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## ALTERNATIVE HEPATITIS FOR ALTERNATIVE SEX: Recent Changes in Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B Infection Patterns in South Australia

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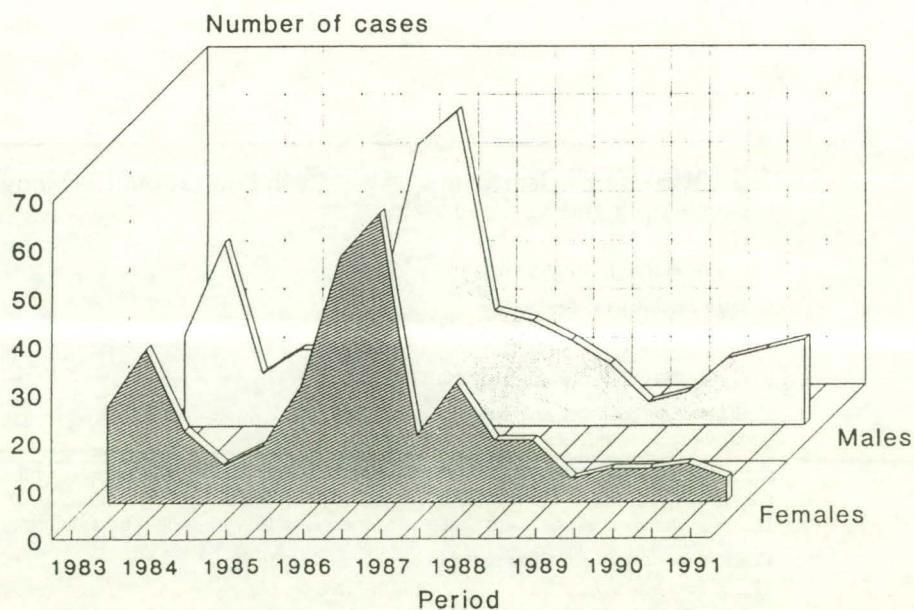
An epidemic of hepatitis A has recently been reported in the adult male populations in NSW and Victoria (*Advertiser* 28 June 1991, and *CDI*, this issue). Although the number of cases of hepatitis A notified to 20 June 1991 in South Australia is no greater than might be expected on the basis of reports for previous years (see Figure 1), the distribution of cases by sex has changed in a fashion that is consistent with the pattern in the eastern States.

The incidence of laboratory notified hepatitis A infections in South Australia has varied markedly since 1983, as is illustrated in Figure 1. The most notable increase in case numbers is that which occurred during 1985-1986, as part of a generalised phenomenon in South Australia and Western Australia. The cause of this increase is not known, but it is clear that during these years, and indeed since 1983, the sex ratio of infected males to females has remained constant at 1.16:1 in adults (age 20-66). In the last 18 months however, a marked predominance of males is apparent (sex ratio 2.62:1). These figures represent a statistically significant increase in the proportion of males infected ( $z=2.48$ ,  $p$  (one tail) = 0.0065).

A possible explanation for the increase of hepatitis A infection in the male population is an increase in oral-anal contact by way of an alternative sexual practice to AIDS-risk behaviours such as anal intercourse. It is therefore possible that the AIDS-awareness campaigns of the mid-1980's have indirectly affected the incidence of hepatitis A infection. It is therefore interesting to reflect upon the concurrent changes in the incidence of hepatitis B infection. Since 1985, based on laboratory notifications, there has been a continuous decrease in the incidence of acute, symptomatic hepatitis B infections in South Australia (see Figure 2). This decrease may also reflect a decrease in unprotected penetrative sex and needle-sharing as a result of successful AIDS education.

Figure 3 shows the age and sex distribution of people infected with hepatitis B in South Australia during 1989-90. There is a high proportion of females in the 15-19 year age group, but males form the overwhelming majority in 20-60 year olds. Factors of importance associated with infection in those males are IV drug use and unemployment.

**Figure 1.** The number of notified cases of Hepatitis A in South Australia in 6 month periods since 1983, for males and females in the age group 20 - 60 years



It is ironic that the behavioural changes associated with AIDS education may have decreased the risk of transmission for one hepatitis agent and increased the risk of contracting another. Nothing is absolute in medicine, and it is perhaps better to think in terms of "safer sex" than in terms of "safe sex".

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Figure 2. The number of notified cases of Hepatitis B in South Australia by year since 1980

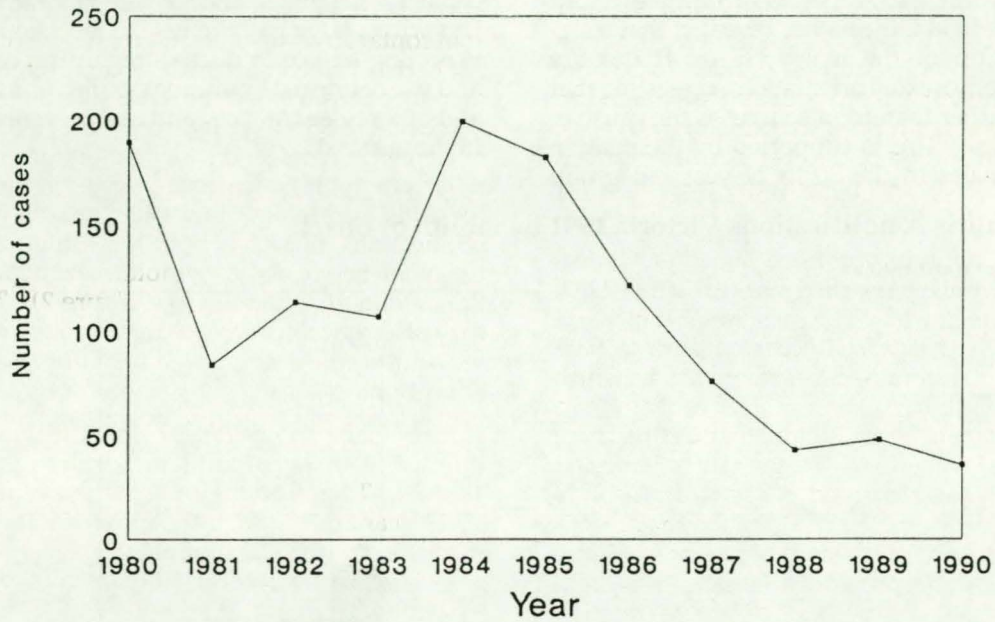
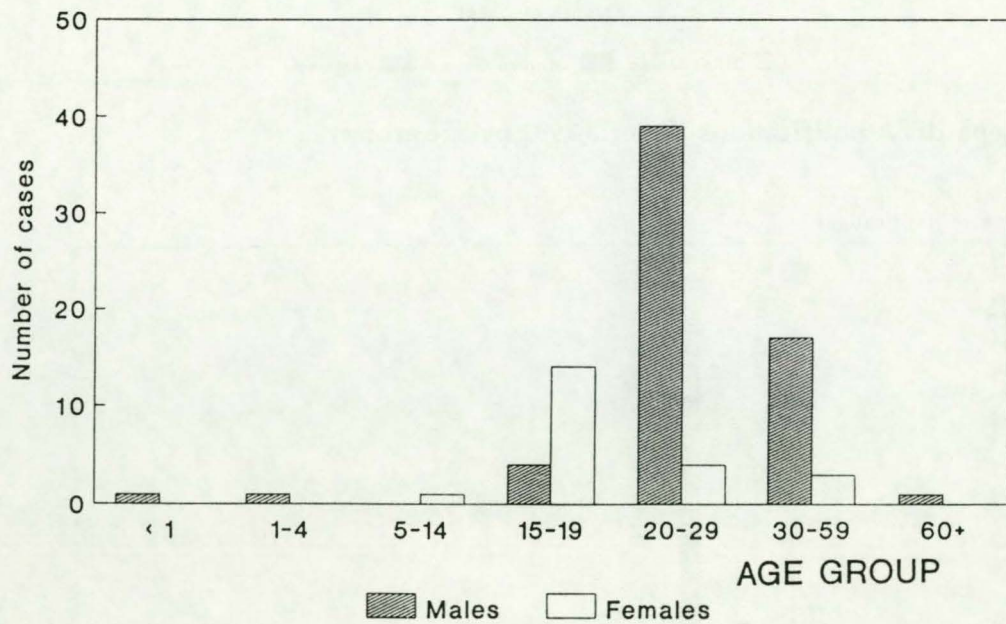


Figure 3. The number of notified cases of Hepatitis B in South Australia by age group and sex for the years 1989-1990



## A CLUSTER OF CASES OF HEPATITIS A IN VICTORIA

(Dr Tony Stewart, Health Department, Victoria)

As of 16 July 1991, there have been a total of 118 notifications of hepatitis A infection to the Health Department Victoria since 1 January 1991, with a sharp increase beginning in April (Figure 1).

Of these 118 reports, 84 (71.2%) were in males. Call back to Local Medical Officers has revealed that a significant proportion of the males (35 or 41.7%) are known to be of homosexual orientation, suggesting that sexual contact rather than food sources is the cause in some of the cases. This is supported by the peak in incidence for males in the 20 to 29 year old group

(Figure 2). Of the 35 homosexual males so far identified, 15 reported onset of symptoms in May. Four men described a connection with Sydney.

