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#### Early-Onset Group B Streptococcal Disease — United States, 1998–1999

Despite recent declines, early-onset group B streptococcus (GBS) is a leading cause of neonatal sepsis, resulting in approximately 2200 infections each year among children aged <7 days in the United States (1). To identify opportunities for improved prevention, the Active Bacterial Core Surveillance (ABCs)/Emerging Infections Program Network reviewed birth histories of infants with early-onset GBS disease. This report summarizes the results of this analysis and indicates that most mothers of infants with early-onset disease did not receive intrapartum antibiotics and that further declines in disease incidence are likely with better prevention efforts.

To prevent perinatal GBS disease, two strategies are recommended: the risk-based and the screening-based approach (2–4). Under the risk-based approach, women in labor who have risk factors for GBS transmission (e.g., fever, prolonged rupture of the membranes, or preterm delivery) are offered intrapartum chemoprophylaxis. Under the screening-based approach, all pregnant women are tested for GBS carriage between 35–37 weeks' gestation by collecting vaginal and rectal combined swabs, and GBS carriers are offered intrapartum chemoprophylaxis.

Birth histories of infants with early-onset GBS disease in 1998 and 1999 were evaluated to determine whether cases might have been prevented by either of these strategies. A case of early-onset GBS disease was defined as the isolation of group B streptococci from a normally sterile site from an infant aged <7 days born to a resident of the ABCs surveillance area (i.e., Connecticut, Maryland, Minnesota, and selected urban counties in California, Georgia, New York, Oregon, and Tennessee). To assess the quality of early-onset GBS disease intervention, surveillance staff reviewed prenatal GBS screening, risks for infection at the time of labor, receipt of intrapartum antibiotics, and infant outcome. In Connecticut, prenatal provider records also were reviewed. The incidence of early-onset disease was calculated using live birth data for 1997 from the National Center for Health Statistics.

Surveillance reports indicated 190 cases of early-onset GBS disease in 1998 and 153 cases in 1999 (Table 1). Maternal labor and delivery records were available for 181 (96%) infants in 1998 and 141 (92%) infants in 1999. The case fatality ratio was 5%. In 1999, the incidence of disease was 0.7 per 1000 live births among black infants, 0.5 among Hispanic infants, and 0.3 among white infants. Prenatal GBS testing was documented in 104 (35%) of 322 women; 36 (35%) had a positive result (Table 2). Among the 82 women who had documented dates of screening and gestational age at delivery, 52 (63%) were screened after 33 weeks of pregnancy. GBS culture site was documented for 55 (53%) of 104 screened women; three women had vaginal and rectal combined swabs

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TABLE 1. Incidence of early-onset group B streptococcal disease — Active Bacterial Core surveillance areas, United States, 1998–1999

		1998		1999
State*	No.	Incidence <sup>†</sup>	No.	Incidence
California	16	0.39	14	0.34
Connecticut	21	0.49	10	0.23
Georgia	55	0.92	44	0.74
Maryland	33	0.47	27	0.38
Minnesota	28	0.43	25	0.39
New York <sup>§</sup>	7	0.49	1	0.07
Oregon	11	0.56	10	0.51
Tennessee	19	0.58	18	0.55
Total	190	0.55	153	0.39

<sup>\*</sup> Selected counties were included in surveillance.

TABLE 2. Indications for group B streptococcal (GBS) disease among women who gave birth to infants with early-onset GBS disease — selected counties, eight states\*, 1998–1999

Indication	No. with indication	<b>%</b> †	No. treated with intrapartum antibiotics
Previous infant with GBS	1	<1%	1
GBS bacteriuria during pregnancy	14	4%	6
Positive prenatal GBS culture	36	11%	23
Preterm delivery (<37 weeks' gestation)	64	20%	24
Intrapartum fever ≥100.4 F (≥38 C)	61	19%	38
Prolonged rupture of membranes (≥18 hours)	39	14%	15
At least one risk factor§	143	44%	51
Unscreened or no test result			
and at least one risk factor	92	29%	28
No indication¶	128	40%	59

<sup>\*</sup> California, Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Minnesota, New York, Oregon, and Tennessee.

and 23 (22%) of 104 had vaginal swabs only. For 81 of 100 screened women, labor and delivery staff had access to GBS test results.

Intrapartum antibiotics were administered to 68 (21%) of 322 women who had infants with early-onset disease. Fifty-one (40%) of 128 women with a positive screen or at least one risk factor and no GBS test results received prophylactic antibiotics (Table 2). Thirty-eight (56%) of 68 women treated had fever, the most common indication among women receiving chemoprophylaxis; 15 (39%) of 38 women with fever received an initial dose of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Calculated as cases per 1000 live births using 1997 natality data from the National Center for Health Statistics.

<sup>§</sup> Cases from seven Rochester counties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Denominator was sometimes <322 because of missing values.

<sup>§</sup> Previous infant with GBS, GBS bacteriuria during pregnancy, preterm, temperature of ≥100.4 F (≥38C), or rupture of membranes for ≥18 hours.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>¶</sup> Unscreened, no GBS bacteriuria during pregnancy, no previous infants with GBS, term delivery, temperature of <100.4 F (<38 C), and rupture of membranes for <18 hours, or no documentation of these in mothers' labor and delivery records.

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antibiotics after presenting with fever. Intravenous ampicillin, clindamycin, and penicillin were the most commonly administered antibiotics (31%, 15%, and 14% respectively). The median time between admission and delivery among women receiving antibiotics was 12.5 hours (range: 0–846 hours), and the median time between administration of the first antibiotic dose and delivery was 3.5 hours (range: 0–299 hours). Twenty-three (34%) of 68 women first received antibiotics within 2 hours of delivery; 40 (59%) received one dose.

Early-onset isolates were evaluated for antibiotic susceptibilities to penicillin, clindamycin, erythromycin, and cephalothin or cefazolin from 164 patients in Georgia, Maryland, Minnesota, and Oregon. All isolates were susceptible to penicillin; 32 (20%) isolates were resistant to erythromycin and 25 (15%) were resistant to clindamycin. Minimum inhibitory concentrations for cefazolin were  $\leq$ 0.25  $\mu$ g/mL.

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**Editorial Note**: During 1993–1998, the incidence of GBS disease in the United States declined 65% (1). In this report, data from 1998–1999 indicated that the incidence of early-onset GBS disease further declined in the surveillance areas (Table 1); however, the data also indicated several areas where prevention could be improved. In 1998 and 1999, of mothers of infants with early-onset disease, 21% received intrapartum antibiotic prophylaxis. Prenatal screening often was not performed at the recommended time (35–37 weeks' gestation), and combined vaginal and rectal swabs were rarely documented (5). Approximately 70% of women who were unscreened and developed a risk factor did not receive intrapartum antibiotics. Many women were unscreened and did not present with risk factors at the time of labor. This suggests that some early-onset disease may have been prevented if the screening-based approach (versus the risk-based approach) had been used. Other women did not receive antibiotics until after they developed fever, suggesting that cases might have been prevented if antibiotics could have been administered earlier in the hospital admission (e.g., one dose of penicillin or ampicillin at least 4 hours before delivery).

The findings in this report are subject to at least three limitations. First, early-onset GBS surveillance is limited to confirmed cases of invasive disease; therefore, generaliza-

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tions cannot be made from the reported data about compliance with recommended guidelines or the effectiveness of intrapartum chemoprophylaxis. Second, because information was not available on whether health-care providers were attempting to follow the risk-based approach or the screening-based approach in specific cases, it is not possible in all instances to assess whether early-onset cases represented missed opportunities for prevention, protocol omissions, or antibiotic failures. Third, some information (e.g., GBS screening culture site) was poorly documented or missing from medical charts.

