

Tables

There were 5,585 notifications to the National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS) with a notification date in December 2000 (Table 1). The crude incidence of diseases per 100,000 population for each State or Territory (Table 2) was included for the first time in the August 2000 issue of *Commun Dis Intell*. Data by date of report for December 2000, are included in this issue of *Commun Dis Intell* (Table 3). Figure 1 illustrates, for selected diseases, the December 2000 totals as ratios to the mean of their November to January levels for the previous 5 years.

There were 1,247 reports received by the *CDI* Virology and Serology Laboratory Reporting Scheme (LabVISE) in the reporting period, 1 to 31 December 2000 (Tables 4 and 5).

The Australian Sentinel Practice Research Network (ASPREN) data for weeks 48 to 52, ending 31 December 2000, are included in this issue of *Commun Dis Intell* (Table 6).

Table 1. Notifications of diseases received by State and Territory health authorities in the period 1 to 31 December 2000, by date of notification[#]

Disease	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA	Total December 2000 ¹	Total November 2000 ¹	Total December 1999 ¹	Last 5 years mean	Year to date 2000	Last 5 years YTD mean	Ratio*	
Bloodborne																
Hepatitis B (incident)	0	3	0	6	0	0	10	4	23	35	31	23	413	276	1.0	
Hepatitis B (unspecified) ²	2	200	0	66	12	1	162	40	483	791	537	525	8,631	6,833	0.9	
Hepatitis C (incident)	1	5	0	-	12	0	4	4	26	27	30	20	494	205	1.3	
Hepatitis C (unspecified) ²	11	455	13	216	46	14	390	88	1,233	1,641	1,453	1,332	20,672	15,841	0.9	
Hepatitis D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	10	1	1	27	20	1.8	
Gastrointestinal																
Botulism	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0.0	
Campylobacteriosis ³	25	-	21	262	133	58	275	111	885	1,299	983	1,188	13,480	12,220	0.7	
Haemolytic uraemic syndrome	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	4	1	1	1	14	n/a	-	
Hepatitis A	0	8	1	11	1	0	11	4	36	44	102	168	811	2,165	0.2	
Hepatitis E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NN	0	0	0	0	1	4	0.0	
Listeriosis	0	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	7	3	5	6	66	64	1.2	
Salmonellosis	4	135	29	143	37	13	97	55	513	532	534	622	6,081	6,714	0.8	
Shigellosis ³	1	-	6	8	3	0	22	4	44	38	36	55	488	669	0.8	
SLTEC,VTEC ⁴	0	0	0	NN	1	0	0	NN	1	1	6	3	33	n/a	-	
Typhoid	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	5	3	7	7	65	74	0.7	
Yersiniosis ³	0	-	0	4	0	0	2	0	6	3	7	20	73	232	0.3	
Quarantinable																
Cholera	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	-	
Plague	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
Rabies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
Viral haemorrhagic fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
Yellow fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
Sexually transmissible																
Chancroid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-	
Chlamydial infection ⁵	16	236	55	291	151	8	151	148	1,056	1,656	1,009	864	17,718	9,897	1.2	
Donovanosis	0	0	0	0	NN	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	12	45	0.0	
Gonococcal infection ⁶	3	55	73	67	11	0	47	42	298	415	416	408	6,047	4,649	0.7	
Lymphogranuloma venereum	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
Syphilis ⁷	1	38	7	36	2	0	0	5	89	187	107	120	1,932	1,666	0.7	

