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National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month — December 1994

Persons who drive while impaired by alcohol or other drugs are a public health hazard to themselves and to others. Each year, alcohol-related motor-vehicle crashes result in approximately 17,500 deaths in the United States. In addition, impaired driving is a leading cause of death among persons aged <25 years.

The injuries, disabilities, and deaths associated with impaired driving are preventable. Accordingly, December has been designated National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month by the National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month Coalition, a nationwide public/private sector coalition for the prevention of crashes related to impaired driving. The theme of the campaign is "Take a Stand! Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk." On December 16, "Lights on for Life," a 1-day nationwide observance, will be held. On that day, drivers will be asked to drive with their headlights on even in daylight hours in remembrance of persons killed and injured in alcohol-related crashes and to remind persons not to drink and drive. In addition, during the holiday season, law-enforcement activities nationwide will especially target impaired drivers. These activities are integral to the objective of the U.S. Department of Transportation's "Safe & Sober" campaign to decrease alcohol-related fatalities to 43% of total fatalities and increase safetybelt use to 75% by 1996.

Additional information about National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month is available from Tarry Hess, Office of Alcohol and State Programs (NTS-22), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590; telephone (202) 366-6976.

Current Trends

Update: Alcohol-Related Traffic Fatalities — United States, 1982–1993

Motor-vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death in the United States for persons in all age groups from 1 through 34 years (1). During 1993, 40,115 traffic fatalities occurred; of these, 17,461 were alcohol-related (2). During 1990, the economic impact of alcohol-related crashes was \$46.1 billion, including \$5.1 billion in medical expenses (3). In 1992, approximately 1% of licensed drivers were arrested for driving while

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impaired (4). This report uses data from the Fatal Accident Reporting System of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to describe state-level changes in the number and percentage of alcohol-related traffic fatalities (ARTFs) and drivers with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) \geq 0.01 g/dL who were involved in fatal crashes during 1982–1993.

NHTSA defines ARTFs as deaths in which either a driver, pedestrian, or bicyclist had a BAC ≥ 0.01 g/dL. Each year, approximately 80% of ARTFs involve at least one driver or pedestrian with a BAC ≥ 0.10 g/dL, at or above the legal level of intoxication for drivers. Where BAC test results are not available, NHTSA uses statistical models to estimate BACs for drivers and pedestrians (5). In 1993, BAC test results were available for 44.6% of all drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists involved in fatal crashes.

From 1982 to 1993, the number of ARTFs in the United States decreased 31%, from 25,165 to 17,461; ARTFs as the percentage of all traffic fatalities decreased from 57.3% to 43.5%. In 1993, the estimated proportion of ARTFs ranged from 28.2% (Maryland) to 58.9% (Texas) (Table 1). Compared with 1982, the proportion of ARTFs in 1993 decreased in 47 states and the District of Columbia; in eight states the proportion decreased by 20 percentage points or more.

From 1982 to 1993, the number of alcohol-involved drivers in fatal crashes decreased 33%, from 21,780 to 14,589, while the percentage of alcohol-involved drivers in fatal crashes decreased from 38.9% to 27.3% (Table 2). In 1993, the percentage of drivers involved in fatal crashes with a BAC \geq 0.01 g/dL ranged from 14.7% (Maryland) to 43.3% (Montana). From 1982 to 1993, the percentage of alcohol-involved drivers decreased in 49 states and the District of Columbia.

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Editorial Note: Alcohol involvement in traffic fatalities is associated with several factors external to a state's traffic safety program. These factors include population demographics (e.g., alcohol involvement generally is higher among young males), urbanization (e.g., alcohol involvement is greater in rural areas), and vehicle mix (e.g., alcohol involvement is greater in rural areas), and vehicle mix (e.g., alcohol involvement is for motorcycle drivers and lowest for heavy-truck drivers). In addition, the accuracy of estimates for each state is a function of the proportion of drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists in fatal crashes for whom a BAC test result is known: during 1993, test results were known for 45% of these active participants in fatal crashes nationwide, but ranged from 12% to 83% for the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Consequently, these factors and variations constrain the reliability of direct state-to-state comparisons (6).

Although lower BACs (0.01–0.09 g/dL) can cause driving impairment associated with an increased risk for fatal crash involvement, the risk is substantially greater for high levels of alcohol (BACs \geq 0.10 g/dL) (7,8). From 1982 to 1993, the percentage of ARTFs and drivers involved in fatal crashes with a BAC \geq 0.01 g/dL decreased. Reasons contributing to this decrease in alcohol involvement in fatal crashes may include 1) a greater public awareness of the problem and the increasing social unacceptability of drinking and driving; 2) more effective legislation (e.g., prompt license suspension for persons who drive while intoxicated and lower illegal BAC per se limits* for adults [0.10 g/dL and 0.08 g/dL] and for youth [0.02 g/dL for persons aged <21 years]); 3) increased enforcement through sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols, in which

^{*} Driving at or above the illegal BAC limit constitutes a violation of the law, regardless of whether the person exhibits signs of intoxication.

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police are present at times and places where drinking and driving is known to occur; 4) enactment of laws that have raised the minimum drinking age to 21 years in all states; and 5) decreases in the per capita alcohol consumption in the United States (9).

The public health impact and social burden of alcohol-impaired driving underscores the need for additional and intensified efforts by traffic safety, public health, law enforcement, judicial, and citizen activist organizations. NHTSA's "Safe & Sober" Campaign has set goals to reduce alcohol-related traffic fatalities to 43% of total fatalities and increase safety-belt use to 75% by 1996. If these goals are met, an estimated additional 2900 lives and \$5.8 billion annually, including \$1 billion in health-care costs, may be saved (*10*).

To sustain the decline in ARTFs and driving while impaired, states and communities must continue to adopt legislative and enforcement measures and implement new strategies including stronger sanctions for repeat drinking and driving offenders (e.g., license plate tagging, vehicle impoundment or confiscation, and alcohol ignition interlock devices), graduated licensing systems for beginning drivers (e.g., learner's permit, provisional license with restrictions, and full license), improved enforcement procedures for detecting drinking drivers (e.g., use of passive alcohol sensors at sobriety checkpoints), and better enforcement of safety-belt–use laws because drinking drivers are less likely than others to use safety belts.

