

Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

Tuberculosis Outbreak Among Persons in a Residential Facility for HIV-Infected Persons – San Francisco

From December 19, 1990, through April 4, 1991, 12 cases of clinically active pulmonary tuberculosis (TB) were diagnosed at a residential facility for HIV-infected persons in San Francisco. This report summarizes results of the outbreak investigation.

On December 19, 1990, a resident who had lived in the facility since November was hospitalized with a history of several weeks of productive cough, fever, and night sweats. He was subsequently diagnosed with sputum-smear-positive and culturepositive pulmonary TB, with organisms susceptible to all anti-TB drugs. He received anti-TB medication and did not return to the residential facility.

On January 19, 1991, another resident was admitted to a local hospital with a history of 7 days of productive cough, fever, chills, and shortness of breath. Sputum induction was performed to rule out *Pneumocystis carinii* pneumonia, and a specimen of induced sputum was smear-positive for acid-fast bacilli (AFB). The patient began anti-TB therapy on January 21. *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* subsequently grew from his sputum, blood, and pleural fluid. He was discharged back to the facility February 5 but did not take medication as recommended. He was readmitted to the hospital February 15, and his sputum was again smear-positive for AFB. Despite the administration of anti-TB therapy and mechanical ventilation, he died March 10 of respiratory failure and sepsis caused by *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

From February 21 through March 4, four additional residents of this facility who had symptoms of pulmonary TB were admitted to hospitals (Figure 1); two had sputum specimens that were smear- and culture-positive for *M. tuberculosis*. A sputum specimen from a third patient was smear-negative for AFB, but a culture of bronchoalveolar lavage was positive for *M. tuberculosis*. A sputum specimen from a dulture-negative, but the patient had a documented tuberculin skin-test conversion and an abnormal chest radiograph; both radiographic and clinical improvement were observed on anti-TB therapy.

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On March 6, the Tuberculosis Control Division, City and County of San Francisco Department of Public Health, conducted tuberculin skin-test screening of all 17 persons who resided in the facility on that date and 14 of 20 staff members; seven persons who had resided in the facility after November 1990, as well as six staff members, were unavailable during the initial screening. Seven (41%) of the residents had positive tuberculin reactions (\geq 5 mm); one (6%) had a negative tuberculin reaction (0 mm) with positive reactions to companion delayed-type hypersensitivity (DTH) skin-test antigens (mumps and *Candida*); and nine (53%) were anergic. Four (29%) of the staff had positive tuberculin reactions. Staff were not tested with companion antigens.

Chest radiographic examinations were performed on all residents, regardless of skin-test status. Three (43%) of the seven residents with positive tuberculin tests had clinically active pulmonary TB. All three had negative sputum-smears for AFB; two had positive cultures for *M. tuberculosis*. The third patient, who had an abnormal chest radiograph consistent with TB, improved clinically and radiographically on anti-TB therapy; culture results from this patient are pending. In addition, two (22%) of the nine anergic patients had clinically active pulmonary TB; both had sputum specimens that were smear- and culture-positive. All positive *M. tuberculosis* isolates were susceptible to all anti-TB drugs.

Of the remaining 12 residents without evidence of clinically active TB, 11 were offered isoniazid (INH) preventive therapy for TB; 10 accepted. One patient was not treated preventively because of abnormal liver function. This patient was anergic during the screening on March 6 but had had a normal chest radiograph. However, on April 1, the patient developed fever, chills, and a nonproductive cough. A chest radiograph on April 3 showed an infiltrate and left hilar adenopathy. An induced sputum test was smear-positive for AFB; results of sputum cultures are pending.

Chest radiographs for the four staff members who had positive skin tests showed no clinically active disease. All accepted INH preventive therapy.

FIGURE 1. Pulmonary tuberculosis at a residential facility for HIV-infected persons, by month of treatment initiation – San Francisco, November 1990–April 1991



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The two-and-one-half-story facility has 32 private rooms, several shared bathrooms, two group meeting rooms, and a shared kitchen. Each room has a forced-air heating vent with no recirculation of air. Eight of the 12 case-patients lived on the second floor (which has 15 rooms); the remaining four case-patients lived on the first floor (11 rooms). No cases were identified in the six rooms of the half story. All case-patients were ambulatory.

Three of the 12 patients died; TB was considered a contributory cause of two deaths.

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Editorial Note: This outbreak demonstrates the rapidity with which TB can spread among immunocompromised persons in a communal setting. Time from diagnosis of first case to last was 106 days. Although no information on previous skin-test status was available for the residents, the temporal and spatial clustering of these cases strongly suggests transmission of TB within the facility. A previous study emphasized the high risk for developing clinically active TB among HIV-infected persons with latent remote tuberculous infection (1); the current report and others demonstrate that HIV-infected persons recently infected with *M. tuberculosis* are at high risk for progressing rapidly to clinically active disease (2,3).

This outbreak further demonstrates the urgency of immediate identification and medical evaluation of all HIV-infected contacts of persons with documented or suspected infectious TB (4). The rapid progression from tuberculous infection to clinically active disease in HIV-infected persons makes early investigation of contacts especially critical.

