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Homicides Among 15–19-Year-Old Males — United States, 1963–1991

In 1991, nearly half (13,122 [49%]) of the 26,513 homicide victims in the United States were males aged 15–34 years. In addition, among males in this age group, homicide accounted for 18% of all deaths and was the second leading cause of death (Table 1). During 1963–1991, the pattern of homicide rates changed substantially; the change was greatest for males aged 15–19 years, for whom rates increased substantially (Figure 1). This report summarizes these trends and presents strategies for violence prevention and intervention.

Mortality data were obtained from CDC's National Center for Health Statistics; population estimates were projected from census data. Arrest rates were calculated using data from the U.S. Department of Justice.

From 1985 to 1991, the annual crude homicide rate for the United States increased 25% (from 8.4 to 10.5 per 100,000 persons). The homicide rate for persons aged 15– 34 years increased 50% during this period (from 13.4 to 20.1 per 100,000), accounting for most of the overall increase. Rates increased for both sexes and all 5-year age groups within the 15–34-year age group. For persons in other age groups, rates were relatively stable from 1985 to 1991: for persons aged ≤14 years, 1.9 and 2.4, respectively; for persons aged 35–64 years, 8.8 and 9.1, respectively; and for persons aged \geq 65 years, 4.3 and 4.1, respectively.

From 1963 through 1985, annual homicide rates for 15–19-year-old males were one third to one half the rates for the next three higher 5-year age groups (Figure 1). How-

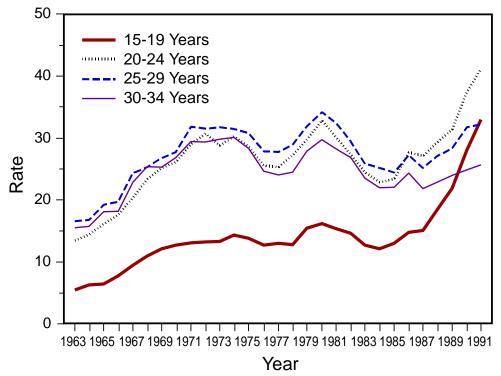
Cause	No.	(%)	
Unintentional injury	23,108	(32)	
Homicide	13,122	(18)	
Suicide	9,434	(13)	
Human immunodeficiency virus infection	8,661	(12)	
Cancer	3,699	(5)	
Other	13,234	(19)	
Total	71,258	(100)	

TABLE 1. Leading causes of death for males aged 15–34 years — United States, 1991

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FIGURE 1. Age-specific rate of homicide for males aged 15–34 years, by age group and year — United States, 1963–1991



*Per 100,000 population.

ever, during 1985–1991, annual rates for males aged 15–19 years increased 154% (from 13.0 to 33.0), surpassing the rates for 25–29- and 30–34-year-old males, even though those rates increased 32% (from 24.4 to 32.3) and 16% (from 22.1 to 25.7), respectively. The homicide rate for 20–24-year-old males increased 76% (from 23.4 to 41.2) from 1985 through 1991.

During 1985–1991, age-specific arrest rates for murder and nonnegligent manslaughter increased 127% for males aged 15–19 years, 43% for males aged 20–24 years, and declined 1% and 13% for males aged 25–29 and 30–34 years, respectively (*1*,*2*). In 1991, 15–19-year-old males were more likely to be arrested for murder than males in any other age group.

Reported by: Div of Violence Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, CDC. **Editorial Note:** The increase in the annual homicide rate for 15–19-year-old males during 1985–1991 was a dramatic change from the pattern during 1963–1984. Although the immediate and specific causes of this problem are unclear, the increase in the occurrence of homicide may be the result of the recruitment of juveniles into drug markets, the use of guns in these markets, and the consequent diffusion of guns to other young persons in the community, resulting, in turn, in more frequent use of the guns for settling disputes (*3*). Among 15–19-year-old males, firearm-related homicides accounted for 88% of all homicides in 1991 and 97% of the increase in the rate from 1985 through 1991. Factors underlying the immediate precursors may include poverty, inadequate educational and economic opportunities, social and family insta-

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bility, and frequent personal exposure to violence as an acceptable or preferred method of resolving disagreements (4,5).

Although the most effective strategies to prevent youth violence have not been determined, efforts to prevent this problem should employ established principles of health promotion and should emphasize the use of multiple complementary interventions (6,7). These interventions include

- Strengthening the science base for prevention efforts. Strategies and methods to prevent violence in youth should be rigorously assessed (6).
- Establishing primary-prevention programs. Primary prevention aims to prevent the occurrence of violence rather than focusing on known perpetrators and victims after the occurrence of violence. This strategy addresses all forms of violence (e.g., spouse abuse, child abuse, and violence among youth) and could affect both potential perpetrators and victims.
- Targeting youths of all ages. Violence-reduction efforts should address the needs of infants, children, and older youths. Measures that have been successful in reducing violent behavior and its precursors in these age groups (8–10) should be considered when developing new programs.
- Involving adults (e.g., parents and other role models). They influence violencerelated attitudes and behaviors of youth and should be provided the appropriate knowledge and skills to function as role models.
- Presenting messages in multiple settings. Lessons in one setting (e.g., a school) should be reinforced in other settings in which children and youth congregate, including homes, churches, recreational settings, and clinics.
- Addressing societal and personal factors. Societal factors (e.g., poverty, unemployment, undereducation, and social acceptance of violence [4,5]) should be addressed simultaneously with efforts to affect personal behavior change through activities such as home visitation, school-based training, or mentoring.

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Current Trends

Adolescent Homicide — Fulton County, Georgia, 1988–1992

In Fulton County, Georgia (1990 population: 648,951), during 1988–1992, 12% of homicides occurred among persons aged ≤18 years, of whom 75% were adolescents aged 13–18 years (1). Recognition of homicide as the leading cause of death among adolescents in Fulton County has prompted planning of local surveillance, prevention, intervention, advocacy, and mentoring programs and antiviolence media campaigns. This report summarizes descriptive information for homicides of adolescents in Fulton County during 1988–1992 and addresses the use of this information for local prevention and intervention programs.

Data were obtained from death investigation records of the Fulton County Medical Examiner (FCME), death certificates, and birth certificates (of homicide victims who were born in Fulton County). FCME data were used to identify decedents to be included in the study, demographic information about the decedent, and location of the homicide. Death certificates provided information about the decedent's place of birth, county of residence, and occupational status. For decedents who were born in Fulton County, birth certificates were reviewed for mother's place of birth and for maternal age and marital status when the decedent was born. A map was used to divide Fulton County into 1-square-mile sectors, plot the location of each homicide, and compare the location of the homicide with the location of the decedent's residence.

