

# HPSC - Weekly Outbreak Report



Statutory Notifications of Outbreaks\* reported in Ireland via the Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting (CIDR) system for:

**Week 52, 2020**

**Notification Period: 20/12/2020 - 26/12/2020**

Data are provisional

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\*COVID-19 outbreaks are not included here but published at:

<https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/casesinireland/>



Table 1: Number of Outbreaks\* and Total Number Ill by HSE Region in Week 52, 2020

HSE Region	Number of Outbreaks	Sum of Total number ill
E	2	0
HPSC	0	0
M	0	0
MW	0	0
NE	0	0
NW	0	0
S	0	0
SE	0	0
W	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 2: Number of Norovirus Outbreaks and Total Number Ill in Week 52, 2020 and for the year to date in 2020 compared with the same period last year

	Week Ending	2019	2020
	26/12/2020	Wk 1 - 52	Wk 1 - 52
Number of outbreaks of noroviral infection	0	110	33
Total number ill	0	2,045	333



Table 3: Summary Line Listing of Outbreaks\* in Week 52, 2020

Outbreak ID	Disease/Organism	HSE area	Outbreak type	Outbreak transmission mode*	Outbreak location	Total Lab Confirmed	Total Number ill
19141	Hepatitis A (acute)	E	Family	P-P and Airborne	Private house	3	-
19171	MRSA	E	General	P-P	Hospital		-



Table 4: Summary Line Listing of Outbreaks\* from Week 49, 2020 to Week 52, 2020

Week 49

Outbreak ID	Disease/Organism	HSE Region	Type	Transmission mode*	Location	Total Lab Confirmed	Total Number ill
18166	KPC-producing K. oxytoca	E	General	P-P	Hospital		-
18342	Cryptosporidiosis	NW	Family	P-P and Animal	Private house	2	2
18360	CPE CARRIAGE	W	General	P-P	Hospital		0

Week 50

Outbreak ID	Disease/Organism	HSE Region	Type	Transmission mode*	Location	Total Lab Confirmed	Total Number ill
18385	Tuberculosis	NE	Family	P-P	Private house	1	2

Week 51

Outbreak ID	Disease/Organism	HSE Region	Type	Transmission mode*	Location	Total Lab Confirmed	Total Number ill
18851	Hepatitis A (acute)	SE	General	P-P	Travel related	4	6

Week 52

Outbreak ID	Disease/Organism	HSE Region	Type	Transmission mode*	Location	Total Lab Confirmed	Total Number ill
19141	Hepatitis A (acute)	E	Family	P-P and Airborne	Private house	3	-
19171	MRSA	E	General	P-P	Hospital		-

## Guidance notes:

1. An outbreak of infection or foodborne illness may be defined as two or more linked cases of the same illness, or the situation where the observed number of cases exceeds the expected number, or a single case of disease caused by a significant pathogen (e.g. diphtheria or viral haemorrhagic fever). Outbreaks may be confined to some of the members of one family or may be more widespread and involve cases either locally, nationally or internationally.
2. Data for this report were extracted from Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting (CIDR) on 06 January 2021, and were correct at the time that data were extracted. Information from previous weeks is updated on an ongoing basis in CIDR, therefore data in this report may be updated in future reports.
3. Data are collated and analysed using the CIDR system. Data are provisional in this report and are subject to change until final validation at the end of an outbreak.
4. The counties covered by each HSE area are as follows:
  - HSE East (E): Dublin, Kildare & Wicklow;
  - HSE Midlands (M): Laois, Longford, Offaly & Westmeath;
  - HSE Midwest (MW): Clare, Limerick & N. Tipperary;
  - HSE Northeast (NE): Cavan, Louth, Meath & Monaghan;
  - HSE Northwest (NW): Donegal, Leitrim & Sligo;
  - HSE South (S): Kerry & Cork;
  - HSE Southeast (SE): Carlow, Kilkenny, S. Tipperary, Waterford & Wexford;
  - HSE West (W): Galway, Mayo & Roscommon.
5. The following abbreviations are used when describing mode of transmission:
  - P-P : Person-to-Person transmission;
  - FB : Foodborne transmission;
  - WB : Waterborne transmission.
6. Total number ill does not include asymptomatic cases
7. COVID-19 outbreaks are not included here but published at:  
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