In addition, this and other outbreaks (5) indicate the importance of TB screening for all persons who are HIV-infected or at high risk for HIV infection before they enter communal living facilities. Persons with infectious TB, especially HIV-infected persons, should be admitted to communal settings only when they are considered noninfectious (i.e., clinically responding to therapy and sputum smear-negative for AFB) (6).

Companion DTH skin-testing during this contact investigation identified two of nine anergic patients with clinically active disease. Companion DTH skin-testing should be performed on persons with or at high risk for HIV infection. HIV-infected persons who are anergic and known contacts of infectious TB patients or otherwise at high risk for TB infection (e.g., injectable-drug users or those born in a country with endemic TB) should receive chest radiographs and clinical assessment to rule out clinical TB and, if negative, preventive therapy with 1 year of INH should be considered (7).

Health-care workers and others caring for HIV-infected or high-risk persons should be familiar with the symptoms of TB and be alert for TB among these patients. Persons suspected of having TB should be evaluated medically and immediately transferred to appropriate isolation settings. All HIV-infected patients with symptoms compatible with TB should receive chest radiographs and other diagnostic evaluations, regardless of the results of tuberculin and companion antigen skin-tests.

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Current Trends

Homicide Followed by Suicide – Kentucky, 1985–1990

During March–May 1990, three widely publicized homicides followed by suicides occurred in Kentucky. Because the three incidents shared many features, the Division of Epidemiology, Department for Health Services, Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, conducted a study to determine the extent of the problem and the characteristics of perpetrators and homicide victims. This report presents the findings of this study.

A homicide/suicide cluster was defined as one or more homicides with the subsequent suicide of the perpetrator that occurred in Kentucky from 1985 through 1990. Of 67 homicide/suicide clusters identified (Figure 1), 63 (94%) were found through matching death certificates by the last name of the homicide victim(s) and the perpetrator or by county of occurrence for homicides and suicides that occurred on the same day (n=53) or through computer searches of two newspapers with



FIGURE 1. Clusters of homicide followed by suicide, by year - Kentucky, 1985-1990

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statewide coverage (n = 40); 30 homicide/suicide clusters were from both sources. The remaining four (6%) homicide/suicide clusters were reported by the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, a private advocacy group.

The 67 homicide/suicide clusters included 80 homicides; seven clusters involved multiple homicides. In 64 (96%) homicide/suicide clusters, the homicide and suicide occurred within a 24-hour period. Firearms were used in both the homicide and suicide in 63 (94%) homicide/suicide clusters.

Homicide/suicide clusters accounted for 6% of all homicides and 2% of all suicides in the state during the study period. The mean annual incidence of homicide/suicide clusters for Kentucky was 3.0 per million population.

Sixty-five (97%) of the 67 perpetrators were male, and 58 (73%) of the 80 homicide victims were female. The median age of perpetrators was 41 years (range: 21–89 years); the median age of homicide victims was 35 years (range: 2–90 years). Six (9%) of the 67 homicide/suicide clusters occurred in an occupational setting. For the 64 (96%) homicide/suicide clusters in which the race of both perpetrator and homicide victim(s) was known, 55 (86%) occurred among whites, and six (9%) among blacks; three (5%) were interracial. The incidence rate of homicide/suicide clusters for whites was 2.7 per million population, and for blacks, 3.4 per million.

The homicide victim and perpetrator were known to each other in 64 (96%) homicide/suicide clusters; 57 (85%) involved family members or intimates. In 47 (70%) clusters, the perpetrator was a current husband (37 clusters), boyfriend (seven), or a former husband (three) of the homicide victim. In 15 (41%) of the 37 in which the current husband was the perpetrator, the couple had previously filed for divorce (12) or was separated (three). In seven of these 15, the wife had obtained a domestic violence protective order or restraining order from a court. In two (3%) of the 67 clusters, the homicide victim(s) had sought shelter at one of 16 state-supported spouse-abuse centers.

A total of 37 previous criminal charges had been filed against 16 (24%) of the perpetrators; 17 (46%) of the charges involved threats or acts of violence to another person. Six (9%) perpetrators had been reported to the Kentucky Department for Social Services for spouse abuse (three) or for child abuse (three).

Of the 48 (72%) perpetrators who were tested postmortem for drugs and alcohol, 13 (27%) were positive for alcohol, five (10%) for psychoactive drugs, and six (13%) for both alcohol and drugs. Ten (21%) were legally intoxicated (blood alcohol concentration $\ge 0.10\%$).

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Editorial Note: The findings in this study are consistent with those from previous studies that suggest homicide followed by suicide primarily involves family members or intimates (1,2). Earlier studies have indicated that the typical perpetrator is a man married or living with a woman in a relationship marked by physical abuse and who has a history of alcohol and substance abuse and access to firearms (1-3). Perpetrators may also be depressed and have personality disorders (3,4). Women who are ending relationships appear to be at increased risk for becoming victims (3).