Based on names listed in FCME records, death certificates were located for 106 of the 107 adolescent homicide victims during 1988–1992. The number and rates of homicides increased with age (Table 1). Most (89 [84%]) decedents were black males. Almost all (104 [98%]) decedents were classified by family members (usually the mother) as being of U.S. origin (i.e., an ancestor's foreign birthplace or nationality group was not specified); 87 (82%) were born in Georgia, and 76 (72%) were born in Fulton County. Ninety-six (91%) were born in urban areas (i.e., counties included in a metropolitan statistical area); 10 were born in rural areas or place of birth was unknown. At the time of their deaths, 85 (80%) were Fulton County residents, and 98 (92%) were residents of the metropolitan Atlanta area; two were residents of other Georgia counties, and six were residents of other states or residence was unknown. Of

Category	No.	Rate*	Category	No.	Rate*
Age (yrs)			Sex/Race [†]		
13	4	10.7	Male		
14	7	18.1	Black	89	93.4
15	11	27.5	Other	5	9.7
16	19	49.2	Female		
17	27	61.5	Black	9	11.5
18	38	72.6	Other	3	6.6

TABLE 1. Characteristics of adolescent homicide victims (n=106) — Fulton County (Atlanta), Georgia, 1988–1992

*Per 100,000 persons per year.

[†]Numbers for individual races other than black were too small for meaningful analysis. Source: Fulton County Vital Records Office.

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the 106 decedents, 71 (67%) were students; 16 (15%), employed; and 19 (18%), unemployed or had never worked.

Birth certificate data were available for all 76 decedents who were born in Fulton County (Table 2); two decedents killed in separate incidents had the same mother. The mothers of 46 (61%) decedents were aged ≤20 years when the decedent was born, and 34 (45%) mothers were married at the time of the decedent's birth. Sixty-nine (91%) of the mothers were born in Georgia; 49 (64%) were born in Fulton County or the city of Atlanta.

Thirty-five (33%) of the 106 victims were killed in an area located in the same map sector as their place of residence (i.e., within 1.4 miles of home), while 59 (56%) were killed within 2.8 miles of home. Of the 106 homicides, 102 occurred in the incorporated areas of Fulton County (i.e., Atlanta, College Park, East Point, or Union City). Homicides were clustered in the central southwest and central northwest portions of the city of Atlanta.

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Editorial Note: Violence is recognized as a public health emergency in Fulton County by the county Board of Commissioners (R. Michael Green, Fulton County Health Department, personal communication, August 29, 1994). The findings in this report will be used to assist in planning, implementing, and monitoring targeted prevention and intervention programs in Fulton County. Because these and previous findings in Fulton County indicate that most decedents and perpetrators of adolescent homicide were black males (1), prevention and intervention programs should be available for young black males. The high proportion of decedents who were students suggests that such programs might be school-based or associated with school activities. In addition, the substantial portion of young, single mothers suggests that programs could be integrated with other services for single parents and their children, including role-model mentoring programs.

The data also provide a basis for geographic location of neighborhood and other local community programs in selected areas of the county, particularly in the incorporated and inner-city areas of Atlanta. For example, detailed maps of locations where homicides occurred can assist law enforcement agencies, other local agencies, foun-

Category	No.	Category	No.
Maternal age (yrs) when victim born		Mother's marital status at time of victim's birth	
13–15 16–20	6 40	Married Not married	34 41
21–25	13	Unknown	1
26–30 31–35	10 1	Mother's place of birth Fulton County	
36–40 41–45	5 1	or city of Atlanta Other Georgia county	49 20
		Other state	7

TABLE 2. Characteristics of mothers of adolescent homicide victims (n=76) — Fulton County (Atlanta), Georgia, 1988–1992

Source: Fulton County Vital Records Office.

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dations, and prevention-oriented organizations in targeting precincts or zones for special efforts. The finding that a high portion of the decedents (and their mothers) were long-term residents in the community provides a basis for incorporating prevention programs into civic, social, and cultural activities and locally available services.

Interpretation of the findings in this study are subject to at least two limitations. First, the study was not designed to assess risk factors for homicide; as a consequence, for example, the high proportion of decedents who were students or born to young mothers cannot be interpreted to indicate that such persons are at higher risk for homicide than nonstudents or those born to older mothers. Second, the geographic clustering of deaths may reflect higher population densities in some areas or other factors and may not indicate increased risk for fatal or nonfatal violence.

Although death certificate data have been used previously to determine the geographic distribution of homicides in Fulton County (1), these findings refine understanding of this problem by providing additional information about the decedents, residences of the decedents and their mothers, and the location of the homicide. Poverty, lack of jobs, and other socioeconomic variables that underlie the elevated risk for young black males in Fulton County have not been evaluated in this study; however, other research indicates that these factors must be considered when addressing this public health problem. Other recent findings also support the strategies of integrating drug-abuse and homicide-prevention programs; developing programs that might influence the social interactions of adolescents away from home between 6 p.m. and midnight (1); and implementing measures to reduce fatalities involving firearms (1). Additional efforts to assist in the development of prevention and intervention programs include the need to evaluate victim characteristics, perpetrators' access to firearms (e.g., who owned the gun and where and when the perpetrator obtained it), and demographic and psychosocial characteristics of perpetrators, and the effectiveness of intervention programs.

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Current Trends

Prevalence of Disabilities and Associated Health Conditions — United States, 1991–1992

An estimated 35–49 million persons in the United States have a disability (1); estimated direct and indirect annual costs related to disability (including medical expenses and lost workdays) total \$170 billion (2). Because definitions of disability used in previous analyses generally contained limited measures of disability, the prevalence of disability in the United States may have been underestimated. The Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), a subsample of the 1990 U.S. census, collected comprehensive data about disability using several measures. The U.S. Bureau of the Census and CDC analyzed data from SIPP to provide more precise prevalence estimates of disability and health conditions associated with disability in

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the United States during 1991–1992. This report summarizes the findings from that analysis.

From October 1991 through January 1992, SIPP collected information about disability during personal household interviews of a representative sample (n=97,133 persons in 34,100 households) of the U.S. civilian, noninstitutionalized population. Only data for persons aged \geq 15 years are presented in this analysis. The measures of disability used in SIPP were derived from D- and I-codes in the International Classification of Impairments, Disabilities, and Handicaps (ICIDH) (1). Disability was assessed using five measures: 1) ability to perform functional activities* (ICIDH D-codes 21, 23, 26, 40–45, and 48), 2) activities of daily living (ADLs)[†] (ICIDH D-codes 30, 33, 35, 36, 37–39, and 46), or 3) instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs)[§] (ICIDH D-codes 50, 51, 60, and 61), 4) presence of selected impairments[¶] (ICIDH D-codes 15 and 16 and I-codes 14–18), and 5) use of assistive aids (e.g., wheelchair or cane). Participants were asked whether they had "difficulty" performing functional activities, ADLs, and IADLs; whether they had selected impairments; and whether they used assistive aids for 6 months or longer. In addition, participants who had difficulty with activities other than seeing, hearing, and having their speech understood by others were asked to select up to three conditions (from a list of 30) that they believed caused limitation or difficulty with a functional activity, ADL, or IADL. Data were weighted to calculate national estimates.