Increased prevention of perinatal GBS disease has raised concern about potential adverse consequences of the increased use of intrapartum antibiotics. Penicillin resistance among GBS isolates has not been reported (6); however, erythromycin and clindamycin resistance has increased (6,7) and has occurred in 15–20% of early-onset cases for which isolates were available. For women with a history of severe penicillin allergy, clinicians should request that prenatal GBS screening include susceptibility testing of GBS isolates to determine an appropriate regimen for intrapartum prophylaxis. Cefazolin should be considered when erythromycin or clindamycin resistance occurs among women with penicillin allergy (8).

This study indicates that further declines in disease incidence are likely with full implementation of the consensus guidelines for prevention of early-onset group B streptococcal GBS disease (2–4). Copies of the guidelines and educational materials for prenatal patients are available on the World-Wide Web, http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dbmd/gbs; copies may be obtained from CDC, Health Communications Activity (GBS information), Division of Bacterial and Mycotic Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases, mailstop A-49, 1600 Clifton Rd., NE, Atlanta, GA 30333; after December 1, 2000, bulk orders may be obtained from Public Health Foundation, 1220 L St, NW, Suite 350, Washington, DC 20005, telephone (877) 252-1200, or by e-mail, www.phf.org.

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# Receipt of Advice to Quit Smoking in Medicare Managed Care — United States, 1998

In the United States, cigarette smoking is the leading cause of preventable morbidity and mortality, and smokers who stop at any age reduce their risk for premature death (1). Because older smokers are more likely to report having seen a physician during the preceding year (84% in 1992) compared with younger smokers (69%) (2), health-care providers have many opportunities to advise older smokers to quit. To characterize smoking and advice to quit among Medicare managed-care recipients, the Health Care Financing Administration and CDC analyzed data from the 1998 Health Outcomes Survey (HOS). This report summarizes the results of that analysis, which indicates that approximately 13% of enrollees in Medicare managed care reported they were current smokers, and among those who visited a physician or health-care provider, approximately 71% reported receiving advice to quit.

HOS is an ongoing, 2-year, longitudinal cohort survey administered to Medicare beneficiaries enrolled in managed-care plans nationwide. The survey measures health status and health outcomes to provide risk-adjusted measures of managed-care plan performance and to track population-based care outcomes. Medicare enrollees were initially contacted by mailed questionnaire, and nonrespondents were followed up by mail and telephone. Respondents were asked about current smoking status, quitting behavior during the preceding 12 months or longer, receipt of advice to quit from a doctor or other health-care provider, and the number of health-care visits during the preceding year.

A random sample of approximately 1000 Medicare managed-care enrollees was selected from each of 287 separate strata, representing 268 different health plans. Thirteen of these plans had two to four geographically distinct subplan market areas for 19 additional strata. A total of 279,135 Medicare beneficiaries were in the sample. The sample included both Medicare beneficiaries aged ≥65 years (91.5%) and persons aged <65 years and in Medicare because of disabilities (8.5%) who were enrolled in their plan for at least 6 months. It also included institutionalized beneficiaries but excluded persons eligible for Medicare because of end-stage renal disease alone. Baseline data were collected during May–July 1998.

The overall response rate to the baseline survey was 59.9% (167,201); 152,259 reported their smoking status, and 19,604 (95.6%) of those who reported smoking during the previous year responded to the question about whether they received advice to quit. Data were weighted to the total population of each stratum and adjusted to the overall population age, race, and sex distribution.

In 1998, 10.4% of Medicare managed-care enrollees reported smoking every day and 2.9% reported smoking some days (Table 1). Daily smoking prevalence was highest among enrollees aged <65 years and lowest among enrollees aged ≥85 years. Daily smoking prevalence was higher for men than for women, and smoking prevalence was greater among those with less education and less income. Among all enrollees, 1.6% reported having quit during the preceding 12 months, and 39.3% reported having quit smoking >1 year before the survey. Smoking prevalence was lowest and quit rates highest among enrollees from the western region.

Of persons who reported any smoking during the preceding 12 months and who visited a physician or other health-care provider at least once during that time, 70.7% reported they had been advised to quit smoking (Table 2). Advice to quit increased with

TABLE 1. Estimated prevalence of smoking behaviors, by smoking status and selected characteristics, among enrollees in Medicare managed-care plans — Health Outcomes Survey, United States, 1998\*

				Current	smoke	rs <sup>†</sup>	Former smokers§					
	N	lever	Smo	ke every	Smol	ke some	Quit	in past	Qı	ıit >12		
	sr	noked	noked day days				12 n	nonths	months ago			
Characteristic	%	(±95% CI <sup>¶</sup> )	%	(±95% CI)	%	(±95% CI)	%	(±95% CI)	% (±	95% CI)		
Sex												
Male	30.3	$(\pm 0.4)$	11.9	$(\pm 0.3)$	3.0	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.9	$(\pm 0.2)$	52.9	$(\pm 0.5)$		
Female	57.8	$(\pm 0.4)$	9.3	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.8	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.3	$(\pm 0.2)$	28.8	$(\pm 0.5)$		
Age group (yrs)												
<55	40.4	$(\pm 1.5)$	28.3	(±1.7)	8.6	$(\pm 2.5)$	2.4	$(\pm 2.0)$	20.3	$(\pm 1.8)$		
55–64	31.5	$(\pm 1.2)$	24.8	$(\pm 1.3)$	5.9	(±1.5)	3.1	$(\pm 1.5)$	34.8	(±1.1)		
65–74	41.5	$(\pm 0.5)$	11.9	$(\pm 0.3)$	3.2	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.9	$(\pm 0.2)$	41.5	$(\pm 0.5)$		
75–84	49.5	$(\pm 0.5)$	7.0	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.1	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.1	$(\pm 0.2)$	40.3	$(\pm 0.5)$		
≥ <b>85</b> **	64.8	$(\pm 0.8)$	3.3	$(\pm 0.9)$	1.2	$(\pm 1.0)$	_	_	30.1	$(\pm 0.8)$		
Race/Ethnicity <sup>††</sup>												
White, non-Hispanic	43.7	$(\pm 0.4)$	10.5	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.5	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.5	$(\pm 0.2)$	41.7	$(\pm 0.4)$		
Black, non-Hispanic	50.2	$(\pm 1.0)$	12.0	$(\pm 1.0)$	5.4	$(\pm 0.9)$	2.0	(±1.1)	30.3	$(\pm 0.9)$		
Hispanic**	56.5	$(\pm 1.3)$	9.1	(±1.1)	3.9	$(\pm 1.3)$	_	_	29.1	(±1.2)		
Asian/Pacific Islander**	61.5	$(\pm 2.5)$	4.3	$(\pm 2.4)$	_	_	_	_	29.5	$(\pm 2.5)$		
American Indian/Alaskan												
Native**	43.0	$(\pm 3.9)$	13.8	(±3.8)	_	_	_	_	37.7	$(\pm 4.0)$		
Other**	46.4	$(\pm 2.4)$	9.8	(±3.1)	_	_	_	_	39.0	$(\pm 2.9)$		
Education Level												
<high diploma<="" school="" td=""><td>47.6</td><td><math>(\pm 0.5)</math></td><td>11.7</td><td><math>(\pm 0.3)</math></td><td>3.6</td><td><math>(\pm 0.2)</math></td><td>1.8</td><td><math>(\pm 0.2)</math></td><td>35.4</td><td><math>(\pm 0.5)</math></td></high>	47.6	$(\pm 0.5)$	11.7	$(\pm 0.3)$	3.6	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.8	$(\pm 0.2)$	35.4	$(\pm 0.5)$		
High school diploma	46.9	$(\pm 0.5)$	10.8	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.7	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.5	$(\pm 0.2)$	38.0	$(\pm 0.5)$		
Some college	42.1	$(\pm 0.6)$	10.2	$(\pm 0.4)$	2.8	$(\pm 0.3)$	1.6	$(\pm 0.3)$	43.4	$(\pm 0.5)$		
College graduate or more	45.0	$(\pm 0.7)$	6.9	$(\pm 0.6)$	2.0	$(\pm 0.4)$	1.1	$(\pm 0.4)$	44.9	$(\pm 0.6)$		
Annual household income§§												
<\$10,000	51.5	$(\pm 0.6)$	13.7	$(\pm 0.4)$	4.1	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.1	$(\pm 0.4)$	28.6	$(\pm 0.5)$		
\$10,000-\$30,000	43.4	$(\pm 0.5)$	11.8	$(\pm 0.3)$	3.1	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.5	$(\pm 0.2)$	40.2	$(\pm 0.5)$		
>\$30,000	44.6	$(\pm 0.5)$	8.2	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.3	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.6	$(\pm 0.2)$	43.4	$(\pm 0.5)$		
Region <sup>¶¶</sup>												
Northeast	46.4	$(\pm 0.8)$	9.9	$(\pm 0.5)$	3.2	$(\pm 0.3)$	1.6	$(\pm 0.3)$	38.9	$(\pm 0.8)$		
South	44.9	$(\pm 0.8)$	11.9	$(\pm 0.5)$	3.0	$(\pm 0.3)$	1.7	$(\pm 0.2)$	38.5	$(\pm 0.8)$		
North Central	46.0	$(\pm 1.0)$	11.3	$(\pm 0.6)$	3.1	$(\pm 0.4)$	1.8	$(\pm 0.3)$	37.8	$(\pm 1.0)$		
West	45.9	$(\pm 0.9)$	9.6	$(\pm 0.6)$	2.6	$(\pm 0.3)$	1.4	$(\pm 0.3)$	40.5	$(\pm 0.9)$		
Managed-care plan model												
Group	46.3	$(\pm 1.0)$	9.8	$(\pm 0.6)$	2.9	$(\pm 0.4)$	1.4	$(\pm 0.3)$	39.6	$(\pm 1.0)$		
Independent practice												
association	45.8	$(\pm 0.6)$	10.6	$(\pm 0.4)$	3.0	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.6	$(\pm 0.2)$	39.1	$(\pm 0.6)$		
Staff	45.2	(±1.3)	10.9	(±0.9)	2.5	(±0.5)	1.8	$(\pm 0.4)$	39.6	(±1.3)		
Other**	47.0	$(\pm 2.4)$	8.0	$(\pm 1.3)$		_	_	_	40.6	(±2.3)		
Total	45.8	$(\pm 0.4)$	10.4	$(\pm 0.3)$	2.9	$(\pm 0.2)$	1.6	$(\pm 0.2)$	39.3	$(\pm 0.4)$		

