

West Virginia Outbreak Report for December 2013

During the month of December 2013, there were 10 outbreaks reported in West Virginia. Of the 10 reported, 9 (90%) were confirmed as outbreaks or clusters of disease and 1 was not an outbreak. Six (6) were reported from healthcare facilities, 1 from a daycare, 1 from a school, and 1 from a community.

Among healthcare-associated outbreaks, 5 were reported from long-term care facilities (LTCF) and 1 from a hospital.

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.

Respiratory illness outbreaks during the month of December 2013 (n=3)

Type of Outbreak	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Rhinovirus	2	LTCF Hospital	Confirmed Confirmed	31 10
Acute Respiratory Illness	1	Multiple Schools	Rapid test	12

Enteric disease outbreaks during the month of December 2013 (n=5)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Acute Gastroenteritis	5	2 LTCF 1 LTCF 1 LTCF 1 School	Negative Not done Pending Not done	24, 23 30 7 52

Outbreaks characterized as “Other” during the month of December 2013 (n=1)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease	1	Daycare	Not done	5

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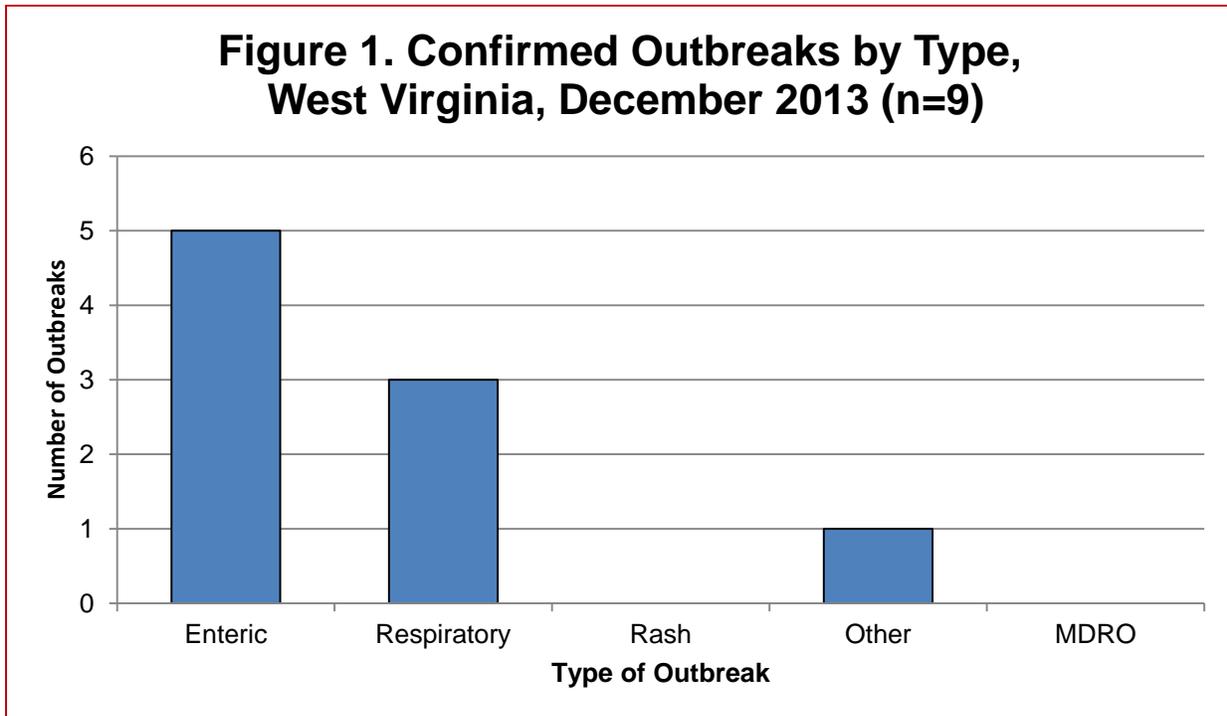


Figure 1 depicts confirmed outbreaks by type during the month of December 2013.

