,596 | 1,514 |
| Trenton, N.J | 53 | 50 | 1,733 | 1,792 | Fort Worth, Tex.--------------- | 48 | 55 | 2,783 | 2,627 |
| Utica, N.Y. | 30 | 24 | 1,136 | 1,179 | Houston, Tex.-- | 150 | 161 | 7,076 | 6,486 |
| Yonkers, N.Y.------------ | 23 | 31 | 1,282 | 1,318 | Little Rock, Ar New Orleans, La | 50 147 | 34 158 | 2,386 7,474 | 2,247 7,021 |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL: |  |  |  |  | Oklahoma City, Okla.----- | 98 | 80 | 3,153 | 2,908 |
| Akron, Ohio---------.--- | 54 | 48 | 2,384 | 2,450 | San Antonio, Tex.-.-.-.-. - | 94 | 99 | 4,224 | 3,973 |
| Canton, Ohio------------------ | 45 | 40 | 1,461 | 1,397 | Shreveport, La.---------- | 60 | 44 | 2,273 | 2,137 |
| Chicago, Ill.------------ | 769 | 679 | 32,204 | 31, 528 | Tulsa, Okla. | 34 | 37 | 2,293 | 2,022 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio------.-- | 156 | 126 | 6,605 | 6,663 | MOUNTAIN: |  |  |  |  |
| Cleveland, Ohio | 203 | 223 | 8,821 | 8,741 | Albuquerque, N. Mex.----- | 46 | 25 | 1,293 | 1,256 |
| Columbus, Ohio----------- | 114 | 94 | 4,931 | 4,899 | Colorado Springs, Colo.-- | 16 | 20 | 702 | 645 |
|  | 77 | 59 | 3,127 | 2,813 | Denver, Colo.------------- | 125 | 116 | 5,005 | 4,802 |
| Detroit, Mich | 299 | 331 | 14,203 | 13,665 | Ogden, Utah-------------- | 25 | 15 | 700 | 641 |
| Evansville, Ind.--------- | 40 | 33 | 1,535 | 1,525 | Phoenix, Ariz.----------- | 58 | 64 | 3,195 | 2,140 |
| Flint, Mich.-------------- | 38 | 51 | 1,684 | 1,689 | Pueblo, Colo.------------ | 16 | 16 | 689 | 580 |
| Fort Wayne, Ind.--------- | 29 | 34 | 1,535 | 1,521 | Salt Lake City, Utah----- | 52 | 51 | 2,039 | 2,013 |
| Gary, Ind.--------------- | 29 | 24 | 1,299 | 1,230 | Tucson, Ariz.------------ | 38 | 25 | 1,485 | 985 |
| Grand Rapids, Mich.------ | 41 | 42 | 1,730 | 1,748 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indianapolis, Ind.------- | 126 | 118 | 6,091 | 5,765 | PACIFIC: |  |  |  |  |
| Madison, Wis.------------ | 32 | 25 | 1,320 | 1,240 | Berkeley, Calif.--------- | 23 | 13 | 712 | 708 |
| Milwaukee, Wis.---------- | 122 | 125 | 5,249 | 5,330 | Fresno, Calif.----------- | (40) | (34) | $(1,821)$ | $(1,686)$ |
| Peoria, Ill | 24 | 34 | 1,272 | 1,221 | Glendale, Calif.------------- | (29) | (21) | $(1,588)$ | $(1,522)$ |
| Rockford, Ill.----------- | 15 | 34 | 1,184 | 1, 156 | Honolulu, Hawai1--------- | 40 | 38 | 1, 728 | 1,593 |
| South Bend, Ind.--------- | 28 | 40 | 1,223 | 1,143 | Long Beach, Calif.------- | 53 | 39 | 2,272 | 2,267 |
| Toledo, Ohio-------...------ | 98 | 104 | 4,171 | 4,172 | Los Angeles, Calif.---------- | 439 | 452 | 21,087 | 20,119 |
| Youngstown, Ohio--------- | 52 | 49 | 2,297 | 2,250 |  | 122 41 | 80 27 | 4,040 1,444 | 3,789 1,315 |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL: |  |  |  |  | Portland, Oreg.---------- | 103 | 77 | 1,444 4,624 | 1,315 |
| Des Moines, Iowa--------- | 44 | 58 | 2,286 | 2,238 | Sacramento, Calif.------- | 67 | 48 | 2,439 | 2,313 |
| Duluth, Minn.------------ | 31 | 25 | 1,070 | 1,051 | San Diego, Calif.-------- | 92 | 92 | 3,823 | 3,414 |
| Kansas City, Kans.------- | 32 | 35 | 1,464 | 1,493 | San Francisco, Calif..-. | 195 | 166 | 8,301 | 8,094 |
| Kansas City, Mo.--------- | 112 | 119 | 5,244 | 4,994 | San Jose, Calif. --------- | (39) | (31) | $(1,450)$ | (1,062) |
| Lincoln, Nebr.----.------ | (23) | (20) | $(1,090)$ | (1,083) | Seattle, Wash | 137 | 130 | 5,798 | 15,715 |
| Minneapolis, Minn. | 124 | 126 | 5,237 | 5,162 | Spokane, Wash.----------- | 46 | 46 | 1,995 | 2,080 |
| Onaha, Nebr.- | 82 | 51 | 3,073 | 2,968 | Tacoma, Wash.------------ | 27 | 36 | 1,708 | 1,709 |

## EXPLANATON OF SYMBOLS USED IN TABLES

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Quandty zero- ..... -
Percent more than 0 but less than 0.05 ..... 0.0
Disease stated not notifiable ..... *
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## SOURCE AND NATURE OF MORBDITY 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 .


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data exclude report from Nevada for the current week.
    ${ }^{2}$ Data show no pronounced seasonal change in incidence.

[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ Includes cases not specified by type, category number 080.3.

[^2]:    ${ }^{2}$ Data exclude report from Nevada for the current week.

[^3]:    ${ }^{2}$ Data exclude report from Nevada for the current week.

[^4]:    ${ }^{2}$ Adjugted average used as base.