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Disease	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA	Total December 2000 ¹	Total November 2000 ¹	Total December 1999 ¹	Last 5 years mean	Year to date 2000	Last 5 years YTD mean	Ratio*
Vaccine preventable															
Diphtheria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	4	6	3	4	32	51	1.0
Measles	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	10	4	39	109	610	0.1
Mumps	0	2	1	0	2	0	3	1	9	12	14	13	208	168	0.7
Pertussis	6	224	4	54	52	1	50	6	397	622	424	665	5,772	5,942	0.6
Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Rubella ⁸	0	14	0	2	1	0	4	1	22	51	17	193	314	1,931	0.1
Tetanus	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	8	5	-
Vectorborne															
Arbovirus infection NEC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	64	56	0.0
Barmah Forest virus infection	0	10	2	27	2	0	5	5	51	66	43	48	622	698	1.1
Dengue	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	26	31	210	195	0.0
Malaria	2	11	2	9	5	0	8	4	41	47	65	59	951	724	0.7
Ross River virus infection	1	9	17	62	51	0	12	7	159	164	290	337	4,137	4,946	0.5
Zoonoses															
Brucellosis	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	3	4	26	40	0.5
Hydatid infection	0	NN	0	1	0	0	2	0	3	3	4	3	27	45	0.9
Leptospirosis	0	5	3	7	1	0	2	0	18	22	20	18	244	204	1.0
Ornithosis	0	NN	0	NN	0	0	8	0	8	14	7	10	98	91	0.8
Q fever	0	6	0	22	1	0	2	0	31	50	45	43	519	537	0.7
Other															
Legionellosis	0	0	0	1	2	0	12	2	17	34	16	18	469	207	0.9
Leprosy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	4	8	0.0
Meningococcal infection	0	15	2	8	4	2	15	2	48	52	46	32	601	461	1.5
Tuberculosis	1	24	0	1	0	0	29	2	57	68	92	90	960	1,058	0.6
Total	74	1,471	238	1,308	533	97	1,325	539	5,585	7,915	6,385	6,755	92,436	79,558	

- Totals comprise data from all States and Territories. Cumulative figures are subject to retrospective revision so there may be discrepancies between the number of new notifications and the increment in the cumulative figure from the previous period.
- Unspecified numbers should be interpreted with some caution as the magnitude may be a reflection of the numbers of tests being carried out.
- Not reported for NSW because it is only notifiable as 'foodborne disease' or 'gastroenteritis in an institution'.
- Infections with Shiga-like toxin (verotoxin) producing *E. coli* (SLTEC/VTEC).
- WA: genital only.
- NT, Qld, SA, Vic and WA: includes gonococcal neonatal ophthalmia.

- Includes congenital syphilis.
 - Includes congenital rubella
- #** Date of notification = a composite of three components: (i) the true onset date from a clinician, if available, (ii) the date the laboratory test was ordered, or (iii) the date reported to the public health unit.
- NN Not Notifiable.
 NEC Not Elsewhere Classified.
 - Elsewhere Classified.
 * Ratio = ratio of current month total to mean of last 5 years calculated as described above.
 n/a Not calculated as only notifiable for under 5 years.

Table 2. Crude incidence of diseases by State or Territory, 1 to 31 December 2000. (Rate per 100,000 population)

