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## International Notes

## Smallpox Surveillance - Worldwide

October 26, 1978, marks the first anniversary of the last case of endemic smallpox. The last known case occurred in Merka, Somalia. The recent laboratory-associated outbreak in Birmingham, United Kingdom, has not altered plans of the World Health Organization (WHO) for final certification of global eradication. Intensive surveillance continues in Somalia, Ethiopia, Kenya, Djibouti, and the Yemen Arab Republic with plans for Certification Commissions in the fall of 1979.

A reward of $\$ 1,000$ has been established by the Director-General of WHO for the first person who reports an active case of smallpox resulting from person-to-person transmission and confirmed by laboratory tests (1).

## Reference

1. Resolution WHA 31.54, World Health Assembly, 1978

## Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

## Isolation of Organisms Resembling Legionnaires' Disease Bacterium - Georgia

Organisms resembling the Legionnaires' disease bacterium (LDB) have been isolated from water obtained from the evaporative condensor at a country club in Atlanta, Georgia, by intraperitoneal inoculation of guinea pigs. The organism shows typical appearance on F-G agar, is positive by direct immunofluorescence, and has a characteristic cellular fatty acid profile on gas chromatographic analysis. DNA relatedness studies are pending. From July 2-7, 1978, a cluster of 3 confirmed and 5 presumptive cases of Legionnaires' disease occurred among member golfers (1). The water sample was obtained on August 23. The output vent of the evaporative condensor faces the tenth tee of the golf course, approximately 150 feet away. Decontamination of the evaporative condensor has been attempted, and post-decontamination water samples are presently being tested for the bacterium.
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Editorial Note: This is the fourth isolation of an organism resembling LDB from a cooling tower or evaporative condensor at the site of an outbreak (2-4). Epidemiologic analysis indicates that the golfers may have been exposed to airborne LDB coming from the evaporative condensor. Laboratory evaluation of chemical agents that might be effective in decontamination or preventive maintenance of evaporative condensors and cooling

## Legionnaires' Disease Bacterium - Continued

towers has been initiated by CDC, in consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency and the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers.

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## Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning - Washington

During the last 2 weeks of September 1978, Washington State reported its first case since 1942 of paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP) involving native shellfish. In 2 separate incidents, a total of 4 people required hospitalization after eating mussels and developing the typical symptoms of PSP-paresthesia of the lips, tongue, face, and extremities; nausea; vomiting; dysphonia; dysphagia; and some muscle incoordination. All the patients recovered.

Investigation of both incidents showed that the parties had collected and eaten mussels from Whidbey Island, Island County, Washington. Collection of mussels from North Bluff Beach and near the town of Clinton, the sites involved, revealed levels of 1,415 micrograms and 2,821 micrograms of PSP toxin per 100 grams of meat, respectively. The maximum allowable PSP toxin in commercial shellfish in Washington is 80 micrograms per 100 grams of meat.

PSP surveillance conducted by local health departments and the Office of Environmental Health Programs, Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), was expanded and intensified. PSP toxin levels as high as 30,360 micrograms have since been found in shellfish from Whidbey Island. Toxic levels of PSP have also been noted in shellifish from the beaches of Clallam, King, Kitsap, Jefferson, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom Counties (Figure 1). Thus far the southernmost area of toxic levels has been the northern tip of Vashon Island, south of Seattle in King County. Toxic levels of PSP have not been recorded this far south in Washington before. Local health departments have closed all beaches to private shellfish harvesting, and the Office of Environmental Health Programs has closed the beaches to commercial shellfish harvesting in the affected areas. They will remain closed until further notice.
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Editorial Note: PSP is caused by a neurotoxin produced by Gonyaulax catanella, a dinoflagellate associated with so-called "red tides." Termed saxitoxin, this neurotoxin is very stable and is not destroyed by freezing or by the routine cooking of shellfish. Saxitoxin is thought to block the propagation of nerve and muscle action potentials by interfering with sodium permeability. The neurotoxin is ingested and concentrated in the tissues of the filter-feeding bivalve mollusks, without any apparent effect on the shellfish (1).

There is a standardized mouse bioassay procedure for demonstrating and quantitating the toxin in shellfish. Although there is no readily available diagnostic test for clinical

Shellfish Poisoning - Continued
FIGURE 1. Washington counties associated with toxic levels of PSP* toxin in shellfish, 1978

"paralytic shellfish poisoning
specimens, this assay has also been used to demonstrate toxin in specimens of vomitus. Diagnosis is usually made on clinical and epidemiologic grounds.

Treatment consists of gastric lavage, if vomiting has not occurred, and a cathartic or enema in severe cases to help remove any unabsorbed toxin from the digestive tract. Extremely severe cases may require temporary respiratory support. Spontaneous recovery can usually be expected after 24 hours. There is no specific treatment to neutralize the toxin.

Another type of shellfish poisoning, neurotoxic shellfish poisoning (NSP), is caused by the ingestion of shellfish contaminated with the toxin of Gymnodinium breve, a dinoflagellate found off the Gulf and Atlantic Coasts of Florida. NSP presents with a similar, but generally milder syndrome than PSP.
Reference

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## Psittacosis - Connecticut

A 49-year-old man became ill on March 9, 1978, with intense pain in the legs followed by severe chills and headaches and a temperature spike to $104 \mathrm{~F}(40 \mathrm{C})$. The pattern of fever was intermittent. Prior to admission to the hospital, he developed a cough, a splotchy rash over the face and neck, and intense pruritis over the legs.

He was admitted to the hospital on March 16 with a productive cough with hemoptysis, chest pain in the right lower quadrant, and diarrhea. Admission $X$ rays showed patchy, abnormal densities in the basal segments of the right lower lobe consistent with pneumonia. No definite hilar adenopathy or pleural fluid was noted.

## Psittacosis - Continued

Because the patient was a pet store owner who gave a history of recent contact with sick birds, psittacosis was suspected. After appropriate cultures and serologic studies were obtained, the patient was treated with tetracycline. He became afebrile within 12 hours of initiation of therapy and was discharged on March 22 to complete a 14 -day course of tetracycline.

Acute and convalescent serum specimens submitted to the state laboratory demonstrated $>4$-fold rise in psittacosis group antibodies. Sputum and blood clot specimens were submitted to CDC. Chlamydia psittaci was isolated from the sputum but not from the blood clot.

The Connecticut State Department of Health's Preventable Diseases Division was notified of the presumptive diagnosis on March 17. The state veterinarian inspected the pet store in question and imposed a quarantine with the following guidelines: 1) birds were to be quarantined in a closed area free from contact or communication with the public or newly acquired birds or other animals; 2) birds were to be treated with appropriate antibiotics for 45 days; 3) any birds that died were to be frozen and transported to the state laboratory for further testing at CDC; and 4) the quarantine was to remain in effect from the date imposed until 60 days after the death of the last identified avian case.