<sup>\*</sup> Sample size=52,259 after excluding 14,837 respondents with unknown smoking status.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Smoked >100 cigarettes in lifetime and smoke every day or some days.

<sup>§</sup> Smoked >100 cigarettes in lifetime but do not smoke now.

<sup>¶</sup> Confidence interval.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data not reported for all smoking status categories because of insufficient sample sizes (<100).

th Excludes 5249 respondents who did not provide information on race/ethnicity.

§§ Excludes 15,691 respondents who did not provide information on household income.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Excludes 4605 respondents who were unassigned to a geographic region. Regions include: *Northeast*=Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia; *North Central*=Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin; *South*=Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas; *West*=Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

TABLE 2. Estimated percentages of Medicare managed-care enrolled smokers\* who reported receiving advice to quit from a doctor or other health-care provider during the preceding 12 months, by number of visits and selected characteristics — Health Outcomes Survey, United States, 1998<sup>†</sup>

	Number of health-care provider visits											
	1 '	Visit	2-4	Visits	≥5 \	/isits	Any	visit				
Characteristic	% (:	±95% CI⁵)	% (:	±95% CI)	% (:	±95% CI)		% (±95% CI)				
Sex												
Male	60.2	(±0.8)	68.0	(±0.5)	76.8	(±0.5)	70.4	(±0.5)				
Female	62.9	(±0.8)	69.0	(±0.5)	75.7	(±0.5)	71.0	(±0.5)				
Age group (yrs)												
<55 <sup>¶</sup>	_		65.8	(±3.1)	76.6	(±1.9)	71.7	$(\pm 1.5)$				
55–64	58.5	(±2.6)	71.0	$(\pm 2.8)$	74.5	$(\pm 1.6)$	72.4	$(\pm 1.1)$				
65–74	63.7	(±0.5)	70.6	$(\pm 0.5)$	79.8	$(\pm 0.4)$	72.7	$(\pm 0.4)$				
75–84	58.8	$(\pm 2.4)$	63.9	$(\pm 0.6)$	71.5	$(\pm 0.6)$	66.3	$(\pm 0.5)$				
≥85¶	_		59.0	(±5.2)	53.9	$(\pm 4.3)$	56.1	$(\pm 2.9)$				
Race/Ethnicity**												
White, non-Hispanic	64.7	$(\pm 0.6)$	70.1	$(\pm 0.5)$	77.3	$(\pm 0.4)$	72.2	$(\pm 0.4)$				
Black, non-Hispanic	51.2	(±5.1)	63.9	$(\pm 2.1)$	74.7	$(\pm 1.6)$	67.8	$(\pm 1.0)$				
Hispanic	49.8	$(\pm 6.3)$	63.9	$(\pm 3.8)$	70.3	$(\pm 3.4)$	65.4	$(\pm 2.1)$				
Asian/Pacific Islander¶	_		_	_	_	_	54.0	$(\pm 3.6)$				
American Indian/Alaska Native¶	_	_	_	_	_	_	72.2	$(\pm 5.0)$				
Other <sup>¶</sup>	_		53.0	$(\pm 8.5)$	67.0	$(\pm 7.9)$	61.1	$(\pm 4.3)$				
Education level												
< High school diploma	58.1	(±1.5)	69.9	$(\pm 0.5)$	76.6	$(\pm 0.5)$	71.4	$(\pm 0.4)$				
High school diploma	61.2	(±1.1)	69.6	$(\pm 0.5)$	77.2	$(\pm 0.5)$	71.5	$(\pm 0.5)$				
Some college	61.8	$(\pm 2.5)$	66.2	$(\pm 0.5)$	75.6	$(\pm 0.5)$	69.4	$(\pm 0.5)$				
College graduate or more	70.4	(±3.6)	64.5	$(\pm 1.6)$	71.7	$(\pm 1.4)$	68.1	$(\pm 0.5)$				
Annual household income <sup>††</sup>												
<\$10,000	56.5	$(\pm 3.5)$	65.4	$(\pm 1.0)$	74.3	$(\pm 0.6)$	68.5	$(\pm 0.5)$				
\$10,000–\$30,000	60.1	$(\pm 1.5)$	70.3	$(\pm 0.5)$	79.2	$(\pm 0.4)$	72.7	$(\pm 0.4)$				
>\$30,000	66.9	$(\pm 1.3)$	68.4	$(\pm 0.6)$	73.5	$(\pm 0.6)$	70.0	$(\pm 0.5)$				
Region <sup>§§</sup>												
Northeast	62.0	$(\pm 0.9)$	70.4	$(\pm 0.7)$	76.7	$(\pm 0.7)$	72.0	$(\pm 0.7)$				
South	54.8	$(\pm 0.8)$	67.8	$(\pm 0.8)$	78.2	$(\pm 0.7)$	70.9	$(\pm 0.7)$				
North Central	60.8	$(\pm 1.0)$	66.5	$(\pm 0.9)$	77.0	$(\pm 0.8)$	69.8	$(\pm 0.9)$				
West	65.2	$(\pm 0.9)$	68.7	$(\pm 0.9)$	73.9	$(\pm 0.9)$	70.2	$(\pm 0.9)$				
Managed-care plan model												
Group	66.0	$(\pm 0.8)$	69.7	$(\pm 0.9)$	76.6	$(\pm 0.8)$	71.8	$(\pm 0.5)$				
Independent practice association	59.7	$(\pm 0.7)$	68.2	$(\pm 0.6)$	75.4	$(\pm 0.6)$	70.0	$(\pm 0.6)$				
Staff	63.7	$(\pm 1.4)$	68.7	$(\pm 1.3)$	79.8	$(\pm 1.2)$	72.8	$(\pm 1.2)$				
Other <sup>¶</sup>	_	_	_	_	77.9	(±2.1)	67.4	(±2.2)				
Total	61.5	(±0.5)	68.5	(±0.5)	76.2	(±0.4)	70.7	(±0.4)				