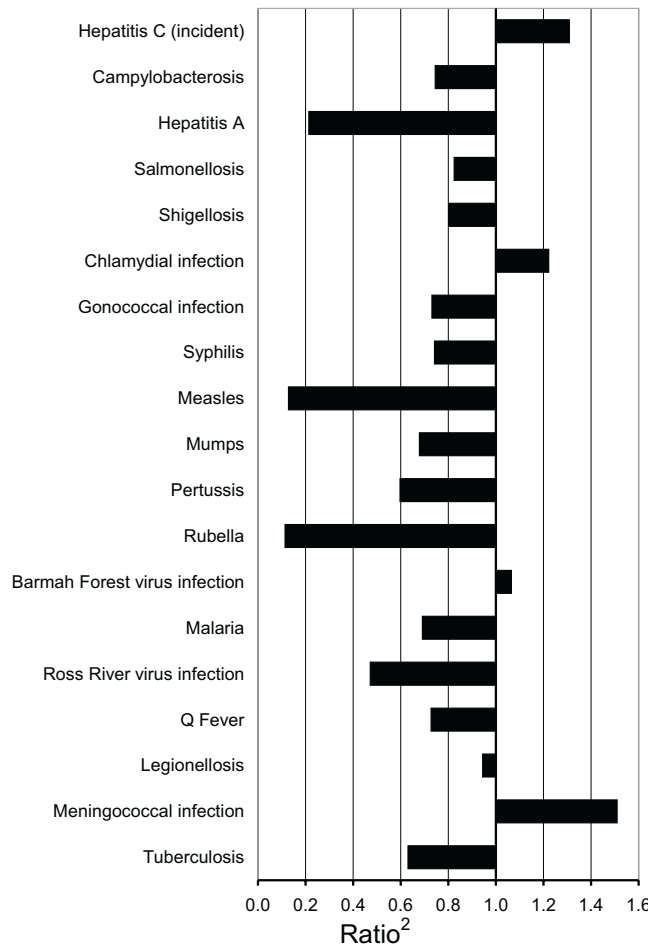
Disease ¹	State or Territory								Australia
	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA	
Bloodborne									
Hepatitis B (incident)	0.0	0.6	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	1.4
Hepatitis B (unspecified) ²	7.6	37.1	0.0	22.2	9.6	2.6	40.8	25.5	30.3
Hepatitis C (incident)	3.8	0.9	0.0	-	9.6	0.0	1.0	2.5	2.0
Hepatitis C (unspecified) ²	42.0	84.5	79.8	72.7	36.9	35.7	98.2	56.1	77.2
Hepatitis D	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1
Gastrointestinal									
Botulism	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Campylobacteriosis ³	95.5	-	128.9	88.2	106.6	148.0	69.2	70.7	83.7
Haemolytic uraemic syndrome	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3
Hepatitis A	0.0	1.5	6.1	3.7	0.8	0.0	2.8	2.5	2.3
Hepatitis E	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	NN	0.0
Listeriosis	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Salmonellosis	15.3	25.1	178.0	48.1	29.6	33.2	24.4	35.0	32.1
Shigellosis ³	3.8	-	36.8	2.7	2.4	0.0	5.5	2.5	4.2
SLTEC,VTEC ⁴	0.0	0.0	0.0	NN	0.8	0.0	0.0	NN	0.1
Typhoid	0.0	0.2	6.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.3	0.3
Yersiniosis ³	0.0	-	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.6
Quarantinable									
Cholera	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Plague	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rabies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Viral haemorrhagic fever	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Yellow fever	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sexually transmissible									
Chancroid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chlamydial infection ⁵	61.1	43.8	337.7	97.9	121.0	20.4	38.0	94.3	66.1
Donovanosis	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	NN	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Gonococcal infection ⁶	11.5	10.2	448.2	22.5	8.8	0.0	11.8	26.8	18.7
Lymphogranuloma venereum	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Syphilis ⁷	3.8	7.1	43.0	12.1	1.6	0.0	0.0	3.2	5.6
Vaccine preventable									
Diphtheria	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b	0.0	0.2	6.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3
Measles	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Mumps	0.0	0.4	6.1	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.8	0.6	0.6
Pertussis	22.9	41.6	24.6	18.2	41.7	2.6	12.6	3.8	24.9
Poliomyelitis	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rubella ⁸	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.7	0.8	0.0	1.0	0.6	1.4
Tetanus	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Vectorborne									
Arbovirus infection NEC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Barmah Forest virus infection	0.0	1.9	12.3	9.1	1.6	0.0	1.3	3.2	3.2
Dengue	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Malaria	7.6	2.0	12.3	3.0	4.0	0.0	2.0	2.5	2.6
Ross River virus infection	3.8	1.7	104.4	20.9	40.9	0.0	3.0	4.5	10.0

Table 2 (continued). Crude incidence of diseases by State or Territory, 1 to 31 December 2000. (Rate per 100,000 population)

Disease ¹	State or Territory								Australia
	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA	
Zoonoses									
Brucellosis	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Hydatid infection	0.0	NN	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.3
Leptospirosis	0.0	0.9	18.4	2.4	0.8	0.0	0.5	0.0	1.1
Ornithosis	0.0	NN	0.0	NN	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.1
Q fever	0.0	1.1	0.0	7.4	0.8	0.0	0.5	0.0	1.9
Other									
Legionellosis	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	3.0	1.3	1.1
Leprosy	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Meningococcal infection	0.0	2.8	12.3	2.7	3.2	5.1	3.8	1.3	3.0
Tuberculosis	3.8	4.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	7.3	1.3	3.6
Total	282.8	273.1	1,461.1	440.1	427.1	247.5	333.6	343.3	349.8

