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# POLIOMYELITIS 

S U R V E I L L A N C E

VI. POLIOMYELITIS IN WEST GERMANY

## PREFACE

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## SUMMARY

During the ten week period ending June 1, 1963, there were 21 cases of poliomyelitis reported, 18 of which were paralytic. The total for the year thus far is 56 cases ( 48 paralytic), considerably below a comparable period in any previous year.

In Section 2, the most recent available data on known mass community oral vaccination programs is presented. From dates of licensure through April 1963, more than 41 million persons have received Type $I$ oral polio vaccine, 24 million Type II, and 19 million Type III.

A final report on the 909 cases of poliomyelitis reported in 1962 appears in Section 3. Analysis by diagnostic classification, age group, inactivated poliomyelitis vaccine status and viral isolations is presented for all reported cases. Additionally, the 47 fatalities related to poliomyelitis in 1962 are examined in regard to age and vaccination status. Age specific case fatality rates are also presented and demonstrate a steady rise in the paralytic case fatality rate with increasing age.

A total of 25 cases of poliomyelitis had onsets of illness during 1962 occurring within 30 days following inactivated poliomyelitis vaccination. The data are summarized in Section 4. None with onsets in 1963 have been reported thus far. During the last ten weeks, nine cases (eight with 1963 onsets) have been reported as having occurred within 30 days following receipt of oral polio vaccine. These are also discussed in Section 4.

The reported cases of paralytic poliomyelitis since oral vaccine licensure with onsets less than 30 days after receiving OPV are analyzed (Section 5) by type of vaccine administered and age. The cases following Type III predominate and are strikingly clustered in the over 30 year old age groups.

Recent poliomyelitis morbidity trends in West Germany show a considerable decrease when compared to previous years. A summary of West Germany's recent experience with poliomyelitis and a comparison of 1962 morbidity data from several other European countries is presented in Section 6 .

1. CURRENT POLIOMYELITIS MORBIDITY TRENDS

Twenty-one cases of poliomyelitis, (18 paralytic) have been reported during the ten week period ending June 1, 1963. No more than three cases have occurred during any single week. Four cases have been reported from California, three from Louisiana, and two from Florida and Ohio.

The cumulative totals for 1963 and the four preceding years are presented below. The totals for the current year remain considerably less than in previous years.

Poliomyelitis (Cumulated Weekly) through the 22nd Week for 1963 and the Past Four Years

|  | $\frac{1963}{}$ | $\frac{1962}{}$ | $\frac{1961}{}$ | $\frac{1960}{}$ | $\frac{1959}{48}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Paralytic | 415 | 127 | 237 | 405 |  |
| Total | 56 | 152 | 185 | 331 | 581 |

During the past six weeks, eleven cases have been reported, strikingly less than during a similar period in the preceding four years. These six week totals are tabulated below.

Poliomyelitis (17th thru 22nd Week) for 1963 and the Past Four Years

|  | $\frac{1963}{}$ |  | 1962 |  | 1961 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Paralytic | 8 | 54 | 45 | 55 | 1960 |  |
| Total | 11 | 63 | 58 | 79 | 227 |  |

2. Known Oral Poliomyelitis Vaccination Programs

Through April 1963 more than 41 million persons have been reported to the Poliomyelitis Surveillance Unit as having received Type I oral polio vaccine since licensure in August 1961, in mass community programs. There have been 24 million fed Type II (since licensure in October 1961) and almost 19 million of Type III (from licensure in March 1962) in mass programs.

The following tables show reported vaccine usage of each type by month utilized as well as by State.

The amount of vaccine distributed by the pharmaceutical companies exceeds these figures. Some of this vaccine has been purchased but not as yet used; some will have been distributed by private practitioners and in clinics apart from the mass programs; and, in addition, with many of the programs there has been some small proportion of "wastage". The total number of individuals actually fed the vaccine will lie somewhere between these two figures. A comparative table is shown below.

