



Listeria (Listeriosis)

Listeria Outbreak Linked to Peaches, Nectarines, and Plums

 Food Safety Alert

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Fast Facts

- Illnesses: 11
- Hospitalizations: 10
- Deaths: 1
- [States](#): 7
- Recall: Yes
- Investigation status: Active (first posted on November 20, 2023)



One of the recalled bagged peaches



One of the recalled bagged nectarines



One of the recalled bagged plums



Recalled individual peaches

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Recalled Food

Whole peaches, nectarines, and plums distributed by HMC Farms

- Sold in stores nationwide between May 1 and November 15 in 2022 and 2023
- Sold in bags branded:
 - “HMC Farms”
 - “Signature Farms” with a “6359” sticker
- Also sold as individual fruit with a sticker that has “USA-E-U” and a number
 - Yellow peach: 4044 or 4038
 - White peach: 4401
 - Yellow nectarine: 4036 or 4378
 - White nectarine: 3035
 - Red plum: 4042
 - Black plum: 4040
- Conventional fruit (not organic)
- See [recall notice](#) [↗](#) for product images


Investigators are working to determine if any additional fruit or products made with this fruit may be contaminated.

What You Should Do

- **Do not eat any recalled peaches, nectarines, and plums.**
 - Check your home, including your refrigerator and freezer, for any recalled fruit.
 - If you think you have any, throw them away or return them to the store.
- **Clean your refrigerator, containers, and surfaces** that may have touched the recalled fruit.

- *Listeria* can survive in the refrigerator and can easily spread to other foods and surfaces.
- **Call a healthcare provider right away** if you have these symptoms after eating recalled fruit:
 - **Pregnant people** usually have fever, muscle aches, and tiredness.
 - **People who are not pregnant** usually have fever, muscle aches, and tiredness. They may also get a headache, stiff neck, confusion, loss of balance, or seizures.

What Businesses Should Do

- **Do not sell or serve** recalled fruit or food made with recalled fruit.
- Follow [FDA's safe handling and cleaning advice](#)  if you sold or served recalled fruit.

Listeria Symptoms

- *Listeria* is especially harmful to people who are pregnant, aged 65 or older, or with weakened immune systems. This is because *Listeria* is more likely to spread beyond their gut to other parts of their body, resulting in a severe condition known as invasive listeriosis.
 - **For people who are pregnant**, *Listeria* can cause pregnancy loss, premature birth, or a life-threatening infection in their newborn.
 - **For people who are 65 years or older or who have a weakened immune system**, *Listeria* often results in hospitalization and sometimes death.
- Symptoms usually start within 2 weeks after eating food contaminated with *Listeria*, but may start as early as the same day or as late as 10 weeks after.
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- For more information about *Listeria*, see [the Listeria Questions and Answers page](#).



Investigation Details



Map



Timeline

See Also

- [FDA: HMC Farms Recalls Whole Peaches, Plums, and Nectarines](#) 