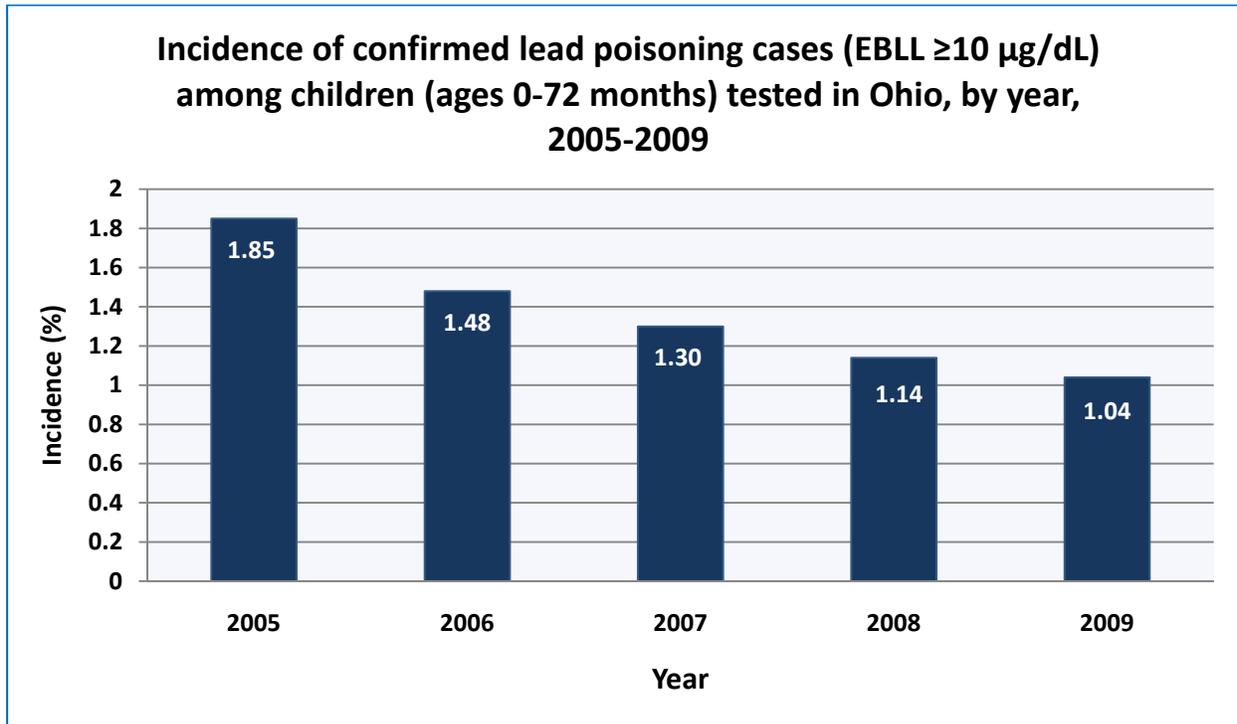


Incidence of lead poisoning among children in Ohio, by year, 2005-2009



Incidence is the number of new lead poisoning cases as a percentage of the tested population. The number of **new** lead poisoning cases ($\text{BLL} \geq 10 \mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$) is the number of children under the age of 6 years who have never been previously poisoned. The incidence of lead poisoning in the state of Ohio has decreased over time. The proportion of new lead poisoning cases among all children tested has declined from 1.85 percent in 2005 to 1.04 percent in 2009.

Please note: Children tested for lead more than once in a year were only counted once; only the highest confirmed blood lead level was used.