The pet store had begun selling birds in early February. All people who had purchased birds there were notified by letter of their possible exposure to psittacosis and advised of its symptoms. A questionnaire was enclosed requesting information on illness among
(Continued on page 423)
TABLE I. Summary - cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States
[Cumulative totals include revised and delayed reports through previous weeks.]

| DISEASE | 42nd WEEK ENDING |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { MEDIAN } \\ \text { 1973.1977*' } \end{gathered}$ | CUMULATIVE, FIRST 42 WEEKS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { October } 21, \\ 1978 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { October 22, } \\ 1977^{*} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Octaber } 21 . \\ 1978 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Octobe: } 22 . \\ 1977^{\circ} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MEDIAN } \\ 1973-1977^{*}: \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Aseptic meningitis | 234 | 146 | 107 | 4.771 | 3,796 | 3,210 |
| Brucellosis | 5 | 5 | 6 | 125 | 185 | 185 |
| Chickenpox | 808 | 918 | 916 | 126,265 | 163,727 | 1:7,150 |
| Diphtheria | - | - | 2 | 64 | 73 | 155 |
| Encephalitis: Primary (arthropod borne 8\% unspec.) | 30 | 55 | 52 | 784 | 914 | 1,190 |
| Post-infectious | 3 | 5 | 3 | 171 | 173 | 227 |
| Hepatitis, Viral: Type B | 297 | 346 | 219 | 11.970 | 13,338 | 9,302 |
| Type A | 627 | 650 | 1709 | 23.457 | 24.779 | 20,108 |
| Type unspecified | 170 | 155 | 1709 | 7.175 | 7,093 | 20,100 |
| Malaria | 14 | 14 | 13 | 584 | 450 | 348 |
| Measles (rubeola) | 173 | 110 | 110 | 24,459 | 53,392 | 24.661 |
| Meningococcal infections: Total | 32 | 25 | 24 | 1.931 | 1,419 | 1.178 |
| Civilian | 31 | 24 | 24 | 1,906 | 1.409 | 1,153 |
| Military | 1 | 1 | - | 25 | 10 | 25 |
| Mumps | 143 | 297 | 418 | 14.026 | 17.104 | 46,405 |
| Pertussis | 26 | 49 | - | 1,857 | 1,403 | ---- |
| Rubella (German measles) | 63 | 60 | 101 | 16,783 | 18.995 | 15,223 |
| Tetanus | 1 | 2 | 2 | 67 | 60 | 75 |
| Tuberculosis | 553 | 557 | 588 | 23,954 | 24,350 | 25,280 |
| Tularemia | 4 | 3 | 1 | 105 | 137 | 124 |
| Typhoid fever | 15 | 12 | 9 | 409 | 321 | 340 |
| Typhus fever, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. spotted) | 16 | 13 | 10 | 959 | 1,060 | 767 |
| Venereal diseases: <br> Gonorrhea: Civilian | 21,610 | 21,518 | 21,518 | 814,379 | 804,975 | 804,975 |
| Military | 349 | 431 | 431 | 20,527 | 21,892 | 23,826 |
| Syphilis, primary \& secondary: Civilian | 351 | 415 | 520 | 17,266 | 16.561 | 19:585 |
| Military | 5 | 8 | 8 | 246 | 246 | 282 |
| Rabies in animals | 60 | 75 | 72 | 2,524 | 2,532 | 2,470 |

TABLE II. Notifiable diseases of low frequency, United States

|  | CUM. 1978 |  | CUM. 1978 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anthrax | 5 | Poliomyelitis: Total | 3 |
| Botulism (Utah 1) | 62 | Paralytic | 1 |
| Cholera (La. 2) | 11 | Psittacosis (Ark. 2) | 87 |
| Congenital rubella syndrome (Miss. 1) | 25 | Rabies in man | - |
| Leprosy (NYC 1, Va. 1) | 126 | Trichinosis (Fla. 1, Tex. 1) | 45 |
| Leptospirosis (Hawaii 3) | 52 | Typhus fever, flea-borne (endemic, murine) | 34 |
| Plague | 7 |  |  |

[^0]TABLE III. Cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending
October 21, 1978, and October 22, 1977 (42nd week)