Based on SIPP, during 1991–1992, of the 195.7 million persons in the United States aged \geq 15 years, 34.2 million (17.5%) had difficulty performing one or more functional activities (Table 1, page 737); most persons had difficulty climbing one flight of stairs (17.5 million [8.9%]) or walking one quarter mile (17.3 million [8.9%] persons). A total of 7.9 million (4.0%) persons had difficulty performing one or more ADLs, and 11.7 million (6.0%) persons had difficulty performing one or more IADLs. Use of a wheelchair for 6 months or longer was reported by 1.5 million (<1%) persons. Of the persons who did not use a wheelchair, 4.0 million (2.0%) persons had used a cane, crutches, or a walker for 6 months or longer.

For all five measures of disability, the age-specific prevalence of disability was higher for persons aged \geq 65 years than persons aged <65 years (Table 1, page 737). The prevalence of disability among men and women was 18.7% and 20.2%, respectively.

Overall, 42.0 million (21%) persons reported one or more conditions they believed to be associated with their disability (Table 2, page 738). The most commonly reported condition was arthritis or rheumatism (7.2 million [17.1%]), followed by back or spine problems (5.7 million [13.5%]), and heart trouble (including coronary heart disease and arteriosclerosis) (4.6 million [11.1%]).

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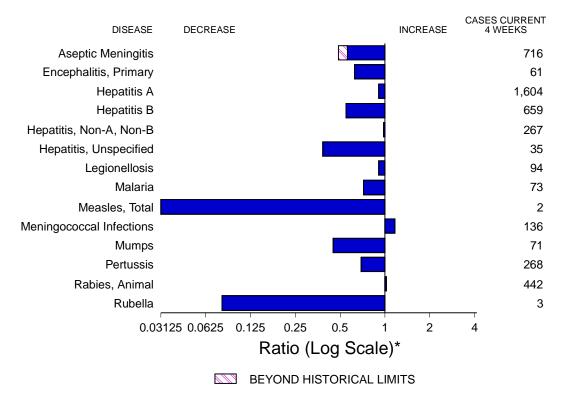
^{*}Functional activities—ability to 1) "see words and letters in ordinary newspaper print," 2) "hear normal conversations," 3) "have speech understood by others," 4) "lift and carry up to 10 pounds (e.g., a full bag of groceries)," 5) "climb a flight of stairs without resting," and 6) "walk one quarter mile."

[†]ADLs—ability to 1) "get around inside the home"; 2) "get in and out of bed or a chair"; and 3) take a bath or shower, dress, and eat; and 4) get to and use the toilet.

[§]IADLs—ability to 1) "get around outside the home," 2) "keep track of money and bills,"
3) "prepare meals," 4) "do light housework," and 5) "use the telephone."

[¶]Learning disabilities; mental retardation; other developmental disabilities; and Alzheimer disease, senility, dementia, and other mental or emotional conditions.

FIGURE I. Notifiable disease reports, comparison of 4-week totals ending October 8, 1994, 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.

	Cum. 1994		Cum. 1994
AIDS*	61,173	Measles: imported	168
Anthrax	-	indigenous	672
Botulism: Foodborne	45	Plague	14
Infant	51	Poliomyelitis, Paralytic [§]	1
Other	7	Psittacosis	28
Brucellosis	70	Rabies, human	1
Cholera	11	Syphilis, primary & secondary	16,356
Congenital rubella syndrome	3	Syphilis, congenital, age < 1 year [¶]	1,123
Diphtheria	1	Tetanus	26
Encephalitis, post-infectious	89	Toxic shock syndrome	147
Gonorrhea	293,763	Trichinosis	28
Haemophilus influenzae (invasive disease) [†]	904	Tuberculosis	16,230
Hansen Disease	88	Tularemia	71
Leptospirosis	24	Typhoid fever	337
Lyme Disease	8,428	Typhus fever, tickborne (RMSF)	358

TABLE I. Summary — cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States, cumulative, week ending October 8, 1994 (40th Week)

*Updated monthly to the Division of HIV/AIDS, National Center for Infectious Diseases; last update September 27, 1994. ¹Of 859 cases of known age, 236 (27%) were reported among children less than 5 years of age. ⁵The remaining 5 suspected cases with onset in 1994 have not yet been confirmed. In 1993, 3 of 10 suspected cases were confirmed. Two of the confirmed cases of 1993 were vaccine-associated and one was classified as imported. ¹Total reported to the Division of Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV Prevention, National Center for Prevention Services, through counter 1004

through second quarter 1994.

