

# Communicable Diseases Weekly Report

## Week 3, 16 January to 22 January 2022

In summary, we report:

- [Novel coronavirus 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [Summary of notifiable conditions activity in NSW](#)

For further information see NSW Health [infectious diseases page](#). This includes links to other NSW Health [infectious disease surveillance reports](#) and a [diseases data page](#) for a range of notifiable infectious diseases.

## 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).

**Table 1. NSW Notifiable conditions from 16 January to 22 January 2022, by date received\***

|                                   |                                 | Weekly    |           | Year to date |      |      | Full Year |       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|------|------|-----------|-------|
|                                   |                                 | This week | Last week | 2022         | 2021 | 2020 | 2021      | 2020  |
| Enteric Diseases                  | Cryptosporidiosis               | 11        | 9         | 25           | 54   | 54   | 442       | 550   |
|                                   | Giardiasis                      | 24        | 22        | 58           | 85   | 154  | 1500      | 1869  |
|                                   | Listeriosis                     | 1         | 0         | 1            | 1    | 1    | 22        | 20    |
|                                   | Rotavirus                       | 1         | 3         | 7            | 19   | 157  | 299       | 471   |
|                                   | Salmonellosis                   | 78        | 67        | 215          | 400  | 272  | 3097      | 2885  |
|                                   | Shigellosis                     | 5         | 4         | 10           | 5    | 99   | 60        | 495   |
|                                   | STEC/VTEC                       | 1         | 2         | 7            | 8    | 7    | 127       | 115   |
| Respiratory Diseases              | Influenza                       | 1         | 4         | 14           | 8    | 1449 | 121       | 7488  |
|                                   | Legionellosis                   | 2         | 5         | 13           | 17   | 7    | 209       | 170   |
|                                   | Tuberculosis                    | 6         | 8         | 21           | 37   | 24   | 560       | 624   |
| Sexually Transmissible Infections | Chlamydia                       | 413       | 379       | 954          | 1890 | 2059 | 25340     | 27258 |
|                                   | Gonorrhoea                      | 195       | 138       | 421          | 612  | 786  | 7634      | 9901  |
| Vaccine Preventable Diseases      | Pneumococcal Disease (Invasive) | 4         | 7         | 17           | 22   | 45   | 390       | 359   |
| Vector Borne Diseases             | Barmah Forest                   | 1         | 1         | 2            | 8    | 4    | 110       | 271   |
|                                   | Ross River                      | 31        | 18        | 64           | 61   | 11   | 653       | 1991  |
| Zoonotic Diseases                 | Q fever                         | 1         | 2         | 4            | 13   | 21   | 173       | 206   |

**\* 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 [notifiable disease data](#) 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 [Infectious Diseases Data](#), the [HIV Surveillance Data Reports](#) and the [Hepatitis B and C Strategies Data Reports](#) 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.