| REPORTING AREA | $\substack{\text { ASEFTIC } \\ \text { MENIN- } \\ \text { GITIS }}$ <br> 1978 | BRU- <br> CEL. <br> LOSIS <br> 1978 | CHICKEN- <br> POX <br> 1978 | DIPHTHERIA |  | ENLEPHALITIS |  |  | HEPATITIS (VIRAL), BY TYPE |  |  | MALARIA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Primary |  | Pustinfections: $i 978$ | $\frac{B}{1978}$ | $\frac{A}{1978}$ | Unspecified <br> 1978 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 197\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { cum. } \\ & \text { 1978 } \end{aligned}$ | 1978 | 1977* |  |  |  |  | 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM } \\ & 1978 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| UNITED STATES | 234 | 5 | 808 | - | 64 | 30 | 55 | 3 | 297 | 627 | 170 | 14 | 584 |
| NEW ENGLAND | 3 | - | 153 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | 11 | 12 | - | 28 |
| Maine | - | - | 32 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 3 | - | - | 1 |
| N.H. | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 4 |
| Vt.t | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | $\overline{-}$ | - | - |
| Mass. | 2 | - | 55 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 4 | 9 | - | 7 |
| R.I. | - | - | 38 | - | - | - | - | - | $\stackrel{-}{\square}$ | - | - | - | 5 |
| Conn. | 1 | - | 21 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | - | 11 |
| MID. ATLANTIC | 76 | - | 47 | - | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 63 | 49 | 27 | T | 125 |
| Ups tate N.Y. | 34 | - | 15 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 9 | 12 | 8 | - | 18 |
| N.Y. City | 7 | - | 9 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 15 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 55 |
| N.J. | 13 | - | NN | - | - | - | 2 | - | 23 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 24 |
| Pa. $\dagger$ | 22 | - | 23 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 16 | 18 | 6 | 2 | 28 |
| E.N. CENTRAL | 42 | - | 291 | - | - | 6 | 21 | - | 44 | 86 | 12 | - | 39 |
| Ohio ${ }^{+}$ | - | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 9 | - | 7 | 14 | - | - | 5 |
| Ind. | 7 | - | - | - | - | 2 | 5 | - | 4 | 1 | B | - | 3 |
| III. | 7 | - | 42 | - | - | - | 4 | - | 9 | 21 | 2 | - | 14 |
| Mich. | 16 | - | 120 | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | 20 | 40 | 2 | - | 15 |
| Wis.t | 12 | - | 126 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | 4 | 10 | - | -- | 2 |
| W.N. CENTRAL | 9 | 1 | 79 | - | 2 | 2 | 3 | - | 33 | 92 | 9 | - | 22 |
| Minn. | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 7 | 32 | 2 | - | 4 |
| lowa | - | 1 | 41 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 3 | 3 | 1 | - | - |
| Mo. | 3 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 7 | - | 15 | 23 | 5 | - | 8 |
| N. Dak. | - | - | 7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| S. Dak. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 8 | - | - | 1 |
| Nebr. | 1 | - | $\stackrel{-}{-}$ | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | 10 | - | -- | 4 |
| Kans. | 5 | - | 30 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 14 | 1 | - | 5 |
| S ATLANTIC | 41 | 1 | 82 | - | - | 7 | 13 | 2 | 49 | 98 | 23 | 4 | 103 |
| Del. | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 1 |
| Md. $\dagger$ | 7 | - | 5 | - | - | 1 | -- | - | 2 | 8 | - | 1 | 23 |
| D.C. | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 13 | 2 | - | 2 | 4 |
| Va. $\dagger$ | 6 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | 5 | - | 20 |
| W. Va. | 1 | - | 24 | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | 1 |
| N.C. | 11 | - | NN | - | - | 3 | 1 | - | 8 | 13 | 3 | - | 10 |
| S.C. | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 6 | - | - | 4 |
| Ga . | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 18 | - | 1 | 9 |
| Fla. | 14 | - | 48 | - | - | - | 11 | 2 | 12 | 41 | 15 | - | 31 |
| E.S. CENTRAL | 11 | - | 1 | - | - | 6 | - | - | 22 | 42 | 10 | - | 6 |
| Ky. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | 2 |
| Tenn. | 4 | - | NN | - | - | 4 | - | - | 12 | 13 | 8 | - | 1 |
| Ala. | 4 | - | i | - | - | 1 | - | - | 5 | 13 | 1 | - | 1 |
| Miss. | 3 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 14 | - | - | 2 |
| W.S. CENTRAL | 18 | 2 | 39 | - | 1 | 4 | 4 | - | 18 | 80 | 29 | - | 26 |
| Ark. | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | 3 | - | 1 |
| La. | 3 | - | NN | - | $-$ | 4 | 2 | - | 2 | 16 | 3 | - | 3 |
| Okla. | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 6 | 3 | - | - |
| Tex. | 12 | 2 | 39 | - | - | - | $?$ | - | 11 | 56 | 20 | - | 22 |
| MOUNTAIN | 6 | 1 | 31 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 11 | 41 | 15 | - | 7 |
| Mont. | 1 | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| Idaho | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| Wyo. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Calo. | 4 | - | 22 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 7 | 7 | 4 | - | 4 |
| N. Mex. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Ariz. | - | - | NN | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | 20 | 5 | - | 1 |
| Utah | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 4 | - | - |
| Nev. | - | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | 1 |
| PACIFIC | 28 | - | 85 | - | 56 | 2 | 8 | - | 55 | 128 | 33 | 3 | 228 |
| Wash. ${ }^{+}$ | 2 | - | 71 | - | 52 | - | - | - | 3 | 15 | 5 | - | 7 |
| Oreg. | 3 | - | 2 | - | - | - | $-$ | - | 2 | 23 | 1 | - | 9 |
| Calif. 1 | 19 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | $\theta$ | - | 47 | 88 | 23 | 3 | 188 |
| Alaska | 1 | - | 10 | - | 3 | 1 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 3 | - | 4 |
| Hawaii | 3 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 20 |
| Guam $\dagger$ | NA | NA | NA | NA | - | NA | - | - | NA | NA | NA | NA | - |
| Pac. Trust Terr. | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | NA | - | - | - | 3 | - | - |
| P.R. $\dagger$ | - | - | 12 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 |
| V.1. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |

TABLE III (Cont.'d). Cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending October 21, 1978, and October 22, 1977 (42nd week)