FIGURE I. Notifiable disease reports, comparison of 4-week totals ending September 21, 1991, with historical data – United States

*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 diseases, United States, cumulative, week ending September 21, 1991 (38th Week)

	Cum. 1991		Cum. 1991
AIDS	31,757	Measles: imported	173
Anthrax	-	indigenous	8,352
Botulism: Foodborne	12	Plague	7
Infant	53	Poliomyelitis, Paralytic*	-
Other	4	Psittacosis	65
Brucellosis	55	Rabies, human	2
Cholera	21	Syphilis, primary & secondary	29,675
Congenital rubella syndrome	13	Syphilis, congenital, age < 1 year	15
Diphtheria	2	Tetanus	35
Encephalitis, post-infectious	62	Toxic shock syndrome	217
Gonorrhea	427,097	Trichinosis	59
Haemophilus influenzae (invasive disease)	2,165	Tuberculosis	16.028
Hansen Disease	106	Tularemia	139
Leptospirosis	44	Typhoid fever	303
Lyme Disease	6,591	Typhus fever, tickborne (RMSF)	487

*Three suspected cases of poliomyelitis have been reported in 1991; none of the 8 suspected cases in 1990 have been confirmed to date. Five of 13 suspected cases in 1989 were confirmed and all were vaccine associated.

		Aseptic	Encep	halitis			н	epatitis (Viral), by	type		
Reporting Area	AIDS	Menin- gitis	Primary	Post-in- fectious	Gond	orrhea	A	В	NA,NB	Unspeci- fied	Legionel- losis	Lyme Disease
	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1990	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991
UNITED STATES	31,757	9,740	652	62	427,097	491,359	17,263	12,208	2,186	910	853	6,591
NEW ENGLAND	1,333	1,160	24	1	10,623	13,530	418	629	54	25	57	1,175
Maine	46	114	3	-	123	159	19	18	2	-	2	
N.H. Vt	32	136	5	-	154	168	25	21	5	-	7	29
Mass.	749	345	10	1	4 582	5 634	198	433	20	- 22	3	102
R.I.	72	347	1	-	877	841	80	19	10	3	41	107
Conn.	421	7	2	-	4,846	6,685	73	125	2	-	-	841
MID. ATLANTIC	8,302	1,679	49	11	50,949	65,404	1,736	1,167	232	16	240	4,082
Upstate N.Y.	1,119	833	22	/	9,498	10,388	654	436	138	10	86	2,723
N.J.	1.676				8.389	10,908	203	280	48	-	24	688
Pa.	838	569	26	4	14,019	16,876	271	277	39	6	98	671
E.N. CENTRAL	2,272	1,905	200	7	79,541	91,428	2,217	1,426	352	44	182	201
Ohio	479	734	71	2	24,224	26,475	291	308	137	16	87	114
ina. III	211	132	18	1	8,569	8,126	295	162	1	1	15	9
Mich.	402	631	46	-	17.652	20,015	232	461	100	23	35	20
Wis.	155	86	4	-	4,583	6,572	462	286	58	-	27	
W.N. CENTRAL	874	483	46	7	21,051	25,646	1,737	516	240	19	43	252
Minn.	179	87	24		2,159	3,196	313	57	11	2	8	63
lowa	79	105	-	4	1,459	1,843	43	36	8	3	11	14
N Dak	505	205	12	3	12,938	15,232	405	338	214	9	13	15/
S. Dak.	i	10	4	-	260	191	639	7	1	-	3	i
Nebr.	42	20	2	-	1,364	1,317	174	28	1	-	6	-
Kans.	64	49	2	-	2,841	3,763	70	46	1	4	1	16
S. ATLANTIC	7,378	1,736	131	28	128,521	140,955	1,280	2,546	288	185	137	466
Del.	59	56	2	:	2,065	2,235	7	36	4	2	2	45
Ma. DC	6/8 500	1/4	21	1	13,683	16,424	212	293	48	13	30	176
Va.	545	289	32	3	13,153	13.302	125	159	24	123	11	104
W. Va.	47	33	19		908	900	19	42	2	12		31
N.C.	420	231	28	-	25,802	21,962	125	398	98	-	14	58
S.C.	250	37	-	-	10,588	11,379	33	535	16	3	28	9
Fla.	3,871	623	20	22	29,394 26,178	31,081	544	363 579	42 53	31	33	25 16
E.S. CENTRAL	803	638	26	-	42,040	42,568	182	1.008	297	3	43	90
Ky.	124	141	7	-	4,376	4,908	36	132	6	2	17	38
Tenn.	252	196	13	-	14,715	12,662	104	746	269	-	11	39
Ala. Mise	255	237	6	-	12,373	14,621	32	119	18	1	14	13
MISS.	0.160	1 002	- 70		40,070	50.044	0.004	11	4	-	-	
Ark.	3,103	54	24		49,078	53,644 6 497	2,394	1,630	93	184	35	61
La.	548	93	11		11.069	10,148	88	213	6	5	6	1
Okla.	142	2	3	-	5,085	4,652	207	171	40	14	13	29
Tex.	2,343	944	35	1	27,133	32,347	1,876	1,165	44	160	9	9
MOUNTAIN	950	185	16	2	8,726	10,579	2,729	738	121	113	61	13
Mont.	22	17	1	-	73	132	69	59	4	5	4	-
Wvo.	13				75	133	90	5/	2		3	2
Colo.	341	68	6	1	2,455	3,037	440	104	55	20	13	-
N. Mex.	89	17	-	-	740	934	682	177	10	29	3	-
Ariz.	192	43	9	1	3,288	4,003	871	129	16	47	23	-
Nev.	192	25		-	1.759	1.924	269	54 152	22		11	3
PACIFIC	6 682	861	87	5	36 568	47 605	4 570	2 5/18	509	221	55	251
Wash.	417	-	8	ĭ	3,289	4,288	419	2,340	109	19	5	201
Oreg.	185	-	-	-	1,511	1,872	290	231	91	8	2	
Calif.	5,931	786	77	4	30,534	40,075	3,740	1,925	292	293	46	249
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Guam					0.0			55	-	-	4	-
P.R.	1.258	200	2	3	423	221 509	70	347	146	42	-	-
V.I.	12		-	-	284	321	1	9		+2	-	-
Amer. Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.N.M.I.	-	-	-	•	-	156	•	-	-	-	-	•

