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# **Abbreviations**

IMD Invasive Meningococcal Disease

IPD Invasive Pneumococcal Disease

MHHLS Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors

MRSA Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus

RHA Regional Health Authority

Staph. Staphylococcus

Strep. Streptococcal

STBBI Sexually Transmitted and Blood-Borne Infections

STSS Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome

VRE Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci

VTEC Verotoxigenic Escherichia coli

# **Regional Health Authorities**

Winnipeg RHA Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (includes Churchill)

Southern Health – Santé Sud Southern Health – Santé Sud

Interlake-Eastern RHA Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority

Prairie Mountain Health Prairie Mountain Health

Northern RHA Northern Regional Health Authority

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# **2014 Highlights**

# **Nosocomial and Antibiotic Resistant Organisms**

• The 2014 incidence rate (377.2 cases per 100,000 persons) of **methicillin-resistant** Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) was higher than the 5-year average incidence rate (285.2 cases per 100,000 persons). The incidence rate of MRSA in Northern RHA was up to 29 times higher than the incidence rates in the other four regions, in 2014; the incidence of MRSA increased in all regions between 2009 and 2014. More evidence is needed to determine whether this was a true increase in the number of cases of MRSA, or whether it was an increase in the number of cases being reported, due to increased testing.

#### **Enteric Diseases**

• Higher than expected cryptosporidiosis case counts were observed during a tenweek period in late Summer/early Fall 2014. There were 86 laboratory-confirmed cases with specimens collected between August 1 and November 24, 2014 but, no common source or exposure was identified. Expected levels of cryptosporidiosis were reported during the rest of 2014, bringing the total case count to 113. This increase in cases resulted in the 2014 incidence rate being approximately three-times greater than the 5-year average incidence rate (8.7 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 2.6 cases per 100,000 persons).

#### **Vaccine Preventable Diseases**

• In 2014, there were nine laboratory-confirmed **measles** cases in Manitoba. The relatively-high case count in 2014 was due to an outbreak which occurred in the spring of 2014. Eight of the nine laboratory-confirmed cases in 2014 occurred between the beginning of March and the end of April—the ninth case occurred in August (imported case). The Winnipeg RHA experienced the highest number of cases with six laboratory-confirmed cases (0.8 cases per 100,000 persons) but had the same incidence of Interlake-Eastern RHA (0.8 cases per 100,000 persons) which had just one laboratory-confirmed case. Prairie Mountain Health and Northern RHA had no laboratory-confirmed cases of measles in 2014. Despite measles being a "childhood" disease, the majority of cases (six of nine) occurred in adults over the age of 19.

#### **Zoonotic and Environmental Diseases**

• Southern Health-Santé Sud carried the largest burden of Lyme disease (13 cases in total, or 6.8 cases per 100,000 persons, in 2014), compared to the other RHAs; Southern Health-Santé Sud's incidence rate increased by about 6 cases per 100,000 persons between 2009 and 2013, but held constant from 2013 to 2014. The other RHA's incidence rates remained fairly constant over all six years. Northern RHA had no cases of Lyme disease from 2009 to 2014.

#### **Other Diseases**

Northern RHA had the highest incidence of invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal
disease of all the RHAs, between 2009 and 2014. The incidence rate in 2014 was 45.1
cases per 100,000 persons. Winnipeg RHA had the second highest incidence rate
from 2009 to 2013 but, in 2014, Interlake-Eastern RHA had the second highest
incidence rate with 24.5 cases per 100,000 persons.

# Introduction

This report, Manitoba Annual Summary of Communicable Diseases (2014), provides a summary of laboratory-confirmed, communicable diseases in Manitoba, for the year 2014. It focuses specifically on infectious diseases listed as "reportable" under The Public Health Act with the exception of influenza, tuberculosis, West Nile virus, and the sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections – these diseases appear in other annual reports produced by Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors (MHHLS) (for a list of all diseases that were reportable in Manitoba, in 2014, see Appendix A).

The goal of this report is to provide a summary of laboratory-confirmed, reportable, communicable diseases in Manitoba for the year 2014. The information in this report can be used to identify potential emerging issues and evaluate the effect of policies and programs. It can also be used by the regional health authorities (RHAs) to better understand the burden of disease in their jurisdictions.

The diseases in this report are divided into six main categories:

- 1. nosocomial and antibiotic resistant organisms,
- 2. enteric diseases,
- 3. vaccine preventable diseases,
- 4. zoonotic and environmental diseases,
- 5. respiratory diseases, and
- 6. "other" diseases (those diseases which do not fall in one of the first five categories).

Case counts and incidence rates for each disease with **greater than five** cases in 2014 are presented by:

- sex, with age analysis (2014 and the 5-year average [2009-2013]),
- age group and sex (2014), and
- RHA (2014 and the 5-year average [2009-2013]).

Incidence rates for each disease with greater than 15 cases in 2014 are also presented by:

• RHA (2009-2014).

# **Methods**

Only those laboratory-confirmed<sup>1</sup> communicable diseases which occurred in individuals between January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014, and were reported to MHHLS before the date of data extraction, will be included in this report. Throughout the report, the 2014 data were compared to the data of the previous 5 years (in the form of the 5-year average [2009-2013] or year-by-year from 2009 to 2014), when the comparison was deemed valuable.

Where 5-year average case counts were provided, rounding was performed to ensure the case counts provided were whole numbers.

- Average case counts **greater than one** (e.g. 246.2, 3.4, 40.6) were rounded *up* to the next whole number (e.g. 247, 4, 41).
- Average case counts less than one (e.g. 0.2, 0.6, 0.9) were denoted as having "0 1" cases.

The incidence rates in the 5-year average were calculated using the *un-rounded* 5-year average case count; due to this, there may be some variability in incidence rates for case counts that appear the same after rounding. In addition, due to rounding, the *total* number of cases in the 5-year average may not equal the sum of the rounded female and male counts, or the sum of the rounded RHA counts.

Incidence rates were calculated using the MHHLS population files which provide the mid-year population count as of June 1 of that year. All rates are crude incidence rates calculated as the number of cases (numerator) divided by the population of the age-gender group specified (denominator) and multiplied by 100,000 to produce the number of reported cases per 100,000 persons. That is, the number of cases per 100,000 individuals in that population. For example, the incidence rates for males in the 15-19 age group were calculated with a numerator of the number of males aged 15-19 who had laboratory-confirmed cases of the specific disease, and a denominator of the total number of males in Manitoba aged 15-19 years old in June of that year. The average incidence rates were calculated with a numerator of the average number of cases from 2009-2013, and a denominator of the average population of the age-gender group specified, from 2009-2013.

When comparing incidence rates, and especially when comparing case counts between RHAs, it is important to keep in mind that the differing population counts between regions can contribute to an incidence rate that looks conspicuously large even when there are only a few cases, or an incidence rate that appears small even when there are many cases. For example, Northern RHA may experience large changes in incidence when there are small changes in the case count, due to its small population; the opposite goes for the Winnipeg RHA. The same concept applies for the age groups, a small change in case counts in the <1 and 1-4 age groups (that have small populations) makes a larger difference than the same change in case counts in the 50-59 and over 60 age groups (that have large populations).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Laboratory-confirmed means there was a valid laboratory test performed for the specific disease, as recommended in the MHHLS, Communicable Disease Control (CDC), Communicable Disease Management Protocols (<a href="http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/protocol/index.html">http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/protocol/index.html</a>), and a positive test result was obtained. That is, the case tested positive for the disease. Clinically diagnosed cases are not included in this report.

Regional comparisons were created based on the case's region of residence, not on the region in which the case was tested and/or diagnosed. Thus, data for those individuals who were tested in Manitoba, but lived outside of the province, were not included in this report.

When performed, the age analysis provides the average age, median age, standard deviation of age, minimum age, and maximum age of the people who were confirmed to have the disease.

#### Notes:

- Any disease with less than or equal to five cases in 2014 did not have a detailed
  analysis performed. Information for these diseases was only included in the
  comparison tables both at the beginning of the report, and in the disease category to
  which the disease belongs, denoted by an asterisk (\*).
- For the purpose of this report, a "disease of rare occurrence" was defined as any disease with less than or equal to 15 cases in 2014, and denoted by a superscript R (R) in the comparison tables. For diseases of rare occurrence graphical analysis was not meaningful and was not included.

The surveillance data used in this report were extracted on July  $9^{th}$ , 2015 (all diseases except for Nosocomial and Antibiotic Resistant Organisms) and September  $4^{th}$ , 2015 (the Nosocomial and Antibiotic Resistant Organisms) from the Communicable Diseases Control Surveillance Database housed by MHHLS.

In many areas of this report, rates were calculated for case counts less than and equal to five. It is important to remember that these rates are not statistically robust (they are unreliable due to the instability of small numbers) and they should not be used for policy planning or other decision making purposes.