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	1993										
	BAC=0.	00 g/dL	BAC=0.01-	-0.09 g/dL	BAC≥0.	10 g/dL		Change from			
State	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	Total fatalities	1982 to 1993			
Alabama	595	(57.1)	71	(6.9)	376	(36.1)	1,042	-12.8			
Alaska	68	(57.6)	3	(2.2)	47	(40.2)	118	-12.4			
Arizona	401	(50.1)	68	(8.5)	332	(41.4)	801	- 6.4			
Arkansas	317	(54.4)	57	(9.8)	209	(35.8)	583	-15.4			
California	2,403	(57.7)	406	(9.8)	1,354	(32.5)	4,163	-16.7			
Colorado	329	(58.8)	31	(5.5)	200	(35.7)	559	-21.1			
Connecticut	192	(56.2)	23	(`6.8)	126	(37.0)	342	-24.5			
Delaware	57	(51.7)	9	(7.9)	45	(40.4)	111	-17.6			
District of Columbia	32	(56.8)	7	(12.3)	18	(30.9)	57	-16.5			
Florida	1,468	(55.7)	203	(7.7)	964	(36.6)	2.635	- 2.3			
Georgia	839	(60.2)	129	(° 9.2)	426	(30.6)	1.394	-18.8			
Hawaii	59	(44.3)	19	(14.2)	56	(41.6)	134	- 5.6			
Idaho	114	(50.3)	21	(9.4)	91	(40.3)	227	5.7			
llinois	763	(54.8)	118	(8.5)	511	(36.7)	1 392	-13.4			
ndiana	556	(62.5)	75	(8.4)	258	(29.1)	889	-11.0			
owa	255	(55.6)	50	(10.8)	154	(33.6)	459	- 2.6			
Kansas	280	(65.4)	31	(7.2)	117	(27.4)	428	-10.5			
Kentucky	550	(63.2)	67	(7.7)	254	(29.2)	871	-17.0			
Louisiana	396	(45.1)	113	(12.8)	370	(42.1)	879	0.4			
Maine	110	(59.5)	16	(8.7)	59	(31.8)	185	- 9.1			
Maryland	477	(71.8)	48	(7.2)	140	(21.0)	665	-26.2			
Massachusetts	258	(54.4)	52	(10.9)	165	(34.7)	475	-13.9			
Michigan	792	(56.3)	122	(8.7)	493	(35.0)	1 408	-15.9			
Minnesota	326	(60.5)	42	(7.7)	171	(31.7)	538	-15.1			
Mississippi	427	(52.5)	82	(10.0)	304	(37.4)	813	- 8.9			
Missouri	454	(47.9)	101	(10.7)	392	(41.4)	947	2.0			
Viontana	81	(41.5)	18	(9.3)	96	(49.2)	195	- 7.3			
Vebraska	147	(57.9)	36	(14.3)	71	(27.9)	254	- 5.8			
Vevada	135	(51.3)	31	(11.9)	97	(36.9)	263	-18.0			
New Hampshire	74	(60.9)	9	(7.6)	38	(31.5)	1203	-19.3			
New Jersev	501	(63.6)	76	(9.6)	211	(26.7)	788	-19.7			
New Mexico	179	(41.6)	44	(10.3)	207	(48.1)	431	- 5.2			
New York	1,186	(66.6)	146	(8.2)	449	(25.2)	1 781	-13.7			
North Carolina	875	(63.0)	97	(7.0)	417	(20.2)	1 389	-23.1			
North Dakota	44	(48.9)	5	(56)	40	(45.5)	80	-13.0			
Ohio	959	(64 7)	107	(72)	416	(28.1)	1 482	-21.2			
Oklahoma	402	(59.8)	57	(85)	213	(31.7)	671	-15.9			
Oregon	307	(58.6)	54	(10.2)	164	(31.7)	524	-21.4			
Pennsylvania	842	(55.1)	110	(72)	577	(37.8)	1 5 2 4	_13 4			

 TABLE 1. Motor-vehicle crash fatalities*, by state and by the highest blood alcohol concentration (BAC)[†], 1993, and the percentage point difference in the proportion of alcohol-involved fatalities, 1982 to 1993 — United States

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Virginia Washington West Virginia	481 327 245	(54.8) (49.5) (57.0)	87 47 23	(9.9) (7.1) (5.3)	310 287 161	(35.3) (43.4) (37.6)	878 661 429	- 7.6 -12.9 - 7.9	r ed Traff
Wisconsin	392	(54.9)	54	(7.6)	268	(37.5)	714	-16.5	fic Fata
Wyoming	69	(57.5)	6	(4.6)	45	(37.9)	120	-12.9	
Total	22.654	(56.5)	3.479	(8.7)	13.982	(34.9)	40,115	-13.8	

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 * Fatalities include all occupants and nonoccupants who died within 30 days of a motor-vehicle crash on a public roadway.
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	BAC=0.	00 g/dL	BAC=0.01-	-0.09 g/dL	BAC≥0.	10 g/dL		Change from			
State	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	Total fatalities	1982 to 1993			
Alabama	971	(71.6)	63	(4.6)	322	(23.7)	1,356	- 9.8			
Alaska	89	(73.1)	4	(3.7)	28	(23.2)	122	-14.8			
Arizona	707	(69.2)	70	(6.8)	245	(24.0)	1.021	- 4.0			
Arkansas	550	(70.6)	56	(7.1)	174	(22.3)	780	-15.4			
California	4,026	(74.5)	363	(6.7)	1,017	(18.8)	5.406	-13.8			
Colorado	531	(72.3)	34	(4.7)	169	(23.0)	735	-17.2			
Connecticut	319	(68.9)	26	(5.7)	118	(25.4)	463	-18.3			
Delaware	125	(72.8)	6	(3.3)	41	(23.9)	172	-18.6			
District of Columbia	62	(76.0)	8	(9.8)	12	(14.3)	81	-13.2			
Iorida	2,799	(75.0)	198	(5.3)	736	(19.7)	3 734	- 4.6			
Georgia	1,450	(76.6)	117	(6.2)	326	(17.2)	1 896	-15.6			
lawaii	110	(60.9)	21	(11.9)	49	(27.2)	180	- 3.5			
daho	180	(66.5)	20	(72)	71	(26.3)	271	- 0.9			
llinois	1.375	(72.5)	114	(6.0)	408	(21.5)	1 807	-10.0			
ndiana	977	(777)	65	(5,2)	215	(17.1)	1,077	-10.7			
owa	464	(727)	46	(72)	128	(20.1)	629	- 4 0			
ansas	452	(78.1)	29	(5.0)	98	(17.0)	570	_ 7 3			
Centucky	906	(77.2)	54	(46)	214	(18.2)	1 174	-12.0			
ouisiana	702	(64.6)	106	(98)	278	(25.6)	1,174	- 1 3			
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Aontana	122	(05.1)	107	(0.0)	333	(20.4)	1,201	2.0 5.0			
lobracka	122	(30.0)	17	(0.1)	70	(33.2)	215	- 3.9			
lovada	240	(72.0)	30	(10.7)	50 70	(10.0)	338	- 4.7			
	240	(71.0)	29	(0.2)	70	(20.2)	347	-10.0			
	109	(72.9)	9	(0.3)	31	(20.8)	149	-13.0			
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	1,895	(80.7)	117	(5.0)	33/	(14.3)	2,349	-10.0			
North Carolina	1,463	(/8./)	81	(4.4)	314	(16.9)	1,858	-17.2			
North Dakota	/9	(63.7)	/	(5.4)	38	(31.0)	124	-11.3			
Unio	1,554	(//.6)	95	(4./)	354	(1/./)	2,003	-17.1			
Jkianoma	663	(74.0)	54	(6.0)	1/8	(19.9)	895	- 9.8			
Jregon	512	(75.0)	43	(6.3)	128	(18.8)	683	-19.8			
Pennsylvania	1,558	(71.9)	116	(5.3)	492	(22.7)	2,166	-12.0			

