



Annual Report of Acute Communicable Diseases in San Francisco

2024

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Table 1. Frequency of Acute Reportable Diseases in San Francisco, SFPDPH, 2024

Disease	N	Rate ¹
Anaplasmosis	<5	NA
Babesiosis	<5	NA
Campylobacteriosis	458	54.4
<i>Candida Auris</i>	<5	NA
Carbapenemase-Producing Organism	39	4.6
Coccidioidomycosis	85	10.1
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease	<5	NA
Cryptosporidiosis	80	9.5
Cyclosporiasis	6	0.7
Dengue Virus Infection	20	2.4
Ehrlichiosis	<5	NA
Giardiasis	283	33.6
Hepatitis A, Acute	6	0.7
Hepatitis B, Acute	<5	NA
Hepatitis C, Acute	<5	NA
Hepatitis D (Delta), Acute	11	1.3
Influenza Due to Novel Strains (Humans) ³	<5	NA
Legionellosis	6	0.7
Listeriosis	12	1.4
Lyme Disease	5	0.6
Malaria	<5	NA

Disease	N	Rate ¹
Meningitis, Bacterial	7	0.8
Meningitis, Fungal	7	0.8
Meningitis, Viral	7	0.8
<i>Neisseria Meningitidis</i> (Invasive Disease)	<5	NA
Mumps	<5	NA
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	111	13.2
Rabies, Animal ²	<5	NA
Relapsing Fever	<5	NA
Salmonellosis (Other than Typhoid Fever)	180	21.4
Shiga Toxin-Producing <i>E. coli</i> (STEC) without HUS	93	11.1
Shigellosis, Group B	123	14.6
Shigellosis, Group D	156	18.5
Shigellosis, Unspecified	210	25
Tularemia, Human	<5	NA
Typhoid Fever, Cases	6	0.7
Typhus Fever	<5	NA
Unusual/Other Disease	<5	NA
Varicella Hospitalization/Death	<5	NA
<i>Vibrio</i> Infections (non-Cholera)	10	1.2
Yersiniosis	22	2.6

¹ Rates with numerators less than 20 are considered unreliable. Rates are cases per 100,000 population, calculated using the State of California, Department of Finance, E-4 Historical Population Estimate for Cities, Counties, and the State.

<https://dof.ca.gov/forecasting/demographics/estimates/>

² All positive specimens were bats.

³ H5N1 strain was detected.

Table 2. Counts of Reported Outbreaks¹ of Communicable Diseases in San Francisco, 2024

Disease	Count
Gastrointestinal	21
Foodborne	9
Other/Unknown	12
Respiratory	106
Covid-19	72
Influenza	5
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	8
Other ²	21
Other Illness	10
Carbapenemase-Producing Organism	3
Other/Unknown	3
Rash	4

¹ An outbreak refers to the occurrence of cases of disease in excess of what would normally be expected in a defined community, geographical area or reason. The outbreaks included in this report met the pathogen-specific thresholds for reporting.

² Most common etiologies include parainfluenza, pertussis and rhinovirus.

Additional notes

1. Disease definitions are based on Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists surveillance case definitions. This report includes confirmed and probable cases, except for animal rabies which includes confirmed cases only. Confirmed, probable and suspect outbreaks are included in this report. Cases and outbreaks are presented by the earliest of the following dates: onset date, diagnosis date, date of death, laboratory specimen collection date, or date report received.
2. This report includes cases of CCR Title 17 reportable diseases among residents living in the City and County of San Francisco; it does not reflect where an infection may have been acquired.
3. The surveillance data were reported by laboratories, clinicians, and other mandated reporters to the local health authority in compliance with public health laws. Because not all cases of diseases were detected by the health care system and some detected cases may not be reported to the public health department, the information presented in this report may underestimate the true incidence of diseases. The data are subject to change due to ongoing data cleaning efforts and changes in disease definitions.
4. This report was prepared by the San Francisco Department of Public Health Communicable Disease Branch in conjunction with the Applied Research, Community Health Epidemiology, and Surveillance (ARCHES) Branch. For further information, please contact CDEpi@sfdph.org.