#### **About Surveillance Data**

Surveillance data in Manitoba are routinely collected under *The Public Health Act* and are subject to certain limitations. Often, the number of reported cases of any disease is a fraction of the actual count. Individuals may not seek medical care for "mild" symptoms; if they do, the doctor may not order a lab test to confirm the disease. In addition, surveillance data results can be skewed as doctors may be more likely to order tests for severe diseases or those diseases which pose a danger to public health. The amount of testing and reporting performed can be influenced by many factors (e.g., outbreaks, policy changes). Increased reporting can make it appear as though there has been an increase in the number of cases in a community, while the actual number of cases remains constant (and vice versa).

Surveillance data are also influenced by changes in testing practices (e.g., universal screening for an organism upon admission to health facilities), laboratory capacity (e.g., only testing a certain proportion of influenza cases during a known outbreak) and changes in lab technology (e.g., more sensitive diagnosis). All of these factors must be considered when drawing conclusions about surveillance data.

It is <u>especially</u> important to consider these limitations in two situations:

- 1. When comparing RHA incidence rates and case counts. It is not uncommon for there to be variation in the number of cases tested and sent for laboratory confirmation between the RHAs.
- 2. When identifying increasing or decreasing trends in a disease. It is important to remember this may not be a true reflection of increasing or decreasing case counts and incidence rates. Further investigation and evidence collection is required to determine whether the increase or decrease is caused by a "true" change in disease incidence, or by a change in reporting practises.

# **Reportable Diseases Present in Manitoba**

**Table 1:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each disease, infection, and/or organism confirmed and reported in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

average (2009-2013)		2014	2009-2013 Average						
Disease Name	Case	Incidence	Case	Incidence					
	Count	(95% C.I.)	Count	(95% C.I.)					
Nosocomial and Antibiotic Resistant Organisms									
Clostridium difficile Infection	881	67.4 (63.1, 72.0)	847	67.6 (63.1, 72.3)					
Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	4928	377.2 (366.8, 387.9)	3569	285.2 (275.9, 294.7)					
Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)	1576	120.6 (114.8, 126.8)	903	72.1 (67.5, 77.0)					
	Ente	eric Diseases							
Amebiasis	29	2.2 (1.5, 3.2)	33	2.6 (1.8, 3.7)					
Bacillus cereus food poisoning*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	2	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)					
Campylobacteriosis	170	13 (11.1, 15.1)	247	19.7 (17.3, 22.3)					
Cholera*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 - 1	0 (0.0, 0.3)					
Clostridium perfringens*	3	0.2 (0.0, 0.7)	4	0.3 (0.0, 0.7)					
Cryptosporidiosis	113	8.7 (7.1, 10.4)	33	2.6 (1.8, 3.6)					
Cyclosporiasis*	5	0.4 (0.1, 0.9)	2	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)					
Giardiasis	86	6.6 (5.3, 8.1)	115	9.1 (7.5, 11.0)					
Hepatitis A <sup>R</sup>	8	0.6 (0.3, 1.2)	9	0.7 (0.3, 1.3)					
Listeriosis*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	4	0.3 (0.0, 0.7)					
Paratyphoid*	4	0.3 (0.1, 0.8)	5	0.4 (0.1, 0.9)					
Salmonellosis	229	17.5 (15.3, 20.0)	215	17.1 (14.9, 19.6)					
Shigellosis	35	2.7 (1.9, 3.7)	41	3.2 (2.4, 4.5)					
Verotoxigenic Escherichia Coli (VTEC)	35	2.7 (1.9, 3.7) 49		3.9 (2.8, 5.1)					
Vibrio Parahaemolyticus*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	2	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)					
Yersiniosis*	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)	8	0.6 (0.3, 1.3)					
	Vaccine Pr	eventable Diseases	<u>5</u>						
Diphtheria*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0 (0.0, 0.4)					
Invasive Haemophilus influenzae Disease (IHD) <sup>R</sup>	10	0.8 (0.4, 1.4)	13	1 (0.5, 1.7)					
Invasive Meningococcal Disease (IMD)*	3	0.2 (0.0, 0.7)	6	0.5 (0.2, 1.0)					
Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD)	135	10.3 (8.7, 12.2)	146	11.6 (9.8, 13.6)					
Measles <sup>R</sup>	9	0.7 (0.3, 1.3)	0 - 1	0 (0.0, 0.3)					
Mumps*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	4	0.3 (0.1, 0.8)					
Pertussis <sup>R</sup>	13	1 (0.5, 1.7)	48	3.8 (2.8, 5.1)					
Rubella, confirmed*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)					
Rubella, congenital*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0 (0.0, 0.3)					
Typhoid*	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)	6	0.4 (0.2, 1.0)					

Note: Confidence intervals in italics are one-sided, 97.5% confidence intervals. All other confidence intervals are two-sided 95% confidence intervals.

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a case count  $\leq$  5 in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>R</sup> Disease of rare occurrence

		2014	2009-2013 Average					
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence (95% C.I.)	Case Count	Incidence (95% C.I.)				
Zoonotic and Environmental Diseases								
Blastomycosis <sup>R</sup>	15	1.1 (0.6, 1.9)	12	0.9 (0.4, 1.6)				
Brucellosis*	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)	2	0.1 (0.0, 0.6)				
Dengue*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	4	0.3 (0.1, 0.8)				
Diphyllobothrium latum*	4	0.3 (0.1, 0.8)	9	0.7 (0.3, 1.3)				
Hantavirus*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0 (0.0, 0.3)				
Legionellosis*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	4	0.3 (0.0, 0.7)				
Lyme	21	1.6 (1.0, 2.5)	8	0.6 (0.3, 1.3)				
Malaria	20	1.5 (0.9, 2.4)	18	1.4 (0.8, 2.2)				
Q. Fever*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0 (0.0, 0.4)				
Rickettsial Disease, Other*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0 (0.0, 0.3)				
Strongyloidiasis	22	1.7 (1.1, 2.6)	23	1.8 (1.2, 2.8)				
Toxoplasmosis*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	3	0.2 (0.0, 0.7)				
Trichinosis*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)				
Trypanosomiasis*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	4	0.3 (0.0, 0.7)				
Tularemia*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	1.4	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)				
	<u>Respir</u>	atory Diseases						
Leprosy*	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)				
Parapertussis*	4	0.3 (0.1, 0.8)	2	0.1 (0.0, 0.6)				
	Oth	er Diseases						
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (C.J.D.)*	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)				
Invasive Beta-hemolytic Streptococcal Disease	280	21.4 (19, 24.1)	273	21.8 (19.3, 24.6)				
Necrotizing Fasciitis*	5	0.4 (0.1, 0.9)	8	0.6 (0.3, 1.3)				
Staphylococcus aureus (Toxic Shock)*	1	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)				
Streptococcal Glomerulonephritis*	0	0 (0.0, 0.3)	0 – 1	0 (0.0, 0.3)				
Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS)*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	2	0.1 (0.0, 0.4)				
Viral Hepatitis, Other*	2	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)	3	0.2 (0.0, 0.6)				

Note: Confidence intervals in italics are one-sided, 97.5% confidence intervals. All other confidence intervals are two-sided 95% confidence intervals.

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a case count  $\leq$  5 in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

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Table 1 includes only those laboratory-confirmed, reportable diseases *reported* in Manitoba, between 2009 and 2014. Any reportable disease that is within the scope of the report, but is not shown in Table 1, had <u>zero</u> cases reported between 2009 and 2014. These are:

- Anthrax
- Botulism
- Encephalitis
- Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)
- Parrot Fever (Psittacosis)
- Penicillin resistant pneumococci
- Plaque (Yersinia pestis)
- Rabies
- Relapsing Fever
- Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
- Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)
- Severe Respiratory Illness (SRI)
- Smallpox
- Necrotizing Myositis
- Typhus
- Vancomycin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (VRSA)
- Viral Hemorrhagic Fever (including Crimean Congo, Lassa, Ebola, Marbug and Rift Valley viruses)
- Western Equine Encephalitis
- Yellow Fever

# **Nosocomial and Antibiotic Resistant Organisms**

Nosocomial infections, or "hospital-acquired infections", are infections acquired during hospital care, which are not present, or incubating, at admission. Antibiotic resistant organisms (AROs) are organisms that have developed resistance to one or more antibiotics. From 2009 to 2014, there were three organisms in this category under surveillance in Manitoba: *Clostridium difficile* infection, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA), and vancomycin resistant *Enterococci* (VRE). Nosocomial and AROs accounted for 85.2% of all reportable disease cases in this report (Appendix B).

Note that MHHLS's surveillance data, as collected, does not differentiate between MRSA infections and MRSA colonisations and there is no distinction made between community and hospital-acquired strains. VRE data are also undifferentiated by infection versus colonization.