Reported fed in mass programs

| I | II | III |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 41,296 | 24,130 | 18,755 |
| 64,734 | 57,298 | 51,955 |

ORAL POLIO VACCINE BY MONTH OF ADMINISTRATION FROM DATES OF LICENSURE
II II II

August 1961
September
October
November
December
January 1962
February
March
April
May
June
July
August
September
October
November
December
January 1963
February
March
April

Unk. Month 1962

TOTAL
41,296,376
24,130,209
18,755,289

## MASS ORAL POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION PROGRAMS FROM MONTH

 OF VACCINE LICENSURE THROUGH APRIL 1963ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DOSES FED

| State | August 1961 Type I | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } 1961 \\ & \text { Type II } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } 1962 \\ \text { Type III } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 341,737 | 266,882 | 0 |
| Alaska | 72,617 | 81 | 0 |
| Arizona | 957,953 | 867,430 | 890,353 |
| Arkansas | 689,84.5 | 92,106 | 192,381 |
| California | 10,001,777 | 5,786,576 | 3,182,681 |
| Colorado | 745,781 | 689,946 | 712,531 |
| Connecticut | 799,836 | 0 | 7,233 |
| Delaware | 892 | 0 | 887 |
| D. C. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Florida | 222,543 | 200,941 | 185,346 |
| Georgia | 487,958 | 443,570 | 1,190 |
| Hawaii | 483,883 | 478,419 | 0 |
| Idaho | 259,081 | 9,837 | 0 |
| Illinois | 614,464 | 172,543 | 77,052 |
| Indiana | 227,925 | 170,830 | 68,958 |
| Iowa | 266,750 | 179,375 | 171,900 |
| Kansas | 1,038,882 | 1,102,000 | 24,000 |
| Kentucky | 997,955 | 227,594 | 685,622 |
| Louisiana | 200,000 | 200,000 | 100,000 |
| Maine | 265,162 | 103,066 | 17,603 |
| Maryland | 1,078,271 | 995,049 | 93,143 |
| Massachusetts | 1,379,828 | 0 | 1,888,640 |
| Michigan | 51,200 | 22,300 | 100,980 |
| Minnesota | 844,219 | 1,346,470 | 853,609 |
| Mississippi | 26,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Missouri | 0 | 0 |  |
| Montana | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nebraska | 911,356 | 816,133 | 931,422 |
| Nevada | 248,032 | 227,457 | 133,000 |
| New Hampshire | 138,178 | 116,645 | 108,498 |
| New Jersey | 190 | 0 | 0 |
| New Mexico | 448,073 | 453,065 | 0 |
| New York | 865,158 | 181,792 | 743,273 |
| North Carolina | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| North Dakota | 146,332 | 44,672 | 964 |
| Ohio | 5,823,621 | 4,401,853 | 4,337,082 |
| Oklahoma | 838,239 | 320,690 | 101,276 |
| Oregon | 0 | 0 | 804,239 |
| Pennsylvania | 696,706 | 83,902 | 91,144 |
| Rhode Island | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| South Carolina | 25,550 | 24,083 | 24,365 |
| South Dakota | 609,650 | 0 | 10,000 |
| Tennessee | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Texas | 6,599,959 | 3,678,417 | 2,071,469 |
| Utah | 800,000 | 0 | 0 |

# MASS ORAL POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION PROGRAMS FROM MONTH OF VACCINE LICENSURE THROUGH APRIL 1963 <br> ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DOSES FED (Continued) 

## State

Vermont
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin
Wyoming
TOTAL

| August 1961 <br> Type I | October 1961 <br> Type II |
| :---: | :---: | | April 1962 |
| :---: |
| Type III |

10,843
1,235
320,888
311,393
357,011
79,403
41,296,376
24,130,209
18,755,289

## 3. 1962 POLIOMYELITIS REPORTED TO PSU - FINAL REPORT

During 1962, a total of 909 cases of poliomyelitis was reported to the Poliomyelitis Surveillance Unit on preliminary individual surveillance forms. Follow-up reports 60 days after onset of illness have been received on 886 of these cases ( $97.5 \%$ ). This excellent percentage of follow-up is due mainly to the diligent efforts of State and local health officials.

Analysis of the preliminary and the 60 day follow-up classification of cases is presented in Table I. The "Best Available Paralytic Case Count" is 683 and consists of the 666 cases with residual paralysis plus the 17 cases with the preliminary classification "paralytic," but without known follow-up.