		Aseptic	Encept						/iral), by	-		
Reporting Area	AIDS*	Menin- gitis	Primary	Post-in- fectious	Gond	orrhea	A	В	NA,NB	Unspeci- fied	Legionel- losis	Lyme Disease
Reporting / red	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994
UNITED STATES	61,173	14,224	505	89	293,763	306,367	17,110	8,820	3,328	336	1,228	8,428
NEW ENGLAND	2,251	232	16	4	6,507	5,822	226	260	103	15	65	2,145
Maine N.H.	71 46	23 24	3	- 2	67 84	66 43	21 13	11 17	- 8	-	4	17 20
Vt.	29	25	2	-	24	19	7	-	-	-	-	12
Mass. R.I.	1,126 202	65 95	9 2	1 1	2,455 364	2,311 334	87 20	160 7	75 20	13 2	50 11	186 323
Conn.	777	-	-	-	3,513	3,049	78	65	-	-	-	1,587
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y.	18,266 1,722	652 314	42 23	16 2	31,167 7,875	35,001 7,769	1,290 428	1,084 291	372 184	9 5	197 52	5,105 3,209
N.Y. City	10,514	108	6	5	10,224	9,407	515	251	1	-	9	18
N.J. Pa.	4,205 1,825	230	- 13	- 9	3,826 9,242	3,682 14,143	224 123	285 257	158 29	- 4	37 99	1,022 856
E.N. CENTRAL	4,776	1,118	127	21	56,215	64,393	1,700	880	244	8	378	79
Ohio Ind.	870 479	290 162	40 10	3 1	16,780 6,737	17,036	685 304	131 153	19 9	-	170 97	57 13
III.	2,354	263	43	5	13,923	6,481 22,406	304	177	48	3	20	4
Mich. Wis.	780 293	396 7	30 4	12	13,892 4,883	13,334 5,136	227 147	303 116	165 3	5	66 25	5
WIS. W.N. CENTRAL	1,244	309	22	6	4,003	17,021	829	490		10	78	209
Minn.	300	20	2	-	2,544	1,733	181	48	17	1	1	141
lowa Mo.	88 566	93 117	1 7	1 4	1,139 9,341	1,207 10,350	49 389	24 368	9 22	9	28 25	13 36
N. Dak. S. Dak.	22 12	10 2	3 2	-	18 150	42 205	4 31	- 2	-	-	4 1	-
Nebr.	69	14	4	1	- 150	484	89	19	8	-	14	9
Kans.	187	53	3	-	2,876	3,000	86	29	14	-	5	10
S. ATLANTIC Del.	14,441 213	1,152 30	120 1	26	81,909 1,496	77,873 1,129	1,114 16	1,857 4	494 1	39	280 26	673 62
Md.	2,356	204	18	4	14,069	12,423	155	316	28	13	78	272
D.C. Va.	1,089 877	46 212	- 27	1 6	5,411 10,276	3,596 9,192	18 136	44 102	1 20	- 6	9 8	6 117
W. Va. N.C.	54 931	25 198	34 39	- 1	622	503 19,361	14 109	32 224	23 51	-	3 20	18 71
S.C.	931	26	- 39	-	21,590 10,336	8,378	32	25	8	-	20 12	7
Ga. Fla.	1,688 6,237	47 364	1	- 14	۔ 18,109	4,660 18,631	24 610	523 587	168 194	- 20	92 32	100 20
E.S. CENTRAL	1,606	8,628	30	3	35,842	34,885	463	837	715	2	60	38
Ky.	248	129	13	1	3,777	3,728	123	63	23	-	8	21
Tenn. Ala.	539 468	8,313 142	10 5	- 1	11,553 12,079	10,930 12,150	207 79	712 62	677 15	1 1	36 12	11 6
Miss.	351	44	2	1	8,433	8,077	54	-	-	-	4	-
W.S. CENTRAL Ark.	5,837 206	667 38	43	2	36,018 5,232	34,646 5,389	2,517 152	1,181 22	461 7	63 1	36 7	100 8
La.	995	27	6	-	9,396	9,318	122	138	142	1	12	1
Okla. Tex.	215 4,421	- 602	- 37	- 2	3,001 18,389	3,686 16,253	244 1,999	269 752	254 58	1 60	11 6	56 35
MOUNTAIN	1,751	255	10	3	6,641	8,950	3,211	498	351	48	69	15
Mont.	19 49	7 5	-	-	72 69	64	18	21	10 64	-	14 1	- 3
Idaho Wyo.	16	4	2	2	65	143 66	273 24	67 22	134	1	4	3
Colo. N. Mex.	658 123	98 15	2	-	2,430 799	2,976 723	416 886	79 171	55 44	13 11	15 3	- 7
Ariz.	493	47	-	-	2,405	3,182	1,013	34	9	11	7	-
Utah Nev.	102 291	43 36	2 4	1	189 612	342 1,454	400 181	58 46	22 13	3 9	6 19	1 1
PACIFIC	11,001	1,211	95	8	23,396	27,776	5,760	1,733	518	142	65	64
Wash.	730 486	-	-	-	2,230 570	3,002 946	282 459	58 47	54 15	2 1	6	-
Oreg. Calif.	9,604	- 1,095	- 92	- 7	19,405	22,933	4,797	1,593	444	136	56	64
Alaska Hawaii	34 147	17 99	3	- 1	686 505	489 406	176 46	10 25	- 5	- 3	- 3	-
Guam	147	15	-	-	170	400 80	37	6	-	12	3	-
P.R.	1,759	26	-	3	352	379	51	278	111	11	-	-
V.I. Amer. Samoa	39	-	-	-	25 25	79 37	-7	1	-	-	-	-
C.N.M.I.	-	-	-	-	37	69	5	1	-	-	-	-

TABLE II. Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending October 8, 1994, and October 9, 1993 (40th Week)

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

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			Measle	s (Rube	eola)		Menin-								
Reporting Area	Malaria	Indig	enous	Impo	orted*	Total	gococcal Infections	Mu	mps	ł	Pertussi	s		Rubella	a
	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993
UNITED STATES	810	1	672	-	168	272	2,047	21	1,078	46	2,586	4,557	-	209	166
NEW ENGLAND			14		14	62	107	-	18	6	294	607	-	127	2
Maine N.H.	4 3	-	1 1	-	4	1 2	19 6	-	3 4	-	15 53	15 136	-	-	1
Vt. Mass.	3 27	-	2 2		1 6	31 18	2 44	-	- 2	2	40 150	70 318		- 123	- 1
R.I.	8	-	4	-	3	1	-	-	2	-	5	7	-	2	-
Conn.	18	-	4	-	-	9	36	-	7	4	31	61	-	2	-
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y.	156 41	-	166 12	-	23 3	21 5	206 75	-	87 24	5 5	457 194	684 229	-	9 6	58 16
N.Y. City N.J.	58 35	-	11 139	-	3 14	7 9	11 50	-	11 6	-	82 10	52 70	-	1 2	22 15
Pa.	22	-	4	-	3	-	70	-	46	-	171	333	-	-	5
E.N. CENTRAL	90	-	59	-	43	30	321	1	173	9	328	1,163	-	11	7
Ohio Ind.	14 14	-	15	-	2 1	9 1	92 53	1	51 7	5 3	121 51	299 103	-	-	1 2
III.	38 22	-	17	-	39 1	9	100 45	-	76 35	- 1	71	373 80	-	3 8	1 2
Mich. Wis.	22	-	24 3	-	-	6 5	45 31	-	35 4	-	36 49	308	-	0 -	2
W.N. CENTRAL	36	-	126	-	44	3	142	1	52	12	143	371	-	2	1
Minn. Iowa	11 5	-	- 6	-	- 1	-	11 18	-	5 13	- 8	51 17	190 30	-	-	
Mo.	11	-	118	-	42	1	75	1	29	4	39	114	-	2	1
N. Dak. S. Dak.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 8	-	3	-	4 15	5 8	-	-	
Nebr. Kans.	3 5	U	1 1	U	1	- 2	9 20	U	2	U	7 10	8 16	U		
S. ATLANTIC	176	_	49	_	6	28	347	4	158	1	234	393	-	11	6
Del.	3	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	2	9	-	-	-
Md. D.C.	89 12	-	2	-	2	4	32 4	4	51	-	66 7	107 12	-	-	2
Va. W. Va.	23	-	1 36	-	1	4	56 12	-	38 3	-	30 4	52 8	:	-	-
N.C.	9	-	2	-	1	-	44	-	36	-	58	69	-	-	-
S.C. Ga.	4 20	- U	- 2	- U		-	21 66	- U	7 8	1 U	13 22	13 49	- U	- 2	
Fla.	16	-	6	-	2	20	107	-	15	-	32	74	-	9	4
E.S. CENTRAL Ky.	29 10	-	28	-	-	1	120 34	-	18	-	114 58	258 35	-	-	-
Tenn.	9	-	28	-		-	27	-	7	-	18	158	-	-	
Ala. Miss.	9 1	-				1	59	-	5 6	-	31 7	55 10	-	-	
W.S. CENTRAL	38	-	9	-	7	10	254	5	214	-	151	131	-	13	17
Ark.	3 6	-	-	-	1 1	- 1	38 29	-	1 23	-	22 10	10 9	:	-	- 1
La. Okla.	6	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	23	-	22	70	-	4	1
Tex.	23	-	9	-	5	9	162	5	167	-	97	42	-	9	15
MOUNTAIN Mont.	24	1	149	-	17	6	132 6	8	124	6	318 6	349 7	-	6	11
Idaho Wyo.	2 1	1	1	-		-	15 6	-	7 2	1	45	90 1	-	-	2
Colo.	11	-	16	-	3	3	27	1	3	-	109	134	-	-	2
N. Mex. Ariz.	3 1	-	-	:	- 1	- 2	13 41	N 6	N 86	- 1	20 116	36 50	-	1	- 2
Utah	4	-	131	-	2	-	19	-	12	4	20	27	-	4	4
Nev.	2 109	-	- רד	-	11 14	1	5 419	1	13	- 7	2	4	-	1 20	1
PACIFIC Wash.	198 8	-	72	-	14	111	418 27	2	234 6	7 1	547 29	601 60	-	30	64
Oreg. Calif.	10 162	U	- 56	U	1 9	4 85	71 312	N 2	N 209	U 6	38 463	50 480	U	2 23	- 35
Alaska	2	-	16	-	-	2	2	-	3	-	1	5	-	1	1
Hawaii	16	-	-	-	4	20	6	-	16	-	16	6	-	4	28
Guam P.R.	3 2	U -	211 13	U -	-	2 344	1 15	U -	4 2	U -	2 1	- 6	U -	1	-
V.I. Amer. Samoa	-	- U	-	- U	-	-	-	- U	1 1	- U	- 2	- 2	- U	-	-
C.N.M.I.	- 1	U	26	Ŭ	-	1	-	Ŭ	2	Ŭ	-	1	Ŭ	-	-