**Table 2:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each nosocomial and/or antibiotic resistant organism confirmed in Manitoba, 2009-2014

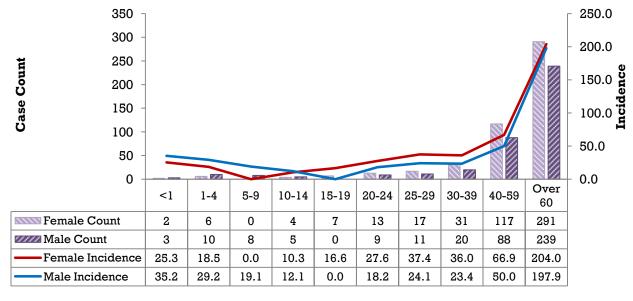
	20	09	20	10	20	11	20	12	20	13	20	14
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence										
Clostridium difficile Infection	840	69.2	822	66.8	906	72.5	807	63.5	856	66.4	881	67.4
Methicillin- Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	2,800	230.6	3,417	277.7	3,311	264.8	3,908	307.4	4,405	341.7	4,928	377.2
Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)	94	7.7	342	27.8	1,245	99.6	1,443	113.5	1,389	107.7	1,576	120.6

#### Clostridium difficile Infection

The incidence rate of *Clostridium difficile* infection in 2014 (67.4 cases per 100,000 persons) was very close to the incidence rate of the infection in the 5-year average (67.6 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 3). *Clostridium difficile* infection was predominantly seen in people over the age of 60; Table 3 shows the average age of infection in 2014 was 62.9 years. This is reflected in Figure 1, where females over the age of 60 experienced 204.0 cases per 100,000 persons and males experienced 197.9 cases per 100,000 persons in 2014. Of the diseases included in this report, *Clostridium difficile* infection had the third highest incidence rate in 2014, and accounted for 10.2% of the total cases in this report (881 cases of 8,665 cases) (Appendix B).

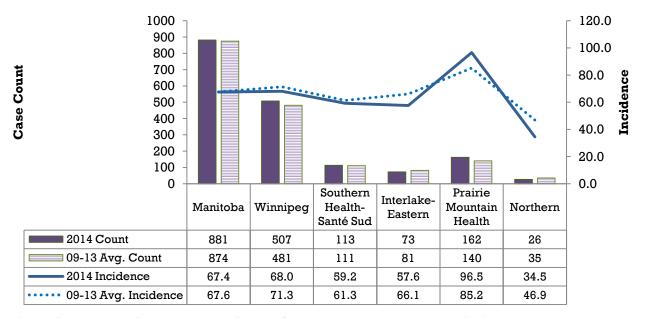
**Table 3:** Number of laboratory-confirmed *Clostridium difficile* cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	881	67.4	847	67.6	
Female	488	74.1	488	77.0	
Male	393	60.6	359	58.0	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analys	is (in years)	
Average	62	2.9	65.3		
Median	67	7.2	69.2		
St. Dev.	22	1.6	21.1		
Min. Age	0.0 0.0			.0	
Max. Age	10	1.1	103.0		

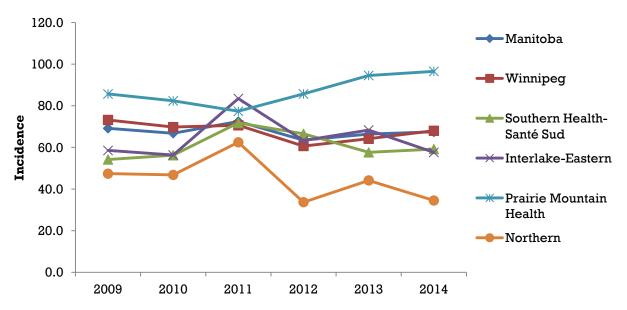


**Figure 1:** Number of laboratory-confirmed *Clostridium difficile* cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=881)

In 2014 and the 5-year average, Prairie Mountain Health had the highest incidence rate of *Clostridium difficile* infection with 96.5 cases per 100,000 persons, and 85.2 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively (Figure 2). The lowest incidence rate was in Northern RHA with 34.5 cases per 100,000 persons. Figure 3 shows Northern RHA consistently had the lowest rate of *Clostridium difficile* infection across all six years, while Prairie Mountain Health had the highest rate of *Clostridium difficile* infection in five out of the six years.



**Figure 2:** Number of laboratory-confirmed *Clostridium difficile* cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 3:** Clostridium difficile incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

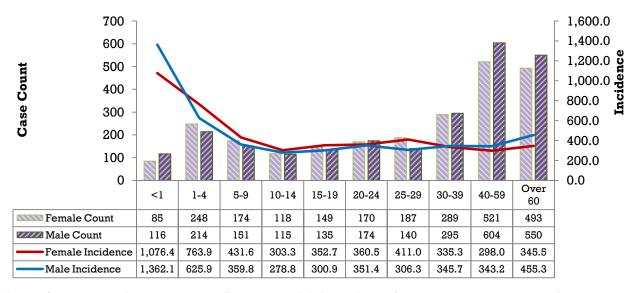
# Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)

In 2014, MRSA had the highest incidence (377.2 cases per 100,000 persons) of all the reportable diseases in this report, accounting for 56.9% of the total number of cases in this report (4,928 cases of 8,665 total cases) (Appendix B). MRSA is actively screened for in hospitals settings – a screening process that does not take place for many other organisms. This may have contributed to the high incidence rates of MRSA. The 2014 incidence rate (377.2 cases per 100,000 persons) of MRSA was higher than the 5-year average incidence rate (285.2 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 4). Figure 4 shows the highest incidence of MRSA occurred in children less than one-year old (1,076.4 cases per 100,000 persons for females and 1,362.1 cases per 100,000 persons for males).

**Table 4:** Number of laboratory-confirmed methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

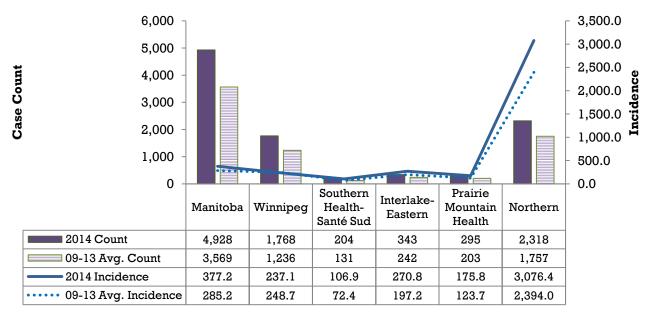
·	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	4,928	377.2	3,569	285.2	
Female	2,434	369.8	1,759	278.1	
Male	2,494	384.8	1,810	292.5	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	37	7.2 36.4			
Median	34	.8	32.4		
St. Dev.	26	3.0	26.9		
Min. Age	0.	.0	0.0		
Max. Age	102	2.5	105.3		

Note: six cases with unknown ages were left out of the 2009-2013 average age analysis.

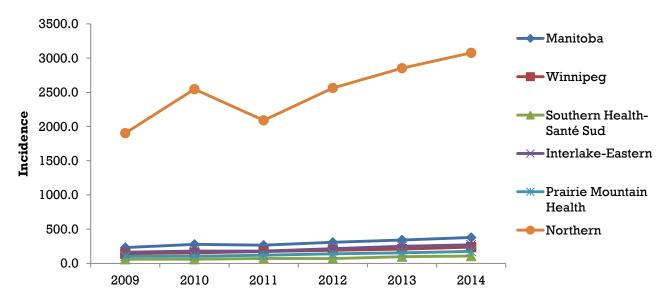


**Figure 4:** Number of laboratory-confirmed methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=4,928)

In 2014, the incidence rate of MRSA in Northern RHA was eight times higher than the provincial incidence rate, and up to 29 times higher than the incidence rates in the other four regions (Figure 5). Figure 6 shows Northern RHA consistently had higher incidence rates than the rest of the province, from 2009 to 2014. The incidence of MRSA increased in all regions between 2009 and 2014. More evidence is needed to determine whether this was a true increase in the number of cases of MRSA, or whether it was an increase in the number of cases being *reported*, due to increased testing.



**Figure 5:** Number of laboratory-confirmed methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



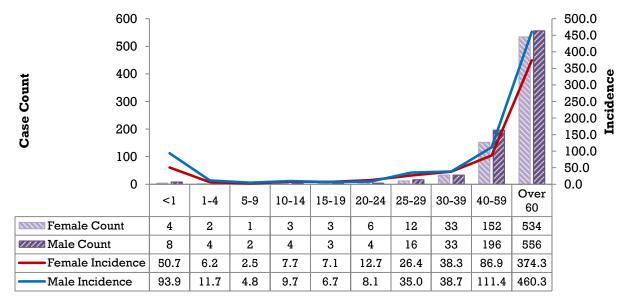
**Figure 6:** Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

# Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)

The incidence rate of VRE in 2014 was approximately one and one-half times greater than the incidence of VRE in the 5-year average (120.6 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 72.1 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 5). VRE predominantly affected people ages 40-59 and ages 60 years and over in 2014. Figure 7 shows the incidence rates of those over the age of 60 were about four times greater than the incidence rates of those with the second highest incidence rates (40-59 year olds). Of the diseases included in this report, VRE had the second highest incidence rate in 2014, and accounted for 18.2% of the total number of cases in this report (1,576 cases of 8,665 cases) (Appendix B).

