

Communicable Diseases Weekly Report

Week 25, 20 June to 26 June 2021

In summary, we report:

- <u>Condensed reporting</u> until further notice
- Novel coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)
- Summary of notifiable conditions activity in NSW

For further information see NSW Health <u>infectious diseases page</u>. This includes links to other NSW Health <u>infectious disease surveillance reports</u> and a <u>diseases data page</u> for a range of notifiable infectious diseases.

Condensed reporting

Due to increasing demand on public health staff and clinicians in NSW as a result of the COVID-19 response, the Communicable Diseases Weekly Report will be published in a condensed format until further notice.

The condensed CDWR (introduced in Week 11 2020) consists of the summary of notifiable conditions activity in NSW (<u>Table 1</u>), and links to the most up to date information on COVID-19. Full reports will be published in the event of high priority notifications, or events of significant interest.

Public health alerts will continue to be published on the NSW Health Infectious Diseases Alerts Page.

Novel coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)

For up-to-date information regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and the NSW response, please visit the NSW Health COVID-19 page.

Summary of notifiable conditions activity in NSW

The following table summarises notifiable conditions activity over the reporting period (Table 1).

		Weekly		Year to date			Full Year	
		This week	Last week	2021	2020	2019	2020	2019
Enteric Diseases	Cryptosporidiosis	11	6	296	397	409	550	669
	Giardiasis	41	35	933	1073	1935	1869	3323
	Hepatitis A	1	0	1	17	37	18	61
	Rotavirus	9	5	145	349	334	464	1754
	STEC/VTEC	2	3	64	50	33	114	80
	Salmonellosis	57	44	1838	1940	2109	2887	3556
Respiratory Diseases	Influenza	1	3	49	7312	32972	7487	116442
	Legionellosis	1	1	106	77	85	170	153
	Tuberculosis	12	9	294	269	277	624	590
Sexually Transmissible Infections	Chlamydia	397	482	14364	13416	15474	27276	32493
	Gonorrhoea	189	172	4607	4924	5746	9901	11700
Vaccine Preventable Diseases	Haemophilus influenzae type b	1	1	6	1	4	6	11
	Meningococcal Disease	2	0	13	9	15	22	59
	Pertussis	1	2	34	1307	3033	1405	6386
	Pneumococcal Disease (Invasive)	15	12	224	158	224	359	69
Vector Borne Diseases	Barmah Forest	3	1	66	150	42	271	63
	Ross River	10	4	508	1675	380	1989	593
Zoonotic Diseases	Leptospirosis	1	2	63	7	5	12	9
	Q fever	2	1	92	114	140	206	248

Table 1. NSW Notifiable conditions from 20 June to 26 June 2021, by date received*

* Notes on Table 1: NSW Notifiable Conditions activity

- Only conditions which had one or more case reports received during the reporting week appear in the table.
- Due to the rapidly evolving nature of the situation, data on COVID-19 notifications can be found separately on the NSW Health Latest Updates on COVID-19 page.
- Data cells represent the number of case reports received by NSW public health units and recorded on the NSW Notifiable Conditions Information Management System (NCIMS) in the relevant period (i.e. by report date).
- Note that <u>notifiable disease data</u> available on the NSW Health website are reported by onset date so case totals are likely to vary from those shown here.
- Cases involving interstate residents are not included.
- The shigellosis case definition changed on 1 July 2018 to include probable cases (PCR positive only), hence case counts cannot be validly compared to previous years.
- Chronic blood-borne virus conditions (such as HIV, hepatitis B and C) are not included here.
 Related data are available from the <u>Infectious Diseases Data</u>, the <u>HIV Surveillance Data Reports</u> and the <u>Hepatitis B and C Strategies Data Reports</u> webpages.
- Notification is dependent on a diagnosis being made by a doctor, hospital or laboratory.
 Changes in awareness and testing patterns influence the proportion of patients with a particular infection that is diagnosed and notified over time, especially if the infection causes non-specific symptoms.