TABLE II. (Cont'd.) Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending October 8, 1994, and October 9, 1993 (40th Week)

*For measles only, imported cases include both out-of-state and international importations. N: Not notifiable U: Unavailable [†] International [§] Out-of-state

Reporting Area		ohilis Secondary)	Toxic- Shock Syndrome	Tuber	culosis	Tula- remia	Typhoid Fever	Typhus Fever (Tick-borne) (RMSF)	Rabies, Animal
····p ·····g · ····	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1993	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994	Cum. 1994
UNITED STATES	16,356	20,654	147	16,230	17,404	71	337	358	4,841
NEW ENGLAND	170	260	4	389	389	1	22	16	1,454
Maine N.H.	4 3	4 22	1	23 14	19 15	-	-	-	- 119
Vt.	-	1	1	6	5	-	-	-	111
Mass. R.I.	75 12	108 11	2	204 35	216 46	1	18 1	8	554 44
Conn.	76	114	-	107	88	-	3	8	626
MID. ATLANTIC	1,052	1,790	24	3,278	3,653	1	89	16	613
Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City	141 464	180 859	14	253 2,013	548 2,152	1	8 60	6 1	207
N.J.	163	220	-	601	425	-	17	3	217
Pa.	284	531	10	411	528	-	4	6	189
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio	2,159 888	3,387 899	30 9	1,620 273	1,763 245	8 1	65 7	41 24	51 4
Ind.	197	291	2	145	172	2	7	5	12
III. Mish	596	1,325	9	818	925	3	39	10	15
Mich. Wis.	231 247	465 407	10	338 46	352 69	1 1	5 7	2	12 8
W.N. CENTRAL	937	1,328	22	438	374	29	1	32	156
Minn.	40	52	1	99	44	1	-	-	13
lowa Mo.	49 796	54 1,104	8 6	46 194	40 196	- 19	- 1	1 14	68 14
N. Dak.	-	4	1	7	6	-	-	-	9
S. Dak. Nebr.	-	2 10	- 2	21 18	11 21	1 2		13 1	24
Kans.	52	102	4	53	56	6	-	3	28
S. ATLANTIC	4,778	5,237	7	2,669	3,517	2	43	167	1,551
Del. Md.	22 229	88	-	26 247	38 292	- 1	1 12	- 19	41 429
D.C.	172	282 269	-	96	133	-	12	-	429
Va.	635	504	1	214	347	-	7	16	316
W. Va. N.C.	8 1,318	11 1,486	- 1	60 374	61 424	-	-	2 58	61 131
S.C.	630	765	-	266	317	-	-	15	146
Ga. Fla.	1,159 605	875 957	1 4	599 787	591 1,314	1	2 20	54 3	295 130
E.S. CENTRAL	2,972	3,125	4	1,046	1,241	1	2	29	152
Ky.	164	263	2	249	281	1	1	8	18
Tenn. Ala.	795 522	898 653	2	322 314	379 385	-	1	15 2	34 100
Miss.	1,491	1,311	-	161	196	-	-	4	-
W.S. CENTRAL	3,479	4,335	1	2,236	2,011	17	13	43	541
Ark. La.	388 1,383	439 2,008	-	224 94	158 196	16	- 3	7	25 55
Okla.	100	236	1	210	122	1	2	29	31
Tex.	1,608	1,652	-	1,708	1,535	-	8	7	430
MOUNTAIN Mont.	192 4	199 1	7	385 9	424 13	9 3	9	14 4	114 15
Idaho	1	-	- 1	11	10	-	-	-	3
Wyo.	-	7	-	8	3	- 1	-	2	17 10
Colo. N. Mex.	105 18	63 24	4	21 43	64 46	1	3 1	4	6
Ariz.	33	82	-	178	181	-	1	1	41
Utah Nev.	8 23	8 14	2	38 77	25 82	2 2	2 2	- 1	14 8
PACIFIC	617	993	48	4,169	4,032	3	93	-	209
Wash.	29	49	2	212	203	-	3	-	-
Oreg. Calif.	21 561	37 893	43	90 3,624	- 3,580	2	4 82	-	8 171
Alaska	4	8	-	43	48	1	-	-	30
Hawaii	2	6	3	200	201	-	4	-	-
Guam P.R.	9 228	3 402	-	140 120	43 165	-	1	-	- 55
V.I.	25	35	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Amer. Samoa	1	-	-	4	4	-	1	-	-
C.N.M.I.	2	3	-	31	27	-	1	-	-

TABLE II. (Cont'd.) Cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending
October 8, 1994, and October 9, 1993 (40th Week)