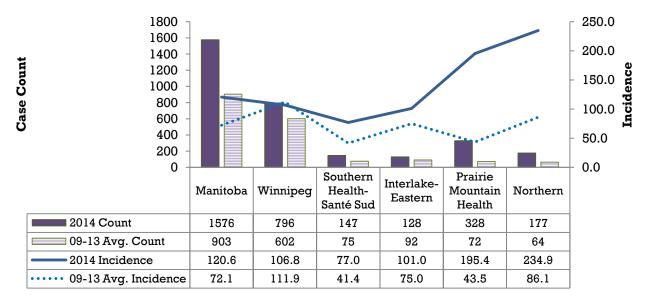
**Table 5:** Number of laboratory-confirmed vancomycin resistant *Enterococci* (VRE) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013 Average			
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence		
Total	1,576	120.6	903	72.1		
Female	750	113.9	461	72.7		
Male	826	127.4	443	71.5		
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)			
Average	66	8.8	69.0			
Median	69	).2	71.6			
St. Dev.	18	3.8	17.6			
Min. Age	0.	.0	0.0			
Max. Age	103	3.2	101.7			

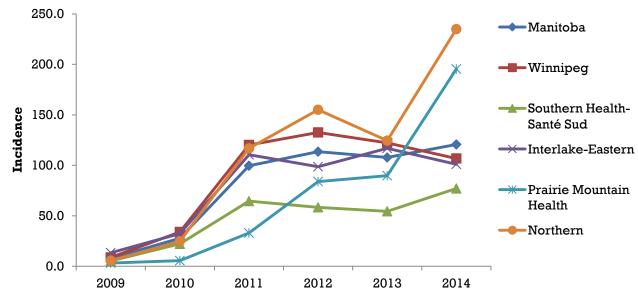


**Figure 7:** Number of laboratory-confirmed vancomycin resistant *Enterococci* (VRE) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=1,576)

Southern Health – Santé Sud had the lowest VRE incidence rate of all the RHAs, with 77.0 cases per 100,000 persons, in 2014 (Figure 8). The highest incidence rate was experienced by Northern RHA with 234.9 cases per 100,000 persons, an incidence rate almost three times its 5-year average incidence rate. All RHAs (with the exception of Winnipeg RHA, whose 2014 incidence rate and 5-year average incidence rate were similar) experienced a higher 2014 incidence rate than their 5-year average incidence rate. The VRE incidence rates increased in all RHAs between 2009 and 2014 (Figure 9); this trend was also seen nationally<sup>2</sup>.



**Figure 8:** Number of laboratory-confirmed vancomycin resistant *Enterococci* (VRE) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 9:** Vancomycin resistant *Enterococci* (VRE) incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Public Health Agency of Canada. *Antimicrobial Resistant Organisms (ARO) Surveillance: Surveillance Report for Data from January 1, 2009 to June 30, 2014.* Accessed: September 1, 2015. http://www.phacaspc.gc.ca/nois-sinp/projects/aro-mra-eng.php#b03

# **Enteric Diseases**

Enteric disease (or illness) is defined as gastrointestinal infection or intoxication. This report includes only those enteric diseases caused by reportable microorganisms such as: bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Enteric diseases are widely under-reported due to no or mild symptoms, short duration, lack of a physician visit, and the absence of laboratory diagnosis even when attending a physician<sup>3</sup>. Table 6 shows there were 13 enteric diseases reported to MHHLS in 2014. Salmonellosis had the highest incidence rate in 2014 with 17.5 cases per 100,000 persons in the province; campylobacteriosis had the second highest incidence rate in 2014 with 13.0 cases per 100,000 persons in the province.

**Table 6:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each enteric diseases (or illness) confirmed in Manitoba, 2009-2014

	20	09	_	10	20	11	20	12	20	13	20	14
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence										
Amebiasis	43	3.5	34	2.8	29	2.3	40	3.1	17	1.3	29	2.2
Bacillus cereus food poisoning*	5	0.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0
Campylobacteriosis	236	19.4	245	19.9	290	23.2	250	19.7	210	16.3	170	13.0
Cholera*	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Clostridium perfringens*	3	0.2	1	0.1	4	0.3	2	0.2	7	0.5	3	0.2
Cryptosporidiosis	38	3.1	23	1.9	19	1.5	41	3.2	40	3.1	113	8.7
Cyclosporiasis*	1	0.1	1	0.1	2	0.2	0	0.0	2	0.2	5	0.4
Giardiasis	129	10.6	123	10.0	116	9.3	113	8.9	90	7.0	86	6.6
Hepatitis A <sup>R</sup>	11	0.9	8	0.7	7	0.6	4	0.3	11	0.9	8	0.6
Listeriosis*	2	0.2	4	0.3	5	0.4	4	0.3	2	0.2	2	0.2
Paratyphoid*	2	0.2	5	0.4	4	0.3	7	0.6	7	0.5	4	0.3
Salmonellosis	261	21.5	234	19.0	174	13.9	176	13.8	227	17.6	229	17.5
Shigellosis	24	2.0	52	4.2	29	2.3	75	5.9	23	1.8	35	2.7
Verotoxigenic Escherichia coli (VTEC)	45	3.7	76	6.2	56	4.5	36	2.8	29	2.2	35	2.7
Vibrio Parahaemolyticus*	0	0.0	3	0.2	0	0.0	2	0.2	2	0.2	0	0.0
Yersiniosis*	8	0.7	7	0.6	11	0.9	9	0.7	5	0.4	1	0.1

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a case count  $\leq 5$  in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Communicable Disease Control Branch. Enteric Illness Protocol. Manitoba Health. 2008

#### **Amebiasis**

Table 7 shows the incidence of amebiasis in 2014 was similar to the incidence of the illness in the 5-year average (2.2 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 2.6 cases per 100,000 persons). The Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (Winnipeg RHA) experienced the highest incidence of amebiasis in 2014 with 3.1 cases per 100,000 persons (Figure 10); Interlake Eastern RHA and Northern RHA both had no confirmed cases of amebiasis in 2014.

**Table 7:** Number of laboratory-confirmed amebiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	29	2.2	33	2.6	
Female	12	1.8	13	2.0	
Male	17	2.6	20	3.2	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	33	3.2	29.2		
Median	34.9		28.4		
St. Dev.	14.6		17.7		
Min. Age	6.	.5	0.7		
Max. Age	67	7.1	85.5		

**Table 8:** Number of laboratory-confirmed amebiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=29)

-	Fer	nale	Male		
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0	
1-4	0	0.0	0	0.0	
5-9	0	0.0	1	2.4	
10-14	1	2.6	1	2.4	
15-19	3	7.1	0	0.0	
20-24	2	4.2	0	0.0	
25-29	1	2.2	3	6.6	
30-39	2	2.3	7	8.2	
40-59	2	1.1	5	2.8	
Over 60	1	0.7	0	0.0	

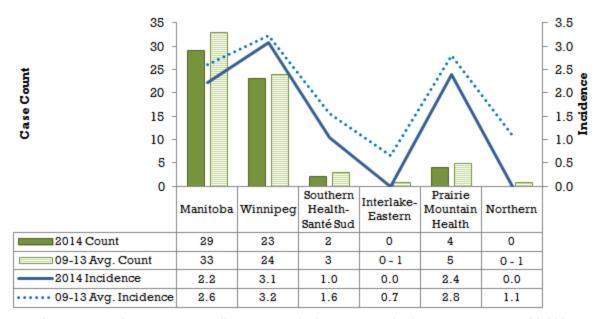


Figure 10: Number of laboratory-confirmed amebiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

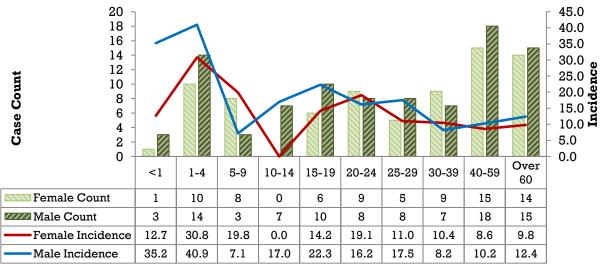
# **Campylobacteriosis**

In 2014, the incidence rate and case count of campylobacteriosis in Manitoba was lower than the 5-year average incidence rate and case count—a difference experienced by both females and males (Table 9). The female incidence rate in 2014 was 11.7 cases per 100,000 persons, compared to 17.4 cases per 100,000 persons in the 5-year average; the male incidence rate in 2014 was 14.3 cases per 100,000 persons, compared to 22.0 cases per 100,000 persons in the 5-year average. This is a difference of approximately six cases per 100,000 females and eight cases per 100,000 males.

Children ages 1-4 experienced the highest incidence rates in 2014. In this age group, females had 30.8 cases per 100,000 persons and males had 40.9 cases per 100,000 persons (Figure 11). With the exception of males less than one-year old (35.2 cases per 100,000 persons) and males ages 15-19 (22.3 cases per 100,000 persons) the rest of the age groups all had incidence rates less than 20 cases per 100,000 persons.