We are now undertaking active case finding through contact with public and private laboratories and doctors with a large gay clientele. The Health Department is issuing advice to doctors regarding contact tracing and use of normal immunoglobulin (human) for sexual and other close contacts, and as a preventative measure in those at risk.

Figure 1. Hepatitis A notifications Victoria 1991 by month of onset

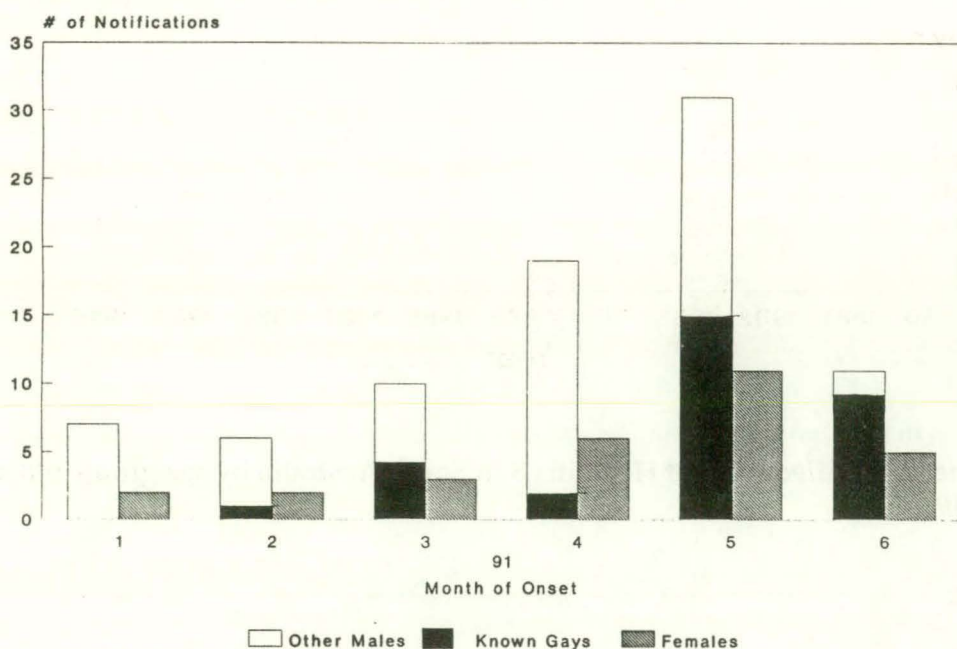
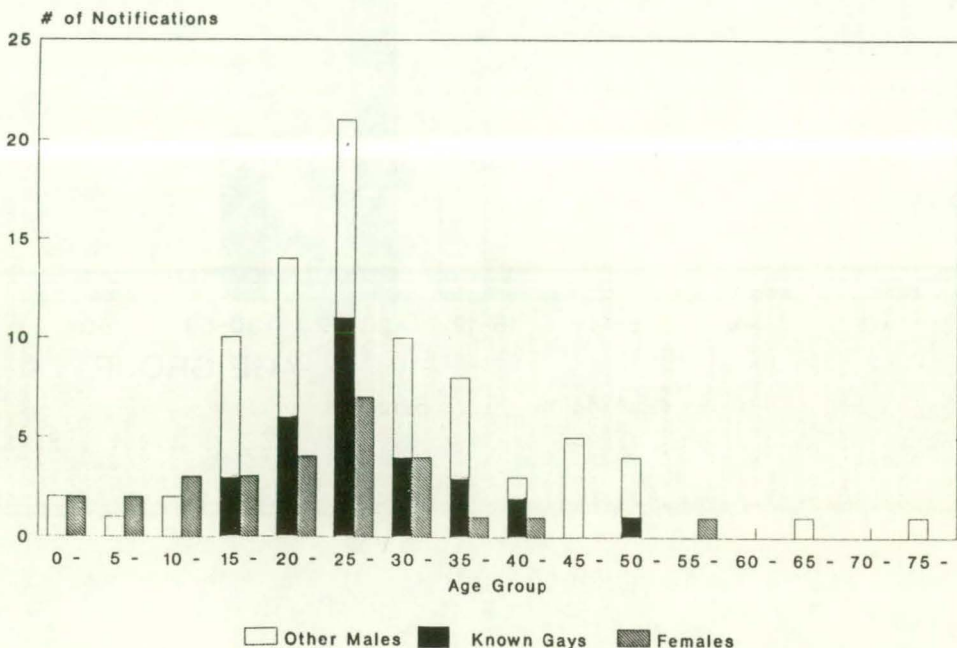
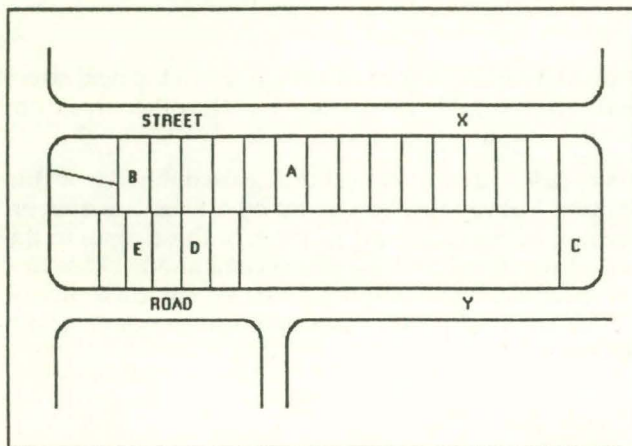


Figure 2. Hepatitis A notifications Victoria 1991 by age group





**Figure 2. Street plan of the neighbourhood where the cluster of cases of Hepatitis A occurred**



Details of the six cases are summarised in Table 1.

**Table 1. Hepatitis A cases in Town A February -May 1991**

CASE	AGE	SEX	DATE OF ONSET OF SYMPTOMS	HAV-IgM
1	6	M	12 - Feb	POS
2	6	M	7 - Apr	POS
3	31	F	12 - Apr	POS
4	28	M	15 - Apr	POS
5	9	F	1 - May	POS
6	6	M	16 - May	POS

The index case was a 6 year old boy who lived at House A and became ill on 12 February 1991. The second case was another 6 year old boy living in Town B but attending the same school as the index case and sharing a desk with him; the date of onset of his illness was 7 April 1991.

The third case (the first of the two recent notifications) was a 31 year old woman who lived out of town, at the far end of Road Y, but who often visited at both Houses B and C. She became ill on 12 April 1991.

The fourth case fell ill on 15 April 1990. He was a 28 year old man living at House D and, like case 3, was a frequent visitor to House C.

During the course of the investigations, two more residents of Town A were diagnosed as suffering from hepatitis A. One was a 9 year old girl living at House C who used to visit friends at House D; she became ill on 1 May 1991. The other was a 6 year old boy living at House E whose illness began on 16 May; he often visited

friends at House A and had further contact with the index case at school.

### Public Health Action:

As cases were diagnosed, household and family contacts were offered a prophylactic dose of Human Immunoglobulin. The injections were administered by the reporting general practitioner. The infected children were excluded from school while they felt unwell, to a maximum of one week after the onset of jaundice.

A Health Surveyor visited the houses where the identified cases lived to assess domestic sewage systems and general environmental hygiene. The septic tank at the rear of the index case's house (House A) was found to have a badly cracked lid and the inspection openings on the drainage system were missing. A large number of flies were swarming in the vicinity of this house, but were also present in seasonally increased numbers throughout the neighbourhood.

The maintenance staff of the house authority were contacted and they promptly repaired the damaged septic tank and drainage system.

All other houses in Street X and Road Y were then visited by the Health Surveyor and the occupants told of the increased incidence of Hepatitis A in their neighbourhood. They were advised of possible symptoms of hepatitis and asked to visit a doctor if these symptoms appeared. Domestic sewage systems were inspected at the same time; a few minor faults were discovered and these were quickly repaired by the housing authority maintenance staff. Private residences were served with a works order.

The results of analysis of the water supply to Town A for the period 11 September 1990 to 14 May 1991 were reviewed. Free chlorine and bacteriological counts were satisfactory.

### Conclusion:

This cluster of cases is likely to represent a small common source outbreak but with further person-to-person propagation. It is too early to say whether the outbreak has been successfully contained and increased vigilance by medical practitioners in the Harvey-Yarloop district will be necessary for at least another month.

Residents of the neighbourhood have reported a reduction in fly numbers since the sealing of the damaged septic tank. House flies overwinter as hibernating adults (or occasionally as puparia) so, with the arrival of cooler weather, the role of flies as a possible vector may be expected to disappear altogether.

We are uncertain how the index case acquired his infection. It is known that the son of his school librarian developed hepatitis A in Perth in December 1990 and came home to recuperate, although the librarian herself did not develop an icteric or enteric illness. She was not tested for seroconversion against hepatitis viruses. There was no direct contact between the index and the librarian's son.

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## HEPATITIS A - CDI LABORATORY REPORTING SCHEME DATA

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The reports of hepatitis A received by the CDI Laboratory Reporting Scheme since the beginning of 1986 are shown in Figure 1 below. The pattern of reports has followed the patterns in South Australia and Western Australia (CDI, this issue), with a larger peak in 1986, and some evidence of increased activity in 1991.

