

MENINGOCOCCAL SURVEILLANCE AUSTRALIA

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The reference laboratories of the Australian Meningococcal Surveillance Programme report data on the number of cases confirmed by laboratory testing using culture and by non-culture based techniques. Culture positive cases, where *Neisseria meningitidis* is grown from a normally sterile site or from a skin lesion, and non-culture based diagnoses, derived from results of nucleic acid amplification assays (NAA) and serological techniques, are defined as invasive meningococcal disease (IMD) according to Public Health Laboratory Network

definitions. Data contained in quarterly reports are restricted to a description of the numbers of cases by jurisdiction and serogroup, where known. Some minor corrections to data in the Table may be made in subsequent reports if additional data are received. A full analysis of laboratory confirmed cases of IMD in each calendar year is contained in the annual reports of the programme published in *Communicable Diseases Intelligence* (CDI). For more information see *Comm Dis Intell* 2013;37(1):E61

Table: Number of laboratory confirmed cases of invasive meningococcal disease, Australia, first quarter 2013, and 2012 by jurisdiction and serogroup

Jurisdiction	Yr	Serogroup													
		A		B		C		Y		W135		ND/other		All	
		Q1	ytd	Q1	ytd	Q1	ytd	Q1	ytd	Q1	ytd	Q1	ytd	Q1	ytd
Australian Capital Territory	2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2012	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
New South Wales	2013	0	0	7	7	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10
	2012	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	9	9
Northern Territory	2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Queensland	2013	0	0	7	7	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	9	9
	2012	0	0	10	10	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
South Australia	2013	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	5	5
	2012	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Tasmania	2013	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Victoria	2013	0	0	6	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
	2012	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
Western Australia	2013	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
	2012	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	3
Australia	2013	0	0	32	32	4	4	1	1	2	2	0	0	39	39
	2012	0	0	26	26	3	3	1	1	0	0	3	3	33	33