

BVPPH Weekly Report

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06/01/2025 to 06/07/2025

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Lab Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 6/1/25 to 6/7/25:

Blackstone = 0 Cases	Douglas = 0 Cases	Hopedale = 0 Cases
Mendon = 0 Cases	Millville = 0 Cases	Northbridge = 1 Case
Upton = 1 Case	Uxbridge = 1 Case	

Now that we are at the peak time of year of tickborne illnesses, I have started keeping track of the cases in all towns and will continue to provide a monthly report as follows:

Monthly Tickborne Diseases Report for May 1 through May 31, 2025

Lyme Disease Cases: (Lab Confirmed) *Cases of Lyme Disease are likely higher due to some people are treated without being tested based on their symptoms and history of tick-bite.

Blackstone = 1 Case	Douglas = 3 Cases	Hopedale = 1 Case
Mendon = 2 Cases	Millville = 1 Case	Northbridge = 5 Cases
Upton = 3 Cases	Uxbridge = 5 Cases	

Babesiosis: 1 Case reported in Northbridge

Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis (HGA): 1 case reported in Mendon, and 1 case reported in Uxbridge.

Borrelia, Ehrlichiosis, Powassan's Virus, Spotted Fever Rickettsiosis (Includes Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever), and Tularemia:

No cases reported in any of the BVPPH towns between 5/1/25 and 5/31/25.

Measles Cases Update: As of 6/5/25 there have been 1,168 cases of laboratory confirmed cases of measles in the following 34 states: Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York City, New York State, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and Washington State. There have been 17 outbreaks to date for 2025 with 89% of confirmed cases (1,040 of 1,068) are confirmed to be outbreak associated. During last week's LBOH Monthly meeting webinar, it was reported that there was an individual on a Turkish airline that arrived in Denver 5/13/25 who became infected on the flight, and 3 people in the airport terminal. As of

6/5/25 the total number of cases linked to the flight is 7, (4 on the airplane and 3 in the airport terminal). It was initially reported that two individuals on the aircraft were fully vaccinated but has since been reported that all cases confirmed were not vaccinated. It is unknown if there have been any other cases associated with the flight. It is unknown if there were any other cases related to this outbreak. The incubation period for measles is 7-21 with an average of 10-12 days and is now over. Additionally, the CDC has stepped up to a Level 1 Advisory for International Travel. If there is no documentation of 2 previous MMR vaccinations, or proof of immunity via blood titer testing, adults should receive 2 doses in advance of international travel to countries that are either endemic for measles or experiencing measles outbreaks and if traveling with infants ages 6-12 months, they should receive one dose of MMR preferably two weeks prior travel. Travel within the US to areas where there are current outbreaks is a bit more complicated, and people should check with health departments in those jurisdictions before traveling.

Pertussis (Whooping Cough): As of 5/31/25 there were 194 new cases of pertussis reported in multiple states with 12, 513 lab-confirmed cases across multiple states compared to 7,321 cases reported at the same time of year in 2024. There have been 85 cases in MA as of 5/31/25, with no new cases reported in New England (CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT), but given the end of the school year, graduation ceremonies, summer vacation travel, summer camps, etc., it is something to continue keeping an eye on.

Salmonella related to recalled eggs: As of 6/5/25, there have been 79 people infected with the strain of Salmonella linked to recalled eggs and the CDC and FDA are in the process of collecting different types of data as part of their investigation into this outbreak reported in 7 states so far. There were 6 sick individuals that reported traveling from California to Nevada the week prior to their illness and 21 people were hospitalized. The number of cases is likely much higher because many people recover on their own without medical intervention. Additionally, it can take 3-4 weeks to determine if a sick person may be linked to an outbreak.

Botulism and Botox: If you haven't already heard the news, on 6/7/25, MDPH released a report indicating that there have been 10 cases of iatrogenic botulism related to Botox injections. All were linked to Botox administration at Rodrigo Beauty, located at 464 Granite Avenue, in Milton, MA. People who received an injection at the spa between 5/1/25 and 6/4/25 are strongly urged to contact MDPH at 617-983-6800 even if they do not have any symptoms. Anyone who is experiencing symptoms should go to the nearest ER.

Window Air Conditioner Recall: 1.7 million Air Conditioners have been recalled due to a risk of mold after 152 people reported mold growing in the units. These air conditioning units were sold nationwide at Best Buy, Cosco and Home Depot, and Menards and via online retailers such as Amazon.com, BestBuy.com, BJs.com, Costco.com, Home Depot.com, Lowes.com, Menards.com, Midia.com, with brand names of Frigidaire, Danby, Insignia, and more. A complete list of the window air conditioners along with details on how to get the unit repaired or replaced, can be found on U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSP) website.

Further information on other recalls can be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/outbreaks/index.html>