TABLE II. Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 21, 1991, and September 22, 1990 (38th Week)

N: Not notifiable

	r		Meas	sles (Ru	beola)		Menin-								
Reporting Area	Malaria	Indig	enous	Impo	rted*	Total	gococcal Infections	Mu	mps	('	Pertussi	5		Nubelia	
	Cum. 1991	1991	Cum. 1991	1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1990	Cum. 1991	1991	Cum. 1991	1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1990	1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1990
UNITED STATES	858	27	8,352	4	173	22,204	1,561	46	3,097	113	1,793	2,947	2	1,255	786
NEW ENGLAND	54	3	55	2	15	285	116		24	7	235	308		4	8
Maine	1	-	2	-	-	29	11	-	-	-	49	10	•	;	1
N.H.	2	-		-	-	8	12	-	4	-	17	43		1	1
vt. Mass.	26	-	25	-	10	26	63		ĩ	6	142	225	-	2	2
R.I.	7	-	2	-	-	30	1	-	3	-	-	4	-	-	1
Conn.	14	3	21	2†§	5	191	16	•	12	1	23	19	-	1	3
MID. ATLANTIC	139	-	4,372	-	6	1,383	168	1	234	2	147	425	-	561	11
Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City	39	-	334	-	4	313	84 11				- 50	200	-		-
N.J.	38	-	791	-	1	338	37	-	55	-	1	34	-	-	-
Pa.	10	-	1,537	-	1	384	36	•	93	-	48	103	-	22	1
E.N. CENTRAL	69	-	71	-	11	3,522	252	8	288	-	304	775	-	317	31
Ohio	15	-	!	-	2	537	81	7	69	-	87	139	-	283	1
Ind. III	27	-	26		2	1 344	73	2	110	-	53	315	-	6	18
Mich.	21	-	41	-	-	473	53	1	84	-	33	69	-	25	9
Wis.	3	-	2	-	7	752	23	-	19	-	71	155	-	1	3
W.N. CENTRAL	29	1	34	-	14	845	86	1	93	9	135	143	-	17	14
Minn.	8		.7	-	13	362	18		17	-	45	21	-	6	9
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S. ATLANTIC Del	186	9	460	2	- 22	1,248	284	- 24	1,110	-	199	241			10
Md.	51	-	173	2†	3	212	27	4	211	-	48	59		6	2
D.C.	12	:		-	2	22	13	:	23	1	1	14	·	1	1
Va. W. Va	40	1	25	-	5	84	30	4	53	-	18	17	:	-	1
N.C.	12	1	41	-	3	30	49	3	229	1	32	65	-	2	-
S.C.	9	-	13	•	-	4	28	11	358	-	11	5	-	-	-
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E.S. CENTRAL	20	-	7	-	3	186	103		156			132	:	100	4
Tenn.	11	-	6	-	i	93	32	-	128	3	31	64	-	100	3
Ala.	7	-	-	-	1	25	32	-	9	4	44	61	-	-	•
Miss.	-	-	-	-	-	26	2	-	19	-	2	7	-	-	-
W.S. CENTRAL	61	6	181	-	14	4,268	115	2	344	14	71	142	·	7	66
Ark. Is	7	-	-		5	42	18	-	42	2	12	14	-	1	3
Okla.	7		-	-	-	174	13	-	14	2	27	43	-		1
Tex.	32	6	181	-	9	4,042	60	2	265	10	24	59	-	6	62
MOUNTAIN	34	8	1,177	-	19	924	61	2	258	61	227	260	2	19	109
Mont.	1	-	-	-	-	1	10	-	-	-	3	32	-	-	14
Wvo.	2	1	42/	-	2	26	1	2	8	-	23	4/	-	-	49
Colo.	9	-	i	-	5	138	11	-	123	8	80	84	-	1	4
N. Mex.	6	-	117	-	5	93	8	N	N	4	35	17	-	-	-
Ariz. Litah	13	-	393	-	-	303	18	1	97	49	57	49		2	32
Nev.	1	<u>'</u> .	18	-	1	220	6	1	13	-	24	4	i	5	2
PACIFIC	266		1 995		69	9 543	376	8	590	7	308	621		217	
Wash.	18		46	-	15	254	51	ĕ	160	3	100	141	-		525
Oreg.	5	-	49	-	33	212	47	N	N	-	60	65	-	3	9
Alaska	239	•	1,895	-	13	8,984 ຂດ	268	-	397	4	190	273	•	201	503
Hawaii	4	-	4	-	5	13	2	2	23	-	36	4 38	-	1	15
Guam	-	u		υ		1		П	-	ш			ш	-	1.
P.R.	1	-	93	-	1	1,640	15		9	1	45	6		1	
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TABLE II. (Cont'd.) Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 21, 1991, and September 22, 1990 (38th Week)

*For measles only, imported cases includes both out-of-state and international importations.