U: Unavailable

	A	All Cau	ses, By	/ Age (Y	'ears)		P&l [†]			All Cau	ises, By	/ Age (Y	'ears)		P&I [†]
Reporting Area	All Ages	≥6 5	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, Mass. New Haven, Conn. Providence, R.I. Somerville, Mass. Springfield, Mass. Waterbury, Conn.	576 171 38 13 23 57 24 19 32 50 2 41 29 58	401 102 23 19 37 17 13 18 22 44 1 300 25 41	101 33 11 3 2 12 5 1 6 4 1 5 3 13	49 28 3 - 1 3 4 - 3 2 - 2 - 2 - 3	14 5 1 1 2 1 - - 1 1 1	11 3 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 3 - - 3	37 16 1 2 4 1 3 2 - 1 3 4	S. ATLANTIC Atlanta, Ga. Baltimore, Md. Charlotte, N.C. Jacksonville, Fla. Miami, Fla. Norfolk, Va. Richmond, Va. Savannah, Ga. St. Petersburg, Fla. Tampa, Fla. Washington, D.C. Wilmington, Del. E.S. CENTRAL	1,325 168 246 79 128 95 59 89 46 45 197 166 7 757	807 103 136 85 55 36 55 29 35 135 87 5 472	271 41 43 19 21 13 21 9 3 44 36 2 153	157 19 36 10 13 16 4 10 5 4 13 27 - 82	45 2 14 2 6 1 2 3 2 - 4 9 - 22	41 3 13 2 5 2 4 - 1 3 1 7 - 28	85 6 21 2 13 1 5 6 4 1 21 5 50
MID. ATLANTIC Albany, N.Y. Allentown, Pa. Buffalo, N.Y. Camden, N.J. Elizabeth, N.J. Erie, Pa.§	1,989 55 25 U 34 17 36	1,275 33 18 U 19 12 30	361 10 2 U 9 4 4	263 7 5 U 1 1 1	48 - - U 2 -	42 5 - U 3 - 1	75 1 U 1 2	Birmingham, Ala. Chattanooga, Tenn. Knoxville, Tenn. Lexington, Ky. Memphis, Tenn. Mobile, Ala. Montgomery, Ala. Nashville, Tenn.	133 67 93 59 217 U 35 153	86 44 64 34 144 U 19 81	20 9 16 17 31 U 10 50	16 12 8 7 25 U 3 11	4 2 7 U 2 5	7 3 10 U 1 6	7 8 10 1 15 U - 9
Jersey City, N.J. New York City, N.Y. Newark, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa.§ Reading, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.§ Syracuse, N.Y. Trenton, N.J. Utica, N.Y. Yonkers, N.Y.	61 1,278 61 28 U 45 13 108 38 29 93 28 14 26	40 787 31 13 U 35 9 77 28 25 68 17 14	9 243 13 5 U 8 3 22 7 1 13 6 -2	9 190 9 10 U 1 - 7 2 3 8 5 - 4	34 4 - U 1 2 - 2 - 1	3 24 4 - - - - 2	- 35 1 1 U 1 2 12 6 2 3 3 - 5	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.	1,280 58 39 44 184 97 135 291 87 104 U 115 126	778 39 26 28 119 62 77 163 49 58 U 80 77	257 6 7 28 20 24 73 18 26 U 17 32	154 8 25 11 13 40 13 14 U 12 10	49 5 1 2 10 2 8 9 2 4 U 4 2	42 4 1 2 2 13 6 5 2 U 2 5	83 1 3 4 8 5 34 9 - U 12 4
E.N. CENTRAL Akron, Ohio Canton, Ohio Chicago, III. Cincinnati, Ohio Celveland, Ohio Dayton, Ohio Dayton, Ohio Detroit, Mich. Evansville, Ind. Fort Wayne, Ind. Garand Rapids, Mict Indianapolis, Ind. Madison, Wis. Milwaukee, Wis. Peoria, III. Rockford, III. South Bend, Ind. Toledo, Ohio Youngstown, Ohio W.N. CENTRAL Des Moines, Iowa Duluth, Minn. Kansas City, Kans. Kansas City, Kans. Lincoln, Nebr. Minneapolis, Minn. Omaha, Nebr. St. Louis, Mo. St. Paul, Minn.	177 54 99 56 49 41 95 67 698 U 266 27 106 42	$\begin{array}{c} 1,330\\ 48\\ 17\\ 208\\ 54\\ 91\\ 121\\ 78\\ 123\\ 32\\ 51\\ 7\\ 39\\ 125\\ 41\\ 75\\ 38\\ 32\\ 31\\ 722\\ 47\\ 474\\ U\\ 222\\ 17\\ 56\\ 30\\ 146\\ 58\\ 77\\ 29\\ 39\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 394\\ 6\\ 7\\ 8\\ 8\\ 40\\ 39\\ 19\\ 43\\ 6\\ 7\\ 5\\ 10\\ 26\\ 9\\ 12\\ 6\\ 15\\ 14\\ 119\\ 0\\ 3\\ 4\\ 19\\ 5\\ 28\\ 15\\ 24\\ 7\\ 14\\ \end{array}$	218 3 28 7 12 18 7 23 3 1 1 3 13 2 5 4 4 2 6 4 58 U 2 15 4 17 2 7 5 6	150 	102 1 466 4 11 7 2 10 - 1 1 2 9 - 2 3 1 1 - 1 2 9 - 2 3 1 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$\begin{array}{c} 100\\ & 4\\ 18\\ 4\\ 2\\ 8\\ 10\\ 6\\ 4\\ & 1\\ 6\\ 4\\ 1\\ 5\\ 8\\ 2\\ 1\\ 1\\ 4\\ 3\\ 44\\ U\\ 3\\ & 5\\ 22\\ 2\\ 6\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 6\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\ 2\\$	MOUNTAIN Albuquerque, N.M. Colo. Springs, Colo Denver, Colo. Las Vegas, Nev. Ogden, Utah Phoenix, Ariz. Pueblo, Colo. Salt Lake City, Utah Tucson, Ariz. PACIFIC Berkeley, Calif. Fresno, Calif. Glendale, Calif. Honolulu, Hawaii Long Beach, Calif. Dorg Beach, Calif. Portland, Oreg. Sacramento, Calif. San Jose, Calif. San Jose, Calif. San Jose, Calif. Santa Cruz, Calif. Seattle, Wash. Spokane, Wash. Tacoma, Wash. TOTAL	121 216 29 168 15 102 U 1,313 19 91 U 75 79 91 U 21 121 121 121 157	526 57 41 83 134 19 112 12 68 U 846 18 53 44 U 846 53 44 U 14 81 97 97 97 92 28 52 6,909	126 16 9 14 52 6 11 3 15 U 239 - 17 U 239 - 17 U 239 - 17 U 239 - 17 U 239 - 27 19 26 24 10 7 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27	85 14 7 17 13 2 21 1 U 143 1 0 U 9 8 U 1 10 2 8 U 1 10 2 8 U 1 10 2 8 U 1 10 2 1 2 1 0 0 9 8 0 1 10 0 9 8 0 11 0 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0	43 4 14 14 33 5 U 2 U 2 1 7 9 1 3 3 - 422	25 4 1 3 2 2 0 - 2 U 3 2 4 U 2 5 4 3 1 3 3 1 3 3 1 3 3 3 1 3 3 3 1 2 5 4 3 0 2 0 0 - 2 0 0 2 4 0 2 5 4 10 3 2 2 0 0 10 10 2 5 10 10 2 10 10 2 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	$\begin{array}{c} 54\\ 5\\ 9\\ 13\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 0\\ 3\\ 1\\ 1\\ 0\\ 2\\ 6\\ 12\\ 10\\ 0\\ 2\\ 6\\ 18\\ 13\\ 15\\ 4\\ 7\\ 3\\ 3\\ 637\end{array}$

TABLE III. Deaths in 121 U.S. cities,* week ending October 8, 1994 (40th Week)

*Mortality data in this table are voluntarily reported from 121 cities in the United States, most of which have populations of 100,000 or more. A death is reported by the place of its occurrence and by the week that the death certificate was filed. Fetal deaths are not included. *Pneumonia and influenza. *Because of changes in reporting methods in these 3 Pennsylvania cities, these numbers are partial counts for the current week. Complete counts will be available in 4 to 6 weeks. "Total includes unknown ages. U: Unavailable.