 TABLE 2. Drivers involved in fatal motor-vehicle crashes, by state and by blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of driver*, 1993, and the percentage point difference in the proportion of alcohol-involved drivers, 1982 to 1993 — United States

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Wyoming Total	98 38,754	(70.3) (72.7)	5 3,362	(3.6) (6.3)	36 11,227	(26.0) (21.0)	140 53,343	- 8.7 -11.6	fic Fat
Wisconsin	664	(68.9)	60	(6.2)	239	(24.9)	963	-13.5	1ff
West Virginia	3,384	(71.4)	24	(4.5)	129	(24.0)	537	- 6.6	22
Washington	546	(65.5)	46	(5.5)	241	(29.0)	833	-11.0	
Virginia	828	(71.2)	84	(7.3)	250	(21.5)	1,162	- 6.3	eq 17
Vermont	99	(69.9)	9	(6.4)	34	(23.7)	142	-14.6	at .
Utah	305	(80.4)	19	(5.1)	55	(14.5)	379	- 7.3	e o
Texas	2,443	(60.7)	383	(9.5)	1,198	(29.8)	4,024	-11.5	ר ק
Tennessee	1,137	(71.6)	94	(5.9)	357	(22.5)	1,587	-16.7	<u>o</u> 3
South Dakota	122	(73.4)	9	(5.4)	35	(21.2)	166	-18.0	5 4
South Carolina	898	(82.6)	30	(2.8)	159	(14.6)	1,087	-20.0	
Rhode Island	57	(61.2)	9	(9.6)	27	(29.2)	93	- 9.1	⊾ <

 Total
 38,754
 (12.7)
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 (6.3)
 11,227
 (21.0)
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 * BAC distributions are estimates for drivers involved in fatal crashes. Numbers of drivers involved are rounded to the nearest whole number. Driver(s) may or may not have been killed.
 Source: Fatal Accident Reporting System, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.
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CASES CURRENT 4 WEEKS DISEASE DECREASE INCREASE Aseptic Meningitis 582 Encephalitis, Primary 36 Hepatitis A 1,430 Hepatitis B 659 Hepatitis, Non-A, Non-B 217 Hepatitis, Unspecified 22 Legionellosis 98 Malaria 44 Measles, Total* 13 Meningococcal Infections 171 Mumps 88 Pertussis 218 Rabies, Animal 516 2 Rubella* 0.03125 0.0625 0.125 0.25 0.5 2 1 4 Ratio (Log Scale)[†] // **BEYOND HISTORICAL LIMITS**

FIGURE I. Notifiable disease reports, comparison of 4-week totals ending November 26, 1994, with historical data - United States

- *The large apparent decrease in the number of reported cases of measles (total), and rubella reflect dramatic fluctuations in the historical baseline. (Ratio (log scale) for week 47 measles (total) and rubella are 0.04466 and 0.07833 respectively).
- [†]Ratio of current 4-week total to mean of 15 4-week totals (from previous, comparable, and subsequent 4-week periods for the past 5 years). The point where the hatched area begins is based on the mean and two standard deviations of these 4-week totals.

TABLE I. Summary — cases of specified notifiable dise	ases, United States,
cumulative, week ending November 26, 1994	(47th Week)

	Cum. 1994		Cum. 1994
AIDS* Anthrax Botulism: Foodborne Infant Other Brucellosis Cholera Congenital rubella syndrome Diphtheria Encephalitis, post-infectious Gonorrhea Haemophilus influenzae (invasive disease) [†] Hansen Disease	66,921 57 72 7 80 30 5 1 100 354,898 1,017 106	Measles: imported indigenous Plague Poliomyelitis, Paralytic [§] Psittacosis Rabies, human Syphilis, primary & secondary Syphilis, congenital, age < 1 year [¶] Tetanus Toxic shock syndrome Trichinosis Tuberculosis Tularemia	172 691 14 1 38 2 18,409 1,123 34 164 32 19,760 80
Leptospirosis Lyme Disease	32 10,398	Typhoid fever Typhus fever, tickborne (RMSF)	384 415

*Updated monthly to the Division of HIV/AIDS, National Center for Infectious Diseases; last update October 25, 1994. [†]Of 969 cases of known age, 273 (28%) were reported among children less than 5 years of age. [§]This case was vaccine-associated. The remaining 6 suspected cases with onset in 1994 have not yet been confirmed. [¶]Total reported to the Division of Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV Prevention, National Center for Prevention Services,

through second quarter 1994.