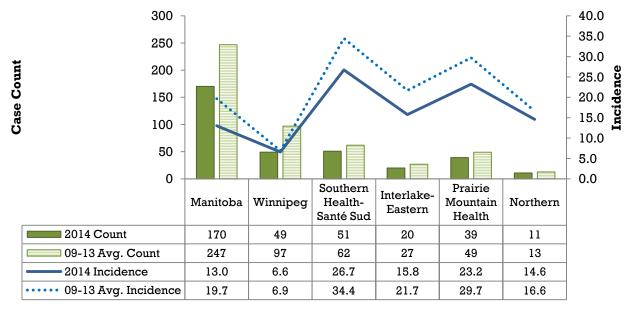
**Table 9:** Number of laboratory-confirmed campylobacteriosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	170	13.0	247	19.7	
Female	77	11.7	110	17.4	
Male	93	14.3	137	22.0	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	32.6		35.7		
Median	28.2		32.3		
St. Dev.	23.9		24		
Min. Age	0.6		0.0		
Max. Age	89	).2	95.1		

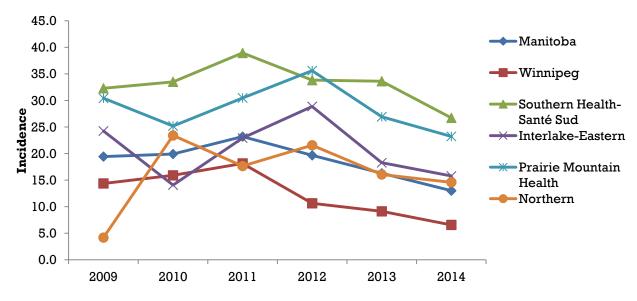


**Figure 11:** Number of laboratory-confirmed campylobacteriosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=170)

Figure 12 shows Southern Health-Santé Sud had the highest incidence rates of campylobacteriosis, both in 2014 and in the 5-year average (26.7 cases per 100,000 persons and 34.4 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively). Conversely, Winnipeg RHA had the lowest incidence rates of campylobacteriosis for both 2014 and the 5-year average (6.6 cases per 100,000 persons and 6.9 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively). Southern Health-Santé Sud and Prairie Mountain Health consistently had campylobacteriosis incidence rates above the provincial incidence rate from 2009 to 2014 (Figure 13). But, across all RHAs, the incidence of campylobacteriosis decreased from 2012 to 2014.



**Figure 12:** Number of laboratory-confirmed campylobacteriosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



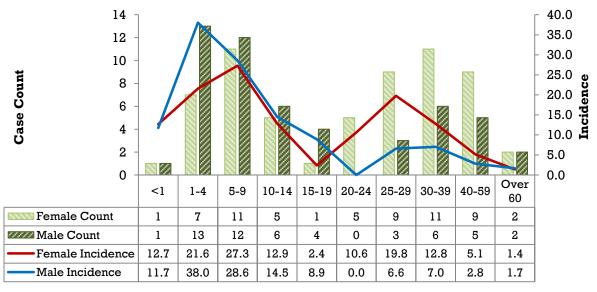
**Figure 13:** Campylobacteriosis incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

# **Cryptosporidiosis**

Higher than expected case counts of cryptosporidiosis were observed during a ten-week period in late summer/early Fall 2014. There were 86 laboratory-confirmed cases with specimens collected during this time (from August 1 to November 24, 2014) but, no common source or exposure was identified<sup>4</sup>. Expected levels of cryptosporidiosis were reported during the rest of 2014, bringing the total case count to 113. This increase in cases resulted in the 2014 incidence rate being approximately three-times greater than the 5-year average incidence rate (8.7 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 2.6 cases per 100,000 persons). With 38.0 cases per 100,000 persons, males ages 1-4 experienced the highest incidence rate of all the age groups, in 2014 (Figure 14). But, a comparison of the 2014 provincial incidence rates for females and males shows females had a slightly higher incidence than males, overall (9.3 cases per 100,000 persons, compared to 8.0 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 10).

**Table 10:** Number of laboratory-confirmed cryptosporidiosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	113	8.7	33	2.6	
Female	61	9.3	20	3.2	
Male	52	8.0	13	2.0	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	21	.7	20.1		
Median	16.4		18.3		
St. Dev.	21.7		15.5		
Min. Age	0.7		1.2		
Max. Age	78	3.2	74.7		

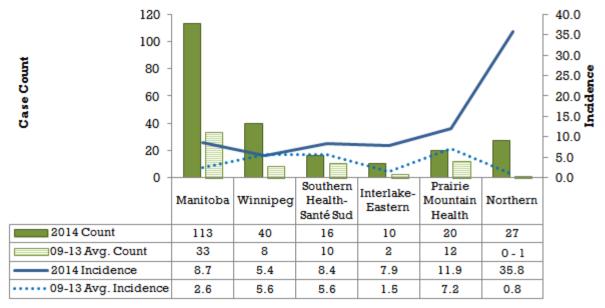


**Figure 14:** Number of laboratory-confirmed cryptosporidiosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=113)

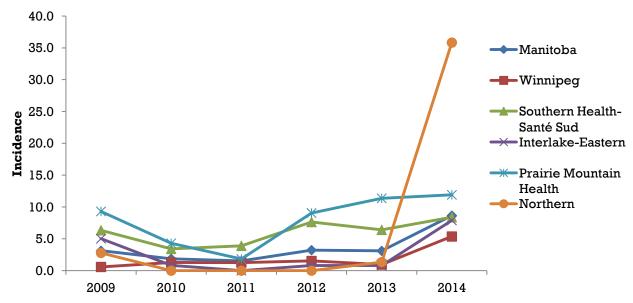
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Internal report

Northern RHA had the highest incidence rate in 2014 with 35.8 cases per 100,000 persons (Figure 15). Winnipeg RHA, despite having the most cases of all the RHAs in 2014 (40 cases), had the lowest incidence rate in 2014 with 5.4 cases per 100,000 persons (Figure 15). Figure 16 shows all RHAs experienced an increase in the incidence of cryptosporidiosis in 2014.



**Figure 15:** Number of laboratory-confirmed cryptosporidiosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 16:** Cryptosporidiosis incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

#### **Giardiasis**

Table 11 shows the incidence rate of giardiasis in 2014 (6.6 cases per 100,000 persons) was less than the incidence rate in the 5-year average (9.1 cases per 100,000 persons). Children ages 1-4 experienced the highest incidence rate (27.7 cases per 100,000 females and 46.8 cases per 100,000 males), in 2014 (Figure 17). There were no confirmed cases of giardiasis in children less than one-year old in 2014; the remaining age groups had incidence rates less than 10 cases per 100,000 persons.

**Table 11:** Number of laboratory-confirmed giardiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	86	6.6	115	9.1	
Female	44	6.7	50	7.9	
Male	42	6.5	65	10.4	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	25	5.2	23.4		
Median	20	20.9		16.9	
St. Dev.	22.3		21.1		
Min. Age	1.	.1	0.0		
Max. Age	73	3.9	90.1		

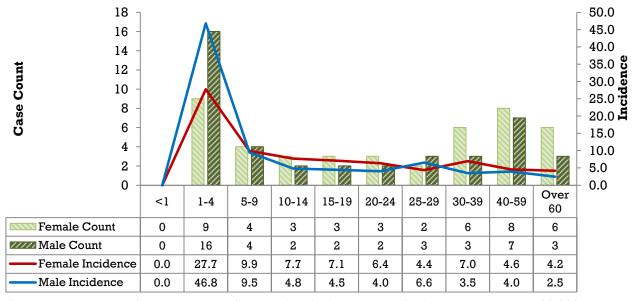
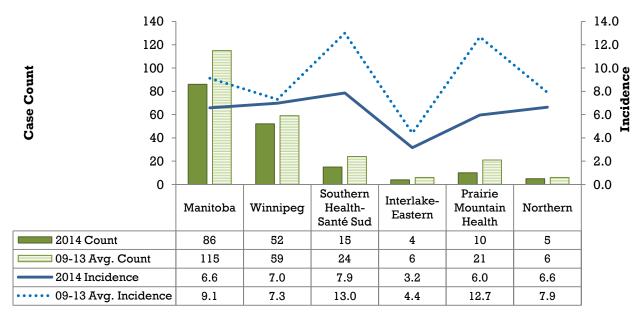
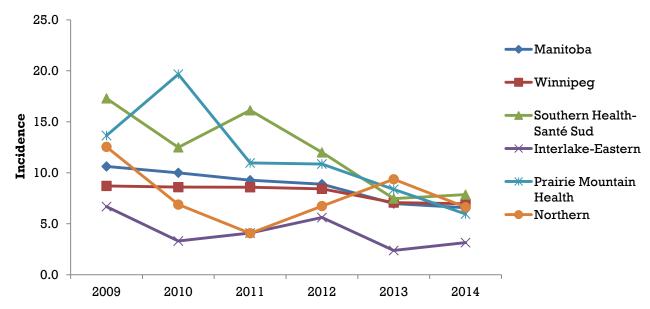


Figure 17: Number of laboratory-confirmed giardiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=86)

In both 2014 and the 5-year average, Southern Health-Santé Sud had the highest incidence of giardiasis, with 7.9 cases per 100,000 persons and 13.0 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively (Figure 18). Figure 19 shows the incidence rate for each RHA decreased from 2010 to 2014; the decrease was not steady, with some fluctuations in incidence over the six years. Figures 18 and 19 show Interlake-Eastern RHA consistently had the lowest incidence of the disease from 2009 to 2014.