Reporting Area	Sур (Primary &	hilis Secondary)	Toxic- shock Syndrome	Tuber	culosis	Tula- remia	Typhoid Fever	Typhus Fever (Tick-borne) (RMSF)	Rabies, Animal
nopot ing the	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1990	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1990	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991	Cum. 1991
UNITED STATES	29,675	35,414	217	16,028	17,015	139	303	487	4,640
NEW ENGLAND	761	1,257	11	467	405	4	32	6	58
Maine	1	7	4	30	6	-	1	-	-
N.H.	12	44	1	5	3	:	1	-	2
Mass.	358	489	6	234	216	4	27	5	-
R.I.	42	15	-	69	52	-	-	-	-
Conn.	347	701	-	123	120		3	-	4 500
MID. ATLANTIC	4,694	6,988 652	35	3,700	4,047	1	60 12	1/	1,562
N.Y. City	2,389	3,314	2	2,284	2,535	-	30	-	-
N.J.	973	1,148		647	674	-	15	6	718
Pa.	1,229	1,8/4	17	219	537		3	4	270
E.N. CENTRAL	3,617	2,464	41	1,626	1,632	6	24	40 23	135
Ind	129	64	-	156	144	-	-	10	14
III.	1,729	980	14	859	834	3	9	4	31
Mich.	891	745	8	295	306	2	10	3	31
WIS.	361	290	-		440	-	-	-	
W.N. CENTRAL	542	396	34	3/4	440	41	5	32	239
lowa	55	56	, 7	52	44	-	-	1	127
Mo.	387	207	11	166	227	34	1	20	16
N. Dak.	1	1	1	27	1/	-		1	/5 143
Nebr.	12	9	i	15	15	-	2	5	14
Kans.	36	50	7	40	49	2	•	5	44
S. ATLANTIC	8,917	11,460	20	3,053	3,191	4	56	210	1,086
Del.	121	135	1	21	31	-	10		119
Md. DC	726	788	1	132	118	-	2	- 23	10
Va.	657	641	4	259	274	-	8	12	186
W. Va.	21	11	-	51	52	-	1	4	44
N.C.	1,425	1,290	8	418	355	i	3	31	80
Ga.	2,187	2,953	-	587	541	i	5	25	191
Fla.	2,100	4,014	3	1,003	1,165	1	23	1	27
E.S. CENTRAL	3,343	3,137	9	1,097	1,235	17	2	90	128
Ky.	71	71	4	259	285	4	2	23	37
lenn. Ala	1,127	1,218	5	323	339	12	-	16	62
Miss.	922	843	-	235	236	-	-	-	-
W.S. CENTRAL	5.419	6.018	14	1,986	2,029	40	20	82	489
Ark.	478	447	3	166	262	28	;	21	36
La.	1,867	1,841	,	184	236	- 11	4	61	139
Ukla. Tex.	2,933	3.547	47	1.512	1,384	'i	14	-	309
MOUNTAIN	444	636	27	433	410	21	7	7	185
Mont.	6	-	1	6	22	8	-	5	36
ldaho	4	6	-	5	10	:	-	-	4
Wyo.	9	1	-	3	26	1	1	2	20
N. Mex.	24	32	6	58	81	2	i	-	4
Ariz.	265	456	5	234	183	1	4	-	33
Utah Nev	6 67	8 91	10	40 54	32 51	3	1	-	6
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Wash.	1,938	3,058	26	3,292	210	2	5	2	
Oreg.	56	102	-	84	96	2	4	1	5
Calif.	1,748	2,630	23	2,804	3,152	1	85	-	329
Hawaii	4 4	16	-	46	128	-	3	-	1
Guam	7		-	1.10	24	_	-	-	
P.R.	315	223	-	167	66	-	9	-	52
V.I.	80	10	-	2	4	-		-	-
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TABLE II. (Cont'd.) Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 21, 1991, and September 22, 1990 (38th Week)