		Aseptic	Encept	nalitis			He	oatitis (\	/iral), by	type		
Reporting Area	AIDS*	Menin- gitis	Primary	Post-in- fectious	Gono	rrhea	А	В	NA,NB	Unspeci- fied	Legionel- losis	Lyme Disease
	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994
UNITED STATES	66,921	7,290	596	100	354,898	359,452	20,467	10,313	3,854	379	1,416	10,398
NEW ENGLAND	2,451	282	19	4	7,515	7,037	263	269	117	15	74	2,456
N.H.	52	30 30	5	2	84 100	62	24 15	21	- 8	-	5	26 28
Vt.	29	35	3	-	34	22	10	-	-	-	-	13
R.I.	225	110	2	1	429	2,843	94 25	164	89 20	2	58 11	455
Conn.	829	-	-	-	3,954	3,651	95	65	-	-	-	1,702
MID. ATLANTIC	19,665	846	53	18	38,989	42,379	1,501	1,321	404	8	236	6,524
N.Y. City	11,313	135	7	5	13,984	11,105	599	332	201	-	10	27
N.J. Pa	4,424 2 1 2 7	- 301	- 15	- 10	4,536	5,260 16 794	248 162	322 311	170 31	-	38 131	1,193 1 201
F N CENTRAL	5,255	1.379	146	22	68,813	75,933	2.065	1.004	280	10	419	1,201
Ohio	940	358	51	4	20,225	20,581	900	153	23	-	187	72
Ind. III	534 2 584	181 347	11 49	1	8,179 17 622	7,855	346 380	174 199	10 57	- 3	100 28	14 11
Mich.	895	486	31	12	16,452	15,578	281	356	187	7	75	25
Wis.	302	7	4	-	6,335	5,998	158	122	3	-	29	-
Minn.	1,387 341	402	30 2	8	20,177 3,238	2,218	1,049	588 57	90 20	12	90	231 165
lowa	91	112	1	1	1,379	1,431	57	24	13	11	30	16
N. Dak.	624 22	148	4	4	11,030	11,984 51	523 5	448	30	-	36 4	- 30
S. Dak.	15	2	4	-	190	243	35	2	-	-	1	-
Kans.	217	34 69	5	-	3,262	3,339	96	28 29	12	-	6	12
S. ATLANTIC	15,911	1,395	139	30	98,701	90,350	1,316	2,098	586	49	320	807
Del. Md	230	37 230	1 21	-	1,841	1,377	17 180	5 378	1 21	- 16	26 85	77 350
D.C.	1,226	50	-	1	6,441	4,910	24	54	1	-	10	9
Va. W. Va	986 64	294 35	29 47	6	12,128 744	10,738 581	175 20	122	25 40	9	8	126 24
N.C.	1,027	206	40	1	25,361	22,511	120	259	52	-	25	76
S.C. Ga	1,042	30 48	- 1	-	11,904 2 649	9,638 4,660	39 32	31 525	10 183	-	16 97	7 103
Fla.	6,976	465	-	16	21,594	21,184	700	680	243	24	49	26
E.S. CENTRAL	1,761	482	36	3	42,256	41,532	592	1,085	841	2	70	42
Ky. Tenn.	273 599	159	15	-	4,687	4,537 12,969	275	936	30 793	- 1	43	23 13
Ala.	518	157	6	1	13,452	14,693	101	81	18	1	13	6
WIS CENTRAL	6 509	808	3 17	ו 2	10,112	9,333	2 956	1 201	548	- 71	10	- 122
Ark.	226	47	-	-	6,095	6,866	178	24	7	2	9	8
La. Okla	1,032 234	32	7	-	10,846	10,747 4 297	140 339	154 294	166 310	1	13 11	2 72
Tex.	5,017	729	40	2	23,471	18,849	2,299	919	65	65	7	40
MOUNTAIN	1,980	314	12	4	8,537	10,312	3,888	568	409	57	89	19
Mont. Idaho	23 50	8	-	-	/6 79	84 163	23 324	22 69	13 67	- 1	16 2	- 3
Wyo.	16	4	2	2	81	75	29	23	164	-	6	5
N. Mex.	723 190	118	- 3	-	2,882 986	3,437 870	527 1,030	89 193	60 46	15	19	- 8
Ariz.	526	66	1	1	2,902	3,592	1,195	48	13	11	15	- ว
Nev.	330	41	4	-	1,300	1,692	216	51	30 16	14	21	1
PACIFIC	12,002	1,382	114	9	26,239	31,400	6,837	1,989	579	155	78	75
oreg.	820 512	-	-	-	2,613 570	3,303 1,073	320 708	68 79	08 17	2 1	8 -	-
Caliř. Alaska	10,475	1,234	111	8	21,686	25,900	5,550	1,804	489	149	66	75
Hawaii	30 159	130	ა -	- 1	563	557	61	27	- 5	3	4	-
Guam	1	19	-	-	190	90	42	6	1	12	3	-
P.R. V.I.	1,929 44	37	1	3	418 41	463 90	83	339 1	161	11	-	-
Amer. Samoa	-	-	-	-	31	40	8	-	-	-	-	-
C.IN.IVI.I.	-	-	-	-	40	11	/	1	-	-	-	-

TABLE II. Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending November 26, 1994, and November 27, 1993 (47th Week)

N: Not notifiable U: Unavailable C.N.M.I.: Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

*Updated monthly to the Division of HIV/AIDS, National Center for Infectious Diseases; last update October 25, 1994.

			Measle	s (Rube	eola)		Menin-								
Reporting Area	Malaria	Indig	enous	Impo	orted*	Total	gococcal Infections	Mu	mps	1	Pertussi	s		Rubella	3
	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993
UNITED STATES	940	1	691	-	172	300	2,370	24	1,278	14	3,135	5,689	1	213	175
NEW ENGLAND	76	-	14	-	14	63	122	1	20	1	350	685	1	129	2
N.H.	6 3	-	1	-	4	1	6	-	3 4	-	18 67	15 152	-	-	-
Vt.	3	-	2	-	1	31	3	-	- 2	-	40	91 242	-	- 124	- 1
R.I.	33 9	-	4	-	3	2	- 52	1	3	-	6	343 11	1	3	-
Conn.	22	-	4	-	-	9	42	-	7	1	35	73	-	2	-
MID. ATLANTIC	189 48	-	173	-	22	35 8	239 85	-	103 31	1 1	578 218	886 314	-	10 7	59 17
N.Y. City	66	-	11	-	3	17	11	-	13	-	157	82	-	1	22
N.J. Pa.	46 29	-	144	-	12 4	10	53 90	-	6 53	-	11 192	80 410	-	2	15 5
E.N. CENTRAL	96	-	58	-	44	31	378	5	228	4	386	1,446	-	11	8
Ohio	15	-	15	-	2	9	106	3	68	-	146	416	-	-	1
III.	14 39	-	- 17	-	39	9	113	-	7 95	3	82	413	-	- 3	3 1
Mich.	26	-	23	-	2	6	54	2	44	1	47	110	-	8	2
WN CENTRAL	43		126	-	44	3	170	-	64		195	526		- 2	1
Minn.	14	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	5	-	87	306	-	-	-
lowa Mo.	5 12	-	6 118	-	1 42	- 1	19 86	-	16 37	-	19 43	37 136	-	-2	- 1
N. Dak.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	4	5	-	-	-
S. Dak. Nebr.	- 5	-	-	-	- 1		9 13	-	- 1	-	20	8 14	-	-	-
Kans.	6	-	1	-	-	2	24	-	-	-	13	20	-	-	-
S. ATLANTIC	213	-	59	-	8	29	403	4	189	2	289	573	-	11	6
Md.	99	-	2	-	2	4	40	1	63	-	74	126	-	-	2
D.C. Va	14 33		-	-	- 2	-	6 65	-	- 41		8 36	14 59	-		
W. Va.	-	-	36	-	-	-	12	-	3	-	4	8	-	-	-
N.C.	11 5	-	2	-	1	1	48 28	- 1	36	-	79 13	151 70	-	-	-
Ga.	26	-	3	-	-	-	69	-	9	-	26	51	-	2	÷
FIA.	22	-	15	-	3	20	130	2	29	2	46	84 271	-	9	4
E.S. CENTRAL	11	-	- 28	-	-	-	35	-	- 20	-	59	36	-	-	1
Tenn.	10	-	28	-	-	-	35	-	9 10	-	22	166	-	-	-
Miss.	1	-	-	-		-	-	-	7	-	7	10	-	-	-
W.S. CENTRAL	42	-	11	-	8	10	296	11	243	1	185	145	-	13	17
Ark. La	3	-	-	-	1	- 1	40 37	4	5 31	-	27 10	12 13	-	-	- 1
Okla.	7	-	-	-	-	-	32	-	23	1	27	78	-	4	1
	23	-	150	-	0 17	9	187 157	4	184	-	202	42	-	9	15
Mont.	- 30	-	150	-		-	154	-	148	-	392 9	405	-	э -	-
Idaho Wwo	2	-	1	-	-	-	17	- 1	10	-	77	95 1	-	-	2
Colo.	13	-	16	-	3	3	31	-	3	-	123	167	-	-	2
N. Mex.	3	- 1	- 2	-	- 1	- 2	15 47	N	N 90	1	26 130	39 52	-	-	- 2
Utah	4	-	131	-	2	-	19	-	24	-	24	36	-	4	4
Nev.	2	-	-	-	11	1	10	-	17	-	3	4	-	1	1
PACIFIC Wash.	220 12	-	/2	-	15	122	468 30	2	257	4	638 32	/52 68	-	32	/0
Oreg.	13	-	-	-	2	4	94	N	Ň	-	_38	95	-	3	-
Alaska	2	-	56 16	-	9	96	334	2	228	4	545 1	576	-	24	41
Hawaii	16	-	-	-	4	20	7	-	18	-	22	8	-	4	28
Guam	4	U	211 12	U	-	7 254	1 15	U	6	U	2	-	U	1	-
г. г. . V.I.	ა -	-	- 13	-	-	304	- 15	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- 1	U U	- 26	U U	-	- 25	-	U U	1 2	U U	2	2 1	U U	-	-