**Figure 18:** Number of laboratory-confirmed giardiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 19:** Giardiasis incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

# **Hepatitis A**

In 2014, there were eight laboratory-confirmed hepatitis A cases in Manitoba which categorizes hepatitis A as a disease of rare occurrence (see Methods, page 12). Table 14 shows seven of the eight cases occurred in residents of Winnipeg RHA (one case occurred in a resident of Prairie Mountain Health). In Manitoba, cases of hepatitis A are often acquired outside of Canada; however the possibility of secondary transmission within the province does exist.

**Table 12:** Number of laboratory-confirmed hepatitis A cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	8	0.6	9	0.7	
Female	3	0.5	4	0.6	
Male	5	0.8	5	0.7	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	36	3.3	32.6		
Median	33.7		24.0		
St. Dev.	23.2		24.7		
Min. Age	7.2		2.8		
Max. Age	69	0.7	93.9		

**Table 13:** Number of laboratory-confirmed hepatitis A cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=8)

π	Fer	nale	Male		
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0	
1-4	0	0.0	0	0.0	
5-9	1	2.5	1	2.4	
10-14	0	0.0	0	0.0	
15-19	0	0.0	0	0.0	
20-24	0	0.0	1	2.0	
25-29	0	0.0	1	2.2	
30-39	0	0.0	1	1.2	
40-59	0	0.0	1	0.6	
Over 60	2	1.4	0	0.0	

**Table 14:** Number of laboratory-confirmed hepatitis A cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

DITA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
RHA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	8	0.6	9	0.7	
Winnipeg	7	0.9	6	1.0	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.4	
Interlake-Eastern	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.5	
Prairie Mountain Health	1	0.6	1	0.6	
Northern	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.3	

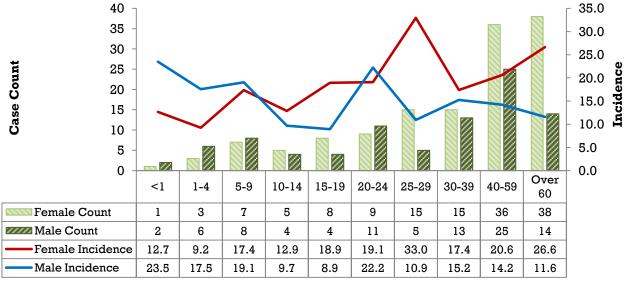
#### **Salmonellosis**

The incidence rate of salmonellosis in 2014 was very close to the incidence rate of salmonellosis in the 5-year average (17.5 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 17.1 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 15). In 2014, more females than males were reported to have salmonellosis (20.8 cases per 100,000 persons and 14.2 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively), in Manitoba. This trend is not apparent in the 5-year average where both females and males were reported to have an average of 108 cases per year (different female and male population sizes account for the slight difference in incidence rates in the 5-year average).

There were more laboratory-confirmed cases in older adults than in children, but the 2014 incidence rate fluctuated over the age groups and between the sexes with no apparent trend (Figure 20). Salmonellosis had the highest 2014 incidence rate of all the enteric diseases included in this report.

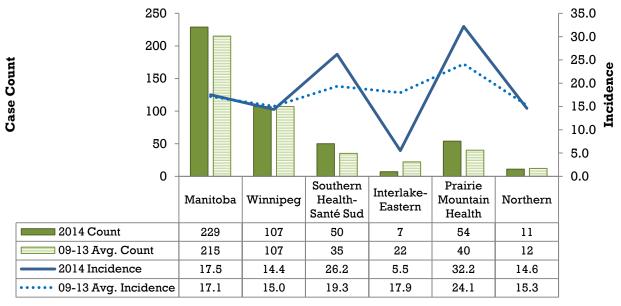
**Table 15:** Number of laboratory-confirmed salmonellosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

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	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	229	17.5	215	17.1	
Female	137	20.8	108	16.9	
Male	92	14.2	108	17.3	
	Age Analysis (in years)		Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	40	).7	36.4		
Median	39.5		33.6		
St. Dev.	23.6		24.6		
Min. Age	0.	.6	0.0		
Max. Age	94	4	96.4		



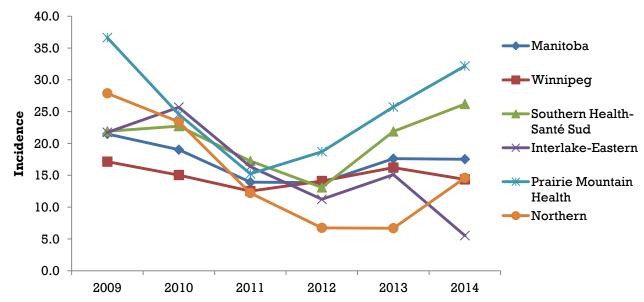
**Figure 20:** Number of laboratory-confirmed salmonellosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=229)

Figure 21 shows Prairie Mountain Health had the highest incidence rates of salmonellosis in both 2014 and the 5-year average (32.2 cases per 100,000 persons and 24.1 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively). Interlake-Eastern RHA experienced the lowest incidence rate in 2014 with 5.5 cases per 100,000 persons. Most RHAs experienced a decrease in incidence from 2010 to 2012, with an increase in incidence following 2012 (Figure 22).



\*One case with unknown/missing regional health authority (RHA) in 2009-2013 average.

**Figure 21:** Number of laboratory-confirmed salmonellosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



\*One case with unknown/missing regional health authority (RHA) in 2010.

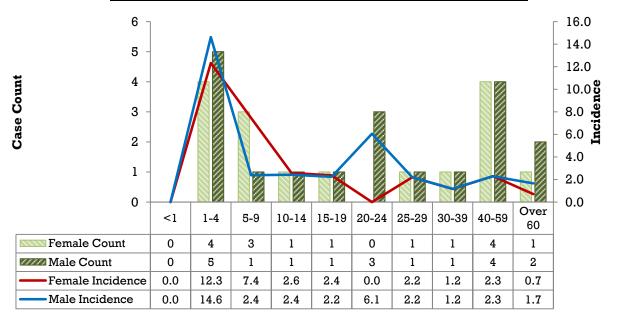
**Figure 22**: Salmonellosis incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

### **Shigellosis**

Table 16 shows the incidence rate of shigellosis in 2014 (2.7 cases per 100,000 persons) was similar to the incidence rate of shigellosis in the 5-year average (3.2 cases per 100,000 persons). In 2014, there were no laboratory-confirmed cases of shigellosis in children less than one-year old; children ages 1-4 had the highest incidence rates for both females and males (12.3 cases per 100,000 persons and 14.6 cases per 100,000 persons, respectively) (Figure 23). The high incidence rates in the 1-4 age group are due to the small population in this age group. For example, persons ages 40-59 had similar laboratory-confirmed case counts (4 case for females and 4 cases for males) but the female and male incidence rates in the 40-59 age group were both 2.3 cases per 100,000 persons—lower than the incidence rates of the 1-4 age group, despite similar case counts.

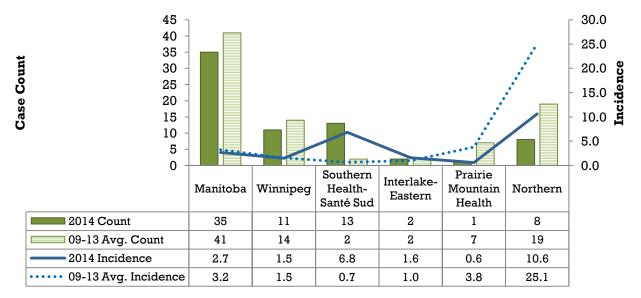
**Table 16:** Number of laboratory-confirmed shigellosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	35	2.7	41	3.2	
Female	16	2.4	21	3.2	
Male	19	2.9	21	3.3	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	26	3.6	23.4		
Median	21	.1	14.2		
St. Dev.	23.1		21.1		
Min. Age	1.9		0.0		
Max. Age	78	3.6	78.1		

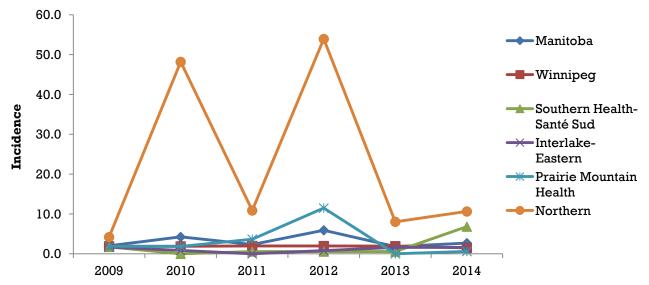


**Figure 23:** Number of laboratory-confirmed shigellosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=35)

Most regions had incidence rates below the provincial incidence rate, in 2014, with the exception of Southern Health-Santé Sud and Northern RHA, which had higher incidence rates (Figure 24). Figure 25 reveals Northern RHA had very unstable shigellosis incidence rates from 2009 to 2013, but the rate stayed fairly constant between 2013 and 2014. Northern RHA consistently had a higher incidence rate than the other RHAs from 2009-2014. Recall, Northern RHA's incidence rates are strongly influenced by the small population size of the region; a small change in the number of confirmed cases can create a large change in incidence. This could explain the large fluctuations in incidence from 2009-2013.