Disabilities — Continued

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Editorial Note: The prevalence estimates of disability in this report indicate that nearly one fifth (19.4%) of the U.S. population aged \geq 15 years has a disability. Prevalence estimates of disability derived from SIPP are based on broader measures of disability

TABLE 1. Number* and percentage of persons who had "difficulty" performing functional activities, activities of daily living, or instrumental activities of daily living or who reported use of assistive aids for 6 months or longer, by age group — Survey of Income and Program Participation, United States, 1991–1992

	≥15 y	/ears	15-64	years	≥65 :	years
Measure of disability	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)
Total surveyed	195,729	(100.0)	165,040	(100.0)	30,688	(100.0)
Functional activities Seeing words and letters in ordinary newspaper						
print Hearing normal	9,685	(5.0)	4,801	(2.9)	4,884	(15.9)
conversations	10,928	(5.6)	5,522	(3.4)	5,406	(14.5)
Having speech understood by others	2,284	(1.2)	1,517	(0.9)	767	(2.5)
Lifting and carrying up to 10 lbs	16,205	(8.3)	7,827	(4.7)	8,378	(27.3)
Climbing one flight of stairs without resting Walking one quarter mile	17,469 17,319	(8.9) (8.9)	8,068 7,937	(4.9) (4.8)	9,400 9,381	(30.6) (30.6)
Activities of daily living Getting around inside home	3,664	(1.9)	1,307	(0.8)	2,357	(7.7)
Getting in and out of bed or a chair Taking a bath or shower	5,280 4,501	(2.7) (2.3)	2,374 1,592	(1.4) (1.0)	2,905 2,909	(9.5) (9.5)
Getting dressed Eating	3,234 1,077	(1.7) (0.6)	1,327 431	(0.8)	1,907 646	(6.2) (2.1)
Getting to and using the toilet	2,084	(1.1)	726	(0.4)	1,358	(4.4)
Instrumental activities of daily living						
Getting around outside the home	7,809	(4.0)	2,885	(1.8)	4,924	(16.0)
Keeping track of money and bills Preparing meals	3,901 4,530	(2.0) (2.3)	1,597 1,680	(1.0) (1.0)	2,303 2,850	(7.5) (9.3)
Doing light housework Using the telephone	6,313 3,130	(3.2) (1.6)	2,565 1,140	(1.6) (0.7)	3,747 1,990	(12.2) (6.5)
Use of assistive aids for 6 months or longer						
Wheelchair Cane, crutches, or walker	1,494 3,962	(0.8) (2.0)	529 1,115	(0.3) (0.7)	965 2,847	(3.1) (9.3)

*In thousands.

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Condition	No.	(%)	
Alcohol- or drug-related problem			
or disorder	300	(0.7)	
AIDS or AIDS-related condition	105	(0.3)	
Arthritis or rheumatism	7,184	(17.1)	
Back or spine problems (including		()	
chronic stiffness or deformity			
of the back or spine)	5,679	(13.5)	
Blindness or other visual impairment		()	
(difficulty seeing well enough to read			
a newspaper, even with glasses)	1,481	(3.5)	
Broken bone/Fracture	830	(2.0)	
Cancer	896	(2.1)	
Cerebral palsy	182	(0.4)	
Deafness or serious trouble hearing	1,099	(2.6)	
Diabetes	1,619	(3.9)	
Epilepsy	259	(0.6)	
Head or spinal cord injury	592	(1.4)	
Heart trouble (including coronary heart	392	(1.4)	
disease and arteriosclerosis)	4,649	(11.1)	
•	4,049		
Hernia or rupture		(1.0)	
High blood pressure (hypertension)	2,161	(5.1)	
Kidney stones or chronic kidney trouble	400	(1.0)	
Learning disability	235	(0.6)	
Lung or respiratory trouble (asthma,			
bronchitis, emphysema, respiratory			
allergies, tuberculosis, or other	2.040	(4 0)	
lung trouble)	2,840	(6.8)	
Mental or emotional problem or disorder	784	(10)	
		(1.9)	
Mental retardation	501	(1.2)	
Missing legs, feet, arms, hands,	202	(07)	
or fingers	302	(0.7)	
Paralysis of any kind	716	(1.7)	
Senility/Dementia/Alzheimer disease	381	(0.9)	
Speech disorder	151	(0.4)	
Stiffness or deformity of the foot, leg,	0.004		
arm, or hand	2,024	(4.8)	
Stomach trouble (including ulcers,	F 0 7		
gall bladder, or liver conditions)	537	(1.3)	
Stroke	1,047	(2.5)	
Thyroid trouble or goiter	139	(0.3)	
Tumor, cyst, or growth	176	(0.4)	
Other	4,287	(10.2)	
Total	41,969	(100.0)	

TABLE 2. Number* and percentage of persons aged \geq 15 years reporting selected conditions[†] as the cause of their disability — Survey of Income and Program Participation, United States, 1991–1992

*In thousands. [†]Participants who had difficulty with activities other than seeing, hearing, and having their speech understood by others were asked to select up to three conditions.

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than previously used for estimates derived from the 1992 Current Population Survey (3), the 1990 census (4), and the National Health Interview Surveys (5,6). This broader definition—which included an assessment of limitations in functional activities, ADLs, IADLs, and selected impairments—provided a more comprehensive assessment of the scope, extent, and epidemiology of disability in the United States.

Definitions used for surveillance and assessment of disability are more clearly understood by linking them to a conceptual framework of consequences of disease and injury, such as the ICIDH (7). In the ICIDH, three concepts define the consequences of disease and injury: 1) impairment (i.e., the loss of psychological, physiological, or anatomical structure or function), 2) disability (i.e., the limitation in functional performance resulting from an impairment), and 3) handicap (i.e., the disadvantage experienced by a person as a result of impairments and/or disabilities, which limits interaction of the person with the physical and social environment).

Despite the usefulness of the estimates based on SIPP, the findings in this report are subject to limitations that may underestimate the public health impact of disability in the United States. For example, SIPP failed to collect data about the effects of physical and social barriers (e.g., within the home, community, school, or workplace) and experiences with discrimination. Recent efforts underscore the importance of clarifying the role of environment in determining the consequences of an impairment or disability should include development of measures that address environmental factors (i.e., physical and social barriers) and the effects of discrimination. Revision of the ICIDH is under way and should improve collection of valid and reliable survey information about physical and social barriers (8,9).