<sup>\*</sup> Smokers defined as those reporting any smoking during the preceding 12 months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Sample size=19,604 after excluding 892 respondents who did not answer question about receiving advice to quit.

<sup>§</sup> Confidence interval.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>¶</sup> Data not reported for all visit count categories because of insufficient sample sizes (<100).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Excludes 534 respondents who did not provide information on race/ethnicity.

the Excludes 1295 respondents who did not provide information on household income.

Excludes 521 respondents who were unassigned to geographic region. Regions include: Northeast=Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia; North Central=Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin; South=Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas; West=Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

increasing numbers of visits: 61.5% of smokers with one visit during the year reported receiving advice to quit compared with 76.2% of those with five or more visits. Across all visit categories, women who made one to four visits reported receiving advice to quit at slightly higher rates than did men, and smokers aged ≥75 years reported receiving less advice to quit than did younger smokers. Blacks and Hispanics reported receiving less advice than did whites. Overall, those with more education reported receiving less advice. Differences were reported in receipt of advice to quit between the types of managed-care plans, with providers in independent practice associations giving less advice than those in staff or group model practices, especially when a single visit was reported. Reported by: D Arday, MD, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Health Care Financing

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Editorial Note: The findings in this report indicate that receipt of advice to quit smoking probably has improved since the early 1990s, when 38.8% of smokers aged ≥65 years reported receiving advice (3). Self-reported receipt of advice is higher in this survey than the national average (62.5%) reported by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) (4). The NCQA report is based on 1998 Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (HEDIS) data from plan-administered surveys. However, the HEDIS data used a different sampling frame that applied to all adult beneficiaries in managed-care plans, not just those in Medicare.

On the basis of these results, of 5.8 million Medicare enrollees in the sampling frame, approximately 92,000 had quit during the preceding year. Increasing the delivery of smoking cessation advice to 90% of those who still smoke would reach approximately 150,000 additional smokers and might encourage 25,000 more smokers to initiate quitting each year. Based on these survey findings, public health programs should target health-care providers in independent practice associations (IPAs) to deliver cessation advice. IPAs represent most physicians in private or small group practices who have contracted with HMO plans, and counseling rates for IPAs are lower than for group or staff model plans.

The difference in receipt of advice to quit among racial/ethnic groups may be influenced by social or cultural factors. For example, among elderly Hispanics and Asian Americans, language barriers may affect the lower rates of receiving advice to quit or in understanding the advice. Health-care providers should offer culturally appropriate or tailored interventions for racial/ethnic populations (5).

The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, the overall response rate for the 1998 HOS survey was 59.9%. Response rates varied widely by plan and somewhat by age and race. Although the HOS data were weighted to account for the stratified design and the overall population distribution by age, race, and sex, some differences could be the result of response biases. Second, because the HOS design does not include any oversampling of racial/ethnic minority groups or the oldest Medicare recipients, sample sizes within some substrata were inadequate to allow complete comparisons by all smoking or visit categories. Third, not all persons who reported quitting during the previous 12 months may have been candidates for advice. Because smoking status at the time of each doctor visit was not known, some may have quit before their first visit. Finally, because the reason for each visit was not included in the survey, some visits may have been for emergencies and other conditions during which counseling would not have been appropriate.

Smoking prevalence among Medicare managed-care enrollees is similar to that among older adults (6). Despite the lower prevalence of current smoking among older adults compared with middle aged and young adults, older smokers are at greater risk from smoking because they have smoked longer, tend to be heavier smokers, and are more likely to suffer already from smoking-related illnesses (7). Overall, 1.6% of the Medicare managed-care population reported quitting during the preceding 12 months, representing approximately 10% of the smokers who reported any smoking within that period. However, it is likely that some of those who quit during the preceding year will begin smoking again. Health-care providers should be aware that smoking cessation counseling, even brief advice to quit smoking, can be effective in encouraging older smokers to quit.

All health-care providers should deliver tobacco-use treatment interventions to their patients (5). Basic components of a counseling session include asking each patient whether he or she uses tobacco, urging all tobacco users to stop, identifying tobacco users willing to quit, providing assistance to these patients (e.g., establishing a quit date, providing support and practical advice on the quitting process, and encouraging the use of approved pharmocotherapies such as nicotine replacement therapy and buproprion when appropriate), and arranging follow-up visits for support (5). Use of office reminders, such as chart stickers or vital sign, can increase the provision of cessation advice by providers (5). Reimbursement of treatment services and products has been shown to increase use of cessation services and overall quit rates (8).

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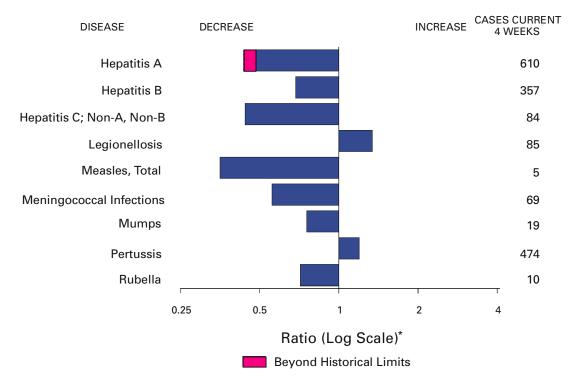
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FIGURE I. Selected notifiable disease reports, United States, comparison of provisional 4-week totals ending September 2, 2000, with historical data



<sup>\*</sup> 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 of provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, cumulative, week ending September 2, 2000 (35th Week)

		Cum. 2000		Cum. 2000
Anthrax		_	HIV infection, pediatric*§	149
Brucellosis*		42	Plague	5
Cholera		6	Poliomyelitis, paralytic	_
	bella syndrome	I 6	Psittacosis*	8
Cyclosporiasis		32	Rabies, human	_
Diphtheria		_	Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF)	277
Encephalitis:	California serogroup viral*	34	Streptococcal disease, invasive, group A	2,013
	eastern equine*	1 -	Streptococcal toxic-shock syndrome*	62
	St. Louis*	-	Syphilis, congenital <sup>¶</sup>	96
	western equine*	_	Tetanus	17
Ehrlichiosis	human granulocytic (HGE)*	121	Toxic-shock syndrome	106
	human monocytic (HME)*	40	Trichinosis	5
Hansen diseas		42	Typhoid fever	218
Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome*†		22	Yellow fever	
	emic syndrome, postdiarrheal*	99		

<sup>-:</sup> No reported cases.

<sup>\*</sup>Not notifiable in all states.

†Updated weekly from reports to the Division of Viral and Rickettsial Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID).

†Updated monthly from reports to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention — Surveillance and Epidemiology, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP). Last update August 27, 2000.

