## EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS HUMAN CASE OF COWPOX - Indiana

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Human cowpox has been clinically diagnosed in a 56 -year-old woman from Loogootee, Indiana, and confirmed by virologic studies at NCDC. Following contact with a dairy cow which developed cowpox-like lesions on the udder, the woman noted lesions on her hands and onset of fever and malaise on October 30. These lesions progressed through papular, vesicular, pustular, and crusting stages. Further clinical and epidemiologic investigations are in progress.

Crust material from the patient, submitted to NCDC on November 15, revealed suspicious pox virus particles by electron microscopy. Cytopathic effect was observed in human embryonic lung fibroblast ( $\mathrm{RU}_{1}$ ) tissue culture on the 3rd day following inoculation. Electron microscopy of


#### Abstract

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| DISEASE | 46th WEEK ENDED |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { MEDIAN } \\ 1962-1966 \end{gathered}$ | CUMULATIVE, FIRST 46 WEEKS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NOVEMBER 18 , 1967 | $\begin{gathered} \text { NOVEMBER } 19, \\ 1966 \end{gathered}$ |  | 1967 | 1966 | $\begin{gathered} \text { MEDIAN } \\ 1962-1966 \end{gathered}$ |
| Aseptic meningitis | 61 | 67 | 45 | 2,725 | 2,689 | 1,914 |
| Brucellosis. . . . . . | 8 | 3 | , | 222 | 219 | 326 |
| Diphtheria. | -4 4 | 1 | 5 | 144 | 172 | 238 |
| Encephalitis, primary: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arthropod-borne \& unspecified | 19 | 45 | -- | 1.441 | 1,948 | -.- |
| Encephalitis, post-infectious | 9 | 5 |  | 698 | 657 |  |
| Hepatitis, serum | 51 | 40 |  | 1,968 | 1.280 |  |
| Hepatitis, infectious | 836 | 714 | 665 | 34,086 | 28,396 | ) 33.705 |
| Malaria . | 60 | 12 | 4 | 1,856 | 429 | 94 |
| Measles (rubeola)....... | 310 | 1.166 | 1.702 | 60,198 | 195,563 | 368,873 |
| Meningococcal infections, total | 38 | 49 | 46 | 1,949 | 3.072 | 2,454 |
| Civilian | 37 | 44 |  | 1,827 | 2,780 |  |
| Military $\ldots$.......... Poliomyelitis, total | 1 | 5 3 |  | 122 35 | 292 90 |  |
| Paralytic....... | 2 | 3 | 3 | $\stackrel{3}{36}$ | 85 | 106 |
| Rubella (German measles) | 307 | 263 |  | 42.122 | 43.843 |  |
| Streptococcal sore throat \& scarlet fever | 8.494 | 8,260 | 6,436 | 392,397 | 369,505 | 343.445 |
| Tetanus. | 4 | 3 | 6 | 198 | 171 | 249 |
| Tularemia. | 4 | 6 | 2 | 154 | 164 | 255 |
| Typhoid fever | 4 | 7 | 10 | 372 | 345 | 406 |
| Typhus, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. spotted fever). | - | 4 | 1 | 293 | 243 | 218 |
| Rabies in animals . ...................... | 67 | 85 | 72 | 3.802 | 3.612 | 3.612 |

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OF LOW FREQUENCY

|  | Cum. |  | Cum. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anthrax: | 2 | Rabies in man: | 2 |
| Botulism: | 2 | Rubella, Congenital Syndrome: | 7 |
| Leptospirosis: Calif.-1 | 38 | Trichinosis: Tenn.-1 | 54 |
| Plague: | 2 | Typhus, murine: | 40 |
| Psittacosis: Calif.-1, Minn.-1 | 42 | Polio, Unsp. Calif.-2 | 9 |

## CURRENT TRENDS <br> MEASLES

A graph of the measles cases reported in the United States since 1962 is shown by 4 -week periods in Figure 3. Above the graph is a pictorial representation of the amount of live measles virus vaccine distributed during this period. The striking decline in incidence of reported cases of measles appears to be related to increasing vaccine usage.

This decline is also reflected in the geographic distribution of the counties or health districts reporting 10 or more cases of measles for 4 -week periods. During the first 4 weeks of the epidemiologic years $1966-67$ and 1967-68, 60 counties in 24 states reported 10 or more cases. For the comparable period in 1967, however, 25 counties in 14 states reported 10 or more cases (Figure 4).