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Outbreak of *Salmonella enteritidis* Associated with Nationally Distributed Ice Cream Products — Minnesota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin, 1994

From September 19 through October 10, 1994, a total of 80 confirmed cases of *Salmonella enteritidis* (SE) infection were reported to the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH); in comparison, 96 cases were reported statewide during all of 1993. Cases were characterized by diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and fever. Recent increases in SE cases also were reported from South Dakota (14 cases during September 6–October 7, compared with 20 cases during all of 1993) and Wisconsin (48 cases during September 6–October 7, compared with 187 during all of 1993). This report summarizes preliminary findings from the outbreak investigation.

On October 5 and 6, to assess potential risk factors for infection, the MDH conducted a case-control study of 15 cases and 15 age- and neighborhood-matched controls. A case was defined as culture-confirmed SE in a person with onset of illness during September. Eleven case-patients (73%) and two controls (13%) reported consumption of Schwan's ice cream within 5 days of illness onset for case-patients and a similar period for controls (odds ratio=10.0; 95% confidence interval=1.4–434.0).

On October 7 and 9, the MDH issued press releases informing the public of this problem and advising persons who had been ill since September 1 and who had consumed Schwan's ice cream to contact the health department. During October 8–11, a total of 2014 persons who had consumed suspected products and had been ill with diarrhea contacted the MDH by telephone. Samples of ice cream from households of ill persons grew SE.

Ill persons reported eating all types and flavors of ice cream products produced at the Schwan's plant in Marshall, Minnesota, including ice cream, sherbet, frozen yogurt, and ice cream sandwiches and cones; these products had production dates in August and September. The implicated products are distributed nationwide, primarily by direct delivery to homes, and are sold only under the Schwan's label. Investigations to examine the extent and causes of the outbreak are under way.

On October 7, the company voluntarily stopped distribution and production at the Marshall plant pending further findings from these investigations.

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Editorial Note: Gastroenteritis caused by *Salmonella* is characterized by abdominal cramps and diarrhea, vomiting, fever, and headache. Antimicrobial therapy is not indicated in uncomplicated gastroenteritis, which typically resolves within 1 week. Persons at increased risk for infection or more severe disease include infants; the elderly; persons with achlorhydria; those receiving immunosuppressive therapy; persons who may have received antimicrobials for another illness; and those persons with sickle-cell anemia, cancer, or acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (1). Complications include meningitis, septicemia, Reiter syndrome, and death (1).

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Salmonella sp. are second only to Campylobacter as a cause of bacterial diarrheal illness in the United States, causing an estimated 2 million illnesses annually (2). Among the more than 2000 Salmonella serotypes, SE has ranked first or second in frequency of isolation from humans since 1988 and accounted for 21% of reported isolates in 1993. Each year, an average of 55 outbreaks of SE infections are reported to CDC; approximately 11% of patients are hospitalized, and 0.3% die (3).

Preliminary findings from this outbreak indicate that the number of persons exposed to contaminated products may be substantial. Approximately 400,000 gallons of the implicated products are produced weekly and are distributed throughout the contiguous United States. Previous investigations have established the potential for large-scale outbreaks of foodborne salmonellosis; for example, in 1985, pasteurized milk produced at one dairy plant caused up to 197,000 *Salmonella* infections (4).

Consumers should discard or return any Schwan's ice cream products. Persons who have become ill since September 1 with diarrhea and who have consumed Schwan's ice cream products are urged to contact their state health departments.

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Notice to Readers

Adult Blood Lead Epidemiology and Surveillance — United States, Second Quarter, 1994

CDC's National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Adult Blood Lead Epidemiology and Surveillance program (ABLES) monitors elevated blood lead levels (BLLs) in adults in the United States. Blood lead data from laboratory reports are transmitted to state-based lead surveillance programs and are compiled by NIOSH for quarterly reporting (1).

The cumulative number of BLL reports for the first and second quarters of 1994 increased 29% over those of the same period for 1993 (Table 1). This finding is consistent with a previous ABLES report describing the increasing number of reports of elevated BLL cases among U.S. workers during 1992–1993 (2).

Reports of elevated BLLs represent new, ongoing, or recurrent exposures and illustrate the extent and ongoing nature of elevated BLLs in workers in lead-using industries. Factors that help explain the increase in reports include increased testing of workers in construction trades (3), improved case ascertainment by state-based surveillance programs, and increased numbers of participating states. Finally, during

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Reported BLL	Second qu	uarter, 1994	Cumulative reports,	Cumulative reports,
(μ g/dL)	No. reports [†]	No. persons§	1994 [†]	1993 [¶]
25-39	3,373	3,418	7,459	6,221
40-49	1,015	1,003	2,385	1,478
50–59	212	182	487	321
≥60	98	71	214	184
Total	4,698	4,674	10,545	8,204

TABLE 1. Reports of elevated blood lead levels (BLLs) among adults — 22 states,* second quarter, 1994

*Reported by Alabama, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Washington, and Wisconsin.

[†]Pennsylvania reports only numbers of persons on a quarterly basis; quarterly numbers of reports and cumulative reports do not include Pennsylvania data.

[§]Individual reports are categorized according to the highest reported BLL for the person during the given quarter.

[¶]Data for first quarter 1993 were reported from 16 states (Alabama, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Vermont, and Wisconsin). Data for second quarter 1993 also include reports from Arizona, California, and Washington.

this quarter, the number of persons reported apparently exceeded the number of reports in one reporting category (25–39 μ g/dL) because one large industrialized state reports only numbers of persons on a quarterly basis and compiles overall numbers of reports only annually (Table 1).

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National Adult Immunization Awareness Week

National Adult Immunization Awareness Week will be held October 23–29, 1994. This observance will emphasize the importance of appropriately vaccinating adults against influenza, pneumococcal disease, hepatitis B, measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus, and diphtheria. National Adult Immunization Awareness Week coincides with the influenza vaccination season and offers opportunities to implement vaccination programs. Additional information is available from the National Coalition for Adult Immunization, 4733 Bethesda Avenue, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 656-0003; fax (301) 907-0878.

Monthly Immunization Table

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

	No. cases, August		l cases y–August	No. cases among children aged <5 years [†] January-August		
Disease	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	
Congenital rubella						
syndrome (CRS)	0	5	2	4	2	
Diphtheria	0	0	1	0	1	
Haemophilus influenzae§	57	863	784	263	210	
Hepatitis B [¶]	813	8223	7633	77	74	
Measles	18	248	814	93	185	
Mumps	116	1123	957	198	155	
Pertussis	357	3171	2203	1888	1270	
Poliomyelitis, paralytic**	1	3	1	1	1	
Rubella	4	157	204	23	19	
Tetanus	1	27	22	0	0	

Number of reported cases of diseases preventable by routine childhood vaccination — United States, August 1994 and 1993–1994*

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

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

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

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

**One case with onset in 1994 has been confirmed; this case was vaccine-associated. In 1993, three of 10 suspected cases were confirmed; two of the confirmed cases of 1993 were vaccine-associated, and one was classified as imported.

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