U: Unavailable

		All Cau	ises, B	y Age (Years)		P&I**			All Cau	ises, B	γ Age (Years)		P&I**
Reporting Area	All Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total	tal Reporting Area		≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total
NEW ENGLAND Boston, Mass. Bridgeport, Conn. Cambridge, Mass. Fall River, Mass. Hartford, Conn. Lowell, Mass. New Bedford, Mass. New Bedford, Mass. New Bedford, Mass. New Haven, Conn. Providence, R.I. Somerville, Mass. Waterbury, Conn. Worcester, Mass. Waterbury, Conn. Worcester, Mass. MID. ATLANTIC Albany, N.Y. Allentown, Pa. Buffalo, N.Y. Camden, N.J. Eirzaheth, N.J.	Ages 603 177 47 14 18 57 19 10 21 45 32 7 4 39 76 2,743 45 19 100 31 39 76 2,743 45 19 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	390 107 32 11 14 38 11 17 28 18 37 27 50 1,758 34 15 70 21 8	45-64 115 32 7 3 4 7 3 4 7 5 1 3 3 8 6 21 517 5 4 20 9 3	25-44 68 255 6 - - 9 9 1 2 7 7 6 3 36 2 332 5 - 6 1 1	1-24 17 61 - 22 2 - 1 - 1 3 - 1 59 - 1 2 1 2 1	<1 13 7 1 - - 2 - - - 2 77 1 - 3 - - 3	45 8 3 - 1 5 2 - 4 4 - 1 6 2 9 120 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	S. ATLANTIC Atlanta, Ga. Baltimore, Md. Charlotte, N.C. Jacksonville, Fla. Miami, Fla. Norfo'k, Va. Richmond, Va. Savannah, Ga. St. Petersburg, Fla. Washington, Dcl. Wilmington, Dcl. Wilmington, Dcl. E.S. CENTRAL Birmingham, Ala. Chattanooga, Tenn. Knoxville, Tenn. Louisville, Ky. Memphis, Tenn.	Ages 1,225 152 236 89 102 97 62 93 35 60 168 99 32 756 60 168 99 32 752 92 92 87 173 89 41	719 76 149 56 57 61 33 45 12 40 116 51 23 479 54 40 62 55 54 102 58	+3-04 262 262 366 167 277 111 300 101 114 300 102 102 102 102 102 102 102 1	255-44 157 25 39 8 14 14 9 12 6 - 12 16 2 58 11 1 6 7 13 7 25 7 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	52 7 7 8 3 3 6 1 5 6 6 6 6 2 6 6 3 - - 5 8 3 1	- 334514 · 6 · 64 · 3 · 315254521	57 4 19 5 9 1 4 2 1 2 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
Erize, Pa.1 Jersey City, N.J. New York City, N.J. Newark, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Philadelphia, Pa. Philadelphia, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.1 Syracuse, N.Y. Trenton, N.J. Utica, N.Y. Yonkers, N.Y. E.N. CENTRAL Akron, Ohio Canton, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Detroit, Mich.	1,466 86 19 400 53 40 131 20 22 132 2,171 85 48 48 480 161 95 146 239	34 24 875 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36	3 3 282 266 4 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78	1 6 225 13 1 41 3 3 11 2 2 8 2 5 2 3 2 104 15 5 16 9 39		6 46 4 10 1 1 2 2 3 1 2 5 5 6 2 12 5 6 1 1 10	- 1 1 50 8 - 18 2 4 8 2 - 7 6 - 4 99 15 18 2 20 2 2	Montgomery, Ala. Nashville, Tenn. 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. MOUNTAIN Albuquerque, N.M. Colo. Springs, Colo. Denver, Colo. Las Vegas, Nev. Ogden, Utah Phoenix, Ariz. Pueblo, Colo. Salt Lake City, Utah Tucson, Ariz.	41 130 1,422 79 56 185 60 89 356 79 125 185 89 356 79 125 185 42 98 719 90 48 113 132 22 140 182 132 132 132 132 132 132 132 132 132 13	29 79 826 44 43 36 94 43 34 50 77 1100 29 63 34 49 53 34 49 53 34 49 53 34 49 63 83 18 86 14 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 97 96 96 97 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96	28 3066 155 11 11 35 35 35 35 35 35 39 16 28 39 39 16 28 39 39 16 22 149 17 8 8 22 149 17 8 3 3 9 3 1 1 1 1 1 3 4 3 15 3 5 3 5 3 5 3 5 3 5 3 5 3 5 3 5 3	3 10 156 9 39 6 11 41 4 7 22 6 75 10 6 16 13 2 9 3 5 5	- 6 7624299-3165108834 184-522133	- 7 58 2 3 7 8 6 - 18 4 3 4 - 3 27 5 - 5 1 - 8 - 5 - 5 1 - 8 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	
Fort Wayne, Ind. Gary, Ind. Grand Rapids, Mich. Indianapolis, Ind. Madison, Wis. Milwaukee, Wis. Peoria, Ill. Rockford, Ill. South Bend, Ind. Toledo, Ohio Youngstown, Ohio W.N. CENTRAL Des Moines, Iowa Duiuth, Minn. Kansas City, Kans. Kansas City, Mon. Lincoln, Nebr. Minneapolis, Minn. Omaha, Nebr. St. Louis, Mon. St. Paul, Minn. Wichita, Kans.	62 15 49 198 40 136 42 39 50 8 53 748 27 25 31 102 238 73 125 238 73 125 57	47 11 36 123 98 34 35 66 43 518 19 66 43 19 19 60 19 174 46 929 37	12 2 7 43 9 30 7 6 8 23 4 137 7 1 9 22 5 42 127 10 12	1 2 3 9 5 5 1 1 4 5 3 58 1 4 2 6 1 1 2 5 1 2 4	1 - 14 12 - 1223 19 12 - 57 112	1 - 2321 - 12 - 2111 - 2 - 53432	4 ' 4 4 2 8 ' 3 6 5 2 35 2 ' ' 3 ' 17 4 4 1 4	PACIFIC Berkeley, Calif. Fresno, Calif. Glendale, Calif. Honolulu, Hawaii Long Beach, Calif. Dostland, Calif. Pasadena, Calif. Portland, Oreg. Sacramento, Calif. San Francisco, Calif. San Francisco, Calif. Seattle, Wash. Spokane, Wash. Tacoma, Wash. TOTAL	1,938 24 24 11 86 89 568 U 34 151 153 181 150 146 139 40 88 12,325 ^{+†}	1,251 16 46 12 61 58 345 26 110 102 116 87 96 90 30 30 56	354 5 11 2 16 14 107 0 3 25 26 30 33 33 33 27 7 5 2,446	223 2 9 3 5 11 75 3 11 19 25 21 11 15 1 12 1,379	69 2 1 2 4 28 U 3 5 6 6 4 5 3 479	36 1 3 - 2 2 9 U 2 2 1 3 3 2 2 2 2 3 51	100 1 4 1 26 7 26 0 2 7 7 12 16 3 8 1 1 4 2 598