TABLE II. (Cont'd.) Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending
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*For measles only, imported cases include both out-of-state and international importations. N: Not notifiable U: Unavailable [†] International [§] Out-of-state

Reporting Area	Syp (Primary &	hilis Secondary)	Toxic- Shock Syndrome	Tuber	culosis	Tula- remia	Typhoid Fever	Typhus Fever (Tick-borne) (RMSF)	Rabies, Animal
_	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994
UNITED STATES NEW ENGLAND Maine	18,409 198 4	23,911 331 7	164 4 1	19,760 447 27	20,400 461 25	80 1	384 21	415 15	6,791 1,735
N.H. Vt. Mass.	4 83	25 1 115	- 1 2	15 8 226	17 5 249	- - 1	- - 17	- - 7	192 135 667
R.I. Conn.	13 94	15 168	-	43 128	52 113	-	1 3	8	44 697
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J.	1,242 153 545 216	2,163 217 1,067 288	27 14 -	3,980 468 2,325 715	4,363 629 2,442 718	1 1 -	106 12 70 18	18 6 1 4	1,742 1,264 - 251
Pa. E.N. CENTRAL	328 2,529	591 3,873	13 31	472 1,913	574 2,100	- 8	6 71	7 45	227 63
Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis	1,024 233 722 264 286	1,081 338 1,456 531 467	6 2 11 12	303 175 974 408 53	287 204 1,107 415 87	1 2 3 1 1	7 44 6 7	28 5 10 2	4 13 19 12 15
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa	1,061 46 59	1,487 55 61	26 1 8	514 121 56	454 62 53	37 1	1	37 - 1	194 14 79
Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr.	892 - 1 11	1,245 4 2 10	7 1 - 4	223 8 22 17	227 7 12 21	23 1 2 3	1 - -	19 - 13 1	23 12 33
Kans. S. ATLANTIC Del.	52 4,913 25	110 5,987 90	5 8 -	67 3,607 40	72 4,086 43	7 2 -	- 46 1	3 196 -	33 1,823 41
Md. D.C. Va. W. Va.	283 193 724 9 1 507	340 301 606 12 1 724	- - 1 -	306 104 292 72	345 146 399 68	1 - - -	13 1 8 -	23 - 19 2 76	485 2 397 73 156
S.C. Ga. Fla.	728 745 699	868 995 1,051	1 5	340 597 1,409	353 691 1,547	- - 1 -	2 21	18 55 3	165 344 160
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	3,566 200 958 591 1,817	3,720 317 1,074 770 1,559	6 2 3 1	1,292 290 401 395 206	1,464 336 457 447 224	1 1 - -	3 1 2 -	43 9 28 2 4	209 23 71 115
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tox	4,040 431 1,560 111 1,928	5,034 512 2,350 261 1,911	2 - 2	2,703 246 138 225 2,094	2,393 158 244 153 1 838	17 16 - 1	15 - 3 3	47 8 - 32 7	634 25 63 38
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho	212 4 1	227 1	8 - 2	450 9 11	500 13 12	9 3	10 - -	14 4 -	132 21 3
Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz.	2 112 19 38	8 74 24 93	4	8 21 64 203	6 79 59 212	1 1	- 3 1 2	2 4 2 1	19 15 7 45
Utah Nev.	8 28 648	10 17	2 - 52	41 93	30 89 4 579	2 2	2 2 111	- 1	13 9 259
Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska	30 21 590 4	1,089 55 37 983 8	3 3 45	4,854 237 90 4,239 59	4,079 240 4,053 53	4 - 2 1 1	4 5 96		239 - 12 217 30
Hawaii Guam P.R. V I	3 10 273 28	6 3 459 39	4 - -	229 153 159	233 65 165 2	-	6 1 -	-	- - 59
Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	1 2	- 7	-	4 33	4 39	-	1 1	-	-