| REPORTING AREA | MEASLES (RUBEOLA) |  |  | MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTIONS TOTAL |  |  | MUMPS |  | PERTUSSIS | RUBELLA |  | tETANUS <br> CUM <br> 1978 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CuM. } \\ & \text { 1977* } \end{aligned}$ | 1978 | CUM. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM. } \\ & \text { 1971* } \end{aligned}$ | 1978 | CUM. <br> 1978 | 1978 | 1978 | CUM. 1978 |  |
| UNITED STATES | 173 | 24.459 | 53.392 | 32 | 1,931 | 1.419 | 143 | 14,026 | 26 | 63 | 16,783 | 67 |
| NEW ENGLAND | 4 | 1.985 | 2,500 | 1 | 104 | 58 | 4 | 753 | 2 | 2 | 750 | 2 |
| Maine | - | 1,315 | 170 | - | 8 | 3 | - | 492 | - | - | 153 | - |
| N.H.t | 2 | 49 | 511 | - | 7 | 3 | - | 15 | - | - | 102 | - |
| Vt . | 2 | 33 | 294 | - | 2 | 6 | - | 5 | - | - | 27 | 2 |
| Mass. | - | 253 | 628 | 1 | 41 | 17 | 1 | 90 | 2 | 2 | 222 | - |
| R.I. | - | 8 | 64 | - | 18 | 2 | 3 | 42 | - | - | 42 | - |
| Conn. | - | 328 | 833 | - | 28 | 27 | - | 109 | - | - | 204 | - |
| MID. ATLANTIC | 13 | 2.199 | 8,374 | 5 | 320 | 183 | 13 | 651 | 11 | 10 | 3,020 | 5 |
| Upstate N.Y. | 8 | 1.407 | 3.826 | 2 | 102 | 43 | 8 | 215 | 4 | 5 | 530 | 2 |
| N.Y. City | 3 | 360 | 737 | - | 73 | 49 | 1 | 153 | 4 | 4 | 139 | - |
| N.J. | $\stackrel{-}{+}$ | 74 | 197 | - | 60 | 44 | - | 138 | - | 1 | 1.609 | - |
| Pa. | 2 | 358 | 3,614 | 3 | 85 | 48 | 4 | 145 | 3 | - | 742 | 3 |
| E.N. CENTRAL | 49 | 11,033 | 11,398 | 3 | 206 | 160 | 52 | 5,698 | 5 | 15 | 8,421 | 3 |
| Ohio | 1 | 491 | 1.858 | - | 70 | 58 | 4 | 987 | 1 | 3 | 1,375 | 1 |
| Ind. | - | 199 | 4.336 | - | 37 | 10 | - | 321 | - | - | 593 | 1 |
| III. | 4 | 1,147 | 1.781 | - | 30 | 36 | 20 | 1,888 | 1 | - | 1.712 | 1 |
| Mich.t | 43 | 7.711 | 983 | 3 | 58 | 42 | 23 | 1.417 | 1 | 10 | 3,195 |  |
| Wist | 1 | 1,483 | 2,440 | - | 11 | 14 | 5 | 1.085 | 2 | 2 | 1,546 | - |
| W.N. CENTRAL | 1 | 399 | 9.479 | 6 | 70 | 60 | 9 | 1,955 | 2 | 5 | 680 | 6 |
| Minn. | - | 39 | 2,624 | 4 | 19 | 19 | - | 21 | - | - | 128 | 1 |
| lowa | - | 55 | 4,295 | - | 5 | 9 | 1 | 137 | 2 | 1 | 61 | - |
| Mo. ${ }^{+}$ | 1 | 15 | 1,044 | 2 | 29 | 21 | 1 | 1.171 | - | 1 | 108 | - |
| N. Dak. | - | 196 | 24 | - | 3 | 1 | - | 15 | - | - | 82 | - |
| S. Dak. | - | . | 67 | - | 3 | 4 | - | 7 | - | - | 111 | 1 |
| Nebr.t | - | 5 | 214 | - | - | 2 | - | 25 | - | - | 34 | - |
| Kans. | - | 90 | 1,211 | - | 11 | 5 | 7 | 579 | - | 3 | 156 | 4 |
| S ATLANTIC | 56 | 5,143 | 4,637 | 8 | 480 | 316 | 22 | 843 | 2 | 13 | 1.042 | 17 |
| Del. | - | 7 | 22 | - | 16 | 22 | - | 56 | - | - | 35 | 7 |
| Md. | - | 51 | 372 | 1 | 33 | 21 | - | 70 | - | - | 7 | 2 |
| D.C. | - | - | 14 | - | 2 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 1 |  |
| Va.t | 5 | 2,834 | 2,730 | 1 | 56 | 27 | - | 172 | 1 | - | 247 | 1 |
| W. Va. | 1 | 1,755 | 248 | 1 | 14 | 9 | 1 | 177 | - | 3 | 325 | - |
| N.C. | 1 | 121 | 65 | 2 | 95 | 66 | 2 | 71 | 1 | 9 | 189 | 3 |
| S.C. | 1 | 199 | 153 | - | 28 | 34 | - | 17 | $-$ | - | 29 | 4 |
| Ga. | - | 33 | 768 | 1 | 52 | 47 | 1 | 69 | - | 1 | 27 | - |
| Fla. | 48 | 943 | 265 | 2 | 184 | 90 | 18 | 259 | - | - | 183 | 7 |
| E.S. CENTRAL | - | 1,389 | 2,034 | 4 | 158 | 145 | 16 | 1.163 | 2 | 1 | 505 | 3 |
| KY. | - | 119 | 1,191 | - | 30 | 27 | 11 | 203 | 1 | 1 | 131 | 2 |
| Tenn. | - | 955 | 727 | 1 | 41 | 36 | 1 | 452 | 1 | - | 202 | 2 |
| Ala | - | 89 | 78 | - | 46 | 53 | 2 | 425 | - | - | 22 | - |
| Miss. | - | 225 | 38 | 3 | 41 | 27 | 2 | 83 | - | - | 150 | 1 |
| W.S. CENTRAL | 32 | 1,136 | 2.109 | 1 | 2A2 | 280 | 14 | 1,729 | - | 3 | 943 | 14 |
| Ark. | - | 16 | 29 | - | 72 | 15 | - | 602 | - | , | 5 A | 1 |
| La. | - | 343 | 75 | - | 117 | 127 | - | 65 | - | - | 486 | 1 |
| Okla. | - | 14 | 61 | - | 16 | 14 | - | 4 | - | 1 | 13 | 3 |
| Tex. | 32 | 763 | 1,944 | 1 | 127 | 124 | 14 | 1.058 | - | 2 | 386 | 9 |
| MOUNTAIN | 1 | 25? | 2,532 | 1 | 43 | 35 | 2 | 420 | 1 | 1 | 208 | 3 |
| Mont. | - | 105 | 1,162 | - | 3 | 4 | - | 145 | $-$ | - | 19 | - |
| Idaho | - | 1 | 161 | - | 4 | 5 | - | 20 | - | - | 2 | 1 |
| Wya. | - | - | 19 | - | - | $?$ | - | 1 | - | _ | - | - |
| Cola. | - | 31 | 503 | - | 3 | 1 | - | 95 | 1 | - | 48 | 1 |
| N. Mex. | - | - | 257 | - | 8 | 9 | - | 16 |  | _ | 3 |  |
| Ariz. | - | 51 | 317 | - | 15 | 10 | 1 | 18 | - | - | 94 | - |
| Utah | - | 44 | 20 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 117 | - | 1 | 31 | 1 |
| Nev.t | 1 | 20 | 93 |  | 4 | 1 |  | 8 | - | $-$ | 12 | - |
| PACIFIC | 17 | 923 | 10,329 | 3 | 268 | 182 | 11 | 814 | 1 | 13 | 1.214 | 14 |
| Wash. | 6 | 210 | 54 ? | - | 44 | 24 | 1 | 190 | - | 3 | 117 | 1 |
| Oreg. | - | 149 | 366 | - | 29 | 18 | 1 | 109 | - | - | 125 | $-$ |
| Calif. | 11 | 552 | 9.326 | $?$ | 134 | 109 | 9 | 490 | 1 | 9 | 957 | 13 |
| Alaska |  | 1 | 60 | 1 | 8 | 29 | - | 9 | 1 | 1 | B | 13 |
| Hawaii | - | 12 | 35 |  | 3 | 2 | - | 26 | - | - | 12 | - |
| Guam | Na | 24 | 9 | - | - | 1 | NA | 38 | NA | NA | 4 | 1 |
| Pac. Trust Terr. | 4 | 23 | NA | 1 | 1 | NA | 2 | 6 | - | . | 2 | 1 |
| P.R.t | 2. | 267 | 990 | - | 7 | 1 | 15 | 1,323 | - | - | 16 | 7 |
| V.I. | - | 6 | 14 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - |

NA: Not available.
*Delayed reports received for 1977 are not shown below but are used to update last year's weekly and cumulative totals.
tThe following delayed reports will be reflected in next week's cumulative totals: Measles: N. H. +3 , Mich. -3, Wis. -6, Va. -1 ; Men. inf.: Nev. +1 ; Mumps P.R. +9 , Pertussis: Mo. +1 , Nebr.: +1 ; Tetanus: Mo. +1 .