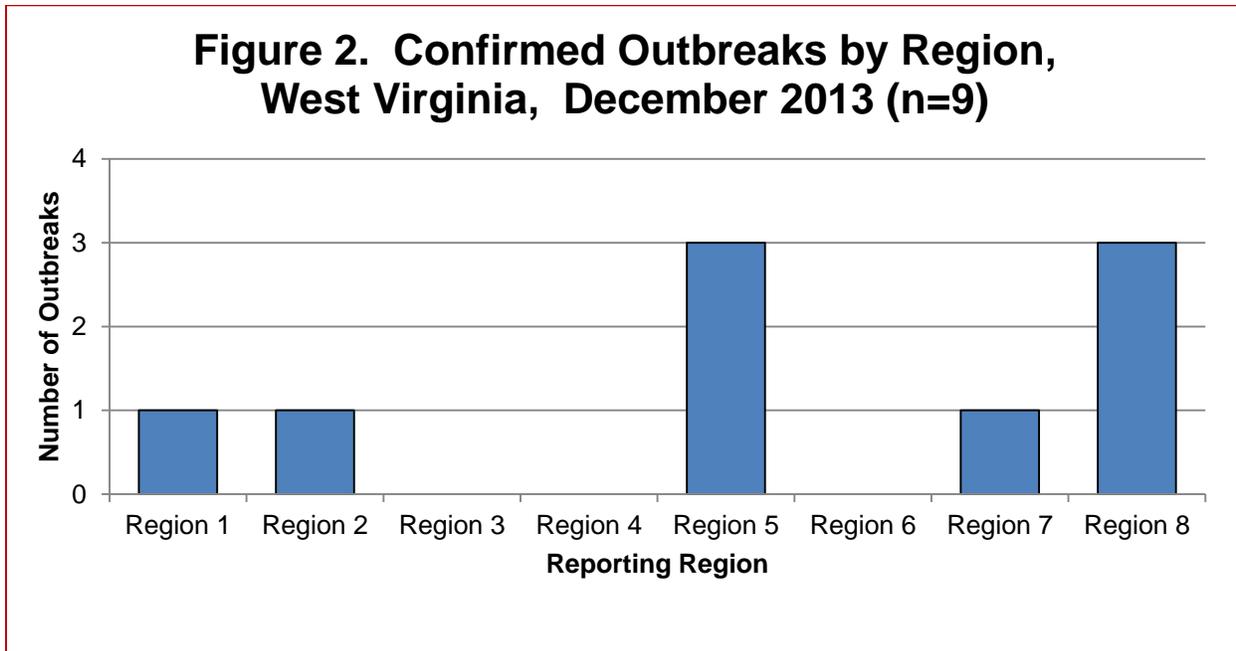
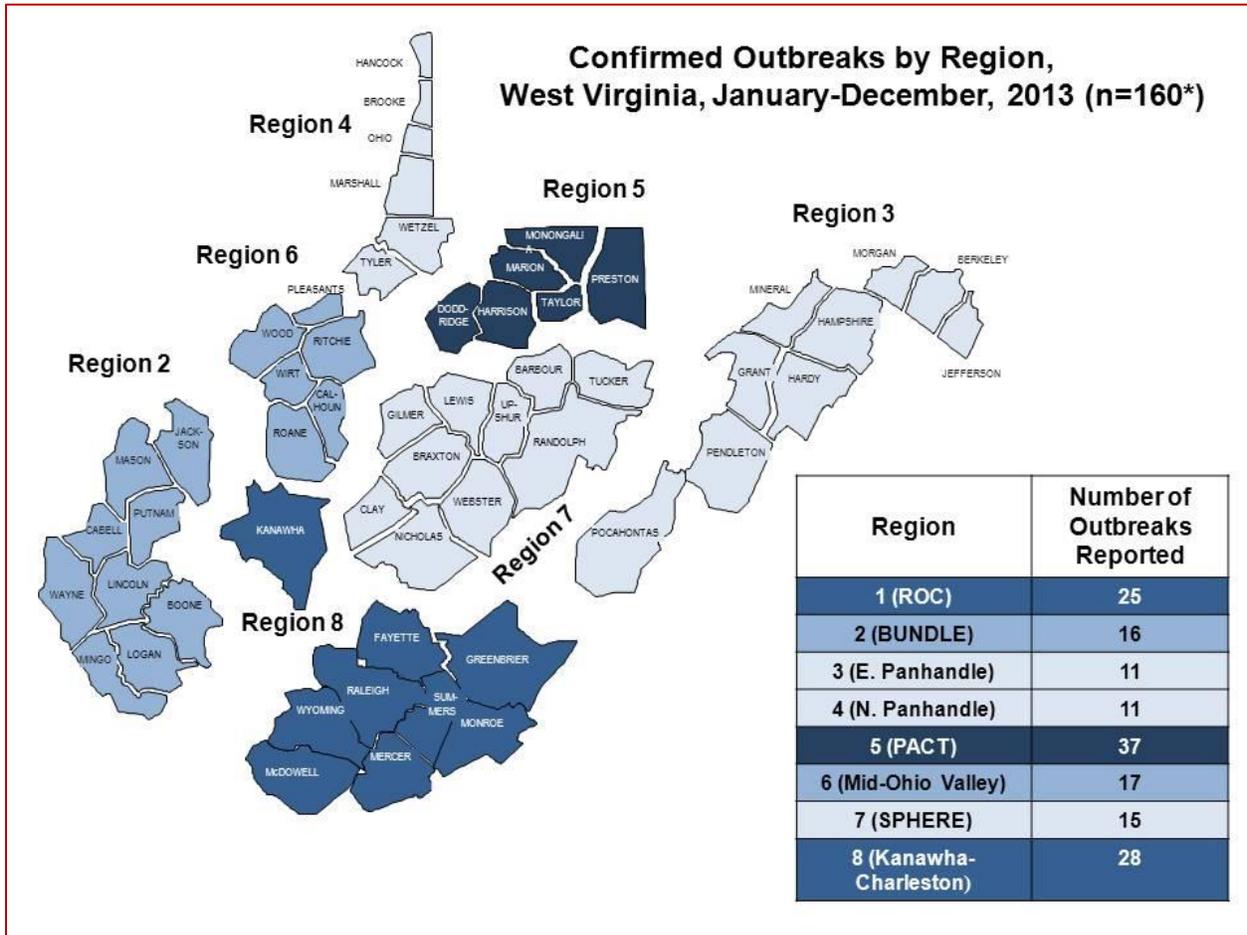


Figure 2 illustrates confirmed outbreaks reported by each region during the month of December 2013.

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* Excluding national outbreaks affecting multiple counties

For information on outbreak guidelines or any disease or condition, please visit the Division of Infectious Disease Epidemiology's website at www.dide.wv.gov or call (304) 558-5358 or toll free in West Virginia (800) 423-1271 ext. 1 (24 hours a day/7 days a week).

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.