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U: Unavailable

	All Causes, By Age (Years)				All Causes, By Age (Ye			'ears)	ars)						
Reporting Area	All Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total	Reporting Area	All Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total
NEW ENGLAND Boston, Mass. Bridgeport, Conn. Cambridge, Mass. Fall River, Mass. Hartford, Conn. Lowell, Mass. Lynn, Mass. New Bedford, Mas New Haven, Conn Providence, R.I. Somerville, Mass.	575 139 45 16 43 49 29 29 11	393 80 29 14 38 20 10 13 18 44 1	86 26 7 1 4 10 4 - 6 9 1	63 21 5 1 5 4 1 1 6 7 1	20 7 3 1 - 1 1 3 -	13 5 1 - 1 - - - - - -	35 7 2 4 - 1 2 - 8 1	S. ATLANTIC Atlanta, Ga. Baltimore, Md. Charlotte, N.C. Jacksonville, Fla. Miami, Fla. Norfolk, Va. Richmond, Va. Savannah, Ga. St. Petersburg, Fla. Tampa, Fla. Washington, D.C.	1,062 156 235 50 88 78 39 U 40 55 128 176	637 87 132 32 62 40 23 U 24 41 81 101	213 39 45 10 16 19 8 U 8 7 24 35	138 19 42 7 5 10 6 U 4 2 14 28	33 8 1 1 6 1 U 2 1 3 4	41 3 10 4 3 1 U 2 4 6 8	50 19 2 9 - 2 U 2 4 10 2
Springfield, Mass. Waterbury, Conn. Worcester, Mass. MID. ATLANTIC Albany, N.Y.	47 17 68 2,556 43	33 13 48 1,639 30	10 - 8 481 6	2 2 7 337 6	2 1 46	2 - 4 52 1	2 - 8 129 5	Wilminğton, Del. E.S. CENTRAL Birmingham, Ala. Chattanooga, Tenn. Knoxville, Tenn.	17 736 108 64 122	14 500 68 52 86	2 139 22 9 19	1 61 13 - 10	- 27 5 2 6	- 9 - 1	- 56 4 6 13
Allentown, Pa. Buffalo, N.Y. Camden, N.J. Elizabeth, N.J. Erie, Pa.§ Jersey City, N.J.	21 75 51 13 31 27	17 68 36 10 23 15	2 3 10 1 7 4	2 2 1 1	- 1 2 1 -	- 1 - - 2	- 14 - -	Lexington, Ky. Memphis, Tenn. Mobile, Ala. Montgomery, Ala. Nashville, Tenn.	53 222 57 24 86	32 149 45 18 50	13 47 7 4 18	4 16 5 - 13	1 9 - 1 3	3 1 1 2	5 12 1 6 9
New York City, N.Y. Newark, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa.§ Reading, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.§ Syracuse, N.Y. Trenton, N.J. Utica, N.Y. Yonkers, N.Y.	 1,473 51 13 426 34 13 87 20 22 104 31 21 U 	900 11 9 271 28 8 71 14 18 75 16 19 U	286 19 3 89 2 3 9 4 4 17 10 2 U	228 16 1 51 4 1 6 - 7 3 - U	25 1 - 11 - 1 - 3 - - U	34 4 3 - 1 1 2 2 U	55 2 29 3 8 2 2 6 - U	W.S. CENTRAL Austin, Tex. Baton Rouge, La. Corpus Christi, Tex. Dallas, Tex. El Paso, Tex. Ft. Worth, Tex. Houston, Tex. Little Rock, Ark. New Orleans, La. San Antonio, Tex. Shreveport, La. Tulsa, Okla.	890 33 16 23 117 91 59 200 40 92 104 41 74	570 25 11 9 71 64 43 120 24 44 75 32 52	157 2 3 7 21 13 6 48 9 9 18 4 17	91 2 3 16 6 7 21 4 14 8 3 5	49 2 3 6 8 2 3 1 19 3 2 -	19 2 1 3 - 1 7 2 3 - -	59 1 1 6 9 7 17 4 - 6 4 3
E.N. CENTRAL Akron, Ohio Canton, Ohio Chicago, III. Cincinnati, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Columbus, Ohio Dayton, Ohio Detroit, Mich. Evansville, Ind. Evat Wayne, Ind	1,795 20 33 493 111 115 112 90 140 36 55	1,045 14 24 195 81 71 74 64 83 26	369 5 109 19 28 24 16 32 7 7	233 1 3 104 6 13 10 6 18 2 4	107 - 76 - 1 3 4 -	41 - 9 5 2 3 1 3 1	77 - 4 8 1 5 5 4 2 - 3	MOUNTAIN Albuquerque, N.M. Colo. Springs, Colo. Denver, Colo. Las Vegas, Nev. Ogden, Utah Phoenix, Ariz. Pueblo, Colo. Salt Lake City, Utah Tucson, Ariz.	679 62 50 74 131 26 131 24 79 102	440 37 34 46 78 18 83 18 57 69	136 11 12 14 28 6 26 4 11 24	65 9 17 1 12 9 4	22 3 2 6 1 5 - 1 2	16 2 3 2 5 1 3	49 5 6 7 4 15 1 6 5
Gary, Ind. Grand Rapids, Mic Indianapolis, Ind. Madison, Wis. Milwaukee, Wis. Peoria, III. Rockford, III. South Bend, Ind. Toledo, Ohio Youngstown, Ohio	21 21 118 56 76 19 31 25 149 47	9 35 65 36 53 15 21 19 81 35	4 8 31 14 8 2 4 5 32 8	5 4 11 6 5 - 3 29 3	3 1 4 5 1 2 1 4 1	- - - 5 1 1 - 3	3 1 2 10 6 4 1 3 4 10 4 10 4	PACIFIC Berkeley, Calif. Fresno, Calif. Glendale, Calif. Honolulu, Hawaii Long Beach, Calif. Los Angeles, Calif. Pasadena, Calif. Portland, Oreg. Sacramento, Calif. San Diego, Calif.	1,240 10 77 10 65 52 324 18 89 U 133	812 8 49 5 48 35 202 15 56 U 78	221 16 4 10 10 68 1 17 U 23	139 11 6 35 1 15 U 22	33 1 5 - 13 1 1 U 4	22 - 1 1 3 - U 6	92 - 6 1 4 6 7 1 4 U 19
W.N. CENTRAL Des Moines, Iowa Duluth, Minn. Kansas City, Kans. Kansas City, Mo. Lincoln, Nebr. Minneapolis, Minr Omaha, Nebr. St. Louis, Mo. St. Paul, Minn.	479 U 23 16 78 23 1. 103 61 85 48	338 U 17 11 56 20 70 36 59 39	87 U 6 4 10 2 20 19 15 4	32 U - 8 - 9 4 7 2	17 U 3 2 2 4 3	5 U 1 1 2 -	15 U 2 6 4	San Francisco, Cali San Jose, Calif. Santa Cruz, Calif. Seattle, Wash. Spokane, Wash. Tacoma, Wash. TOTAL	f. 116 129 21 99 38 59 10,012 [¶]	62 96 17 71 30 40 6,374	26 14 2 13 8 8 1,889	12 13 2 13 - 8 1,159	2 2 1 2 354	4 4 1 1 218	14 15 3 2 5 562

TABLE III. Deaths in 121 U.S. cities,* week ending November 26, 1994 (47th Week)

*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. *Because of changes in reporting methods in these 3 Pennsylvania cities, these numbers are partial counts for the current week. Complete counts will be available in 4 to 6 weeks. "Total includes unknown ages. U: Unavailable.

Current Trends

Sexual Behaviors and Drug Use Among Youth in Dropout-Prevention Programs — Miami, 1994

Youth who have dropped out of school have higher frequencies than youth who remain in school of behaviors that increase risk for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection (1). Youth identified as potential dropouts may be likely to take increased risks, but their STD/HIV risk status has not been adequately evaluated. To estimate the prevalence of risk behaviors among potential dropouts, investigators from the University of Miami School of Medicine surveyed students in two Miami dropout-prevention programs (school A and school B) and compared the findings with those from a survey of public school students in Miami. This report summarizes results of the surveys.

Schools A and B are affiliated with the largest nonprofit dropout-prevention organization in the United States, Cities in Schools, Incorporated (CIS). CIS programs serve approximately 97,000 students through 96 local programs in 27 states; CIS prevention programs for high school dropouts include health, social, and vocational services and academic curricula (2). The Miami programs are public/private collaborations that provide therapeutic case management, career education, a mentor program, pregnancy prevention, and caseworker home visits. CIS schools serve students who have been referred by the regular public school system because of academic difficulties and/or family or social problems; to become enrolled in the dropout-prevention program, students also must indicate commitments to completing high school.

The CIS schools in Miami differ in location and physical structure: one is freestanding and located in an urban neighborhood, and the other occupies the top floor of a high school building located in a middle class, suburban neighborhood. The student population at school A had a higher median age than that at school B (17 years versus 16 years), a higher percentage of students who were members of a racial/ ethnic minority group (94% versus 68%), and a higher percentage who were the first in their family to attend public school in the United States (50% versus 3%).