The Scheme's data shows a distribution of cases between the sexes which is similar to those reported for South Australia and Victoria. Figures 2 and 3 show the reported cases, by age group and sex, for 1990 and 1991, respectively. A major difference between the two years is the larger number of cases in males, compared to females, especially in the 20-29 and 30-39 year age

groups. Overall, the ratio of cases was 1.14:1 (Males to females) in 1990, and 1.90:1 (males to females) for 1991 to date. These data are consistent with the suspected spread of this disease within the homosexual community in South Australia, Victoria (CDI, this issue) and in NSW (*Sydney Morning Herald*, 28 June 1991).

Notifiable disease reports for 1991 are also consistent with these data. The distribution of cases by sex is in the ratio 1.85:1.0 (males to females) for this year, increased from 1.30:1.0 for 1990. Large differences in the numbers of cases in males and females were seen in the 20-39 age group (data not shown).

**Figure 1. Hepatitis A antibody reports 1986-1991, by month**

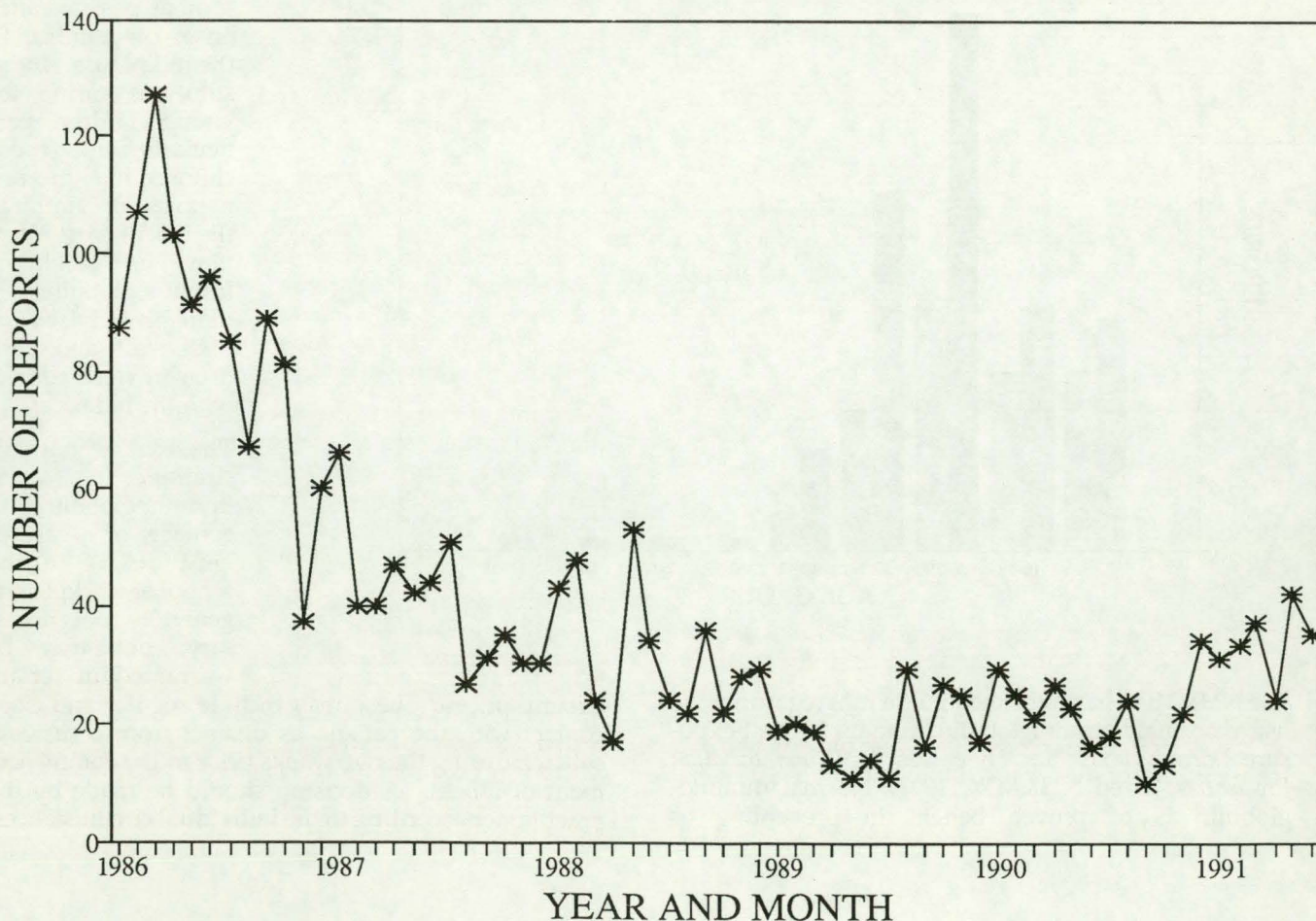


Figure 2. Hepatitis A antibody reports, 1990 by age group and sex

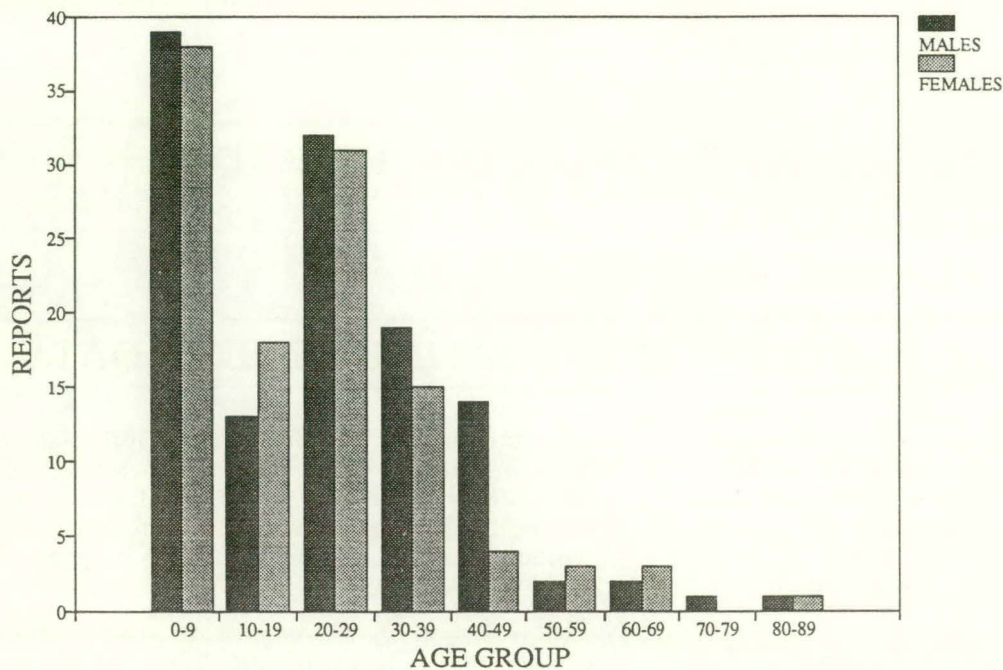
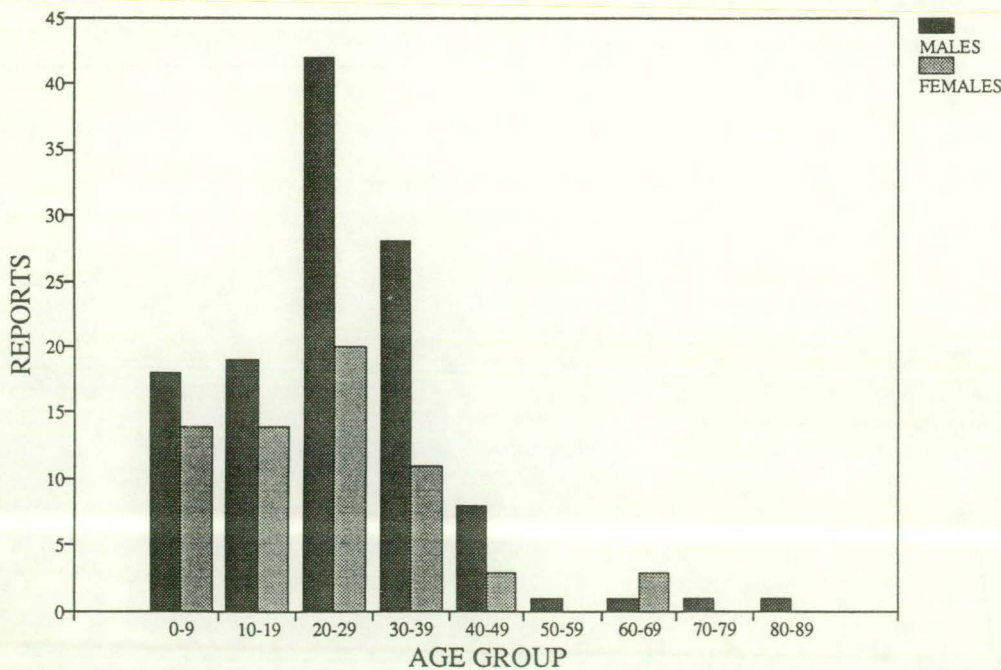


Figure 3. Hepatitis A antibody reports, 1991 by age group and sex



The NH&MRC has published guidelines regarding the use of normal immunoglobulin (human) for post-exposure prophylaxis for hepatitis A (*Immunisation Procedures*, 4th ed, NH&MRC, 1991). Normal Immunoglobulin is of proven benefit in preventing or

circumstances. These may include regular and close contact with the patient, as distinct from occasional contact, during the two weeks prior to the commencement of illness, A decision should be made by the practitioner according to the individual circumstances.

modifying the severity of hepatitis A infection, providing it is given within 7-10 days after exposure. Thus by the time an index case of hepatitis A infection is clinically apparent, other individuals who were exposed simultaneously from a common source will not be protected by administration of normal immunoglobulin (human). It is, however, of value in protecting secondary contacts of an index case. In practice, the usefulness of immunoglobulin depends on identification of persons at risk within a few days of exposure.