A similar reduction is notable in the numbers of counties reporting three or more cases. For the first 4 weeks

Figure 3
REPORTED CASES OF MEASLES BY 4-WEEK PERIODS WITH PICTOGRAM OF DISTRIBUTION OF LIVE MEASLES VIRUS VACCINE UNITED STATES, 1962-1967


Figure 4 COUNTIES OR HEALTH DISTRICTS REPORTING A TOTAL OF 10 OR MORE CASES OF MEASLES OCTOBER 9 THROUGH NOVEMBER 5, 1966


OCTOBER 8 THROUGH NOVEMBER 4, 1967

of epidemiologic year 1966-67, 56 percent of the 378 reporting counties recorded three or more cases. For the same period of the current year, 38 percent of 279 counties reporting measles recorded three or more cases.

## EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS <br> HEPATITIS - U.S. Visitors to Ontario, Canada

Between July 3 and August 10, 1967, 15 cases of infectious hepatitis occurred among a group of persons who had either vacationed or worked at a fishing lodge in Ontario, Canada. Twelve of the cases occurred among approximately 35 persons accommodated by the lodge during the first week in July. One case involved a guest who visited the lodge from July 14 through 17. The two remaining cases occurred in kitchen employees of the lodge.

The 15 cases are shown by date of onset in Figure 5. The index case, a young male kitchen worker whose duties included dishwashing, waiting on tables, and making ice cubes, became ill on July 3, but worked until July 5 when the diagnosis of infectious hepatitis was made. The dates of onset of the other 14 cases occurred over a 24 -day period, July 18 - August 10,1967 . One of these
cases was in a female kitchen employee who began work June 24 and became ill August 7.

Twelve of the 13 cases among the guests were adults, ages $25-27$; the remaining case was a 14 -year-old girl visiting the lodge with her family. All 15 cases, including the two ill employees, developed jaundice; nine were hospitalized. There were no deaths.

The fishing lodge, located on the edge of a lake in Ontario, consists of individual family cottages equipped only with bathing facilities. Well-kept privies are distributed throughout the grounds. Three meals a day are served to the guests in a common dining room, described by the guests as "immaculate." Drinking water is obtained from the adjacent lake via an intake pipe extending 200 feet out and 40 feet deep into the lake.
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## SURVEILLANCE SUMMARY <br> HEPATITIS - Summer Quarter 1967-68*

During the summer quarter (13-week period from July 2 through September 30, 1967) of the current epidemiologic year 1967-68, there were 9,521 cases of viral hepatitis reported in the United States, representing a rate of 4.8 cases per 100,000 population for that period (Table 1). This was an increase of 30 percent over the rate of $3.7(7,298$ cases $)$ reported during the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

Figure 1 shows the areas in each of the nine geographic divisions of the U.S. Table 1 lists by division the number of reported cases, rates, change in number of cases, and percent change in rates for the summer quarters of epidemiologic years 1966-67 and 1967-68. The rates were

[^0]Figure 1

greater in the summer quarter of 1967-68 in all nine divisions; increases ranged from 9 to 69 percent. The largest increases were observed in the South Atlantic and West South Central Divisions ( 52 and 69 percent, respectively), whereas the smallest increases were noted in the Mountain and East North Central Divisions ( 9 and 14 percent, respectively).

Figure 2 presents the number of reported cases per 100,000 population by 4 -week periods from July 1952 through the 46 th week of 1967 (week ending November 18). The increased rates observed during the first 8 weeks of the fall quatter of 1967-68 were higher than those in the comparable period of 1966-67, further supporting the apparent reversal of the downward trend in hepatitis incidence, evident since the peak year (1960-61) of the last epidemic cycle.

Table 1
Reported Cases and Rates of Viral Hepatitis by Division
Summer Quarter 1967-68 Compared with
Summer Quarter 1966-67

| Division | Summer Quarter July 3, 1966 Oct. 1, 1966 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Summer Quarter } \\ & \text { July 2, 1967- } \\ & \text { Sept. 30, } 1967 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Change fivin Summer Quarter 1966-1967 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cases | Rate* | Cases | Rate* | Cases | Percent change in rates |
| Total United States | 7,298 | 3.7 | 9,521 | 4.8 | +2,223 | +30 |
| New England | 299 | 2.7 | 402 | 3.6 | +103 | +33 |
| Middle Atlantic | 1,229 | 3.3 | 1,615 | 4.4 | +386 | +33 |
| East North Central | 1,132 | 2.9 | 1,292 | 3.3 | +160 | +14 |
| West North Central | 430 | 2.7 | 537 | 3.4 | +107 | +26 |
| South Atlantic | 684 | 2.3 | 1,037 | 3.5 | +353 | +52 |
| East South Central | 462 | 3.6 | 585 | 4.5 | +123 | +25 |
| West South Central | 606 | 3.2 | 1,029 | 5.4 | +423 | +69 |
| Mountain | 335 | 4.3 | 365 | 4.7 | +30 | +9 |
| Pacific | 2,121 | 8.6 | 2,659 | 10.5 | +538 | +22 |