TABLE $1 / \mathrm{I}$（Cont．＇d）．Cases of specified notifiable diseases，United States，weeks ending October 21，1978，and October 22， 1977 （42nd week）

| REPORTING AREA | TUBERCULOSIS |  | TULA． REMIA <br> CUM． <br> 1978 | TYPHOID FEVER |  | TYPHUS FEVER <br> （Tick－harne） （RMSF） |  | VENEREAL DISEASES（Civilian） |  |  |  |  |  | RABIES <br> （in <br> Animals） |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | GONORRHEA |  |  | SYPHILIS（Pri．\＆Sec．） |  |
|  | 1978 | CUM． <br> 1978 |  | 1978 | CUM． 1978 |  |  | 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CLIM. } \\ & \text { 1977* } \end{aligned}$ | 1978 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CUM. } \\ & \text { 1977 } \end{aligned}$ |
| UNITED STATES | 553 | 23，954 |  | 105 | 15 | 409 | 16 | 959 | 21．610 | 814，379 | 804，975 | 351 | 17，266 | 16，561 | 2，524 |
| NEW ENGLAND | 9 | 773 | 2 | － | 76 | － | 13 | 431 | 20，882 | 21，680 | 6 | 475 | 658 | 89 |
| Maine | 2 | 59 | － | － | － | － | － | 54 | 1.892 | 1，571 | － | 7 | 23 | 72 |
| N．H． | 1 | 15 | － | － | 5 | － | － | 33 | 968 | 386 | － | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Vt． | － | 31 | － | － | 1 | － | － | 日 | 512 | 546 | － | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| Mass． | 6 | 454 | － | － | 58 | － | 5 | 159 | 9，146 | 9，236 | 4 | 291 | 461 | 6 |
| R． 1. | － | 53 | － | － | 4 | － | 1 | 36 | 1，490 | 1，730 | － | 20 | 8 | － |
| Conn． | NA | 161 | 2. | － | 9 | － | 7 | 142 | 7，074 | 7．711 | 2 | 149 | 156 | 6 |
| MID．ATLANTIC | 108 | 3，999 | 5 | 2 | 49 | 4 | 55 | 2，420 | 87，754 | 84，304 | 68 | 2.256 | 2，338 | 90 |
| Upstate N．Y． | 21 | 633 | 4 | － | 6 | 3 | 31 | 297 | 14．785 | 14．431 | 4 | 157 | 217 | 58 |
| N．Y．City | 36 | 1.457 | 1 | 1 | 32 | － | 4 | 822 | 33，241 | 32，715 | 52 | 1，562 | 1，470 | － |
| N．J． | 32 | 845 | － | 1 | 6 | 1 | 12 | 504 | 16．461 | 15，224 | 5 | 277 | 305 | 13 |
| Pa． | 19 | 1.064 | － | － | 5 | － | 8 | 807 | 23．267 | 21.934 | 7 | 260 | 351 | 19 |
| E．N．CENTRAL | 84 | 3，765 | 1 | 1 | 37 | 2 | 47 | 3，341 | 125，999 | 127，008 | 43 | 1，958 | 1，717 | 147 |
| Ohio | 23 | 679 | 1 | － | 6 | － | 21 | 865 | 32，591 | 33，723 | 9 | 353 | 397 | 18 |
| Ind． | 14 | 440 | － | － | 2 | － | 1 | 391 | 13，221 | 11，919 | $\sim$ | 135 | 132 | 13 |
| III． | 20 | 1，420 | － | 1 | 16 | $?$ | 25 | 1，087 | 39，808 | 40，729 | 28 | 1，240 | 901 | 41 |
| Mich．t | 20 | 1，045 | － | － | 13 | － | － | 814 | 29，200 | 29，369 | 3 | 177 | 198 | 7 |
| Wis． | 7 | 181 | － | － | － | － | － | 164 | 11，179 | 11，268 | 3 | 53 | 89 | 68 |
| W．N．CENTRAL | 24 | 770 | 21 | 2 | 19 | － | 40 | 1，345 | 41.505 | 42，138 | 6 | 380 | 369 | 513 |
| Minn． | 5 | 137 | － | － | 7 | － | － | 211 | 7，059 | 7，638 | 2 | 135 | 116 | 153 |
| lowa | $\overline{7}$ | 36 | 1 | － | 3 | － | 1 | 175 | 4.597 | 4.922 | － | 38 | 35 | 105 |
| Mo． | 17 | 334 | 17 | － | 6 | － | 20 | 597 | 18，305 | 17．368 | 2 | 121 | 143 | 67 |
| N．Dak． | － | 31 | － | － | － | － | 1 | 23 | 750 | 789 | － | 3 | 3 | 90 |
| S．Dak． | － | 61 | － | － | － | － | 6 | 55 | 1.425 | 1，261 | － | 3 | 9 | 64 |
| Nebr．t | － | 21 | － | 1 | 1 | － | 7 | 51 | 2，990 | 3.656 | 1 | 14 | 25 | 6 |
| Kans． | 2 | 100 | 3 | 1 | 4 | － | 5 | 233 | 6，380 | 6，504 | 1 | 66 | 38 | 28 |
| S．ATLANTIC | 144 | 5.155 | 9 | 3 | 57 | 5 | 519 | 5.102 | 198．123 | 198，239 | 117 | 4．568 | 4，570 | 374 |
| Dal． | 1 | 46 | － | － | 3 | － | 5 | 12 | 2，808 | 2.694 | 1 | 10 | 19 | 3 |
| Md． | 24 | 773 | 5 | － | 11 | － | 105 | 568 | 25，429 | 24．484 | 3 | 334 | 286 | － |
| D．C． | 5 | 251 | － | － | 1 | － | 1 | 291 | 13，143 | 13．071 | A | 354 | 468 | － |
| Va．t | 18 | 544 | 4 | － | 5 | 2 | 109 | 450 | 19，083 | 20，826 | 6 | 380 | 454 | 12 |
| W．Va． | 5 | 200 | － | － | 5 | － | 11 | 86 | 2，741 | 2，590 | 2 | 18 | 3 | 12 |
| N．C． | 19 | 804 | － | － | 2 | 3 | 189 | 895 | 28，000 | 29，816 | 10 | 476 | 633 | 13 |
| S．C． | 11 | 447 | － | 3 | 8 | － | 54 | 527 | 19，586 | 18，506 | 3 | 236 | 201 | 87 |
| Ga． | 23 | 706 | － | － | 4 | － | 45 | 1，128 | 38，45t | 38，388 | 39 | 1.140 | 1，015 | 233 |
| Fla． | 38 | 1，384 | － | － | 18 | － | － | 1，094 | 48，882 | 47，874 | 45 | 1，620 | 1.491 | 14 |
| E．S．CENTRAL | 49 | 2，286 | 6 | － | 5 | 4 | 178 | 1，323 | 69，088 | 71，431 | 19 | 914 | 638 | 124 |
| Ky． | 16 | 521 | 2 | － | 2 | － | 42 | 263 | 9，153 | 9，639 | 4 | 120 | 81 | 64 |
| Tenn． | 13 | 703 | 3 | － | 3 | － | 110 | 549 | 25，573 | 28，781 | 2 | 312 | 199 | 25 |
| Ala． | 11 | 561 | 1 | － | 2 | 2 | 13 | 207 | 19，582 | 19，309 | 8 | 159 | 141 | 35 |
| Miss． | 9 | 501 | － | － | 1 | 2 | 13 | 304 | 14，780 | 13，702 | 5 | 323 | 217 | － |
| W．S．CENTRAL | 63 | 2，802 | 50 | － | 36 | 1 | 93 | 3，501 | 110，033 | 101，129 | 49 | 2.787 | 2，379 | 758 |
| Ark．t | 13 | 326 | 36 | － | 7 | － | 14 | 384 | 8，131 | 7．766 | 1 | 61 | 57 | 118 |
| La． | 0 | 486 | 6 | － | 3 | － | 1 | 603 | 18，000 | 15．091 | 8 | 596 | 567 | 20 |
| Okla． | 8 | 276 | 5 | － | 2 | 1 | 54 | 242 | 10，300 | 9.753 | － | 80 | 63 | 157 |
| Tex． | 33 | 1，714 | 3 | － | 24 | － | 24 | 2，272 | 73，602 | 68．519 | 40 | 2.050 | 1，692 | 463 |
| MOUNTAIN | 13 | 695 | 8 | － | 19 | － | 10 | 717 | 30，742 | 32，486 | 10 | 372 | 344 | 96 |
| Mont． | 1 | 51 | － | － | 3 | － | 2 | 82 | 1.762 | 1，727 | － | 日 | 4 | 19 |
| Idaho | － | 27 | 2 | － | 5 | － | 3 | 31 | 1.272 | 1.490 | － | 13 | 11 | － |
| Wyo． | － | 14 | $?$ | － | － | － | 1 | 26 | 755 | 764 | － | 8 | 2 | － |
| Colo．t | － | 74 | － | － | 4 | － | 2 | 183 | 8，534 | 8.480 | 3 | 116 | 106 | 34 |
| N．Mex． | 1 | 117 | － | － | 2 | － | － | 228 | 4，442 | 4,793 | 3 | 74 | 71 | 15 |
| Ariz． | 10 | 320 | 1 | － | 3 | － | 1 | 37 | 7，847 | 8.980 | － | 81 | 128 | 21 |
| Utah | － | 32 | 3 | － | 1 | － | － | 52 | 1，677 | 1.929 | － | 12 | 8 | 7 |
| Nev． | 1 | 60 | － | － | 1 | － | 1 | 75 | 4.453 | 4.323 | 4 | 60 | 14 | － |
| PACIFIC | 59 | 3，709 | 3 | 7 | 108 | － | 4 | 3，430 | 130，253 | 126．560 | 33 | 3，556 | 3．548 | 333 |
| Wash． | NA | 244 | － | － | 7 | － | 1 | 331 | 10，686 | 9，711 | NA | 176 | 208 | 2 |
| Oreg． | － | 145 | － | － | 1 | － | 2 | 214 | 8，93日 | 8，749 | 6 | 134 | 117 | 11 |
| Calif． | 48 | 2，814 | 3 | 7 | 92 | － | 1 | 2，725 | 104，256 | 101，272 | 25 | 3，200 | 3，168 | 312 |
| Alaska | － | 59 | － | － | － | － | － | 89 | 4.06 .3 | 4，162 | 1 | 10 | 23 | 8 |
| Hawaii | 11 | 447 | － | － | 8 | － | － | 74 | 2，310 | 2，666 | I | 36 | 32 | － |
| Guamt | NA | 50 | － | NA | － | NA | － | NA | 173 | 173 | NA | － | 2 | － |
| Pac．Trust Terr． | 1 | 6 | － | － | － | － | － | － | 20 | NA | － | － | NA | － |
| P．R． | － | 302 | － | － | 3 | － | － | 82 | 1，806 | 2.572 | 16 | 405 | 432 | 30 |
| V．I．t | － | 4 | － | － | 2 | － | － | 10 | 161 | 172 | － | 14. | 8 | － |