Normal immunoglobulin (human) is recommended for household contacts of a case of hepatitis A. It should be given as soon as possible after onset of jaundice in the index case. In institutions caring for young children, particularly those children likely to soil nappies or clothing, the risk of cross infection is high. Immunoglobulin is therefore advised for both staff and children in close contact with the index case.

The routine administration of immunoglobulin to contacts of a case of hepatitis A in the school or workplace is generally not necessary, but may be warranted in certain

## Management of Outbreaks:

Control of hepatitis A outbreaks is achieved by enforcement of hygienic measures designed to limit faecal-oral spread, e.g. appropriate care with food preparation,

water sources, faecal disposal, handwashing, and by isolation of cases using enteric precautions. In addition, individuals at risk can be protected from symptomatic infection by the administration of normal immunoglobulin (human) as described above.

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## SHOULD ALL TRAVELLERS BE TESTED FOR HEPATITIS A ANTIBODY LEVELS PRIOR TO TRAVEL TO ENDEMIC AREAS?

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### Abstract:

We investigated the hypothesis that older people were more likely to have natural antibodies to hepatitis A and would not require immunisation prior to travel to highly endemic areas. Over a 15 month period we investigated hepatitis A seropositivity in two groups of travellers:

1. Corporate travellers undertaking frequent trips to endemic areas, and
2. Individuals resident in or travelling in endemic areas for periods longer than 6 months - in this group booster doses of normal immunoglobulin may be required.

We assessed 259 individuals. All travellers with a known or probable history of hepatitis A were excluded. Positivity rates were calculated for cohorts of ten years between 20 yrs and 59 yrs and also for those under 20 and those 60 yrs and over. Seropositivity increased from 13.3% in the 20 to 29 year age group to 44.2% for those 50-59 years. In those under 20 years we found no seropositive cases but the numbers were small. In those 60 years and over the rate was 59.5%. All travellers over 70 years were positive.

Travellers from Adelaide have a low rate of seropositivity in the younger age groups. Apart from those groups above it would seem reasonable to assume all travellers under 30 years of age are non-immune and prophylaxis should be advised according to travel risk. In those over 40 years, it may be cost effective to undertake antibody testing in order to exclude those who are already immune. Frequent travellers and those requiring booster doses while overseas should still be tested.

### Introduction:

Hepatitis A occurs commonly in many parts of the world, particularly in areas where personal hygiene and sanitation are poor. Expatriates resident in these areas have been shown to have high levels of risk<sup>1,2</sup>. Evidence suggests that normal human immune globulin is effective in reducing the risk<sup>3</sup> but it is often difficult to decide who should receive prophylaxis.

As the incidence of hepatitis A falls in many western countries the percentage of cases attributed to travelling increases. In the UK approximately 15% of all reported cases are attributed to travellers (4) whereas in Scandinavia and Western Europe the figure is closer to

60%. The number of contact cases is unknown but is probably significant.

Each year more than 900,000 Australians travel to areas of risk<sup>5</sup> however not all travellers are at risk of infection. Many are already immune from previous exposure. A number of recent studies suggest a strong correlation between increasing age and hepatitis A positivity rates<sup>6,7</sup>. There is, however, considerable regional variation. Together with other factors such as frequency of travel and length of stay, an understanding of the local patterns of age versus seropositivity may help to decide whether testing for hepatitis A antibody is indicated.

### Methods:

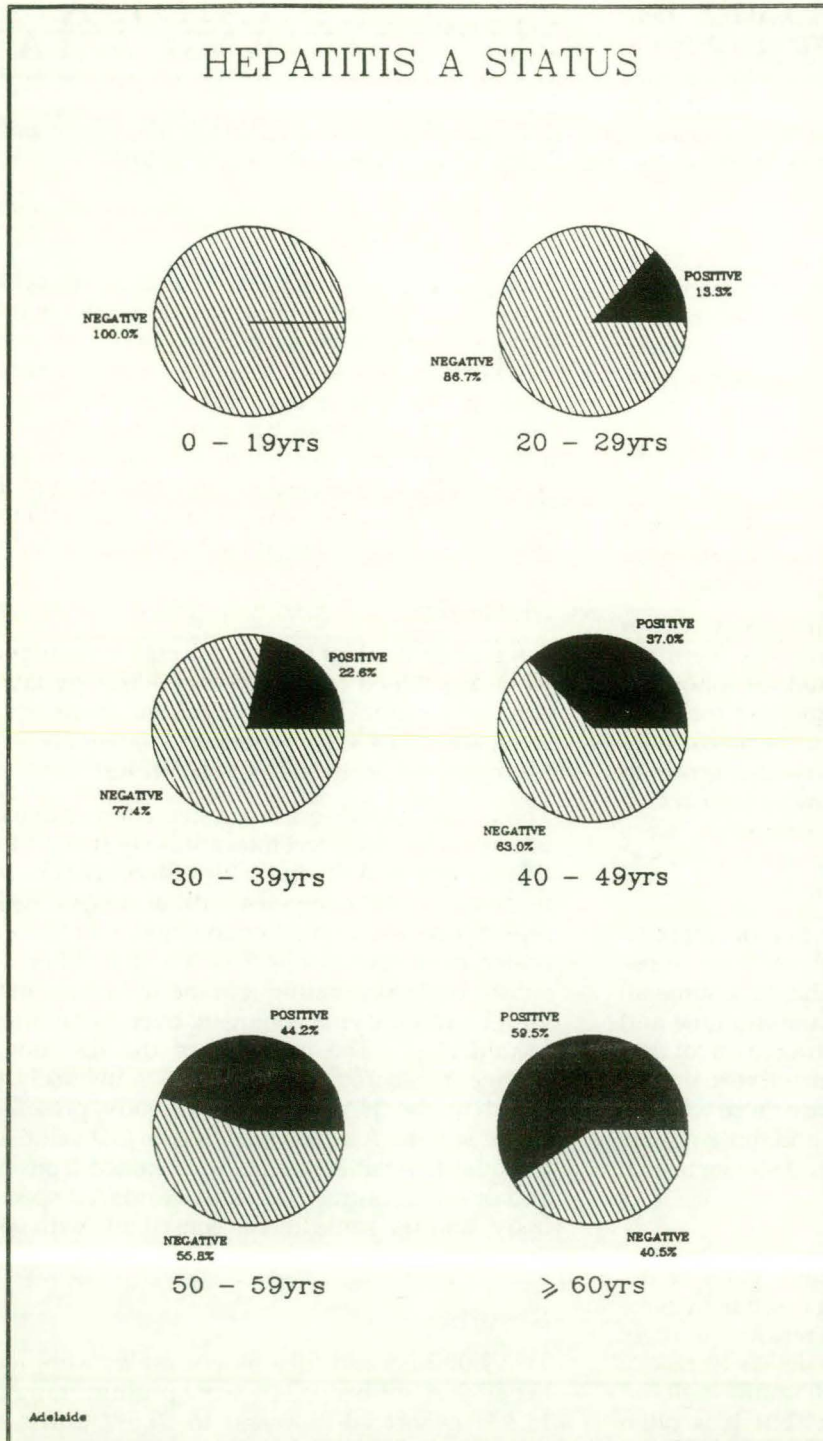
Samples of 10mL of blood, collected by venepuncture, were dispatched to the serology/virology laboratory. After separation by centrifugation, serum specimens were stored at 4°C for a week and longer at -30°C until testing by the Sorin ETI-AB-HAVK test.

The ETI-A-HAVK test is a 2 step competitive enzyme immunoassay to detect total antibody specific for hepatitis A virus (HAV). In the first step, specific antibody in donor serum competes with anti-HAV IgG-horse-radish peroxidase (enzyme conjugate) for HAV antigen coated onto micro-wells over 3 hours. After washing, substrate (incorporating tetramethyl benzidine) reacts with bound enzyme conjugate over 30 minutes in the second step. The intensity of the resulting colour change, measured as OD value, is inversely proportional to the HAV-specific antibody present in the donor serum. A serum showing an OD value less than or equal to a cut-off value, determined from negative and positive controls, is positive for HAV-specific antibody and is said to be consistent with previous exposure.

### Results:

Two hundred and fifty nine samples were tested for hepatitis A antibody; 34% were positive, ranging from 13.3% (cohort 20-29 years) to 59.5% (those over 60 years). The group under 20 years was considered too small. There was a steady increase in positivity rates for the five older groups; 13.3%, 22.6%, 37.0%, 44.2% and 59.5% (Figure 1).

