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## Laboratory Confirmed *Salmonella* Surveillance Annual Summary, 1997

The Annual Summary contains surveillance data on reported laboratory-confirmed *Salmonella* isolates in the United States for 1997. The National *Salmonella* Surveillance System collects reports of isolates of *Salmonella* from human sources from every state in the United States. This information is reported through the Public Health Laboratory Information System (PHLIS), an electronic reporting system, by the State Public Health Laboratory Directors and State and Territorial Epidemiologists to the Foodborne and Diarrheal Diseases Branch and the Biostatistics and Information Management Branch of the Division of Bacterial and Mycotic Diseases in the National Center for Infectious Diseases.

The number of isolates reported by geographical area (e.g. state) represents the state where laboratory confirmation was performed; in some instances the reporting state is not the same as the state of residence of the person from whom the isolate was obtained. For *Salmonella* serotype *Typhi*, only the first isolation in a year for each person is counted. For the Annual Summary, duplicate records are deleted.

The PDF version of this document can be viewed online at www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dbmd/phlisdata. Further information concerning the data described in this report can be obtained by contacting the Foodborne and Diarrheal Diseases Branch (404) 639-2206. For further information concerning PHLIS please contact the Biostatistics and Information Management Branch (404) 639-1364.

The *Salmonella* Outbreak Detection Algorithm (SODA), developed by BIMB and FDDB, is a statistical algorithm designed to detect unusual clusters of isolates of *Salmonella* infection. SODA compares current *Salmonella* isolates reported through PHLIS by serotype to a 5-year historical baseline for that serotype and week to detect unusual increases from the baseline. Analyses can be conducted at state, regional, or national levels. Since 1996, SODA has been implemented at CDC and selected state health departments. If you would like more information on SODA, please call the PHLIS Helpdesk (404) 639-3365.



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