NA：Not available．
＂Delayed reports received for 1977 are not shown below but are used to update last year＇s weekly and cumulative totals．
tThe following delayed reports will be reflected in next week＇s cumulative totals：TB：Mich．－1，Va．－13，Ark．－1，Guam＋1；Tularemia：Colo．＋1；GC：Nebr -3 civ．+3 mil．，Guam +6 civ．，V．I．+1 civ．：Syphilis：Nebr．-2, V．1．+1 ；An．rabies：Colo．+1.

TABLE IV. Deaths in 121 U.S. cities,* week ending
October 21, 1978 (42nd week)

| REPORTING AREA | ALl Caluses, by age (Years) |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { P\& I* } \\ & \text { VOTAL } \end{aligned}$ | REPORTING AREA | ALL CAUSES, ay age (Years) |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { P\& \& }=: \\ & \text { TOTAL } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { ALL } \\ \text { AGES } \end{gathered}$ | $\geq 65$ | 45-64 | 25.44 | $<1$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { ALL } \end{gathered}$ | $\geq 65$ | 45-64 | 25.44 | $<1$ |  |
| NEW ENGLAND | 659 | 453 | 144 | 21 | 2.4 | 22 | S. ATLANTIC | 1.015 | 594 | 279 | 89 | 38 | 41 |
| Boston, Mass. | 188 | 127 | 45 | 3 | 8 | 7 | Atlanta, Ga | 142 | 77 | 35 | 8 | 17 | 3 |
| Bridgeport. Conn. | 46 | 10 | 11 | - | 3 | 2 | Baltimore, Md. | 167 | 93 | 45 | 19 | 2 | 4 |
| Cambridge, Maxs. | 17 | 13 | 6 | - | - | - | Charlotte, N.C. | 67 | 40 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 1 |
| Fall River, Mass. | 14 | 21 | 2 | 1 | - | - | Jacksonville, Fla. | 60 | 41 | 16 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Hartford, Conn. | 48 | 35 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 1 | Miami, Fla. | 51 | 33 | 14 | 3 | - | 6 |
| Lowell, Mass. | 15 | 11 | 3 | 1 | - | - | Norfolk, Va. | 58 | 29 | 19 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| Lynn, Mass. | 28 | 19 | 6 | 2 | - | 1 | Richmond, Va. | 71 | 43 | 20 | 9 | 3 | 4 |
| New Bedford, Mass. | 32 | 27 | 4 | 1 | - | - | Savannah, Ga. | 3 B | 18 | 14 | 2 | - | 3 |
| New Haven, Conn. | 45 | 28 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 3 | St. Petersburg. Fla. | 37 | 71 | 13 | - | 1 | 3 |
| Providence, R.I. | 71 | 44 | 17 | 4 | 4 | 3 | Tampa, Fla. | 55 | 32 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Somerville, Mass. | 4 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | Washington, D.C. | 159 | 84 | 55 | 12 | 3 | 5 |
| Springfield, Mass. | 50 | 36 | 12 | - | 1 | 4 | Wilmington, Del. | 54 | 33 | 15 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Watarbury, Conn. | 37 | 24 | 12 | - | - | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Worcester, Mass. | 54 | 39 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | E.S. CENTRAL | 684 | 394 | 190 | 42 | 29 | 31 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Birmingham, Ala. | 102 | 54 | 33 | 7 | 5 | 3 |
| MID ATLANTIC | 2.662 | 1,658 | 686 | 160 | 84 | 123 | Chattanonga, Tenn. | 46 | 31 | 11 | - | 3 | 2 |
| Albany, N.Y. | 45 | 24 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 3 | Knoxville, Tenn. | 41 | 31 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Allentown, Pa | 30 | 14 | 10 | 4 | - | 2 | Louisville, Ky. | 131 | 72 | 32 | 12 | 8 | 日 |
| Buffalo, N.Y. | 111 | 69 | 27 | 6 | 5 | 1 | Memphis, Tenn. | 155 | 86 | 48 | 9 | 3 | 4 |
| Camden, N.J. | 45 | 29 | 14 | - | 1 | 2 | Mobile, Ala. | 64 | 34 | 19 | 3 | 5 | 3 |
| Elizabeth, N.J. | 22 | 16 | 5 | 1 | - | - | Montgomery, Ala. | 44 | 28 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 4 |
| Erie, Pa. | 26 | 20 | 3 | 3 | - | 1 | Nashville, Tenn. | 101 | 58 | 30 | 4 | 3 | 5 |
| Jersey City, N.J. | 45 | 23 | 15 | 5 | 2 | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Newark, N.J. | 68 | 31 | 23 | 1 | 4 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| N.Y. City, N.Y. | 1,402 | 886 | 347 | 74 | 39 | 46 | W.S. CENTRAL | 1,151 | 631 | 316 | 81 | 72 | 37 |
| Paterson, N.J. | 33 | 18 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 2 | Austin, Tex. | 47 | 27 | 9 | 4 | 5 | - |
| Piniladal phia, Pa. | 336 | 187 | 99 | 22 | 14 | 17 | Baton Rouge, La. | 36 | 19 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Pirsburgh, Pa. | 101 | 62 | 26 | 3 | 7 | 4 | Corpus Christi, Tex. | 45 | 27 | 7 | 5 | 3 | - |
| Reading, Pa | 34 | 23 | 10 |  | 1 | 3 | Dallas, Tex. | 188 | 92 | 50 | 16 | 14 | 7 |
| Rochester, N.Y. | 115 | 89 | 20 | 3 | 2 | 14 | El Paso. Tex. | 44 | 27 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Schenectady, N.Y. | 26 | 19 | 7 | - | - | 2 | Fort Worth, Tex. | 73 | 48 | 21 | 3 | - | 5 |