Figure 1. Hepatitis A Antibody Status of Tested Travellers, by Age Groups



**Discussion:**

Hepatitis A vaccine is still unavailable for general use. Until it is available travel medicine departments will continue to use normal human immune globulin for prophylaxis. Rates of hepatitis A seropositivity vary from country to country. In Scotland 30% of travellers were found to be positive in the 10 to 19 years age group rising to 89% in those over 60 years (6). On the other hand it is likely that the levels of seropositivity in Scandinavian countries are low as the incidence of hepatitis A there is largely dependent on importation from abroad. Vaccination of those already seropositive is wasteful, costly and results in unnecessary inconvenience to the traveller.

In the group of travellers studied in Adelaide, the level of positivity is low in those under 30 years and it is likely that they are a representative group for Adelaide. The majority of the travellers tested were intending either to reside overseas or to travel for a long period of time. It would be reasonable to continue to test for hepatitis A antibody in these groups if only to avoid unnecessary booster doses in overseas countries. For travellers under 30 years testing would seem unnecessary. Antibody testing may be cost effective only in those over 40 years.

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that normal immunoglobulin (human) is used for pre-exposure prophylaxis for travellers to areas where hepatitis is highly endemic, if the individual is likely to be eating and drinking from sources where hygiene is not strictly controlled. Areas currently considered to be highly endemic include many countries in Africa, Central and South America, and Asia (including India).

In non-immune individuals taking up residence in highly endemic areas, four doses of normal immunoglobulin at 3 month intervals may be used to provide cover during the first 12 months when almost all those who are exposed develop subclinical infection followed by active immunity. The following dosages are recommended:

Person's Weight (kg)	Dosage for Short-term Prophylaxis	Dose for Long-term Prophylaxis
under 25	0.5	1.0
25 to 50	1.0	2.5
over 50	2.0	5.0

**CDI EDITORIAL COMMENT**

The NH&MRC states that 40-70% of adults in Western countries are immune to hepatitis A. It recommends

Further details regarding human immunoglobulin prophylaxis for hepatitis A can be found in *Immunisation Procedures* (4th ed, NH&MRC, 1991).

**AUSTRALIAN HIV SURVEILLANCE REPORT, VOLUME 7, NUMBER 5 (30 JUNE 1991)**

The National Centre in HIV Epidemiology and Clinical Research reports that as of 31 May 1991 a total of 15,186 diagnoses of HIV infection and 2,643 cases of AIDS had been reported in Australia. For the most recent period, 1 May to 31 May 1991, 29 new cases of AIDS and 50 new diagnoses of HIV infection were reported.

The following tables provide more detailed information on a State/Territory basis.

Readers should note that cumulative figures are subject to retrospective revision, which may result in apparent discrepancies between the number of new cases for the reporting month and the increment in the cumulative figure from the previous report.

**Table 1. New diagnosis of AIDS and deaths from AIDS occurring in the period 1 May to 31 May, 1991, by sex and State/Territory in which the diagnosis was made**

STATE/ TERRITORY	CASES			DEATHS		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
ACT	1	0	1	0	0	0
NSW	12	0	12	15	1	16
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
QLD	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
TAS	0	0	0	0	0	0
VIC	15	0	15	11	0	11
WA	1	0	1	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>28</b>

**Table 2. Cumulative cases of AIDS and deaths from AIDS by sex and State/Territory in which diagnoses was made, to 31 May 1991**

STATE/ TERRITORY	CASES			DEATHS		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
ACT	34	1	35	21	0	21
NSW	1588	48	1636	1019	34	1053
NT	7	0	7	3	0	3
QLD	190	8	198	127	6	133
SA	89	3	92	42	1	43
TAS	13	1	14	7	1	8
VIC	527	12	539	307	6	313
WA	115	7	122	73	3	76
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2563</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>2643</b>	<b>1599</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1650</b>

**Table 3. Number of new diagnoses of HIV infection in the period 1 May to 31 May 1991 and cumulative since the introduction of HIV antibody testing to 31 May 1991 by sex and**

STATE TERRITORY	MAY 1991 <sup>1</sup>			CUMULATIVE TO 31 MAY 1991			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Sex not reported	
ACT	1	1	1	16	0	97	113
NSW	-	-	-	7697	394	2152	10243
NT	1	0	1	58	5	0	63
QLD	21	4	25	1043	44	0	1087
SA	-	-	-	333	27	0	360
TAS	1	0	1	51	3	0	54
VIC	17	1	20	2570	79	3	2652
WA	2	0	2	583	31	0	614
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>12351</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>2252</b>	<b>15186</b>

1. Dashes indicate that counts were unavailable for period.

2. Cumulative counts to 30 April 1991.

3. Cumulative counts to 18 May 1990.

4. Total for Victoria includes 2 people whose sex was not reported.

5. Total for May includes 2 people whose sex was not reported.

## OVERSEAS BRIEFS

### CHOLERA IN AFRICA UPDATE

The World Health Organization has supplied us with the following information regarding recent cholera cases in Africa.

In **Cameroon**, there has been a total of 1393 cases with 172 deaths from 1 January to 4 July 1991. They have occurred in Logone, Chari and Mayo Danai Departments.

In **Chad**, 1,886 cases (273 deaths) were reported for the period 25-30 June, and there were a further 1049 cases and 54 deaths reported from 1 to 7 July.

**Niger** has reported 683 cases with 83 deaths for the period 8 to 30 June. Maradi Department is the only area within Niger which is currently cholera-infected.

**Togo** has reported 682 cases with 30 deaths for the period 1 January to 8 July 1991. Cases occurred in Golfe, Kloto, Kozah, Lacs, Ogou, Sotougoua, Vo and Yoto Districts.

In **Angola**, there were 4038 cases (56 deaths) in the period 1 January to 10 June 1991.

**Mozambique** has reported 924 cases with 11 deaths for the period 24 March to 27 April 1991.

All or parts of the above countries were considered to be cholera-infected by the World Health Organization on 5 July 1991. In addition, all or parts of Benin, Burundi, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, Tanzania, Zaire and Zambia are also considered to be currently cholera-infected.

## CHOLERA IN THE AMERICAS UPDATE

Recent reports from the World Health Organization regarding cholera in the Americas are as follows.

In **Brazil**, there have been a total of 18 cases reported up to 2 July 1991. Brazil's currently infected areas are the Amazonas State and Mato Grosso State.

In **Peru**, the totals to 22 June are 223,564 cases, 86,954 hospitalisations and 2,163 deaths.

**Ecuador** has reported 24,435 cases with 388 deaths for the period 28 February to 15 June 1991. A further 6,1000 cases with 113 deaths were reported from 16 June to 6 July.

**Columbia** reported 452 cases with 11 deaths for the period 11 to 17 July.

**Mexico** has reported 27 cases (no deaths) for the period 13-28 June, 1991. The cholera epidemic has only recently spread to this country, with the areas of Valle de Tula in Hidalgo State and Sultepec (including San Miguel Totolmaloya) in Mexico State, being declared infected since 27 June 1991.

All or parts of the above countries, and Chile are considered to be cholera-infected at present.

## CHOLERA IN ASIA UPDATE

The World Health Organization has supplied the following information regarding recent cholera cases in Asia.

In **Indonesia**, there was a total of 6,202 suspected cases (55 deaths) reported for the period 1 January to 30 April 1991.

In **Singapore**, a single non-fatal case was reported for the period 2-8 June 1991.

All or parts of the following Asian countries are considered to be cholera-infected at present: India, Indonesia, Iraq, Nepal and Vietnam.

## YELLOW FEVER SPREADING IN ECUADOR

Two further areas of Ecuador have recently been declared to be yellow fever infected: Morona-Santiago Province and Pastaza province now join the Humayacu District of Napo Province and the Zamoro-Chinchipe Province as the country's infected areas.

In the period 1 January to 28 February, 1991, there were reports of 4 fatal cases in Morona-Santiago Province, 9 cases (4 fatal) in Napo Province, 2 cases (1 fatal) in Pastaza Province and 4 cases (no deaths) in Zamoro-Chinchipe Province.

Australia's Quarantine requirements are that any person arriving in Australia within 6 days of being in any of the yellow-fever infected areas must have been vaccinated against the disease, or quarantine restrictions may be placed on them. Parts of Angola, Cameroon, Gambia, Guinea, Mali, Nigeria, Sudan, Zaire, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia and Peru are also considered to be currently yellow fever-infected.

## SHIGELLA DYSENTERIAE IN GUATEMALA

In Guatemala during March and April, 1991, there were a large number of cases of dysentery, caused by *Shigella dysenteriae* type 1<sup>1</sup>. In Guatemala City, 4 children from an orphanage were diagnosed with the disease, and 1 died. Stool cultures from 2 of the children yielded *S. dysenteriae* type 1, resistant to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, ampicillin, chloramphenicol and tetracycline.

On March 21, over 100 cases of bacillary dysentery were reported from Rabinal, in the department of Baja Verapaz, over 180km from Guatemala city. Stool specimens from 11 of the cases yielded *S. dysenteriae* type 1, resistant to chloramphenicol and tetracycline. By April 10, at least 540 persons had developed dysentery in Rabinal (a town of about 10,000), and two infants had died. Strains isolated from 2 patients in April were resistant to ampicillin, chloramphenicol, tetracycline and trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole. By the end of April, it was reported that the number of new cases was declining.

The detection of *S. dysenteriae* in 2 distant areas of Guatemala indicates that it could also be present elsewhere in the country. Because of this, and the presence of multiply-resistant strains of the organism, travellers to Guatemala should take care in the selection of foods and drinks, which can become contaminated by flies or by infected food handlers who do not clean their hands thoroughly after defaecation. Water should be treated chemically or boiled, if it is not clear that its source is safe<sup>2</sup>.