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- Not reported for NSW because it is only notifiable as 'foodborne disease' or 'gastroenteritis in an institution'.
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Figure 1. Selected¹ diseases from the National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System, comparison of provisional totals for the period 1 to 31 December 2000 with historical data²



- Selected diseases are chosen each calendar month according to current activity
- Ratio of current month total to mean of November to January data for the previous five years

Table 3. Notifications of diseases received by State and Territory health authorities in the period 1 to 31 December 2000, by date of report*

Disease ¹	State or Territory								Total this period	Year to date total
	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA		
Bloodborne										
Hepatitis B (incident)	0	1	1	6	2	0	11	5	26	418
Hepatitis B (unspecified) ²	2	260	0	74	16	1	163	48	564	8,831
Hepatitis C (incident)	1	7	0	-	10	0	1	5	24	503
Hepatitis C (unspecified) ²	9	622	15	245	48	19	387	128	1,473	20,929
Hepatitis D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	27
Gastrointestinal										
Botulism	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Campylobacteriosis ³	22	-	12	230	141	49	293	148	895	13,518
Haemolytic uraemic syndrome	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	11
Hepatitis A	0	6	2	9	1	0	14	6	38	838
Hepatitis E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NN	0	1
Listeriosis	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	65
Salmonellosis	4	146	34	108	28	16	97	76	509	6,130
Shigellosis ³	1	-	8	7	3	0	27	7	53	488
SLTEC,VTEC ⁴	0	0	0	NN	2	0	0	NN	2	36
Typhoid	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	2	7	68
Yersiniosis ³	0	-	0	4	0	0	2	0	6	74
Quarantinable										
Cholera	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Plague	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rabies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viral haemorrhagic fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yellow fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexually transmissible										
Chancroid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chlamydial infection ⁵	16	303	64	340	157	13	205	199	1,297	17,765
Donovanosis	0	0	0	0	NN	0	0	0	0	13
Gonococcal infection ⁶	3	67	59	59	18	0	48	65	319	6,088
Lymphogranuloma venereum	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Syphilis ⁷	1	45	5	58	1	0	1	7	118	1,990
Vaccine preventable										
Diphtheria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	4	32
Measles	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	110
Mumps	0	1	1	0	2	0	4	1	9	211
Pertussis	5	350	3	47	101	1	57	17	581	5,876
Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rubella ⁸	0	16	0	4	2	0	5	2	29	315
Tetanus	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9
Vectorborne										
Arbovirus infection NEC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Barmah Forest virus infection	0	12	1	35	2	0	4	8	62	633
Dengue	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	231
Malaria	0	10	3	15	4	0	10	6	48	974
Ross River virus infection	1	11	6	53	59	0	12	16	158	4,288

Table 3 (continued). Notifications of diseases received by State and Territory health authorities in the period 1 to 31 December 2000, by date of report*

Disease ¹	State or Territory								Total this period	Year to date total
	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA		
Zoonoses										
Brucellosis	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	26
Hydatid infection	0	NN	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	28
Leptospirosis	0	2	2	3	2	0	6	0	15	245
Ornithosis	0	NN	0	NN	0	1	16	0	17	104
Q fever	0	6	0	21	0	0	6	0	33	536
Other										
Legionellosis	0	4	1	2	3	0	22	2	34	474
Leprosy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Meningococcal infection	0	20	2	5	4	3	13	4	51	603
Tuberculosis	3	37	2	3	0	0	30	7	82	1,051
Total	68	1,939	223	1,334	609	103	1,441	761	6,478	93,613

1. Totals comprise data from all States and Territories. Cumulative figures are subject to retrospective revision so there may be discrepancies between the number of new notifications and the increment in the cumulative figure from the previous period.

2. Unspecified numbers should be interpreted with some caution as the magnitude may be a reflection of the numbers of tests being carried out.