| Scranton, Pa. | 34 | 23 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 1 | Houston. Tex. | 217 | 112 | 65 | 17 | 13 | 4 |
| Syracuse, N.Y. | 101 | 65 | 28 | 4 | 2 | 4 | Little Rock, Ark. | 71 | 37 | 18 | 6 | 9 | 3 |
| Trenton. N.J. | 43 | 26 | 12 | 4 | - | 7 | New Orleans, La. | 125 | 58 | 45 | 10 | 10 | - |
| Utice, N.Y. | 18 | 15 | , | - | - | 3 | San Antonio, Tex. | 144 | 80 | 37 | 12 | 7 | 4 |
| Yonkers. N.Y. | 27 | 19 | 6 | - | - | 2 |  | 54 | 32 | 12 | 2 | 5 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Tulsa, Okla. | 107 | 72 | 24 | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| EN. CENTRAL | 2.379 | 1.421 | 606 | 169 | 96 | 75 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Akron. Ohio | 84 | 52 | 24 | 5 | 1 | 2 | MOUNTAIN | 533 | 323 | 139 | 33 | 19 | 17 |
| Canton, Ohio | 34 | 21 | 9 | 3 | - | 1 | Albuquerque, N. Mex. | . 57 | 30 | 21 | 3 | - | 5 |
| Chicago, III. | 555 | 294 | 149 | 53 | 34 | 19 | Colo. Springs, Colo. | 29 | 21 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio | 144 | 86 | 43 | 6 | 4 | 5 | Denver, Colo. | 88 | 58 | 19 | 6 | 3 | - |
| Cleveland, Ohio | 176 | 152 | 54 | 13 | 4 | 3 | Las Vegas, Nev . | 59 | 29 | 22 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Columbus, Ohio | 136 | 99 | 27 | 7 | 3 | 9 | Ogden, Utah | 23 | 18 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Dayton, Ohio | 106 | 11 | 23 | 7 | 3 | 3 | Phoenix, Ariz. | 112 | 70 | 40 | 12 | 5 | 3 |
| Detroir, Mich. | 302 | 171 | 83 | 29 | 11 | 4 | Pueblo, Colo. | 23 | 17 | 6 | - | - | 2 |
| Evansville, Ind. | 42 | 33 | 9 | - | - | 1 | Salt Lake City. Utah | 40 | 26 | 6 | 4 | 4 | - |
| Fort Wayne, Ind. | 50 | 24 | 14 | 5 | 5 | 4 | Tueson, Ariz. | 82 | 54 | 18 | 2 | 3 | - |
| Gary, Ind. | 13 | 7 | 3 | 2 | - | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand Rapids, Mich. | 46 | 33 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indianapolis, Ind. | 156 | 70 | 42 | 11 | 7 | 2 | PACIFIC | 1,747 | 1.120 | 404 | 117 | 57 | 47 |
| Madison, Wis. | 49 | 35 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 4 | Berkeley, Calif. | 17 | 12 | 2 | 3 | - | 1 |
| Milwaukee, Wis. | 156 | 101 | 36 | 7 | 5 | 7 | Fresno, Calif. | 57 | 37 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Peoria, III. | 46 | 23 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 3 | Glendale, Calif. | 31 | 27 | 4 | - | - | 1 |
| Rockford, III. | 52 | 42 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | Honolulu, Hawaii | 61 | 31 | 16 | 11 | - | - |
| South Bend. Ind. | 49 | 36 | 12 | 1 | - | - | Long Beach, Calif. | 93 | 60 | 27 | 4 | 1 | - |
| Toledo, Ohio | 102 | 64 | 21 | 4 | 2 | - | Los Angeles, Calif. | 596 | 414 | 109 | 36 | 19 | 23 |
| Youngstown, Ohio | 81 | 43 | 22 | 7 | 5 | 2 | Oakland. Calit. | 62 | 37 | 18 | 4 | 3 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pasadena, Calif. | 29 | 23 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Poriland. Oreg. | 129 | 84 | 30 | 8 | 5 | 6 |
| W.N. CENTRAL | 811 | 517 | 188 | 38 | 41 | 28 | Sacramento, Calif. | 70 | 35 | 26 | 5 | 2 | - |
| Des Moines, lowa | 52 | 32 | 15 | 4 | 1 | 1 | San Diego, Calit. | 186 | 94 | 56 | 24 | 5 | - |
| Duluth, Minn. | 33 | 22 | ${ }^{+}$ | 2 | - | 2 | San Francisco, Calif. | 164 | 98 | 34 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| Kansas City, Kans. | 51 | 30 | 16 | 1 | - | - | San Jose, Calif. | 63 | 42 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Kansas City, Mo. | 113 | 13 | 19 | 4 | 12 | 3 | Seatte, Wash. | 144 | 87 | 39 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
| Lincoln, Nebr. | 31 | 19 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Spokane, Wash. | 35 | 21 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Minneapolis, Minn. | 76 | 48 | 1: | 3 | $b$ | 2 | Tacoma, Wash. | 30 | 18 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Omaha, Nebr. | 93 | 56 | 25 | 3 | 7 | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| St. Louis, Mo. | 224 | 142 | 48 | 14 | 13 | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| St. Paul. Minn. | 76 | 47 | 21 | 4 | 2 | 6 | total | 11,641 | 7,111 | 2,952 | 729 | 480 | 421 |
| Wichita, Kans. | 62 | 48 | 9 | 2 | - | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Expected Number | 10,860 | 5,629 | 2,785 | 671 | 420 | 375 |