Similarly, the "Best Available Non-paralytic Case Count" is composed of the following: (1) Cases preliminarily reported as paralytic poliomyelitis but without residual paralysis at the time of final classification (80 cases); (2) Nonparalytic poliomyelitis (92 cases); (3) Aseptic meningitis ( 43 cases) and (4) Five cases whose preliminary diagnoses were nonparalytic polio but without follow-up. This total of 218 cases includes infections caused by polioviruses as well as other viruses.

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## TABLE I

## POLIOMYELITIS CASES BY PRELIMINARY DIAGNOSIS AND FINAL CLASSIFICATION, UNITED STATES, 1962

|  | Preliminary Diagnosis |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Final Classification | Paralytic | NonParalytic | Unspec. | Total |
| Paralytic polio with residual paralysis | 656 | 10 | 0 | 666 |
| Paralytic polio - no residual paralysis | 79 | 0 | 1 | 80 |
| Nonparalytic polio | 0 | 92 | 0 | 92 |
| Aseptic Meningitis Syndrome | 9 | 34 | 0 | 43 |
| Other Diagnosis | 4 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| No Follow-up | 17 | 3 | 3 | 23 |
| TOTAL | 765 | 140 | 4 | 909 |

The final case count is presented in Table II by paralytic status 60 days after onset, age group, and by history of receipt of inactivated vaccine. As in recent years, paralytic cases were concentrated in the preschool age group ( $49.5 \%$ ) whereas the nonparalytic cases were distributed more uniformly throughout childhood. Sixty-four percent of the paralytic cases were unvaccinated compared to 41 percent of the nonparalytic cases. Twenty-one percent of the paralytic cases had received three or more doses of inactivated poliomyelitis vaccine, compared to 42 percent among the nonparalytic cases.

POLIONYELITIS CASES BY FARALYTIC STATUS,* AGE GROUP, AND INACTIVATED VACCINATION HISTORY KEPORTED IN THE UNITED STATES 1962

| Age <br> Group | Paralytic |  |  |  |  |  |  | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Doses of Inactivated Vaccine |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | O | 1 | $\underline{2}$ | 3 | 4+ | Unk. | Total |  |
| 0-4 | 240 | 26 | 26 | 17 | 21 | 8 | 338 | 49.5 |
| 5-9 | 68 | 7 | 9 | 26 | 26 | 3 | 139 | 20.4 |
| 10-14 | 23 | 5 | 10 | 17 | 13 | 2 | 70 | 10.2 |
| 15-19 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 26 | 3.8 |
| 20-29 | 39 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 52 | 7.6 |
| 30-39 | 25 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 36 | 5.3 |
| $40+$ | 18 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 22 | 3.2 |
| TOTAL | 425 | 46 | 55 | 70 | 69 | 18 | 683 | 100.0 |
| PERCENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DOSES | 63.9 | 6.9 | 8.3 | 10.5 | 10.4 | - | 100.0 |  |

Nonparalytic

| $0-4$ | 24 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 60 | 27.5 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $5-9$ | 21 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 22 | 1 | 56 | 25.7 |
| $10-14$ | 12 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 11 | - | 39 | 17.9 |
| $15-19$ | 8 | 3 | - | 5 | 6 | 2 | 24 | 11.0 |
| $20-29$ | 10 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 19 | 8.7 |
| $30-39$ | 6 | - | - | 3 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 5.5 |
| $40+$ | 5 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 3.7 |

*Based on final classification 60 days after onset.

There were 47 fatalities attributed to poliomyelitis during the year 1962, 92 percent having had bulbar involvement. The fatalities are presented by history of receipt of inactivated vaccine and age group in Table III. It will be noted that the case-fatality rate increases with age, being lowest among pre-school children and highest in the over 40 age group. Thirty of the 44 in whom vaccination status is known had received no vaccine.