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TABLE II. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 2, 2000, and September 4, 1999 (35th Week)

	AIDS Chlamydia <sup>†</sup>						Escherichia coli O157:H7*				
	Cum.	OS Cum.	Chlan Cum.	nydia <sup>†</sup> Cum.	Cryptos Cum.	poridiosis Cum.	Cum.	Cum.	PH Cum.	LIS Cum.	
Reporting Area	2000⁵	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	
UNITED STATES	26,662	30,098	421,349	441,789	1,127	1,517	2,668	1,858	1,673	1,711	
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	1,428 25 26 20 895 63 399	1,515 52 38 11 987 74 353	14,254 962 653 358 6,358 1,619 4,304	14,217 750 652 325 6,082 1,553 4,855	55 13 11 18 11 2	105 18 10 20 45 1	243 18 24 27 102 11 61	266 22 23 21 116 21 63	247 22 24 26 111 10 54	257 24 12 125 22 74	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	5,921 637 3,150 1,202 932	7,764 890 4,062 1,461 1,351	36,822 N 15,675 5,499 15,648	45,282 N 18,906 8,277 18,099	95 63 8 4 20	279 89 157 20 13	270 186 10 74 N	142 90 14 38 N	106 38 7 31 30	79 - 14 47 18	
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	2,480 400 254 1,368 331 127	1,975 296 244 930 401 104	67,803 17,554 8,603 16,784 16,847 8,015	73,551 20,003 7,995 22,215 13,948 9,390	239 69 24 7 56 83	394 31 21 63 32 247	520 151 86 123 83 77	374 132 49 121 72 N	211 44 59 - 63 45	325 118 35 81 53 38	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	615 116 65 287 2 6 43 96	674 114 63 341 4 13 43 96	23,618 4,622 3,160 8,063 352 1,195 2,319 3,907	24,988 5,058 2,937 8,867 614 1,051 2,316 4,145	143 21 46 18 9 9 34	120 32 39 15 13 6 13 2	438 100 138 95 14 35 39	357 118 77 27 9 35 70 21	354 111 76 74 15 35 32 11	399 136 56 43 15 51 91	
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	7,336 131 845 500 483 43 454 553 873 3,454	8,244 112 889 318 501 46 554 758 1,230 3,836	86,591 1,875 8,712 2,136 10,792 1,177 14,905 7,781 17,502 21,711	94,833 1,839 8,840 N 10,049 1,209 15,386 12,485 23,514 21,511	251 5 10 8 11 3 18 - 95	221 - 11 7 14 - 6 - 96 87	234 - 18 - 46 11 50 16 37 56	200 6 12 - 48 9 48 16 20 41	151 - 1 U 38 7 45 12 23 25	137 3 - U 44 47 14 1 24	
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	1,325 147 555 340 283	1,354 201 534 334 285	31,650 5,335 9,570 10,396 6,349	31,370 5,062 9,592 8,671 8,045	37 5 9 12 11	18 5 6 5 2	87 26 39 6 16	93 24 43 18 8	72 24 37 3 8	68 16 30 18 4	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	2,716 127 461 219 1,909	3,181 122 597 94 2,368	64,475 3,429 12,344 5,357 43,345	61,420 3,920 11,053 5,471 40,976	55 7 8 7 33	55 1 22 5 27	136 50 4 13 69	70 9 9 15 37	164 30 36 9 89	87 7 11 14 55	
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	1,034 11 16 7 238 107 339 101 215	1,167 7 15 7 207 67 603 102 159	25,037 960 1,192 527 7,433 2,974 7,933 1,558 2,460	23,041 1,038 1,155 502 4,970 3,438 8,398 1,407 2,133	80 8 4 5 34 8 8 10 3	68 10 7 1 10 24 10 N 6	296 26 44 12 113 17 37 40 7	167 11 18 10 61 8 23 24 12	149 - - 2 61 10 27 49	133 - 15 13 40 4 14 34	
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	3,807 347 112 3,247 15 86	4,224 245 136 3,770 13 60	71,099 8,377 3,399 56,045 1,569 1,709	73,087 7,910 4,213 57,533 1,264 2,167	172 N 14 158 -	257 N 80 177 -	444 129 101 184 22 8	189 61 40 78 - 10	219 97 63 50 1 8	226 98 52 67 1 8	
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	14 762 <b>2</b> 5 - -	11 937 25 - -	1,060 U U U	298 U U U U	- U U U	- U U	N 4 U U	N 5 U U	U U U U	U U U	

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. -: No reported cases. C.N.M.I.: Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands.

\*Individual cases can be reported through both the National Electronic Telecommunications System for Surveillance (NETSS) and the Public Health Laboratory Information System (PHLIS).

† Chlamydia refers to genital infections caused by *C. trachomatis*. Totals reported to the Division of STD Prevention, NCHSTP.

† Updated monthly from reports to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention — Surveillance and Epidemiology, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention. Last update August 27, 2000.

TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 2, 2000, and September 4, 1999 (35th Week)

	Gono	-	Нера	atitis C; A, Non-B	<u>-</u>	nellosis		yme sease
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999
UNITED STATES	219,331	239,192	2,135	1,816	576	613	6,786	9,594
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	3,967 54 68 43 1,716 401 1,685	4,321 42 74 35 1,690 390 2,090	13 2 - 3 3 5	13 2 - 5 3 3	24 2 2 3 9 3 5	41 3 4 9 13 3 9	1,391 - 40 10 407 215 719	2,879 22 4 9 623 281 1,940
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	22,170 4,364 6,357 4,155 7,294	26,743 4,390 8,700 5,130 8,523	414 47 - 342 25	84 39 - - 45	121 48 - 8 65	142 35 21 12 74	4,116 2,201 10 945 960	4,931 2,643 113 1,208 967
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	40,804 10,741 4,026 10,964 11,735 3,338	45,883 11,908 4,256 15,484 10,114 4,121	165 8 1 10 146	652 1 1 40 594 16	151 70 30 8 30 13	184 55 25 25 45 34	255 70 22 11 - 152	510 33 14 17 11 435
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak.	10,448 1,852 664 5,093 15	10,827 1,895 697 5,241 60 119	443 5 1 425 -	141 4 - 135 -	49 3 12 26 - 2	35 4 11 14 - 2	174 101 19 38 -	201 107 20 52 1
Nebr. Kans.	882 1,746	1,042 1,773	3 9	2	2 4	4 -	1 15	10 11
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	64,259 1,091 5,996 1,676 6,676 366 12,153 9,998 11,178 15,125	70,373 1,159 6,539 2,512 6,474 402 13,509 8,738 15,751 15,289	89 15 2 3 13 13 1 1 3 3	119 - 19 1 10 13 29 17 1	119 5 43 - 19 N 9 4 6 33	82 9 15 3 20 N 13 7	690 104 397 3 97 22 36 3 -	859 59 631 3 79 14 56 4
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	23,121 2,334 7,692 8,099 4,996	24,894 2,262 7,720 7,662 7,250	317 29 67 7 214	200 14 69 1 116	22 12 8 2	36 14 17 3 2	29 5 18 6	71 11 40 17 3
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	33,440 1,888 8,979 2,311 20,262	35,050 2,002 8,732 2,707 21,609	296 9 183 6 98	335 20 230 13 72	17 - 9 2 6	6 1 3 2	14 4 2 - 8	38 4 6 7 21
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	6,468 28 59 37 1,987 632 2,650 165 910	6,412 28 55 16 1,644 675 2,999 132 863	265 4 3 207 17 11 13 1 9	130 4 6 36 25 24 22 5	26 1 4 2 9 1 5 4	33 - 1 - 8 1 5 12 6	22 2 9 8 - - 1 2	11 - 1 3 2 1 - 2 2
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	14,654 1,471 455 12,284 209 235	14,689 1,357 602 12,223 206 301	133 22 24 85 - 2	142 13 12 117 -	47 15 N 32 -	54 10 N 43 1	95 5 6 82 2 N	94 4 10 80 - N
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	398 U U U	38 226 U U U	1 U U U	1 U U	1 U U U	- U U U	N - - -	N U U U