TABLE III. Deaths in 121 U.S. cities,* week ending September 21, 1991 (38th 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. t†Total includes unknown ages.

SReport for this week is unavailable (U).

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Data on homicide followed by suicide are limited because many law enforcement agencies do not compile statistics on such incidents. No national figures exist on the incidence of homicide followed by suicide. Improved data collection and data linkage will be required to better define the scope of the problem.

As a result of increased public concern in Kentucky, the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association has formed a homicide/suicide task force, and the state attorney general has created the Task Force on Domestic Violence Crime. Both include persons from social service and criminal justice agencies and local and state government. A curriculum for school children on prevention of family violence has been developed by the Kentucky Department of Education.

Although efforts to prevent homicide and suicide have been attempted, none have focused on combined events. Based on data in this study, potential interventions include improving enforcement of existing domestic violence laws, improving access to spouse-abuse shelters, preventing drug and alcohol abuse, and controlling firearms. *References*

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Health Objectives for the Nation

Current Tobacco, Alcohol, Marijuana, and Cocaine Use Among High School Students – United States, 1990

Patterns of tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use usually are established during youth, often persist into adulthood, contribute substantially to the leading causes of mortality and morbidity (1), and are associated with lower educational achievement and school dropout (2-5). This report presents selected data on current use of tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, and cocaine among 9th–12th grade students from two components of the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (6): 1) the 1990 national school-based Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) conducted during April–May 1990 and 2) similar surveys conducted by departments of education in 22 states and four cities during the same time period.

The national survey used a three-stage sample design to obtain a probability sample of 11,631 students in grades 9–12 in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. The 26 state and local sites used a variety of sampling schemes: 14 drew probability samples from well-defined sampling frames of schools and students, allowing computation of weighted results of known precision; nine drew probability samples of both schools and students, but either low overall response rates or unavailable documentation precluded weighting the data or making estimates of precision; and three used nonprobability samples of either schools or students (Table 1).

For the state and local surveys, school response rates ranged from 31% to 100%; student response rates ranged from 54% to 94%. Sample sizes ranged from 378 to

		School	Student								Race/Ethnicity	(%)	
	Sample	response	response	Gende	r (%)		Grad	e (%)		Black,	White,		
Site	size	rate (%)	rate (%)	Female	Male	9	10	11	12	non-Hispanic	non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Other
State surveys													
Alabama*	2,112	89	90	50	50	24	40	29	7	32	65	1	2
Colorado* [†]	1,353	63	94	48	52	26	20	31	23	4	76	12	7
District of Columbia* [§]	1,461	94	57	55	45	7	36	25	31	86	3	5	6
Georgia*	2,384	77	84	51	49	22	27	28	23	39	59	1	2
Kansas [¶]	513	36	84	51	49	36	33	18	11	7	83	4	6
Kentucky**	5,675	NA ^{††}	NA	52	48	54	1	1	44	5	92	1	3
Massachusetts**	1,907	64	81	50	50	27	23	26	23	3	88	2	6
Mississippi*	4,494	63	8355	52	48	24	25	26	26	50	47	1	2
Nebraska	2,237	83	NA	50	50	30	31	18	20	6	86	4	5
New Hampshire [¶]	1,629	100	67	51	49	32	30	22	15	1	93	1	5
New Mexico*	3,524	84	80	54	46	29	27	23	21	2	30	36	32
New York [†] **	3,878	64	86	50	50	21	27	25	27	6	84	2	7
North Carolina										-	•••	-	
9th Grade*	1,871	64	88	50	50	88	5	2	4	24	71	1	4
12th Grade*	1,574	62	90	56	44	3	Ō	Ō	96	27	69	1	3
Oklahoma**	652	31	59 ^{§§}	52	48	26	28	26	20	3	80	3	14
Oregon**	2.046	31	63	54	46	25	30	22	21	3	82	3	14
Pennsylvania [†] **	2,495	51	91	52	48	24	28	27	21	10	85	1	4
South Carolina**	5,571	57	84	51	49	29	28	22	21	41	55	1	3
South Dakota*	1,495	84	91	52	48	32	20	25	23	1	83	i	15
Tennessee**	1,891	44	78 ^{§§}	51	49	22	26	33	19	25	72	i	2
Utah*	3,488	94	89	51	49	32	27	23	18	1	88	4	7
West Virginia*	1,445	80	84	49	51	40	20	21	20	7	89	0 0	3
Wisconsin**	1,027	39	80	50	50	34	21	29	17	8	87	1	3
Local surveys													-
Dallas*	3.211	100	79	51	49	31	42	18	9	49	17	29	4
Ft. Lauderdale**	1.049	100	54	56	44	26	20	26	28		68	9	5
Jersev City*	378	100	80	52	48	29	22	25	24	38	13	32	16
Miami*	1.922	100	79	53	47	26	26	25	23	57	9	28	6
National survey	11.631	74	87	51	49	24	26	25	25	20	54	20	6

TABLE 1. Size, response rates, and demographic characteristics of samples – selected U.S. sites and United States, Youth 표 Risk Behavior Surveys, 1990

*Probability sample, weighted data.