TABLE III
POLIOMYELITIS DEATHS BY DOSES OF INACTIVATED VACCINE AND AGE GROUP, UNITED STATES, 1962

| Age <br> Group | Doses of Vaccine |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Total Para. Cases | Paralytic Case Fatality Rate/100 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | $4+$ | Unk. |  |  |  |
| 0-4 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 338 | 4.4 |
| 5-9 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 139 | 5.0 |
| 10-14 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 70 | 11.4 |
| 15-19 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 26 | 11.5 |
| 20-29 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 52 | 11.5 |
| 30-39 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 36 | 11.1 |
| 40+ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 22 | 18.2 |
| TOTAL | 30 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 47 | 683 | 6.9 |

Specimens for virologic study were obtained from 464 (68 percent) of the cases of paralytic poliomyelitis reported in 1962 (Table IV). Isolates were obtained from 401 of these, 398 of them being polioviruses as follows: Type I, 294; Type II, 8; Type III, 95. Of the Type I isolates 31.2 percent were from Texas.

TABLE IV


*Types I and III Isolated.
4. ROUTINE POLIOMYELITIS SURVEILLANCE
A. Cases with Onsets within 30 Days Following Inactivated Vaccine 1962 Final Report

During 1962, 25 cases of poliomyelitis occurring within 30 days following inoculation with inactivated polio vaccine were reported to the Poliomyelitis Surveillance Unit on individual case forms. Epidemic areas accounted for 14 of the cases ( 56 percent). In Texas intensive immunization programs were conducted during May through October of 1962 at the time of the Type I outbreak of poliomyelitis. In such a situation, an increased number of cases with recent immunizations is not unexpected.

Of the 25 cases reported, 19 were classified as paralytic and 6 nonparalytic on preliminary reports. There were 17 paralytic and 8 nonparalytic following correction for 60 -day final classification reports.

One case, from Mobile County, Alabama, was correlated as to vaccine site and site of first paralysis. There has been no indication of any break in vaccine safety during the year 1962. A line listing of these cases appears below.

To date, there have been no cases with onsets within 30 days following inactivated vaccine reported for 1963

## POLIOMYELITIS CASES OCCURRING WITHIN 30 DAYS FOLLOWING INACTIVATED POLIO VACCINE

## UNITED STATES, 1962

| State | County | Age | Race | Sex | Date of Onset | Date of Last IPV | IPV | OPV | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Virus } \\ & \text { Isol. } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Final } \\ & \text { Class. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Epidemic Area |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ala. | Tuscaloosa | 22 mos. |  | F | 7-8 | 6-29 | 3 | - | I | P | P |  |
| Ala. | Mobile | 4 | NW | M | 8-6 | 7-31 | 2 | - | I | P | P | * |
| Ala. | Choctaw | 6 | W | M | 9-17 | 9-15 | 0 | - | I | P | NP |  |
| Ark. | Washington | 11 | W | M | 11-6 | 10-29 | 0 | I | I | NP | NP |  |
| Calif. | Marin | 33 | W | F | 10-22 | 10-17 | 4 | I | III | NP | NP |  |
| Fla. | Orange | 2 | W | M | 8-12 | 7-26 | 3 | - | - | P | P |  |
| Ill. | Winnebago | 4 | 1 | M | 8-26 | 8-16 | 3 | - | Neg. | NP | NP |  |
| La. | Lincoln | 8 | NW | M | 10-27 | 10-11 | 5 | - | Neg, | P | P |  |
| Mich. | Oakland | 4 | Unk. | M | 8-11 | 8-1 | 0 | - | I | P | NP |  |
| Mich. | Presque Isle | ]. 2 | Unk. | M | 9-28 | 9-12 | 1 | - | - | P | P |  |
| Pa . | Cambria | 13 | W | M | 7-24 | 7-17 | 3 | Unk. | I | P | P | * |
| S.C. | Charleston | 18/12 | W | M | 9-26 | 9-14 | 2 | Unk. | 1 | P | P |  |
| Tenn. | Shelby | 18/12 | N6 | F | 10-19 | 11-11 | 3 | Unk. | II | P | P |  |
| Texas | Bexar | 4 | NW | M | 5-14 | 5-10 | 0 | - | I | P | P | * |
| Texas | Bexar | 17 | W | M | 5-19 | 5-15 | 0 | - | I | NP | NP | * |
| Texas | Bexar | 3 | W | M | 5-16 | 5-14 | 0 | - | I | NP | NP | * |
| Texas | Frio | 3 | W | M | 6-2 | 5-31 | 0 | I | - | NP | NP | * |
| Texas | Frio | 3 | W | M | 6-8 | 5-31 | 0 | I | I | P | P | * |
| Texas | Frio | 18/12 | W | M | 5-23 | 5-? | 1 | - | - | P | P | * |
| Texas | Wilson | 9/12 | W | M | 6-4 | 5-26 | 0 | - | - | P | P | * |
| Texas | Dallas | 2 | W | M | 6-27 | 6-23 | 0 | - | I | P | P | * |
| Texas | Lubbock | 2 | W | M | 7-1 | 6-21 | 0 | - | I | P | P | * |
| Texas | Coryell | 2 | W | F | 9-6 | 8-17 | 0 | - | - | P | P | * |
| Texas | Moore | 10 | W | M | 9-24 | 9-? | 2 | - | - | P | P | * |
| Texas | Dallas | 6 | NW | M | 9-6 | 8-27 | 4 | - | - | P | Unk. | * |