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TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 2, 2000, and September 4, 1999 (35th Week)

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Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	
UNITED STATES	734	942	3,885	4,408	21,970	24,069	18,212	22,172	
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt.	36 5 1 2	33 3 2 4	500 91 9 43	582 109 35 71	1,352 93 94 85	1,448 94 92 63	1,400 70 87 85	1,511 78 97 52	
Mass. R.I. Conn.	10 5 13	13 3 8	180 40 137	128 71 168	734 83 263	801 70 328	775 89 294	817 117 350	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	133 46 50 18 19	261 49 142 41 29	722 503 U 113 106	833 598 U 127 108	2,642 776 665 572 629	3,235 821 973 674 767	2,635 829 613 393 800	3,389 876 978 758 777	
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	73 14 4 27 21 7	115 18 12 50 28 7	105 33 - 18 49 5	98 28 - 7 46 17	3,061 818 402 854 596 391	3,537 805 337 1,127 664 604	1,685 453 353 1 626 252	3,149 707 327 1,099 662 354	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	34 13 2 6 2 - 5 6	48 21 12 11 - - 4	389 66 58 28 94 65 1	541 78 109 19 108 140 3 84	1,505 313 261 473 47 62 117 232	1,535 411 176 479 38 72 134 225	1,589 443 185 597 56 69 44 195	1,710 525 155 611 48 91 117 163	
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	212 3 72 13 41 2 19 2 8 52	234 1 68 13 51 1 19 9 21	1,585 31 277 - 371 89 376 107 222 112	1,429 34 278 - 353 84 304 107 145	4,926 74 563 37 660 108 657 480 821 1,526	5,026 99 557 57 879 113 772 349 706 1,494	3,038 84 462 U 517 93 606 359 821 96	4,204 111 579 U 771 105 886 296 1,053 403	
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	31 9 8 13 1	19 6 7 5 1	129 17 68 44	197 31 71 95 -	1,415 251 388 395 381	1,309 280 343 371 315	1,022 175 461 322 64	967 191 402 310 64	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	8 2 2 4	14 2 10 2	64 20 - 44 -	330 14 - 74 242	1,750 433 116 269 932	2,221 339 482 268 1,132	2,440 329 398 175 1,538	1,799 120 417 224 1,038	
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	36 1 2 - 19 - 6 4 4	32 4 3 1 15 2 2 3 2	184 52 9 42 - 16 54 9 2	141 46 - 32 1 6 49 4 3	1,916 69 90 48 519 162 499 349	2,068 42 67 40 548 290 598 349 134	1,369 - - 14 451 140 431 333	1,822 1 66 40 532 225 541 368 49	
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	171 19 31 118 - 3	186 18 15 141 1	207 - 6 180 21	257 - 2 248 7 -	3,403 345 221 2,648 42 147	3,690 428 324 2,644 34 260	3,034 376 253 2,238 23 144	3,621 609 356 2,427 18 211	
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	- U U U	- U U U	51 U U U	54 U U U	238 U U U	28 379 U U U	U U U	U U U U	

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TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending September 2, 2000, and September 4, 1999 (35th Week)

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Reporting Area UNITED STATES	2000 12,378	<b>1999</b> 10,188	<b>2000</b> 6,372	<b>1999</b> 6,124	<b>2000</b> 3,939	<b>1999</b> 4,546	<b>2000</b> 7,860	<b>1999</b> 10,490
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	237 9 4 3 163 19 39	496 4 12 4 415 17	231 12 7 - 150 20 42	461 - 11 3 387 12 48	54 1 1 36 4	41 - 1 3 22 1	274 9 13 2 168 25 57	280 13 10 1 153 28 75
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City N.J. Pa.	1,452 536 583 210 123	685 196 228 161 100	833 177 379 135 142	494 47 164 159 124	184 8 86 34 56	203 15 86 48 54	1,544 177 856 362 149	1,771 220 907 366 278
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	2,647 234 1,127 616 507 163	1,899 317 175 755 272 380	730 96 118 2 472 42	1,031 93 54 604 222 58	772 55 270 193 218 36	811 64 273 293 152 29	846 197 57 417 119 56	1,065 171 94 521 212 67
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	1,442 359 387 471 12 4 71 138	834 159 21 546 2 11 55	1,170 499 217 354 14 3 9	569 189 21 276 2 6 42 33	41 4 10 22 - - 2 3	99 9 8 66 - 6 10	313 103 25 129 2 13 13	330 127 33 118 2 12 12 26
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	1,921 11 143 38 315 3 124 95 167 1,025	1,583 12 104 41 81 7 150 90 141	551 10 62 U 221 3 73 66 54	384 6 35 U 44 3 66 47 59 124	1,328 7 195 35 95 2 353 134 251 256	1,497 6 271 34 113 3 353 187 293 237	1,700 170 16 175 21 208 76 367 667	2,074 21 179 36 186 32 309 194 412 705
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	635 223 249 37 126	886 181 543 81 81	343 51 263 26 3	546 122 368 48 8	588 59 358 82 89	790 71 446 152 121	481 68 216 197	681 110 234 209 128
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	1,294 151 80 80 983	1,700 60 136 404 1,100	1,748 44 120 29 1,555	723 20 73 130 500	551 70 150 90 241	710 39 205 138 328	831 134 73 90 534	1,460 117 99 111 1,133
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	740 6 41 5 131 89 313 58 97	591 7 16 3 106 82 293 39 45	373 - - 2 66 53 189 63	409 - 8 1 82 59 209 44 6	155 - 1 1 5 18 124 1 5	160 - 1 - 1 8 144 2 4	339 10 9 2 41 29 145 32 71	364 10 12 3 48 41 153 29 68
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	2,010 343 118 1,513 8 28	1,514 68 56 1,365	393 300 68 - 3 22	1,507 69 54 1,360 - 24	266 47 5 213 - 1	235 48 4 180 1	1,532 177 23 1,179 63 90	2,465 162 69 2,077 39 118
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	9 U U	11 105 U U U	U U U U	U U U U	- 85 U U	111 U U U	- U U U	47 151 U U U

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TABLE III. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases preventable by vaccination, United States, weeks ending September 2, 2000, and September 4, 1999 (35th Week)