[†]Survey did not include students from the largest city.

⁵Categorized as a state for funding purposes.

¹Nonprobability sample, unweighted data.

**Probability sample, unweighted data.

^{††}Not available.

^{§§}Estimated response rate.

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5675 students. Students in most samples were distributed evenly across grades and between genders. The racial/ethnic characteristics of the samples varied considerably (Table 1).

Among the state and local surveys, rates varied for current tobacco, alcohol, and drug use during the 30 days preceding the survey (Table 2): 9%–37% of students (median: 31%) reported smoking at least one cigarette; 1%–20% (median: 11%) reported using smokeless tobacco; 28%–64% (median: 54%) reported having at least one drink of alcohol; 17%–47% (median: 35%) reported having five or more drinks on

	Tob	acco		Alcohol	Other drugs		
Site	Cigarettes	Smokeless	Any use	≥5 drinks on 1 occasion	Marijuana	Cocaine	
State surveys							
Alabama [†]	33	14	50	35	7	2	
Colorado ^{†§}	31	13	60	38	16	2	
District of							
Columbia ^{†¶}	9	1	37	17	3	1	
Georgia [†]	25	12	50	31	9	1	
Kansas**	31	12	59	41	7	4	
Kentucky ^{††}	37	15	51	35	14	2	
Massachusetts⁺⁵	29	7	60	38	17	2	
Mississippi⁺	28	11	54	37	11	2	
Nebraska**	32	14	56	37	10	2	
New Hampshire**	30	8	56	37	14	3	
New Mexico [†]	32	13	61	45	11	3	
New York ^{stt}	32	7	64	42	16	2	
North Carolina							
9th Grade [†]	27	11	43	26	11	2	
12th Grade [†]	32	8	58	41	14	2	
Oklahoma ⁺⁺	34	16	62	47	14	3	
Oregon ^{††}	NA⁵⁵	NA	47	30	14	3	
Pennsylvania ^{§††}	32	13	54	33	12	2	
South Carolina ^{††}	29	9	53	34	11	2	
South Dakota [†]	34	19	62	42	12	2	
Tennessee ^{tt}	31	12	50	31	15	3	
Utah [†]	20	8	28	19	8	2	
West Virginia [†]	37	20	55	42	17	2	
Wisconsin ^{††}	33	10	63	43	10	1	
Local surveys							
Dallas [†]	19	3	50	31	8	2	
Ft. Lauderdale ^{††}	24	4	56	30	14	1	
Jersey City [†]	23	2	46	27	8	2	
Miami ⁺	14	2	47	25	9	1	
National survey	32	10	59	37	14	2	

TABLE 2. Percentage of students reporting current use* of tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, and cocaine — selected U.S. sites and United States, Youth Risk Behavior Surveys, 1990

*During the 30 days preceding the survey.

[†]Probability sample, weighted data.

[§]Survey did not include students from the largest city.

[¶]Categorized as a state for funding purposes.

**Nonprobability sample, unweighted data.

⁺⁺Probability sample, unweighted data.

^{§§}Not available.

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one occasion; 3%–17% (median: 12%) reported using marijuana at least once; and 1%–4% (median: 2%) reported using any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase. At most sites, more male than female students reported these behaviors. The median prevalence estimates from the state and local surveys were similar to the national prevalence estimates (Table 2).

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Editorial Note: Because the quality of the samples varied among the state and local surveys, comparisons of data across sites should be made with caution. Nonetheless, these results can be useful in planning and evaluating broad national, state, and local interventions and monitoring progress toward achieving National Education Goals and health objectives. Goal 6 of the National Education Goals (7) aims to have every school in the United States free of drugs and violence and offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning by the year 2000. The results presented in this report will be incorporated in the first progress report on the status of the National Education Goals to be released September 30, 1991.

Year 2000 national health objectives 3.5, 3.9, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 4.8, and 4.11 are to reduce the use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs among youth (8). For example, objective 4.6 states that among youth aged 12–17 the prevalence of alcohol use during the previous 30 days should be no more than 12.6%, that of marijuana use no more than 3.2%, and that of cocaine use no more than 0.6%. Prevalence rates from the national YRBS for 9th–12th grade students were four times higher for alcohol and marijuana use and three times higher for cocaine use than these objectives. Furthermore, most states and cities that conducted a YRBS have not reached these national objectives. To meet the National Education Goals and the national health objectives, efforts to help youth reduce current use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs will need to increase among federal, state, and local education, health, and drug-control agencies; families; media; legislators; relevant community organizations; and youth themselves.

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