B. Cases with Onset Within 30 Days of Vaccine (Oral)

Nine additional cases of poliomyelitis, all paralytic, occurring within 30 days following oral vaccine have been reported on individual case forms. Eight had onsets of illness in 1963. Four of the cases received Type I vaccine within 30 days prior to onset, four received Type III and one case received Type II.

A line listing of the cases appears on the following page.

| State | County | Age | Sex | Onset | Date <br> Fed | Interval (Days) | Type <br> Fed | Doses <br> I.P.V. | Para. Status | Virus <br> Isol. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Texas | Harris | 12 | F | 12-2 | 12-21 | 19 | II | 4 | P | - |
|  |  |  |  | 1962 | 1962 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Calif. | Sacramento | 38 | M | 1-13 | 1-24 | 11 | III | 0 | P | III |
| Calif. | LosAngeles | 34 | M | 2-9 | 3-1 | 19 | III | 0 | P | - |
| Calif. | Shasta | 2 | M | 3-10 | 3-26 | 16 | III | 3 | P | III |
| La. | Evangeline | 10 | M | 2-10 | 2-14 | 4 | I | - | P | I |
| La. | Rapides | 4 | 1 | 4-7 | 4-14 | 7 | I | 5 | P | I |
| Texas | Bexar | 20 | M | 1-13 | 1-25 | 12 | III | 0 | P | III |
| Wash. | Yakima | 61 | F | 3-3 | 3-17 | 14 | I | 0 | P | I |
| Wisc. | Chippewa | 18 | M | 3-16 | 3-26 | 10 | I | 0 | P | I |

## 5. ANALYSIS OF CASES OF PARALYTIC POLIOMYELITIS OCCURRING WITHIN

## 30 DAYS AFTER ORAL POLIO VACCINE ADMINISTRATION

Following the last meeting of the Surgeon General's Oral Poliomyelitis Vaccine Advisory Committee Meeting on December 17 and 18, 1962, all under 30 day $O P V$ cases considered were presented in the form of a line listing (PSU Report No. 273). Since that time, 14 additional cases of paralytic polionyelitis have been reported following oral polio vaccine administration by less than 30 days, one of these had no residual paralysis at 60 days. Each of these cases appears in a line listing form either in this issue (Section 4) or in earlier reports this year (PSU Nos. 274, 275, and 276).

In the table on the following page these cases are listed by vaccine type fed. Cases previously adjudged by the Advisory Committee as either "compatible" or "inconclusive" (see PSU No. 273) are separately noted.

REPORTED CASES OF PARALYTIC POLIOMYELITIS FOLLOWING
O.P.V. BY LESS THAN 30 DAYS* (excluding cases from epidemic areas)

| Vaccine Type Administered | Cases Reported <br> Since 12/20/62 <br> No. Cases | Cases A1ready Considered By Committee |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No. Cases | No. Cases |
|  |  | "Compatible" | "Inconclusive" |
| Type I | 6 | 7 | 6 |
| Type II | 2** | 0 | 2 |
| Type III | 5 | 11 | 7 |

*Not included are (1) Cases with no residual paralysis at 60 days, and (2) Cases considered "excluded" by Committee.
**Includes one dubious case in 71 year oid man with history of previous severe trauma to involved extremity.

