

Annual Summary of Infectious Diseases, Ohio

Introduction

The *Annual Summary of Infectious Diseases, Ohio* provides an overview of the incidence of select notifiable infectious diseases. The report includes the frequency of diseases reported by year over the past five years and the median and mean number of cases per year for each disease for the five-year period. Data are also presented by age group, month of report and county of residence. Tables displaying the various *Salmonella* serotypes and meningococcal disease serogroups are also included. The sources of these data are individual case and laboratory reports submitted to the Ohio Department of Health by health care providers, laboratories and city, county and combined health districts throughout the state. Readers are encouraged to review the enclosed Technical Notes to assist in interpreting the data compiled within the summary.

Questions or comments regarding this summary report may be directed to the Bureau of Health Surveillance, Information and Operational Support at (614) 995-5591.

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