During March 1993, 1602 students in Miami public schools responded to the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) (Dade County Public Schools, unpublished data, 1993); students in the dropout-prevention programs were ineligible to participate in YRBS. However, nine questions from the YRBS were included in a questionnaire administered to students in schools A and B in April 1994. Survey administrators informed students that the purpose of the questionnaire was to assess their risk as part of the evaluation of a planned STD/HIV intervention and that their anonymity would be protected. Of those who attended school on the days the surveys were administered, participation rates were 90.9% (70 of 77) at school A and 97.6% (80 of 82) at school B.* Data for both schools were standardized to the age distribution of YRBS respondents; YRBS data were weighted to adjust for nonresponse.

Although the prevalence of specific risk behaviors varied between the two schools, in general, prevalences were higher among students at schools A and B than among YRBS respondents (Table 1). In particular, students from schools A and B were more likely than YRBS respondents to report ever having had sexual intercourse and to

^{*}Total school enrollments on the day of questionnaire administration were 128 students in school A and 99 students in school B.

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have been aged <16 years at sexual initiation. Among students reporting ever having had sex, respondents from schools A (33.3%) and B (32.3%) were more likely than YRBS respondents (19.5%) to report two or more partners during the preceding 3 months. When compared with YRBS respondents, students at schools A and B were more likely to have been pregnant or to "have gotten someone pregnant" than YRBS respondents. The prevalence of a report of previous STD or HIV/AIDS diagnosis was higher for school A (29.8%) than for school B (0) and for YRBS respondents (4.4%).

			CIS SI	urvey [†]
	1993	YRBS*	School A	School B
Risk	(n=1602)	(95% Cl [§])	(n=77)¶	(n=82)¶
Ever had sexual				
intercourse**	58.8	(51.2–66.5)	87.7	73.5
Age (yrs) at first				
sexual intercourse				
<12	17.1	(12.1–22.1)	11.7	14.3
12–13	23.9	(21.8–26.0)	15.0	21.9
14–15	37.1	(33.2–41.0)	63.2	50.7
≥16	21.8	(18.8–24.8)	10.0	13.1
Number of sex partners				
during preceding				
3 months				
None	32.9	(30.4–35.4)	35.4	17.9
One	47.4	(42.2–52.6)	25.7	49.8
Two or more	19.5	(13.4–25.6)	33.3	32.3
Used condom at last sexual				
intercourse**	55.7	(50.6–60.8)	42.7	63.8
Consumed alcohol or drugs				
before last sexual				
intercourse	13.5	(10.0–17.0)	33.3	23.4
Been or gotten				
someone pregnant**				
1 time	5.3	(3.6-7.0)	23.6	13.5
≥2 times	1.6	(0.8–2.4)	2.8	1.5
Been told by a doctor				
or nurse that respondent				
had a sexually transmitted				
disease ^{††}	44	(38-51)	29.8	0
	7.7	(0.0 0.1)	27.0	0
	2.2	(15.20)	15.0	1.0
arugs	2.2	(1.5-2.8)	15.3	1.0
Ever been taught				
about HIV/AIDS				<u> </u>
in school	90.2	(89.0–91.3)	92.0	93.4

TABLE 1. Percentage of adolescents aged 15–20 years who indicated selected health risks, by school enrollment status — Miami, Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), 1993, and Cities in Schools, Incorporated (CIS), survey, 1994

*SUDAAN was used to weight Miami YRBS data for nonresponse.

[†]These percentages represent all consenting students in both CIS schools in Miami. Because these are parameters of a population rather than statistics of a sample, confidence intervals are not necessary.

§Confidence interval.

[¶]Standardized to the age distribution of the total population participating in the 1993 YRBS. ** School A students reported significantly more risk behavior than School B students (p<0.05).

^{††}Human immunodeficiency virus/Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.

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More respondents in schools A and B reported using drugs or alcohol before their last sexual intercourse (33.3% and 23.4%, respectively) than did YRBS respondents (13.5%). Among school A students, 15.3% reported ever having injected illegal drugs, compared with 1.0% of school B and 2.2% of YRBS respondents.

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Editorial Note: The findings in this report indicate that students enrolled in two dropout-prevention schools in Miami were, in general, more likely to engage in behaviors that could increase their risk for STDs/HIV infection than were their peers in the community public high school system. These findings are consistent with those from a study of a similar dropout-prevention program in southwestern Texas (3).

The findings from this survey are subject to at least two limitations. First, because of the small sizes of the enrollments at schools A and B, the analysis could not adjust for differences in the racial/ethnic distributions of youth in the two dropout-prevention programs. Second, because higher proportions of Miami residents than of the total U.S. population are racial/ethnic minorities or are foreign-born (4,5), these findings cannot be generalized nationally. However, regardless of racial/ethnic and other cultural factors, youth at risk for dropping out of school are a particularly inaccessible group for health educators because of high rates of absenteeism and the competing demands of remedial academic curricula. Youth who do drop out of high school are even less accessible by prevention efforts (6); an estimated 3 million (12.7%) persons aged 18–24 years surveyed during 1993 had dropped out of high school (7).

Based on the findings in Miami, STD/HIV prevention-service providers should consider three strategies for developing appropriate interventions for youth in dropout-prevention programs. First, more intensive STD/HIV-prevention programs should be targeted to students at risk for dropping out of school. Second, risk levels of students in dropout-prevention programs vary and should be assessed; for example, in this report, reported levels of injecting-drug use (IDU) ranged from 1% to 15%, indicating the need for information about reducing IDU-related HIV risk at one school. Third, prevention programming should be tailored to the diverse needs of specific student populations at educational risk and the effectiveness of the tailored approaches should be evaluated. The relation between academic risks and health risks underscores the importance of dropout-prevention efforts and of integrating comprehensive STD/HIV and substance-abuse prevention into educational curricula designed for youth at risk for dropping out of school.

The findings in this report are being used as baseline data to evaluate a peer-led STD/HIV prevention curriculum in Miami. During the 1994–95 school year, school A will offer the peer education activity as a course for credit.

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Emerging Infectious Diseases

Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome — Virginia, 1993

Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome (HPS) was first recognized in June 1993 as a result of the investigation of a cluster of fatal cases of adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) in the southwestern United States (1). During that month, a 61-year-old man was admitted to a hospital in southern Pennsylvania with ARDS; recent testing of all available specimens from this patient has confirmed the diagnosis of HPS. This report summarizes the case investigation.