3. Not reported for NSW because it is only notifiable as 'foodborne disease' or 'gastroenteritis in an institution'.

4. Infections with Shiga-like toxin (verotoxin) producing *E. coli* (SLTEC/VTEC).

5. WA: genital only.

6. NT, Qld, SA, Vic and WA: includes gonococcal neonatal ophthalmia.

7. Includes congenital syphilis.

8. Includes congenital rubella.

* Date of report is the date the public health unit received the report.

NN Not Notifiable.

NEC Not Elsewhere Classified.

- Elsewhere Classified.

Table 4. Virology and serology laboratory reports by contributing laboratories for the reporting period 1 to 31 December 2000¹

State or Territory	Laboratory	This period	Total this period ²
Australian Capital Territory	The Canberra Hospital	-	-
New South Wales	Institute of Clinical Pathology & Medical Research, Westmead	71	72
	New Children's Hospital, Westmead	36	81
New South Wales	Repatriation General Hospital, Concord	-	-
	Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Camperdown	28	21
	South West Area Pathology Service, Liverpool	-	152
Queensland	Queensland Medical Laboratory, West End	330	973
	Townsville General Hospital	15	20
South Australia	Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science, Adelaide	497	1,042
Tasmania	Northern Tasmanian Pathology Service, Launceston	12	11
	Royal Hobart Hospital, Hobart	-	-
Victoria	Monash Medical Centre, Melbourne	-	-
	Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne	89	117
	Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Fairfield	110	209
Western Australia	PathCentre Virology, Perth	-	-
	Princess Margaret Hospital, Perth	32	38
	Western Diagnostic Pathology	27	-
Total		1,247	2,736

1. The complete list of laboratories reporting for the 12 months, January to December 2000, will appear in every report from January 2000 regardless of whether reports were received in this reporting period. Reports are not always received from all laboratories.

2. Total reports include both reports for the current period and outstanding reports to date.

- Nil reports

Table 5. Virology and serology laboratory reports by State or Territory¹ for the reporting period 1 to 31 December 2000, and total reports for the year²

	State or Territory ¹								This period 2000	This period 1999	Year to date 2000 ³	Year to date 1999
	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA				
Measles, mumps, rubella												
Measles virus	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	3	44	172
Rubella virus	-	2	-	1	2	-	-	-	5	5	47	145
Hepatitis viruses												
Hepatitis A virus	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	3	24	137	375
Hepatitis D virus	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	9	8
Arboviruses												
Ross River virus	-	1	8	11	35	-	-	3	58	129	1,250	1,423
Barmah Forest virus	-	1	1	10	2	-	-	-	14	22	158	180
Adenoviruses												
Adenovirus not typed/pending	1	8	-	6	44	-	9	5	73	122	982	1,128
Herpes viruses												
Cytomegalovirus	-	14	-	6	46	-	16	4	86	145	1,262	1,216
Varicella-zoster virus	2	8	2	65	22	-	21	2	122	174	1,296	1,658
Epstein-Barr virus	-	3	3	32	51	-	14	14	117	205	1,852	2,194
Other DNA viruses												
Parvovirus	-	1	2	20	12	-	1	-	36	25	350	437
Picornavirus family												
Coxsackievirus B1	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	3		4	1
Coxsackievirus B4	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4	2	15	3
Coxsackievirus B5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1		5	7
Poliovirus type 1 (uncharacterised)	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2		18	26
Poliovirus type 2 (uncharacterised)	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	16
Rhinovirus (all types)	2	21	-	-	4	-	-	-	27	51	376	501
Enterovirus type 71 (BCR)	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	2	15
Enterovirus not typed/pending	-	1	-	4	1	3	19	-	28	48	711	752
Ortho/paramyxoviruses												
Influenza A virus	2	4	-	-	26	-	2	3	37	70	1,366	1,898
Influenza B virus	2	-	-	1	12	-	-	1	16	4	550	279
Parainfluenza virus type 1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	6	230	44
Parainfluenza virus type 3	-	14	-	10	19	-	1	8	52	62	459	803
Respiratory syncytial virus	-	5	-	7	16	-	-	1	29	77	2,689	3,054
Other RNA viruses												
Rotavirus	-	8	-	-	52	4	14	8	86	167	1,720	2,244
Norwalk agent	-	-	-	-	1	-	16	-	17	4	75	59
Other												
<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> not typed	4	31	7	48	55	1	8	1	155	322	2,855	3,289
<i>Chlamydia psittaci</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	7	5	100	78
<i>Mycoplasma pneumoniae</i>	-	1	1	17	17	2	21	5	64	92	646	1,125
<i>Coxiella burnetii</i> (Q fever)	-	-	-	7	-	-	3	-	10	14	90	221
<i>Rickettsia</i> - Spotted fever group	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4		6	1
<i>Streptococcus</i> group A	-	2	3	11	-	-	2	-	18	47	348	368
<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i>	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		14	10
<i>Bordetella pertussis</i>	-	8	-	11	27	-	30	-	76	76	665	845