**Figure 24:** Number of laboratory-confirmed shigellosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



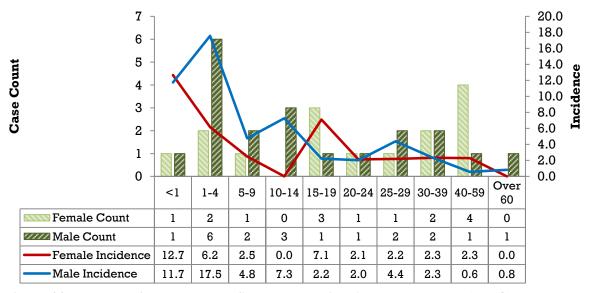
**Figure 25:** Shigellosis incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

### Verotoxigenic Escherichia coli (VTEC)

In 2014, the incidence rate of VTEC was slightly lower than the incidence rate of the illness in the 5-year average (2.7 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 3.9 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 17). Figure 26 shows males ages 1-4 had the highest incidence rate with 17.5 cases per 100,000 persons, in 2014. For females, the highest incidence rate occurred in those less than one-year old (12.7 cases per 100,000 persons), in 2014. Only one case of VTEC occurred in this age group (females less than one-year old), but the small size of the specified age-gender population contributed to the rate appearing conspicuously large.

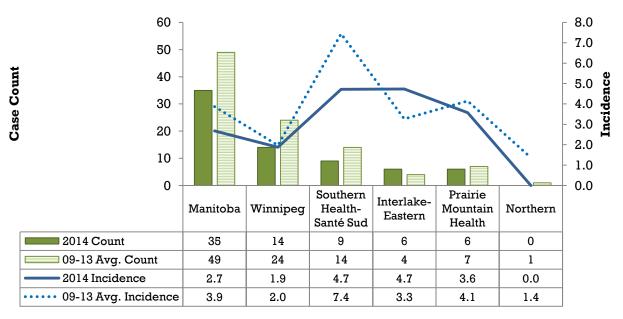
**Table 17:** Number of laboratory-confirmed verotoxigenic *Escherichia coli* (VTEC) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	35	2.7	49	3.9	
Female	15	2.3	26	4.0	
Male	20	3.1	24	3.8	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	21	.4	29.8		
Median	17	<b>'</b> .3	23.9		
St. Dev.	18.9		22.9		
Min. Age	0.6		0.3		
Max. Age	67	<b>'</b> .9	85.3		

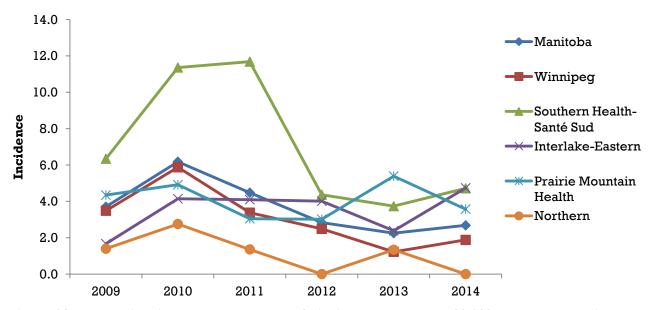


**Figure 26:** Number of laboratory-confirmed verotoxigenic *Escherichia coli* (VTEC) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=35)

Southern Health-Santé Sud and Interlake-Eastern RHA both had the highest incidence of VTEC in 2014 with 4.7 cases per 100,000 persons. Southern Health-Santé Sud also had the highest incidence in the 5-year average (7.4 cases per 100,000 persons) (Figure 27). Figure 28 shows Southern Health-Santé Sud had the highest incidence of VTEC, among all RHAs, from 2009 to 2014, only dipping below Prairie Mountain Health's incidence rate in 2013.



**Figure 27:** Number of laboratory-confirmed verotoxigenic *Escherichia coli* (VTEC) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 28:** Verotoxigenic *Escherichia coli* (VTEC) incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

## **Vaccine Preventable Diseases**

Vaccine preventable diseases (VPDs) are those communicable diseases that are preventable through immunization. Table 18 shows there were six VPDs reported to MHHLS in 2014: invasive *Haemophilus influenzae* disease (IHD), invasive meningococcal disease (IMD), invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD), measles, pertussis, and typhoid. Of the VPDs included in this report, IPD account for the largest proportion of cases (n=135, 10.3 cases per 100,000 population).

**Table 18:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each vaccine preventable disease (VPD) confirmed in Manitoba, 2009-2014

		09		10		11	20	12		13		14
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence										
Diphtheria*	1	0.1	1	0.1	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Invasive Haemophilus influenzae Disease (IHD) <sup>R</sup>	8	0.7	12	1.0	14	1.1	14	1.1	14	1.1	10	0.8
Invasive Meningococcal Disease (IMD)*	6	0.5	10	0.8	2	0.2	2	0.2	9	0.7	3	0.2
Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD)	136	11.2	175	14.2	130	10.4	153	12.0	132	10.2	135	10.3
Measles <sup>R</sup>	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	0.7
Mumps*	4	0.3	2	0.2	7	0.6	6	0.5	1	0.1	0	0.0
Pertussis <sup>R</sup>	29	2.4	53	4.3	30	2.4	119	9.4	7	0.5	13	1.0
Rubella, confirmed*	2	0.2	2	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0
Rubella, congenital*	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Typhoid*	6	0.5	6	0.5	8	0.6	6	0.5	2	0.2	1	0.1

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a cell count  $\leq$  5 in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

#### Note:

MHHLS produces an annual immunization report which provides information on childhood vaccines (those received between ages 1 and 17). As of 2014, it will also include information on adult vaccinations. The immunization reports can be found on the Epidemiology and Surveillance website:

http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/mims/index.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>R</sup> Disease of rare occurrence

## Invasive Haemophilus influenzae Disease (IHD)

In 2014, there were 10 laboratory-confirmed IHD cases in Manitoba categorizing IHD as a disease of rare occurrence (see Methods, page 12):

- three cases were type b strains, and
- seven cases were **non-type b** strains.

Only *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) is vaccine preventable, but *all* types have been included under this disease name, in the VPDs category. Prior to the implementation of the Hib vaccine, the type b strain of IHD was the *most common* strain of IHD to contract<sup>5</sup>.

Table 19 shows, in 2014, more cases were laboratory-confirmed in males than in females (1.1 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 0.5 cases per 100,000 persons). The average age of disease onset in 2014 was 20.4 years, and 28.7 years for the 5-year average. The median age of onset in 2014 and the 5-year average was also very close (1.6 years and 4.3 years, respectively). The large differences between the average age and the median age indicate the disease was acquired mainly by young children, and some older adults. Table 20 reflects this idea, as seven cases occurred in children less than five years of age; the remaining three cases occurred in adults over the age of 40. Northern RHA had the highest incidence in 2014 and the 5-year average with approximately 4.0 cases per 100,000 persons (Table 21).

**Table 19:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive *Haemophilus influenzae* disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	2014		2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	10	0.8	13	1.0	
Female	3	0.5	6	0.9	
Male	7	1.1	7	1.1	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	20	).4	28.7		
Median	1.	.6	4.3		
St. Dev.	31.5		31.7		
Min. Age	0.2		0.1		
Max. Age	79	).5	83.6		

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors. Communicable Disease Management Protocol: Invasive *Haemophilus Influenzae* Disease (IHD). Accessed: September, 2015. http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/protocol/ihd.pdf.