	H. influ	ienzae,	Hepatitis (Viral), By Type				Ī		Meas	les (Rubec	ola)	
		sive	Α		В		Indige	nous		rted*	Tota	l
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000†	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	2000	Cum. 2000	2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999
UNITED STATES	791	820	7,529	10,921	4,481	4,693	2	46	-	17	63	67
NEW ENGLAND	55	60	211	193	44	106	-	2	-	4	6	11
Maine N.H.	1 12	5 11	14 18	5 10	5 12	1 10	-	2	-	- 1	3	1
Vt. Mass.	4 24	5 24	9 81	6 73	6 7	2 37	-	-	-	3	3	- 8
R.I.	2	1	16	13	14	24	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conn. MID. ATLANTIC	12 130	14 143	73 745	86 787	654	32 595	- 1	- 14	-	5	- 19	2 5
Upstate N.Y.	67	59	144	175	93	135	1	9	-	-	9	2
N.Y. City N.J.	28 26	42 37	238 118	237 96	314 83	179 91	-	5 -	-	4	9	3
Pa.	9	5	245	279	164	190	-	-	-	1	1	-
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio	110 41	140 47	904 189	2,073 463	483 77	493 67	-	7 2	-	-	7 2	2
Ind. III.	22 40	20 59	55 331	73 495	36 85	32 43	-	- 4	-	-	- - 4	1
Mich.	7	11	316	990	284	325	-	1	-	-	1	1
Wis.	-	3	13	52	1	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
W.N. CENTRAL Minn.	42 23	44 24	644 162	512 53	539 26	189 37	-	2	-	1 1	3 1	-
Iowa Mo.	- 11	2 5	60 318	93 308	33 434	28 105	-	2	-	-	2	-
N. Dak. S. Dak.	1	1 2	2	1 8	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebr.	4	4	21	37	24	14	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kans.	3	6	81	12	19	4 721	-	-	-	-	-	-
S. ATLANTIC Del.	214 -	184 -	959 -	1,231 2	833	731 1	1 -	3	-	-	3	5 -
Md. D.C.	56 -	48 4	139 20	217 49	83 24	107 19	-	-	-	-	-	-
Va. W. Va.	31 6	14 6	104 49	106 27	103 8	65 17	-	2	-	-	2	3
N.C.	19	28	109	107	160	147	-	-	-	-	-	-
S.C. Ga.	11 55	5 49	39 171	28 335	8 142	57 99	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fla.	36	30	328	360	305	219	1	1	-	-	1	2
E.S. CENTRAL Ky.	36 12	50 6	297 34	287 53	323 57	335 33	-	-	-	-	-	2 2
Ténn. Ala.	17 6	26 15	107 46	116 39	157 35	168 63	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miss.	1	3	110	79	74	71	-	-	-	-	-	-
W.S. CENTRAL Ark.	44 1	50 2	1,192 103	2,145 31	449 69	830 53	-	-	-	-	-	7
La.	7	11	29	159	52	136	-	-	-	-	-	-
Okla. Tex.	34 2	33 4	193 867	385 1,570	108 220	107 534	-	-	-	-	-	7
MOUNTAIN	77	68	682	891	354	418	-	11	-	1	12	1
Mont. Idaho	1 3	1 1	4 19	16 31	5 6	16 22	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wyo. Colo.	1 11	1 11	39 139	5 163	23 59	10 70	-	- 1	-	- 1	2	-
N. Mex.	17	18	56	37	72	136	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ariz. Utah	<b>36</b> 7	30 4	341 40	509 35	141 17	102 24	-	3	-	-	3	1 -
Nev.	1	2	44	95	31	38	-	7	-	-	7	-
PACIFIC Wash.	83 5	81 3	1,895 184	2,802 219	802 65	996 45	-	7 2	-	6 1	13 3	34 5
Oreg. Calif.	21 28	28 39	136 1,557	184 2,376	68 653	75 853	-	- 4	-	3	- 7	12 16
Alaska	6	5 6	9	6 17	8	13	-	1	-	2	1	- 1
Hawaii Guam	23	ь	9	1/	8	10 2	-	-	-	2	2	1
P.R.	.1	2	83	214	91	158				-		-
V.I. Amer. Samoa	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U
C.N.M.I.	U	U	U	U No ron	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U

N: Not notifiable. U: Unavailable. -: No reported cases.
\*For imported measles, cases include only those resulting from importation from other countries.

†Of 158 cases among children aged <5 years, serotype was reported for 68 and of those, 18 were type b.

TABLE III. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases preventable by vaccination, United States, weeks ending September 2, 2000, and September 4, 1999 (35th Week)

Meningococcal Disease			Сери	Mumps	<del>1</del> , 133.	(3311	Pertussis	,	Rubella			
	Cum.	Cum.		Cum.	Cum.		Cum.	Cum.		Cum.	Cum.	
Reporting Area UNITED STATES	<b>2000</b> 1,467	1999 1,730	<b>2000</b>	<b>2000</b> 252	1999 255	<b>2000</b> 128	<b>2000</b> 3,809	<b>1999</b> 4,096	2000	<b>2000</b> 110	<b>1999</b> 224	
NEW ENGLAND	88	80	-	3	6	9	891	477	-	11	7	
Maine N.H.	8 9	5 11	-	-	- 1	1	31 79	- 73	-	2	-	
Vt.	2	4	-	-	1	3	170	40	-	-		
Mass. R.I.	53 7	44 4	-	- 1	4	5 -	560 14	332 20	-	8 -	7 -	
Conn.	9	12	-	2	-	-	37	12	-	1	-	
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y.	140 45	165 46	-	18 7	34 7	14 6	369 165	681 535	-	9 2	29 18	
N.Y. City	30	48	-	4	9	-	44	36	-	7	5	
N.J. Pa.	29 36	37 34	-	3 4	1 17	8	34 126	19 91	-	-	3 3	
E.N. CENTRAL	248	306	1	26	34	17	438	367	-	1	2	
Ohio Ind.	62 35	109 43	-	7 -	11 4	6 10	229 62	151 49	-	-	- 1	
III.	64	80	-	6	9	-	45	67	-	1	1	
Mich. Wis.	67 20	45 29	1 -	13 -	8 2	1 -	49 53	34 66	-	-	-	
W.N. CENTRAL	125	169	-	17	9	31	300	270	-	-	124	
Minn. Iowa	17 22	36 31	-	- 6	1 4	22 5	183 37	127 34	-	-	5 30	
Mo.	69 2	62 3	-	5	1	-	36 2	50 4	-	-	2	
N. Dak. S. Dak.	5	11	-	-	-	-	3	5	-	-	-	
Nebr. Kans.	4 6	9 17	-	3 3	3	4	9 30	3 47	-	-	87 -	
S. ATLANTIC	240	285	-	40	37	13	309	284	-	61	34	
Del. Md.	22	7 44	-	- 9	3	-	8 74	4 87	-	-	- 1	
D.C.	-	3	-	-	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	
Va. W. Va.	35 10	35 5	-	8 -	8 -	-	44 1	17 2	-	-	-	
N.C. S.C.	32 18	34 35	-	5 11	8 3	5	74 23	76 14	-	52 7	33	
Ga.	38	49	-	2	3	2	27	25	-	-	-	
Fla. E.S. CENTRAL	85 106	73 120	-	5	10	6	55 75	59 60	-	2 5	-	
Ky.	106 23	120 23	-	6 -	11 -	-	75 32	69 20	-	1	2	
Tenn. Ala.	44 29	48 30	-	2 2	- 8	-	25 17	29 17	-	1 3	2	
Miss.	10	19	-	2	3	-	1	3	-	-	-	
W.S. CENTRAL Ark.	103 12	182 31	-	23 2	35	12 2	200 29	156 18	-	4	6	
La.	28	54	-	3	10	-	3	9	-	-	-	
Okla. Tex.	22 41	27 70	-	- 18	1 24	3 7	10 158	29 100	-	4	6	
MOUNTAIN	105	105	1	17	10	20	513	492	-	2	16	
Mont. Idaho	4 6	2 8	-	1	- 1	-	24 46	2 117	-	-	-	
Wvo.	-	3	-	2	-	-	5	2	-	-	-	
Colo. N. Mex.	28 7	27 13 32 13 7	-	1 1	3 N	15 -	283 74	182 69	-	1 -	1 -	
Ariz. Utah	50 7	32	1	4 4	3	5	57 15	66 50	-	1	13 1	
Nev.	3	7	-	4	3	-	9	4	-	-	1	
PACIFIC	312	318	1	102	79	12	714	1,300	-	17	4	
Wash. Oreg.	37 48	51 55	1 N	6 N	2 N	6 5	228 92	542 29	-	7 -	-	
Calif. Alaska	213 6	200 6	-	75 7	64 1	1	349 19	696 4	-	10	4	
Hawaii	8	6	-	14	12	-	26	29	-	-	-	
Guam	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	
P.R. V.I.	6 U	9 U	Ū	Ū	Ū	Ū	2 U	18 U	Ū	Ū	Ū	
Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	U U	U U	U	U U	U	U	U U	U U	U U	U U	U U	

N: Not notifiable.