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## COMMUNICABLE DISEASES SURVEILLANCE

### CDI LABORATORY REPORTING SCHEMES

A total of 1303 reports were processed for the latest reporting period (3 July-16 July 1991) in the Viruses, Chlamydias, Coxiellas Richettsias and Mycoplasmas Reporting Scheme.

A further 109 reports of rotavirus were made, bringing the total for 1991 to 661. There have been a lot more reports of this virus this year, compared to previous years (see Figure below). This indicates that there is either increased or earlier rotavirus activity than usual, this year.

There were 110 reports of hepatitis C, bringing the total for the year to 291. One report was from a 5 year old boy who was a haemophiliac. The boy's ALT levels were elevated in comparison to when they were investigated in 1988, indicating that the infection had been acquired since then. The source of the infection could have been Factor VIII Concentrate, as this product has only been treated to inactivate Hepatitis C virus since 1990.

There were 12 cases of rubella reported. In one case, the virus was isolated from the urine of a baby with the clinical features of congenital rubella infection.

Exposure details were provided for two of the 5 cases of Q fever reported. One patient was a meatworker and the other was a farmer.

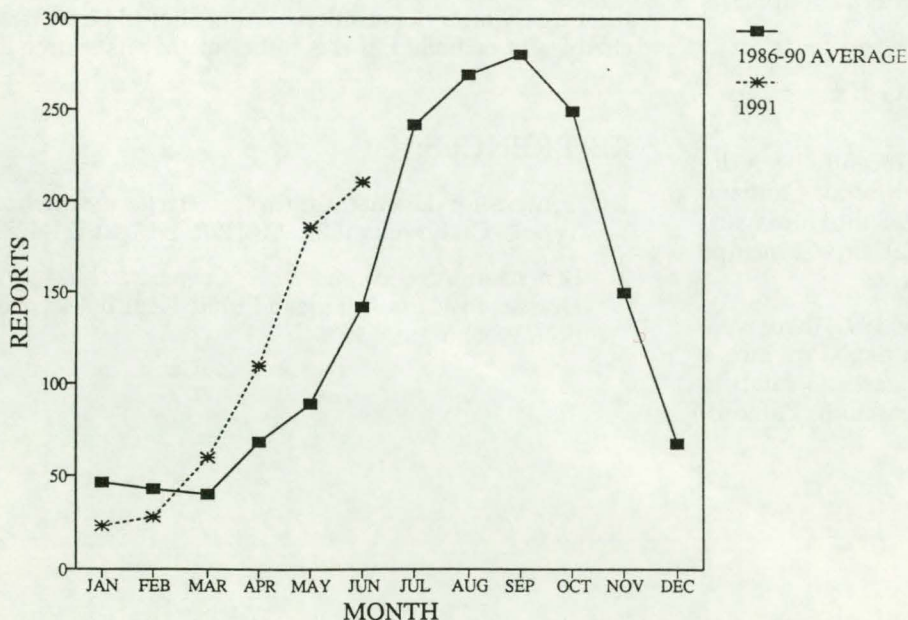
A case of Guillain-Barre Syndrome was reported. The patient was a 21 year old female, who had specific IgM to cytomegalovirus.

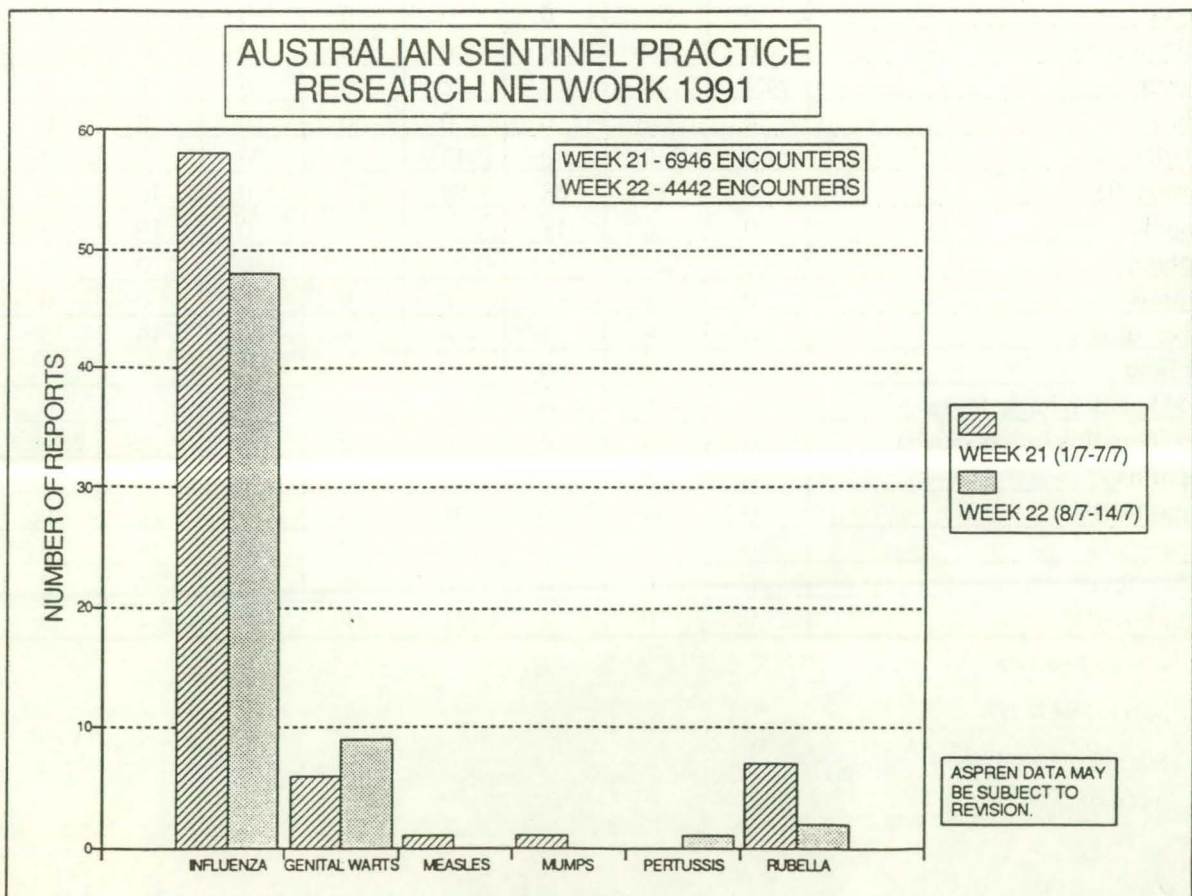
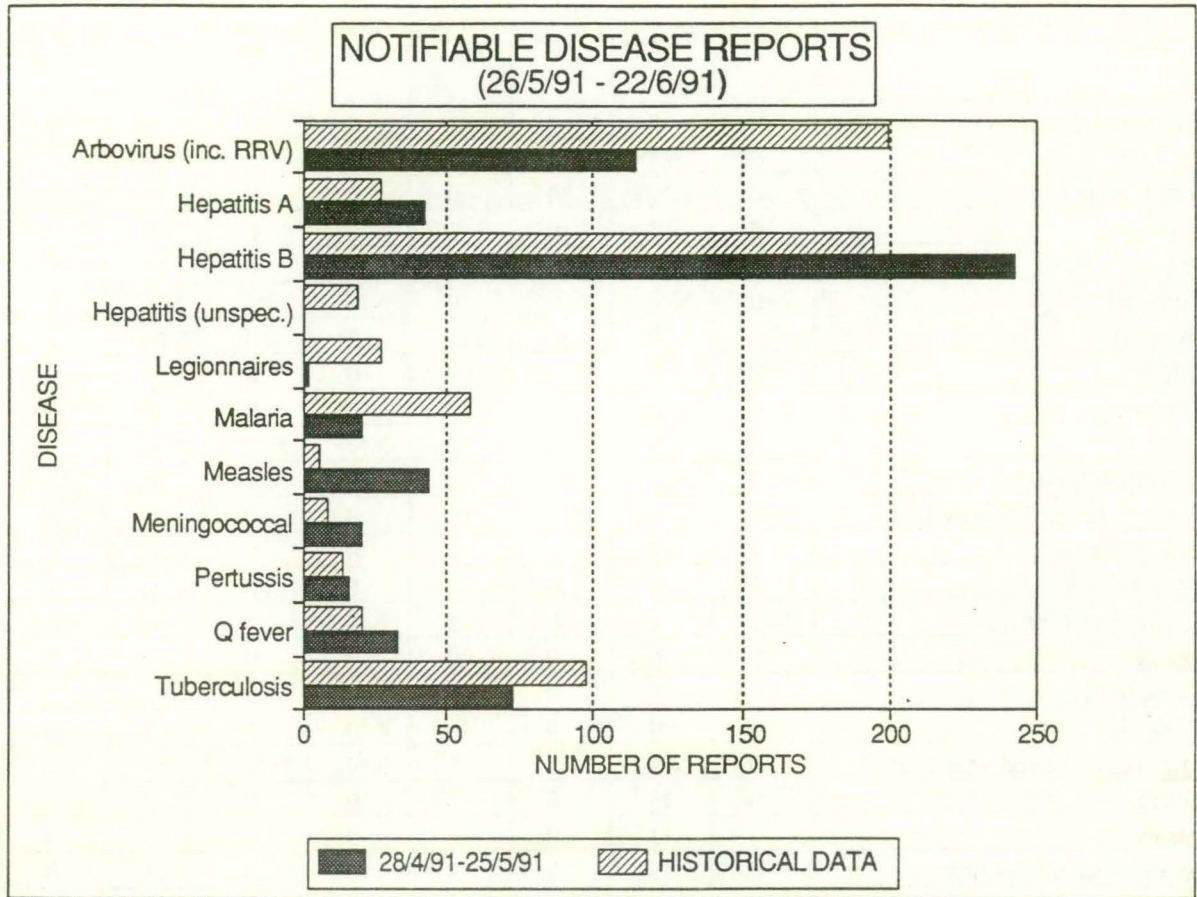
There has been an increased activity of echovirus type 17 meningitis occurring in the Sydney area since March this year. Echovirus type 17 has been isolated from the cerebrospinal fluid of 9 patients and from faecal samples of another 2 patients with CNS symptoms. All except 2 patients (43 years and 18 years) were children under 8 years of age including 4 infants less than 2 months of age. Virus isolations have been reported by the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children, Prince Henry Hospital and Westmead Hospital.