*Reported cnses per 100,000 population based on U.S. census mid-year estimates


CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES
FOR WEEKS ENDED
NOVEMBER 18, 1967 AND NOVEMBER 19, 1966 (46th WEEK)

| AREA | ASEPTIC meningitis |  | BRUCELLOSIS | DIPHTHERIA | ENCEPHALITIS |  |  | HEPATITIS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Primary including unsp. cases |  | PostInfectious | Serum |  | Infectious |  |
|  | 1967 | 1966 |  | 1967 | 1967 | 1967 | 1966 | 1967 | 1967 | 1966 | 1967 | 1966 |
| UNITED STATES... | 61 | 67 | 8 | 4 | 19 | 45 | 2-9 | 51 | 40 | 836 | 714 |
| NEW ENGLAND. . . . . . . . . | - | 3 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | 3 | 4 | 45 | 44 |
| Maine............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 9 |
| New Hampshire...... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Vermont............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 |
| Massachusetts..... | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | 11 |
| Rhode Island....... | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | $\overline{7}$ | - | 3 | 2 | $\begin{array}{r}3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 2 |
| Connecticut........ | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 27 | 20 |
| middle atlantic...... | 9 | 6 | - | - | 2 | 6 | - | 19 | 16 | 124 | 136 |
| New York City...... | 6 | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | - | 11 | 12 | 40 | 32 |
| New York, Up-State. |  | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 25 | 42 |
| New Jersey......... | 1 | 4 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | 19 | 24 |
| Pennsylvania....... | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 5 | 2 | 40 | 38 |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL... | 14 | 7 | - | - | 8 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 142 | 121 |
| Ohio................ | 4 | 1 | - | - | 7 | 8 | - | - | - | 34 | 25 |
| Indiana.. | 4 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | 5 | 16 |
| Illinois............ | 4 | 3 | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | - | - | 58 | 32 |
| Michigan............ | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 33 | 39 |
| Wisconsin.......... | - | - |  | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 12 | 9 |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL... | - | 15 | 2 | - | 3 | 9 | - | - | 1 | 51 | 29 |
| Minnesota.......... | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | - | - | 1 | 15 | 7 |
| Iowa................ | - | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 10 | 14 |
| Missouri........... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 | 6 |
| North Dakota....... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| South Dakota....... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nebraska............ | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | - |
| Kansas............... | - | 13 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 3 | 2 |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC....... | 6 | 10 | 3 | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | 2 | 94 | 66 |
| Delaware............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 |
| Maryland............ | 5 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9 | 17 |
| Dist. of Columbia.. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 3 |
| Virginia............ | 1 | 1 | 3 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | 20 |
| West Virginia...... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 16 | 8 |
| North Carolina..... | - | 6 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - |  | 5 | 6 |
| South Carolina..... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 1 |
| Georgia............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 41 | 4 |
| Florida............. | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 11 | 6 |
| EAST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 5 | 4 | - | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | - | 76 | 59 |
| Kentucky............ | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 52 | 16 |
| Tennessee.......... | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 11 | 21 |
| Alabama............. | 4 | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 7 | 12 |
| Mississippi........ | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 6 | 10 |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | - | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 71 | 75 |
| Arkansas............ | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |  | - | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Louisiana. . . . . . . . . | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | , | - | 3 | - | 9 | 12 |
| Oklahoma............ | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 3 | 9 |
| Texas............... | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - |  | 58 | 49 |
| mountain. . . . . . . . . . . . | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 24 | 30 |
| Montana. . . . . . . . . . . | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Idaho............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| Wyoming. . . . . . . . . . | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Colorado............ | - | - |  | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 11 | 7 |
| New Mexico.......... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 2 |
| Arizona............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 11 |
| Utah................ | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 3 |
| Nevada. . . . . . . . . . . | - |  |  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| PACIFIC............... | 23 | 19 | 2 | - | 2 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 15 | 209 | 154 |
| Washington. . . . . . . . | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 10 | 15 |
| Oregon.............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 16 | 22 |
| California......... | 18 | 19 | 1 | - | - | 3 | 3 | 22 | 15 | 180 | 113 |
| Alaska.............. | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |
| Hawai1.............. | 4 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | 3 | 2 |
| Puerto Rico | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 23 | 16 |

CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES
FOR WEEKS ENDED
NOVEMBER 18, 1967 AND NOVEMBER 19, 1966 (46th WEEK) - CONTINUED


CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES FOR WEEKS ENDED

NOVEMBER 18, 1967 AND NOVEMBER 19, 1966 (46th WEEK) - CONTINUED

| AREA | STREPTOCOCCAL SORE THROAT \& SCARLET FEVER | TE TANUS |  | tularemia |  | TYPHOID |  | TYPHUS FEVER TICK-BORNE (Rky. Mt. Spotted) |  | RABIES IN ANIMALS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1967 | 1967 | Cum. <br> 1967 | 1967 | Cum. $1967$ | 1967 | Cum. 1967 | 1967 | Cum. $1967$ | 1967 | Cum. $1967$ |
| UNITED STATES... | 8,494 | 4 | 198 | 4 | 154 | 8 | 372 | - | 293 | 67 | 3,802 |
| NEW ENGLAND. . . . . . . . . | 1,155 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 2 | 10 | - | 1 | 1 | 97 |
| Maine. . . . . . . . . . . . | 31 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 23 |
| New Hampshire...... | 18 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 46 |
| Vermont............. | 32 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 22 |
| Massachusetts...... | 252 | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 6 | - | 1 | - | 4 |
| Rhode Island....... | 75 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 2 |
| Connecticut........ | 747 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | - |
| middle atlantic. ..... | 57 | - | 13 | - | 1 | 1 | 38 | - | 35 | 2 | 93 |
| New York City...... | 10 | - | 7 | - | - | - | 18 | - | - | - | - |
| New York, Up-State. | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 11 | - | 9 | 2 | 77 |
| New Jersey......... | NN | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | - | 15 | - | - |
| Pennsylvania....... | 47 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 5 | - | 11 | - | 16 |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL... | 529 | 1 | 23 | 2 | 14 | - | 40 | - | 22 | 5 | 363 |
| Ohio............... | 115 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 13 | - | 11 | 3 | 130 |
| Indiana............. | 47 | - | 3 | - | 2 | - | 11 | - | 1 | - | 81 |
| Illinois........... | 129 | 1 | 11 | 2 | 12 | - | 6 | - | 10 | 1 | 68 |
| Michigan............ | 136 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 8 | - | - | 1 | 23 |
| Wisconsin.......... | 102 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 61 |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL... | 441 | - | 17 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 21 | - | 4 | 13 | 886 |
| Minnesota........... | 9 | - | 5 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 1 | 2 | 174 |
| Iowa................ | 113 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | 1 | 119 |
| Missouri........... | 4 | - | 8 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 10 | - | 1 | 4 | 160 |
| North Dakota....... | 118 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 153 |
| South Dakota....... | 46 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 116 |
| Nebraska. | 91 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 2 | - | 60 |
| Kansas............ | 60 | - | 1 | - | 10 | - | 2 | - | - | 3 | 104 |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC....... | 1,144 | 1 | 41 | - | 10 | 2 | 58 | - | 116 | 3 | 457 |
| Delaware........... | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  | - |
| Maryland............ | 122 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 21 | 1 | 4 |
| Dist. of Columbia.. | 17 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 6 |
| Virginia............ | 291 | 1 | 10 | - | - | - | 6 | - | 28 | - | 193 |
| West Virginia...... | 277 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 2 | 62 |
| North Carolina..... | 20 | - | 7 | - | - | - | 4 | - | 46 | - | 3 |
| South Carolina..... | 6 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | 10 | - | 5 | - | 2 |
| Georgia............. | 36 | - | 4 | - | 5 | 2 | 19 | - | 15 | - | 113 |
| Florida............. | 370 | - | 18 | - | 1 | - | 12 | - | - | - | 74 |
| EAST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 1,483 | - | 31 | - | 10 | - | 64 | - | 53 | 14 | 719 |
| Kentucky............ | 105 | - | 4 | - | 1 | - | 24 | - | 15 | - | 161 |
| Tennessee.......... | 1,150 | - | 8 | - | 7 | - | 11 | - | 26 | 13 | 502 |
| Alabama. | 158 | - | 11 | - | - | - | 12 | - | 12 | 1 | 46 |
| Mississippi........ | 70 | - | 8 | - | 2 | - | 17 | - | - | - | 10 |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 792 | - | 48 | 1 |  | 1 | 38 | - | 42 | 25 | 854 |
| Arkansas........... | 7 | - | 5 | 1 | 47 | - | 12 | - | 14 | 3 | 108 |
| Louisiana. .......... | 2 | - | 4 | - | 8 | 1 | 15 | - | 2 | 1 | 67 |
| Oklahoma. | 17 | - | 3 | - | 18 | - | 7 | - | 16 | 15 | 329 |
| Texas. | 766 | - | 36 | - | 7 | - | 4 | - | 10 | 6 | 350 |
| MOUNTAIN. . | 1,384 | - | 2 | - | 10 | - | 20 | - | 9 | 1 | 111 |
| Montana.............. | 64 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | - | - |  |
| Idaho. | 189 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Wyoming. . . . . . . . . . | 237 | - |  | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 5 |
| Colorado | 553 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 12 | - | 9 | - | 10 |
| New Mexico | 145 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 34 |
| Arizona. | 87 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | 1 | 50 |
| Utah. | 109 | - | - | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| Nevada. | - | - | - | - | - |  | - | - | - | - | 9 |
| PACIPIC.............. | 1,509 | 2 | 21 | - | 6 | 1 | 83 | - | 11 | 3 | 222 |
| Washington. ........ | 592 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 |
| Oregon.............. | 121 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 3 | - | 3 | - | 4 |
| California | 704 | 2 | 16 | - | 3 | 1 | 75 | - | 6 | 3 | 216 |
| Alaska. | 34 | - | , | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |  | , |
| Hawail. | 58 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - |  |
| Puerto Rico........... | 9 | - | 17 | - | - | - | 7 | - | - | - | 30 |