Table 5 (continued). Virology and serology laboratory reports by State or Territory¹ for the reporting period 1 to 31 December 2000, and total reports for the year²

	State or Territory ¹								This period 2000	This period 1999	Year to date 2000 ³	Year to date 1999
	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA				
<i>Legionella pneumophila</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3		42	17
<i>Legionella longbeachae</i>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	12	53	51
<i>Cryptococcus</i> species	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3		18	9
<i>Leptospira</i> species	-	-	-	5	2	-	-	-	7	4	59	55
<i>Treponema pallidum</i>	-	2	14	16	44	-	-	-	76	89	855	774
Total	14	141	41	290	498	14	194	55	1,247	2,013	21,366	25,481

1. State or Territory of postcode, if reported, otherwise State or Territory of reporting laboratory.
 2. From January 2000 data presented are for reports with report dates in the current period. Previously reports included all data received in that period.
 3. Totals comprise data from all laboratories. Cumulative figures are subject to retrospective revision, so there may be discrepancies between the number of new notifications and the increment in the cumulative figure from the previous period.
- No data received this period.

Table 6. Australian Sentinel Practice Research Network reports, weeks 48 to 52, 2000*

Week number	48		49		50		51	
Week ending on	3 December 2000		10 December 2000		17 December 2000		24 December 2000	
Doctors reporting	56		52		56		52	
Total encounters	6,484		6,709		6,877		6,274	
Condition	Rate per 1,000		Rate per 1,000		Rate per 1,000		Rate per 1,000	
	Reports	encounters	Reports	encounters	Reports	encounters	Reports	encounters
Influenza	13	2.0	9	1.3	18	2.6	4	0.6
Chickenpox	16	2.5	11	1.6	9	1.3	5	0.8
Gastroenteritis	56	8.6	55	8.2	61	8.9	72	11.5
Gastroenteritis with stool culture	7	1.1	9	1.3	11	1.6	7	1.1
ADT immunisations	28	4.3	25	3.7	26	3.8	23	3.7

* **Editorial note:** For week 52 ending 31 December 2000 there were 4 reports of influenza and 7 of chickenpox. The other conditions are no longer reported.

The NNDSS is conducted under the auspices of the Communicable Diseases Network Australia New Zealand. The system coordinates the national surveillance of close to 50 communicable diseases or disease groups endorsed by the Communicable Diseases Network Australia New Zealand and the National Public Health Partnership. Notifications of these diseases are made to State and Territory health authorities under the provisions of their respective public health legislations. De-identified core unit data are supplied fortnightly for collation, analysis and dissemination. For further information, see Commun Dis Intell 2000;24:6-7.

LabVISE is a sentinel reporting scheme. Currently 17 laboratories contribute data on the laboratory identification of viruses and other organisms. This number may change throughout the year. Data are collated and published in Communicable Diseases Intelligence monthly. These data should be interpreted with caution as the number and type of reports received is subject to a number of biases. For further information, see Commun Dis Intell 2000;24:10.

ASPREN currently comprises about 120 general practitioners from throughout the country, not all of whom report each week. Between 7,000 and 8,000 consultations are reported each week, with special attention to 14 conditions chosen for sentinel surveillance in 2000. Communicable Diseases Intelligence reports the consultation rates for five of these. For further information, including case definitions, see Commun Dis Intell 2000;24:7-8.