Other reports of echovirus type 17 this year have been from a biopsy sample from an infant with a distended bowel (Westmead Hospital) and from a nasal and a faecal sample from South Australia, making a total of 14 reports so far this year. Only six reports of this virus were received from 1985 to 1990, although 49, 20 and 19 reports were received in 1982, 1983 and 1984 respectively.

A further 3 cases of meningococcal meningitis have been reported from Western Australia, which reported 6 cases last fortnight. The first patient was from Katanning, a town in the rural southwest of the State where there was a major outbreak of group C meningococcal disease in 1990. The other two cases were from the north of the State; one from Port Hedland and the other from Karratha.

Figure 1. Rota virus reports 1986-90 average and 1991





## National Notifiable Disease Reports 26/5/91-22/6/91

DISEASES	ACT	NSW*	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
Arbovirus Infections (unspecified)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Ross River Virus	0	23	4	81	0	0	6	0	114
Dengue fever	0	NN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brucellosis	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Campylobacter	0	0	25	176	148	0	133	0	482
Chancroid	0	NN	0	0	NN	NN	NN	1	1
Chlamydia	0	0	32	148	82**	0	NN	0	262
Cholera	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Donovanosis	0	NN	1	4	NN	NN	NN	0	5
Gonococcal diseases	0	37	28	32	16**	NN	0	28	141
Haemophilus influenzae b	0	3	0	15	0	0	24	0	42
HIV infections	1	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Hydatid disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legionnaires disease	NN	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Leprosy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leptospirosis	0	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	6
Listeriosis	0	NN	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lymphogranuloma venereum	0	NN	NN	0	NN	NN	NN	NN	0
Malaria	0	13	0	5	0	0	2	0	20
Measles	1	11	0	5	9	0	18	0	44
Meningococcal infections	0	9	0	0	0	0	11	0	20
Ornithosis	0	NN	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Pertussis	0	4	0	8	1	0	3	0	16
Plague	0	NN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Q fever	NN	10	0	22	0	0	1	0	33
Rabies	0	NN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rubella	0	0	0	12	6	0	7	0	25
Salmonella	0	99	38	89	38	0	46	0	272
Shigella	0	0	19	0	3	0	10	0	32
Syphilis	0	28	10	29	7**	0	0	13	77
Tetanus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	48	1	6	4	0	15	0	73
Typhoid	0	3***	0	0	0	0	2	0	5
Viral haemorrhagic fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viral hepatitis (unspecified)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NN	0
Hepatitis A	0	3	0	12	2	0	25	0	42
Hepatitis B	0	34	0	131	0	0	78	0	243
Hepatitis C	0	1	0	69	0	0	18	0	88
Yellow fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yersiniosis	0	0	2	21	17	0	1	0	41

\* data for June 1991

\*\* data to June 27 1991

\*\*\* typhoid and paratyphoid

NN not notifiable

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VIRAL IDENTIFICATIONS FROM CONTRIBUTING LABORATORIES  
BASED ON DATE OF REPORTING

PERIOD 03/07/91 TO 16/07/91

- CODE 019 - FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL, MELBOURNE (VIC)
- CODE 065 - STATE HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICES, PERTH (WA)
- CODE 066 - PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL, PERTH (WA)
- CODE 110 - INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL & VETERINARY SCIENCE, ADELAIDE (SA)
- CODE 111 - ROYAL CHILDDRENS HOSPITAL, MELBOURNE (VIC)
- CODE 112 - INSTITUTE OF CLINICAL PATHOLOGY & MEDICAL RESEARCH, WESTMEAD (NSW)
- CODE 114 - ROYAL ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, CAMPERDOWN (NSW)
- CODE 115 - STATE HEALTH LABORATORY, BRISBANE (QLD)
- CODE 116 - WODEN VALLEY HOSPITAL, GARRAN (ACT)
- CODE 270 - TAMWOTH LAB, NEW ENGLAND PATHOLOGY (NSW)
- CODE 400 - DR TB LYNCH, PATHOLOGIST, ROCKHAMPTON (QLD)
- CODE RHH - ROYAL HOBART HOSPITAL (TAS)
- CODE TPL - TOOWOOMBA PATHOLOGY LABORATORY (QLD)

	019	065	066	110	111	112	114	115	116	270	400	RHH	TPL	TOTAL
0100 ADENOVIRUS NOT TYPED	0	3	2	6	10	7	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	30
0101 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 1	3	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
0102 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 2	3	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10
0103 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	6
0104 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0105 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
0108 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 8	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0129 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 29	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0135 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 35	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0199 ADENOVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
0201 INFLUENZA A VIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
0202 INFLUENZA A VIRUS SUBTYPE H3N2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0203 INFLUENZA B VIRUS	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
0301 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0302 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 2	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10
0303 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 3	6	0	1	12	1	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	28
0399 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPING PEN	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0400 RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (R	20	0	6	10	48	35	55	0	19	6	0	1	0	200
0500 RHINOVIRUS (ALL TYPES)	9	0	0	1	16	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
0600 MYCOPLASMA PNEUMONIAE	3	1	0	0	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
0650 MYCOPLASMA HOMINIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
0700 ORNITHOSIS-PSITTACOSIS	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	9
0809 COXSACKIEVIRUS A9	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
0902 COXSACKIEVIRUS B2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
0903 COXSACKIEVIRUS B3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0904 COXSACKIEVIRUS B4	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
1001 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
1009 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 9	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1017 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 17	0	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
1022 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 22	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1025 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 25	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1101 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
1102 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 2	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
1103 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1300 HERPES VIRUS GROUP - NOT TYPED	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1301 HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS - NOT TYP	0	0	1	1	0	16	3	0	13	0	0	0	0	34
1302 EPSTEIN-BARR VIRUS (EB VIRUS)	3	9	0	16	0	29	1	0	0	0	11	1	0	70
1303 VARICELLA-ZOSTER VIRUS	3	8	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	17
1306 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 1	15	28	1	21	1	6	0	0	1	1	0	6	0	80
1307 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 2	18	51	0	18	0	24	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	114
1399 HERPES VIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1401 COXIELLA BURNETII	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	5
1502 PICORNIA VIRUS - NOT TYPED = E	0	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
1514 MOLLUSCUM CONTAGIOSUM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
1521 MEASLES VIRUS	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
1522 RUBELLA VIRUS	1	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	12
1532 HEPATITIS B ANTIGEN	6	19	0	3	0	35	0	0	11	0	2	2	0	78
1535 HEPATITIS A ANTIBODY	1	6	0	2	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	15
1536 HEPATITIS C VIRUS	53	16	0	38	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	110
1541 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - UNSPEC	0	28	0	16	1	21	2	16	9	4	0	9	6	112
1542 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - A-K	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	8
1556 CMV - CYTOMEGALOVIRUS	21	1	1	5	4	16	2	1	0	0	4	1	0	56
1563 CORONAVIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1564 ROTAVIRUS	6	2	6	13	33	13	6	0	0	6	15	2	7	109
1565 CALICI VIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
1566 NORWALK AGENT	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1571 ENTEROVIRUS TYPE 71 (BCR)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1599 ENTEROVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
9903 NON-A, NON-B HEPATITIS (OTHER)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	14
9992 ROSS RIVER VIRUS	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	14
9993 ASTROVIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
9995 DENGUE NOT TYPED	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	195	184	19	192	132	278	80	17	68	18	57	41	14	1295

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## VIRAL IDENTIFICATIONS FROM CONTRIBUTING LABORATORIES BY STATE OF CONTRIBUTING LABORATORY

PERIOD 03/07/91 TO 16/07/91

NSW: ICPMR; PHH/POW; RACH; ST GEORGE HOSP, KOGARAH; ROYAL NEWCASTLE HOSP; TAMWRTH LAB.  
 VIC: FAIRFIELD; RCH; MDU, UNI MELB.  
 QLD: STATE LAB, BRIS; TOOWOOMBA PATH LAB; ROYAL BRIS HOSP; DR TB LYNCH, PATHOLOGIST, ROCKHAMPTON.  
 WA: STATE LAB, PERTH; PMH.  
 SA: IMVS.  
 TAS: ROYAL HOBART HOSP; DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES, LAUNCESTON; LAUNCESTON GEN HOSP; DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES, HOBART; HOBART PATH; MERSEY GEN HOSP, LATROBE.  
 ACT: WVH.