[^1]Psittacosis - Continued
family members or their pet birds. Through this procedure, 2 ill birds were subsequently identified and tested. C. psittaci was recovered from the tissues of 1 bird, a grey cockatiel that had experienced several episodes of respiratory illness between February 7 and March 13. No Chlamydia crganisms were cultured from the second bird, a parakeet. Members of the family that owned the infected bird had experienced mild illness following the bird's death, but serologic tests for psittacosis performed on them were negative. No additional cases in humans were identified as a result of this investigation.

Review of records revealed that parakeets were purchased from 3 local Connecticut dealers who were properly certified and had no illness in their birds, and that all the other birds were purchased from a large wholesaler in New Jersey. The pet store owner received from the New Jersey distributor on February 27 a shipment of birds that contained an ill albino cockatiel. He had treated this bird for a "cold" prior to onset of his own symptoms. Although this bird, which had recuperated, was among those treated during the quarantine, no serum samples were collected. The quarantine was removed from this pet store on May 16.

During the investigation, the Connecticut Department of Health submitted 6 dead birds to CDC for attempts at isolation of C. psittaci. As noted previousty, one of these 6 was positive. No serum specimens were taken from well birds.

When notified on March 29, the New Jersey Department of Health began an investigation of the New Jersey wholesaler's facility. Serum specimens from 18 of 250 birds and from 6 employees were examined. Although 4 birds and 1 employee had complement fixing antibody titers $>1: 32$ for psittacosis, there were no reports of human or avian illness. The facility was quarantined, with the option to treat or sacrifice the birds, and health authcrities in cities and states that received or shipped the birds from January to April were notified. In view of the expense involved in implementing the quarantine and treating all the birds, the wholesaler chose to destroy all suspect animals. Following thorough cleaning of the wholesaie facility, the quarantine was lifted on April 27.
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Editorial Note: The results of this investigation are typical of recent investigations of human psittacosis traced to pet birds. Generally, a large number of people are potentially exposed, and birds from many sources are found mixed together in the pet shop and wholesale facilities. Extensive investigation is required to trace potential contacts and sources, and, in many cases, poor record-keeping by dealers makes tracing of sources and contacts impossible. Finally, the quarantine and treatment requirements constitute a considerable economic hardship for the dealers.

The number of reported cases of psittacosis in humans has risen from 35 in 1973 to 93 in 1977. Sixty percent of last year's cases are known to have had contact with pet caged birds.

## Current Trends

## Primary and Secondary Syphilis - United States, August 1978

Reported primary and secondary syphilis cases numbered 1,875 in August 1977 and 1,880 in August 1978, representing an increase of $0.3 \%$. During the first 8 months of 1978 , some 13,798 such cases were reported- $2.0 \%$ more than the number reported during the same period in 1977.

## Syphilis - Continued

Although 32 areas reporied an increase in the number of cases occurring in 1978 compared to 1977,5 areas accounted for most of the increase. Twenty-seven areas reported fever cases in the first 8 months of 1978 compared to the same period in 1977 (Table 1). Reported early latent (less than 1 year's duration) syphilis cases numbered 11.152 during January-August 1978, up 1.3\% over the number reported during January-August 1977.

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TABLE 1. Summary of reported primary and secondary syphilis cases by reporting areas, August 1978 and Augusi 1977 - provisional data

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## Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

## Fatal Measles - United States, 1978

CDC has received details of 6 fatal measles cases through the first 40 weeks of 1978 (Table 2). The patients, who came from 4 states* and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, ranged in age from 11 months to 22 years. Three of the 4 from the continental United States who died were adolescents; 1 was a young adult. At least 3 of the 6 patients had encephalitis; 3 of 6 , including 2 pre-school children, had respiratory involvement. Two of the patients had apparent underlying illness. Four of the 6 cases occurred during large measles outbreaks.

A history of vaccination with live measles vaccine at or after 1 year of age could not be documented for any of the 6 cases: 3 were definitely unvaccinated, 1 had been vaccinated prior to 1 year of age but had not been revaccinated, and 2 had uncertain vaccination histories.

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## Fatal Measles - Continued

TABLE 2. Epidemiologic features of 6 fatal measles cases, United States*, 1978

| Age <br> (years) | Sex | Complication | Underlying <br> condition | Vaccine <br> history |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 13 | $M$ | encephalitis | none | unvaccinated |
| 22 | F | pneumonia | splenectomy | uncertain |
| 16 | F | encephalitis | none | unvaccinated |
| 13 | M | encephalitis | none | live, $<1$ year |
| 3 | F | respiratory distress | none | uncertain |
| $<1$ | pneumonia | malnutrition | unvaccinated |  |

*including Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
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Editorial Note: The presence of respiratory and/or neurologic complications in all 6 cases and the existence of underlying disease in 2 of the 6 is characteristic of recent measles fatalities (1).

The older age of these patients as compared to earlier cases (1) parallels the recently noted upward shift in age distribution of reported measles cases (2). This relative increase in adolescent measles is of some concern because the risk of encephalitis increases with age (3).

The absent or uncertain history of live measles vaccine after 1 year of age in these patients is similar to that reported in a 1975 Colorado survey of complicated or fatal measles cases (4).

Use of measles vaccine over the last 15 years has significantly reduced mortality from measles in this country (1). The anticipated further improvement in measles control (5) will provide a still greater decline in these preventable deaths.

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[^1]:    "Mortality data in this table are voluntarily reported from 121 cities in the United States, most of which have populations of 100,000 or more. A death is
    reported by the place of its occurrence and by the week that the death certificate was filed. Fetal deaths are not included.

    - 'Pneumonia and influenza

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