Week No.
46
DEATHS IN 122 UNITED STATES CITIES FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 18,1967
(By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes feral deaths)


HEPATITIS - U.S. Visitors to Ontario, Canada (Continued from page 386)

Figure 5
HEPATITIS CASES RELATED TO FISHING LODGE ONTARIO, CANADA - JULY 3.AUGUST 10, 1967


A routine water sample taken May 28 was negative. Another sample taken in July showed 15 total coliforms but was negative for Escherichia coli. Chlorination was started immediately. In the opinion of the local health authorities, sanitation facilities at the lodge were quite adequate. No gastrointestinal illnesses were reported among the guests in July.

Both the occurrence of cases over a very short period of time and the age distribution suggested a common source outbreak of infectious hepatitis, with exposure occurring during the first week in July. All but one of the affected guests were at the lodge during this period; this was the same time the male kitchen worker who became ill with hepatitis was experiencing his acute illness (July 3-5). The other kitchen employee who became ill was exposed to the index case during this same period and subsequently became ill one month later.

The guest who was not at the lodge during the first week of July developed hepatitis approximately 30 days later on August 10. However, none of the guests who had been at the lodge during the first week of July was present during his stay. This guest had a history of contact with a jaundiced family member who may have had a case of infectious hepatitis. Thus, this guest may represent a case of hepatitis unrelated to the common source outbreak.
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## Editorial Comment:

Most of the guests of the lodge are U.S. residents; the 13 guests who recently developed hepatitis were from four states. Although the cases were geographically widely separated, the outbreak became apparent by careful monitoring of individual hepatitis, surveillance case records by the New Jersey State Department of Health. The ensuing investigation represented a cooperative effort by the Canadian health authorities, the epidemiologists of the four involved states, and the Hepatitis Unit, NCDC.
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NOTE: THE DATA IN THIS REPORT ARE PROVISIONAL AND ARE BASED ON WEEKLY TELEGRAMS TO THE NCDC BY THE INDIVIDUAL STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENTS. THE REPORTING WEEK CONCLUDES ON SATURDAY: COMPILEDDATA ON A NATIONAL BASISARE RELEASED ON THE SUCCEEDING FRIDAY.


[^0]:    *Hepatitis morbidity data are summarized in terms of an "epidemiologic year," which runs from the 27 th week of each year through the 26 th week of the succeeding year.