	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	TOTAL
0100 ADENOVIRUS NOT TYPED	7	10	0	5	6	1	1	30
0101 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 1	4	3	0	0	2	0	0	9
0102 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 2	5	3	0	0	1	0	1	10
0103 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 3	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	6
0104 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
0105 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
0108 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 8	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
0129 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 29	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0135 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 35	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
0199 ADENOVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
0201 INFLUENZA A VIRUS	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
0202 INFLUENZA A VIRUS SUBTYPE H3N2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0203 INFLUENZA B VIRUS	1	0	0	0	4	0	1	6
0301 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
0302 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 2	1	0	0	0	8	0	1	10
0303 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 3	7	7	0	1	12	0	1	28
0399 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPING PEN	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
0400 RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (R	96	68	0	6	10	1	19	200
0500 RHINOVIRUS (ALL TYPES)	6	25	0	0	1	0	0	32
0600 MYCOPLASMA PNEUMONIAE	3	8	0	1	0	0	0	12
0650 MYCOPLASMA HOMINIS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
0700 ORNITHOSIS-PSITTACOSIS	0	7	0	0	1	0	1	9
0809 COXSACKIEVIRUS A9	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	3
0902 COXSACKIEVIRUS B2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
0903 COXSACKIEVIRUS B3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0904 COXSACKIEVIRUS B4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
1001 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
1009 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1017 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 17	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
1022 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 22	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1025 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 25	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1101 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
1102 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 2	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
1103 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1300 HERPES VIRUS GROUP - NOT TYPED	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
1301 HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS - NOT TYP	19	0	0	1	1	0	13	34
1302 EPSTEIN-BARR VIRUS (EB VIRUS)	30	3	11	9	16	1	0	70
1303 VARICELLA-ZOSTER VIRUS	3	3	0	8	2	1	0	17
1306 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 1	7	16	0	29	21	6	1	80
1307 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 2	25	18	0	51	18	0	2	114
1399 HERPES VIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
1401 COXIELLA BURNETII	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	5
1502 PICORNIA VIRUS - NOT TYPED = E	2	0	0	9	0	0	0	11
1514 MOLLUSCUM CONTAGIOSUM	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
1521 MEASLES VIRUS	0	1	0	0	8	0	0	9
1522 RUBELLA VIRUS	4	1	2	1	2	0	2	12
1532 HEPATITIS B ANTIGEN	35	6	2	19	3	2	11	78
1535 HEPATITIS A ANTIBODY	4	1	0	6	2	0	2	15
1536 HEPATITIS C VIRUS	1	53	1	16	38	0	1	110
1541 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - UNSPEC	27	1	22	28	16	9	9	112
1542 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - A-K	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	8
1556 CMV - CYTOMEGALOVIRUS	18	25	5	2	5	1	0	56
1563 CORONAVIRUS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1564 ROTAVIRUS	25	39	22	8	13	2	0	109
1565 CALICI VIRUS	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
1566 NORWALK AGENT	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1571 ENTEROVIRUS TYPE 71 (BCR)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1599 ENTEROVIRUS TYPING PENDING	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	8
9903 NON-A, NON-B HEPATITIS (OTHER)	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	14
9992 ROSS RIVER VIRUS	4	0	9	0	1	0	0	14
9993 ASTROVIRUS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
9995 DENGUE NOT TYPED	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	376	327	88	203	192	41	68	1295

NOTE: DIRECT COMPARISON BETWEEN STATES IS NOT POSSIBLE SINCE:  
 - SOME STATES HAVE MORE THAN ONE CONTRIBUTING LABORATORY; AND  
 - INTERSTATE REFERRALS OCCUR REGULARLY.

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VIRAL IDENTIFICATIONS BY CLINICAL INFORMATION TABLE 1

PERIOD 03/07/91 TO 16/07/91

- 1. CODE 00, 99 ..... - NO ILL OR DATA
- 2. CODE 01, 02, 11, 12 - RESPIRATORY
- 3. CODE E3 ..... - ENCEPHALITIS
- 4. CODE M3 ..... - MENINGITIS
- 5. CODE 04 ..... - PARALYSIS
- 6. CODE 05, 13 ..... - CNS OTHER UNSPEC
- 7. CODE 07, 49 - GASTRO INTESTINAL
- 8. CODE 17, 47 - HEPATIC
- 9. CODE 19 ... - CVS
- 10. CODE 89 ... - URINARY TRACCT
- 11. CODE 06 ... - SKIN MUCOUS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL
0100 ADENOVIRUS NOT TYPED	0	2	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	28
0101 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 1	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7
0102 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 2	1	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	10
0103 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
0105 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0129 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 29	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
0130 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
0199 ADENOVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
0201 INFLUENZA A VIRUS	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0202 INFLUENZA A VIRUS SUBTYPE H3N2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0203 INFLUENZA B VIRUS	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
0301 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0302 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 2	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
0303 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 3	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
0399 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPING PEN	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0400 RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (R	2	188	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	191
0500 RHINOVIRUS (ALL TYPES)	2	28	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	32
0600 MYCOPLASMA PNEUMONIAE	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
0700 ORNITHOSIS-PSITTACOSIS	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
0809 COXSACKIEVIRUS A9	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0902 COXSACKIEVIRUS B2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0903 COXSACKIEVIRUS B3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0904 COXSACKIEVIRUS B4	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
1001 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1009 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1017 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 17	4	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
1022 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 22	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
1025 ECHOVIRUS TYPE 25	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1101 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
1102 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
1103 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1300 HERPES VIRUS GROUP - NOT TYPED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1301 HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS - NOT TYP	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
1302 EPSTEIN-BARR VIRUS (EB VIRUS)	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	28
1303 VARICELLA-ZOSTER VIRUS	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	15
1306 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 1	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	55	63
1307 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57	57
1502 PICORNA VIRUS - NOT TYPED = E	1	3	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	9
1514 MOLLUSCUM CONTAGIOSUM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
1521 MEASLES VIRUS	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
1522 RUBELLA VIRUS	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	7
1532 HEPATITIS B ANTIGEN	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	76
1535 HEPATITIS A ANTIBODY	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	15
1536 HEPATITIS C VIRUS	103	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	108
1541 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - UNSPEC	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
1542 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - A-K	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
1556 CHV - CYTOMEGALOVIRUS	3	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	12
1563 CORONAVIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
1564 ROTAVIRUS	4	1	0	0	0	0	103	0	0	0	0	108
1565 CALICI VIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
1566 NORWALK AGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
1571 ENTEROVIRUS TYPE 71 (BCR)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1599 ENTEROVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	7
9903 NON-A, NON-B HEPATITIS (OTHER)	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
9993 ASTROVIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
9995 DENGUE NOT TYPED	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	253	321	4	8	1	1	155	35	3	1	149	931

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## VIRAL IDENTIFICATIONS BY CLINICAL INFORMATION TABLE 2

PERIOD 03/07/91 TO 16/07/91

12. CODE 10 - EYE	17. CODE 69 - CONGENITAL
13. CODE 59 - GENITAL	18. CODE P8 - PUO
14. CODE 39 - ENDOCRINE/SALIVARY GL.	19. CODE G8 - FEVER/MALAISE
15. CODE 38 - RETICULO-ENDOTHELIAL	20. CODE 09 - OTHER
16. CODE 29 - MUSCLE/JOINT	21. CODE A1 - SIDS

	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	TOTAL
0100 ADENOVIRUS NOT TYPED	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
0101 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
0103 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
0104 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0108 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0135 ADENOVIRUS TYPE 35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
0199 ADENOVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
0203 INFLUENZA B VIRUS	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
0303 PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS TYPE 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8
0400 RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (R	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	7	0	9
0600 MYCOPLASMA PNEUMONIAE	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	3
0650 MYCOPLASMA HOMINIS	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0700 ORNITHOSIS-PSITTACOSIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
0809 COXSACKIEVIRUS A9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
1101 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
1102 POLIOVIRUS TYPE 2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	3
1301 HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS - NOT TYP	1	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	21
1302 EPSTEIN-BARR VIRUS (EB VIRUS)	0	0	23	7	0	0	2	9	2	0	43
1303 VARICELLA-ZOSTER VIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
1306 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 1	2	11	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	17
1307 HERPES SIMPLEX TYPE 2	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
1399 HERPES VIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
1401 COXIELLA BURNETII	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	6
1502 PICORNIA VIRUS - NOT TYPED = E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
1521 MEASLES VIRUS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	7
1522 RUBELLA VIRUS	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	5
1532 HEPATITIS B ANTIGEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
1536 HEPATITIS C VIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
1541 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - UNSPEC	6	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	94
1542 CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS - A-K	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
1556 CMV - CYTOMEGALOVIRUS	0	0	0	2	1	0	6	8	30	0	47
1564 ROTAVIRUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
1599 ENTEROVIRUS TYPING PENDING	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
9992 ROSS RIVER VIRUS	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	2	0	0	13
TOTAL	16	175	25	9	14	3	18	25	77	2	364