When the age distribution of these cases is examined (see Table below), it is apparent that most of the cases following Type III are among persons over age 30. There is a more even age distribution among those cases following Type I. The age distribution of all reported cases of paralytic poliomyelitis occurring during 1962 has been presented in Section 3.

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF CASES OF PARALYTIC POLIOMYELITIS FOLLOWING ORAL POLIO VACCINE BY LESS THAN 30 DAYS

Cases Following Type I

| Age |
| :---: |
| Group |
| $0-4$ |
| $5-9$ |
| $10-19$ |
| $20-29$ |
| $30-39$ |
| $40-49$ |
| $50+$ |

Total

Reported
Since $12 / 20$

Considered by Committee "Compatible" "Inconclusive"

Cases Following Type III
Reported Considered by Committee Since 12/20 "Compatibl.e" "Inconcl."

| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 2 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 3 | 4 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 3 | 4 |
|  |  | 11 |

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## 6. POLIOMYELITIS IN WEST GERMANY

A report on current morbidity trends from Dr. Werner Anders, Federal Health Ministry, West Germany, has been received at the Poliomyelitis Surveillance Unit. Through April 24, 1963, a total of 17 cases of poliomyelitis ( 14 paralytic) have been reported for 1963. This compares to 156 cases ( 121 paralytic) over a similar period in 1962 and 323 cases ( 260 paralytic) during this same period in 1961.

Annual totals for the years 1953 to 1962 are presented in the table below. Based on telegraphic reports, these figures show the 1962 incidence to be far below any previous year.

| Year | Total Cases | Through April 24 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1963 | 288 | 17 |
| 1962 | 4,594 | 156 |
| 1961 | 4,162 | 323 |
| 1960 | 2,100 |  |
| 1959 | 1,736 |  |
| 1958 | 2,403 |  |
| 1957 | 4,160 |  |
| 1956 | 3,113 |  |
| 1955 | 2,776 |  |
| 1954 | 2,333 |  |
| 1953 |  |  |

The incidence of polio in Germany during 1962 is compared to other nations of Western Europe in the table below, with attack rates for each country.

POLIOMYELITIS AMONG CERTAIN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, 1962

| Country | Reporting <br> Through <br> (Date) | Total Cases | Attack Rate per 100,000 pop. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| West Germany | 12-29-62 | 288 | 0.5 |
| Netherlands | 12-29-62 | 36 | 0.3 |
| Belgium | 12-29-62 | 149 | 1.7 |
| France | 12-15-62 | 1,021 | 2.3 |
| Switzerland | 12-22-62 | 12 | 0.2 |
| Austria | 12-29-62 | 31 | 0.4 |
| Czechoslovakia | 12-20-62 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Finland | 11-30-62 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Italy | 11-30-62 | 2,889 | 5.9 |
| Yugoslavia | 12-7-62 | 36 | 0.2 |
| Denmark | 8-31-62 | 10 | 0.2 |

## CURRENT U.S. POLIO INCIDENCE

 COMPARED WITH YEARS 1958, 1960, and 1962

Table 1
TREND OF 1963 POLIOMYELITIS INCIDENCE

| State | Cumula- | Cases Reported to CDC | Six | Comparable Six |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| and | tive | For Week Ending | Week | Weeks Totals in |
| Region | 1963 | $4 / 27$ | $5 / 4$ | $5 / 11$ |


| UNITED STATES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paralytic | 48 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 54 | 45 | 55 |
| Nonparalytic | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | 8 | 18 |
| Unspecified | 6 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| Total | 56 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 11 | 63 | 58 | 79 |

NEW ENGLAND
Paralytic

| $\quad$ Paralytic | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\quad$ Total | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Maine | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| New Hampshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Vermont | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Massachusetts | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
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| New Jersey | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | 1 |
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