When hospitalized on June 28, 1993, the man reported a 4-day history of fever, chills, headache, myalgia, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. After admission, he became hypotensive and increasingly short of breath and was transferred to a tertiary-care medical center. Laboratory findings included leukocytosis (white blood cell count 25,300/mm³), hemoconcentration (hemoglobin of 20.0 g/L), thrombocy-topenia (platelet count 65,000/mm³), and elevated blood urea nitrogen, creatinine (peak value 6.8 µg/dL), prothrombin time, activated partial thromboplastin time, aspartate aminotransferase (peak value 8500 U/L), lactic dehydrogenase, and lipase levels. A chest radiograph indicated bilateral diffuse infiltrates. During his prolonged hospital course, he required respiratory and circulatory support and hemodialysis. He was discharged on July 22, 1993.

An enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay with heterologous antigens performed on serum samples obtained on July 2 and July 20 were highly suspect for hantavirus antibodies. Subsequent retesting of these samples, as well as of an additional sample obtained in September 1994, with Sin Nombre virus (SNV) antigens confirmed the diagnosis of HPS.

In April 1993, the patient had started hiking on the Appalachian Trail northbound from Georgia through North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. From May 13 through June 20, he hiked primarily along the Appalachian Trail in Virginia and reported evidence of mice, including excreta and rodent traps in shelters and bunkhouses.

To further characterize the prevalence of hantavirus in local rodent populations, the offices of Epidemiology and Environmental Health of the Virginia Department of Health, local health departments, the National Park Service, and CDC are conducting rodent trapping.

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Editorial Note: This report describes the first known case of HPS in the mid-Atlantic states. The patient's infection probably was acquired along the Appalachian Trail in Virginia, an area within the range of habitation of the primary rodent reservoir of SNV, Peromyscus maniculatus (deer mouse). The prodromal illness and respiratory failure are consistent with HPS (2); the renal involvement characteristic of Eurasian hemorrhagic fever with renal syndrome (HFRS) has not been typical of HPS. Moderate elevations (>2.5 μ g/dL) in serum creatinine have occurred in only 10% of fatal cases of HPS; prominent renal involvement, such as that which occurred in this patient, has been documented only in two cases from the southeastern United States, both of which are believed to have been associated with hantaviruses other than SNV (provisionally named Black Creek Canal virus and Bayou virus) (3,4). Thus, the marked liver transaminase elevation in this patient has not been a prominent feature in other cases of HPS, although the prominent liver dysfunction has occurred with HFRS (5,6). However, because both renal and hepatic dysfunction can be caused by antecedent hypotension and other factors, additional case investigation is ongoing to clarify the relevance of these findings.

Since June 1993, when HPS was first recognized in the United States, 98 cases have been identified in 21 states. The mean age of case-patients has been 35.1 years (range: 12–69 years), and the case-fatality rate is 52%; 52 (54%) cases have occurred in males. The earliest retrospectively identified case, inferred by a history of a compatible illness and elevated IgG titers detected for SNV, occurred in a 38-year-old man in Utah in 1959.

The findings in this report extend the geographic area for risk of human infection with hantaviruses in the contiguous United States and emphasize the continued importance of minimizing exposure to rodents and their excreta. Persons engaged in outdoor activities such as camping or hiking should take precautions to reduce contact with rodents (7). National surveillance for HPS continues to characterize the spectrum of clinical illness associated with SNV and identify additional pathogenic hantaviruses and rodent hosts. Suspected cases of HPS should be reported through local and state health departments for evaluation and investigation.

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Monthly Immunization Table

To track progress toward achieving the goals of the Childhood Immunization Initiative (CII), CDC publishes monthly a tabular summary of the number of cases of all diseases preventable by routine childhood vaccination reported during the previous month and year-to-date (provisional data). In addition, the table compares provisional data with final data for the previous year and highlights the number of reported cases among children aged <5 years, who are the primary focus of CII. Data in the table are derived from CDC's National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System.

	No. cases, October	Tota Januar	l cases y-October	No. cases among children aged <5 years [†] January–October			
Disease	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994		
Congenital rubella							
syndrome (CRS)	0	5	4	4	3		
Diphtheria	0	0	1	0	1		
Haemophilus influenzae§	82	1,067	957	321	255		
Hepatitis B [¶]	728	10,433	9,571	102	95		
Measles	9	291	857	110	199		
Mumps	104	1,358	1,179	229	187		
Pertussis	325	5,220	2,895	3,110	1,647		
Poliomyelitis, paralytic**	0	3	1	1	1		
Rubella	1	169	211	26	22		
Tetanus	5	36	31	0	0		

Number of reported of	cases of diseases	preventable	by routine	childhood	vaccination
 United States, Oct 	ober 1994 and 199	93–1994*	•		

* Data for 1993 are final and for 1994, are provisional.

[†]For 1993 and 1994, age data were available for 90% or more cases, except for 1993 age data for CRS, which were available for 80% of cases.

[§]Invasive disease; *H. influenzae* serotype is not routinely reported to the National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System.

¹Because most hepatitis B virus infections among infants and children aged <5 years are asymptomatic (although likely to become chronic), acute disease surveillance does not reflect the incidence of this problem in this age group or the effectiveness of hepatitis B vaccination in infants.

**One case with onset in 1994 has been confirmed; this case is vaccine-associated. An additional six suspected cases are under investigation. In 1993, three of 10 suspected cases were confirmed; two of the confirmed cases of 1993 were vaccine-associated and one was imported. The imported case occurred in a 2-year-old Nigerian child brought to the United States for care of his paralytic illness; no poliovirus was isolated from the child.

Alcohol Involvement in Fatal Motor-Vehicle Crashes — United States, 1992–1993

The following figure compares alcohol involvement in fatal motor-vehicle crashes for 1992 and 1993 in the United States. A fatal crash is considered alcohol-related by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) if either a driver or nonoccupant (e.g., pedestrian) had a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of ≥ 0.01 g/dL in a police-reported traffic crash. Because BACs are not available for all persons in fatal crashes, NHTSA estimates the number of alcohol-related traffic fatalities based on a discriminant analysis (1) of information from all crashes for which driver or nonoccupant BAC data are available.

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The number of alcohol-involved fatalities decreased from 1992 to 1993 for most age groups. For BACs of 0.01 g/dL–0.09 g/dL, the overall decrease in alcohol-involved fatalities was 4%; at \geq 0.10 g/dL, the legal limit of intoxication in most states, the number of crash fatalities decreased 2%. The increase in fatalities for the nonalcohol-involved crashes probably resulted from a variety of factors, including an increase in the number and changes in the type of vehicle miles traveled (2).

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Changes in the number and percentage of traffic fatalities (including drivers, occupants, and nonoccupants) by age and highest blood alcohol concentration (BAC)* of driver[†] or nonoccupant in crashes — United States, January 1–December 31, 1992, compared with January 1–December 31, 1993



* BAC distributions are estimates for drivers and nonoccupants involved in fatal crashes. Fatalities include all occupants and nonoccupants who died within 30 days of a motor-vehicle crash on a public roadway and whose age was known.

[†]Driver may or may not have been killed.

[§]Although usually too young to drive legally, persons in this age group are included for completeness of the data set.

[¶]Numbers of drivers and numbers of fatalities are rounded to nearest whole number.

Source: Fatal Accident Reporting System, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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