

Outbreak Report for August 2013, West Virginia

During the month of August, 2013, there were 7 outbreaks reported in West Virginia. Four outbreaks were confirmed as outbreaks or clusters and two were investigated and determined not to be outbreaks. One possible outbreak of acute hepatitis B in multiple counties is under ongoing investigation.

Of the confirmed outbreaks, three were reported from healthcare facilities and one from a workplace.

Among healthcare-associated outbreaks, two were reported in long-term care facilities.

The rest of this report describes the types and settings of the outbreaks. All data provided is provisional as some of the outbreaks are under ongoing investigation.

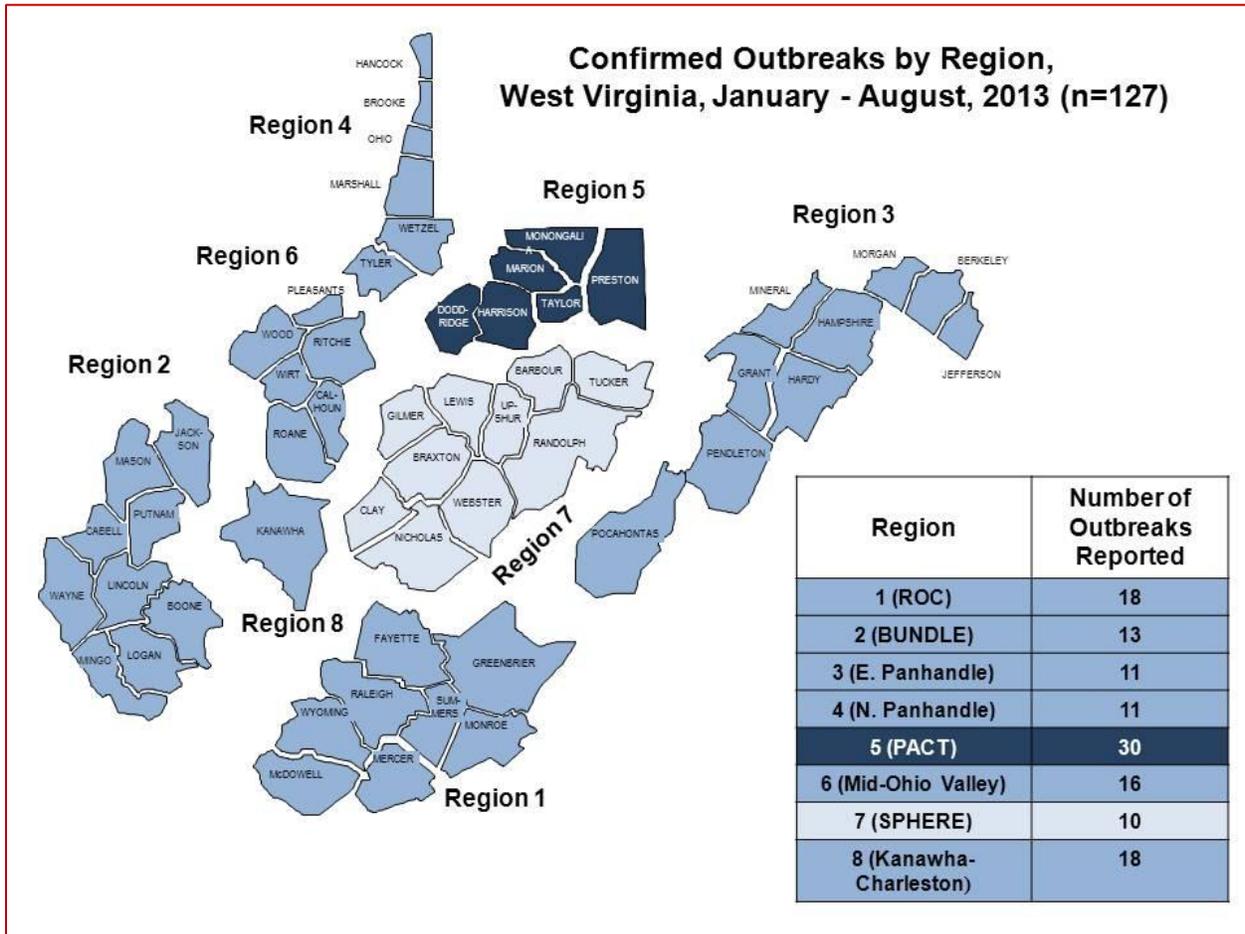
Enteric disease outbreaks during the month of August, 2013 (n=3)

Type of Outbreak	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Foodborne Gastroenteritis	1	Workplace	Not done	2
Acute Gastroenteritis	1	LTCF	Negative or non-contributory	26
<i>Clostridium difficile</i>	1	LTCF	Confirmed	6

Outbreaks characterized as “other” during the month of August, 2013 (n=1)

Type of outbreak	Number of outbreaks	Outbreak setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Acute Hepatitis B	1	Possible Healthcare	Lab Confirmed	1

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For information on outbreak guidelines or any disease or condition please visit our website at www.dide.wv.gov or call us (24/7/365) at (304) 558-5358 or toll free in West Virginia (800) 423-1271.

Remember that outbreaks should be reported immediately to the local health department.

This report is sent on a monthly basis. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.