U: Unavailable.

TABLE IV. Deaths in 122 U.S. cities,\* week ending September 2, 2000 (35th Week)

	,	All Cau	ıses, By	Age (Y			P&I	000 (33111 44		All Cau	ses, By	Age (Y	ears)		P&I†
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, Ma New Haven, Conn Providence, R.I. Somerville, Mass Springfield, Mass Waterbury, Conn	. 16 26 21 25 11 sss. 28 . 42 . 70 . 3 s. 48	423 117 22 11 21 12 18 8 22 34 54 3 38 17	24 6 4 5 7 6 1 3 5 11 - 4 6	30 8 2 1 1 1 2 3 2 -	10 3 - - 1 1 - - 1 1	11 4 - - - - 1 4 - 2	45 10 1 1 3 2 2 - 3 4 4 - 4 2	S. ATLANTIC Atlanta, Ga. Baltimore, Md. Charlotte, N.C. Jacksonville, Fla Miami, Fla. Norfolk, Va. Richmond, Va. Savannah, Ga. St. Petersburg, F Tampa, Fla. Washington, D.G Wilmington, De E.S. CENTRAL	U 38 52 38 Fla. 54 185 C. 99	555 U 108 52 78 U 19 31 26 43 121 59 18	210 U 50 33 20 U 12 14 7 6 40 28	94 U 30 4 13 U 5 4 3 3 17 8 7	29 U 9 2 5 U 1 3 1 2 2 4	26 U 4 7 8 U 1 - 1 - 5	62 U 19 12 10 U 1 5 1 2 11 1
Worcester, Mass. MID. ATLANTIC Albany, N.Y. Allentown, Pa. Buffalo, N.Y. Camden, N.J. Elizabeth, N.J. Erie, Pa.§ Jersey City, N.J. New York City, N.J.	56 1,754 51 17 90 16 17 52 31 Y. 1,056	46 1,279 42 16 66 7 9 40 21 755	17 5 6	1 119 - - 5 2 2 5 2 82	2 26 3 - 1 - 1 1 16	36 1 - 1 2 - 1 2 19	9 86 2 1 4 - 2 - 41	Birmingham, Ali Chattanooga, Te Knoxville, Tenn. Lexington, Ky. Memphis, Tenn. Mobile, Ala. Montgomery, A Nashville, Tenn. W.S. CENTRAL	a. 182 enn. 83 78 67 . 137 67	119 63 61 49 90 51 17 98	43 14 12 11 24 13 7 28	13 1 2 4 12 3 6 5	6 4 1 3 4 - 2 4	1 1 2 - 5 - 2 40	21 6 4 6 8 3 - 6
Newark, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Philadelphia, Pa. 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.	U 12 U 52 23 118	5 U 5 U 33 19 90 22 29 86 20 19 U	U	U 1 U 6 2 5 1 2 2 2 · U	1 U 1 - - 1 - 1 U	U 1 U 3 - 2 - - 4 -	2 U 6 2 7 1 - 16 2	Austin, Tex. Baton Rouge, La Corpus Christi, Dallas, Tex. El Paso, Tex. Ft. Worth, Tex. Houston, Tex. Little Rock, Ark. New Orleans, La San Antonio, Te Shreveport, La. Tulsa, Okla.	Tex. 60 193 60 105 371 63 . 65	71 33 37 121 41 64 230 46 27 149 41	28 9 15 41 11 26 87 5 16 43 13	8 7 4 24 3 9 31 - 9 6 7 9	1 4 1 4 2 3 14 - 8 5 1 2	3 3 3 3 9 1 4 3 7	9 - 10 4 1 7 30 2 12 10 11 9
E.N. CENTRAL Akron, Ohio Canton, Ohio Chicago, III. Cincinnati, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Columbus, Ohio Dayton, Ohio Detroit, Mich. Evansville, Ind. Fort Wayne, Ind. Gary, Ind.	1,894 47 39 306 U 130 176 128 188 48 56	1,256 34 32 179 U 82 119 88 103 33 42	9	141 3 1 35 U 5 12 11 27 3 3	55 - 9 U 3 2 5 12 2	48 2 6 U 2 5 7 1	146 5 6 26 U 5 14 7 15 2 6	MOUNTAIN Albuquerque, N Boise, Idaho Colo. Springs, C Denver, Colo. Las Vegas, Nev. Ogden, Utah Phoenix, Ariz. Pueblo, Colo. Salt Lake City, U Tucson, Ariz.	40 dolo. 45 100 176 27 166 28 tah 123 143	543 U 28 33 63 111 18 99 23 80 88	179 9 9 18 42 5 35 4 20 37	71 U 2 1 10 18 2 16 - 13	33 U 1 6 2 1 10 - 5 8	21 U 1 1 3 3 1 5 1 5 1	48 U 1 3 11 6 2 7 1 11 6
Grand Rapids, Mi Indianapolis, Ind. Lansing, Mich. Milwaukee, Wis. Peoria, III. Rockford, III. South Bend, Ind. Toledo, Ohio Youngstown, Ohi W.N. CENTRAL	ch. 53 243 29 134 42 68 54 105 0 32 885	38 162 21 94 32 52 36 78 26	10 53 5 27 5 10 12 14 2	1 15 3 1 2 2 9 4 59	1 7 1 1 3 3 3 2 -	3 6 2 9 1 1 1 2	7 21 3 6 3 5 3 10 2	PACIFIC Berkeley, Calif. Fresno, Calif. Glendale, Calif. Honolulu, Hawa Long Beach, Cal Los Angeles, Cal Pasadena, Calif. Portland, Oreg. Sacramento, Cal San Diego, Calif.	if. 55 lif. 372 33 124 lif. 163 . 166	1,076 7 76 14 48 44 267 26 90 113 111	273 2 24 3 15 7 55 5 24 33 27	102 2 5 - 4 1 35 - 5 11 12	38 - 2 - 4 1 7 1 4 4 5	32 1 3 - 2 8 1 - 2	127 1 4 - 6 8 30 6 9 11 21
Des Moines, lowa Duluth, Minn. Kansas City, Kans Kansas City, Mo. Lincoln, Nebr. Minneapolis, Min Omaha, Nebr. St. Louis, Mo. St. Paul, Minn. Wichita, Kans.	. 42 . 43 81 21	70 35 24 57 15 136 59 80 89 56	16 19 16	6 1 10 - 8 1 11 3 18	4 - 7 2 1 5 2 7 2	4 1 2 1 1 3 2 5	5 5 2 2 3 13 9 7 3	San Francisco, C San Jose, Calif. Santa Cruz, Calif Seattle, Wash. Spokane, Wash. Tacoma, Wash. TOTAL	U f. 21 112	80 U 15 72 34 79 7,258	22 U 2 24 12 18 2,040	9 U 3 10 3 2 779	2 U 1 3 - 4 297	1 U - 3 1 - 248	15 U 2 5 5 4 722

U: Unavailable. -:No reported cases.

\*Mortality data in this table are voluntarily reported from 122 cities in the United States, most of which have populations of ≥100,000. 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. ¹Pneumonia and influenza. ³Because of changes in reporting methods in this Pennsylvania city, these numbers are partial counts for the current week. Complete counts will be available in 4 to 6 weeks. ¹Total includes unknown ages.

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