**Table 20:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive *Haemophilus influenzae* disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=10)

π	Fer	nale	Male		
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
<1	1	12.7	3	35.2	
1-4	0	0.0	3	8.8	
5-9	0	0.0	0	0.0	
10-14	0	0.0	0	0.0	
15-19	0	0.0	0	0.0	
20-24	0	0.0	0	0.0	
25-29	0	0.0	0	0.0	
30-39	0	0.0	0	0.0	
40-59	1	0.6	0	0.0	
Over 60	1	0.7	1	8.0	

**Table 21:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive *Haemophilus influenzae* disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

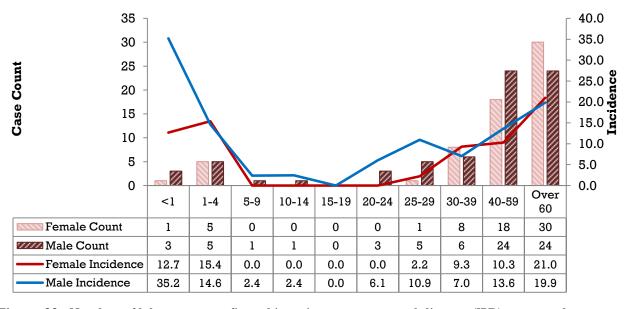
RHA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
KIIA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	10	0.9	13	1.0	
Winnipeg	4	0.7	5	0.7	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	0	0.5	2	0.7	
Interlake-Eastern	0	0.0	2	1.0	
Prairie Mountain Health	3	1.8	2	1.0	
Northern	3	4.0	4	4.9	

### **Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD)**

In 2014, IPD was the most reported VPD in Manitoba, with 135 laboratory-confirmed cases. Table 22 shows the incidence rate of IPD in 2014 (10.3 cases per 100,000 persons) was slightly lower than the incidence rate of IPD in the 5-year average (11.6 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 22). The highest incidence rates of IPD occurred in children less than five years of age, and adults over 40 years of age. These two age groups are least likely to be fully-vaccinated against IPD because they were either a) too young to yet be eligible for the vaccine, or to have fully completed all of the recommended doses, or b) they missed the implementation of the primary vaccine program, and did not receive a vaccination against IPD as an adult.

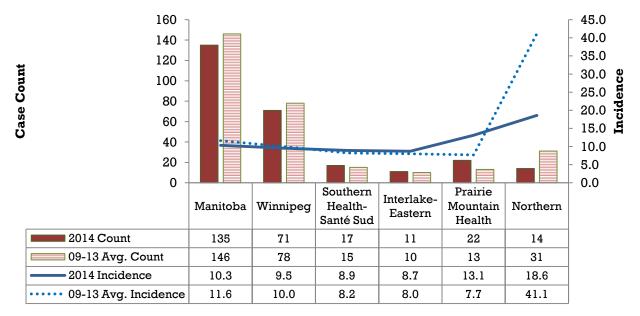
**Table 22:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	135	10.3	146	11.6	
Female	63	9.6	70	10.9	
Male	72	11.1	76	12.3	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	51	.2	47.4		
Median	53	3.9	51		
St. Dev.	24.6		26.3		
Min. Age	0		0		
Max. Age	92	3.4	100.2		

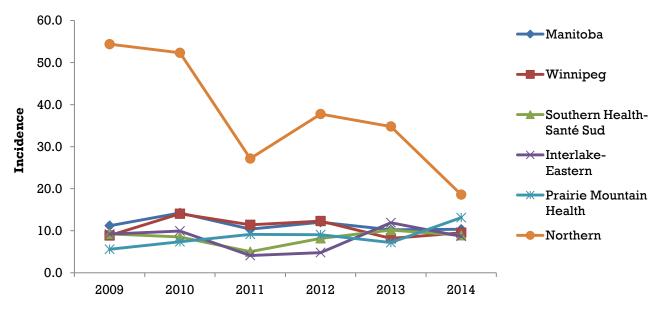


**Figure 29:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=135)

The incidence rates for IPD were highest in Northern RHA for both 2014 (18.6 cases per 100,000 persons) and the 5-year average (41.1 cases per 100,000 persons) (Figure 30). Incidence rates in Northern RHA were consistently higher than the incidence rates experienced by the other RHAs between 2009 and 2014. However, the incidence rate for Northern RHA decreased by about 20 cases per 100,000 persons between 2012 and 2014 while the other four RHA's incidence rates remained fairly constant over the six years (Figure 31).



**Figure 30:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD) cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 31:** Invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD) incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

#### **Measles**

In 2014, there were nine laboratory-confirmed measles cases in Manitoba, categorizing measles as a disease of rare occurrence (see Methods, page 12). Between 2009 and 2013 there was only one laboratory-confirmed case of measles in Manitoba, in the year 2010. The relatively-high case count in 2014 was due to an outbreak which occurred in the spring of that year.

Eight of the nine laboratory-confirmed cases in 2014 occurred between the beginning of March and the end of April—these eight cases made up the outbreak. The ninth case was reported in August<sup>6</sup>; this case was imported. That is, it originated outside of Canada, and was not related to the original outbreak. Prior to the 2014 outbreak, the last measles outbreak in Manitoba (consisting of 8 cases) occurred in 1992.

Table 23 shows the majority of the cases occurred in males (seven of nine total cases). Winnipeg RHA and Interlake-Eastern RHA experienced the highest incidence rates in 2014 – both had 0.8 cases per 100,000 persons (which corresponds to eight cases of measles in Winnipeg RHA and one case of measles in Interlake-Eastern RHA) (Table 24). Prairie Mountain Health and Northern RHA had no laboratory-confirmed cases of measles in 2014. Despite measles being a "childhood" disease, the majority of cases (six of nine) occurred in adults over the age of 19. One case occurred in a teen between the ages of 15 and 19, and one case occurred in a child between the ages of 1 and 4 (this was the case which occurred in August).

**Table 23:** Number of laboratory-confirmed measles cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	9	0.7	0 – 1	0.0	
Female	2	0.3	0	0.0	
Male	7	1.1	0 – 1	0.0	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	28	3.2	1.0		
Median	29	0.4	1.0		
St. Dev.	15.3		0.0		
Min. Age	1.7		1.0		
Max. Age	49	0.7	1.0		

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**Table 24:** Number of laboratory-confirmed measles cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=9)

-	Fer	nale	Male		
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0	
1-4	0	0.0	1	2.9	
5-9	0	0.0	0	0.0	
10-14	0	0.0	0	0.0	
15-19	0	0.0	2	4.5	
20-24	0	0.0	1	2.0	
25-29	0	0.0	1	2.2	
30-39	1	1.2	0	0.0	
40-59	1	0.6	2	1.1	
Over 60	0	0.0	0	0.0	

**Table 25:** Number of laboratory-confirmed measles cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

RHA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
KHA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	9	0.7	0 – 1	0.0	
Winnipeg	6	0.8	0 – 1	0.8	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	2	1.0	0	0.0	
Interlake-Eastern	1	0.8	0	0.0	
Prairie Mountain Health	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Northern	0	0.0	0	0.0	

#### **Pertussis**

In 2014, there were seven cases of pertussis (also known as "whooping cough") in Manitoba, categorizing pertussis as a disease of rare occurrence (see Methods, page 12). Table 26 shows the 2014 incidence rate and case count were lower than the 5-year average incidence rate and case count—a difference experienced by both females and males. The female incidence rate in 2014 was 1.1 cases per 100,000 persons, compared to 3.9 cases per 100,000 persons in the 5-year average; the male incidence rate in 2014 was 0.9 cases per 100,000 persons, compared to 3.8 cases per 100,000 persons in the 5-year average. This is a difference of approximately three cases per 100,000 persons for females and males.

The average age, and the median age, of disease onset were low in both 2014 and the 5-year average. This suggests the majority of cases were laboratory-confirmed in younger people. This is confirmed by Table 27—nine cases occurred in people below the age of 10 while only four cases occurred in people between the ages of 10 and 39. In 2014, as in the 5-year average, it appears females and males carried an equal burden of the disease. Prairie Mountain Health and Northern RHA had no laboratory-confirmed cases of pertussis in 2014.

**Table 26:** Number of laboratory-confirmed pertussis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	13	1.0	48	3.8	
Female	7	1.1	25	3.9	
Male	6	0.9	24	3.8	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	10	0.4	8.8		
Median	4.	.3	1.6		
St. Dev.	12.3		15.5		
Min. Age	0.3		0.0		
Max. Age	32	2.7	91.9		

**Table 27:** Number of laboratory-confirmed pertussis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=13)

π.	Fen	nale	Male		
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
<1	2	25.3	1	11.7	
1-4	0	0.0	4	11.7	
5-9	1	2.5	1	2.4	
10-14	0	0.0	0	0.0	
15-19	1	2.4	0	0.0	
20-24	0	0.0	0	0.0	
25-29	1	2.2	0	0.0	
30-39	2	2.3	0	0.0	
40-59	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Over 60	0	0.0	0	0.0	

**Table 28:** Number of laboratory-confirmed pertussis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

DITA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
RHA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	13	1.0	48	3.8	
Winnipeg	5	0.7	11	0.7	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	6	3.1	15	8.2	
Interlake-Eastern	2	1.6	3	2.1	
Prairie Mountain Health	0	0.0	6	3.3	
Northern	0	0.0	15	19.6	

# **Zoonotic and Environmental Diseases**

For the purposes of this report, zoonotic and environmental diseases are those communicable diseases which are, or are capable of being, transmitted to humans through animals, or from some aspect of the environment. Table 29 shows there were 10 zoonotic and/ or environmental diseases reported to MHHLS in 2014.

**Table 29:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each zoonotic disease and environmental disease confirmed in Manitoba, 2009-2014

	20	09	20	10	20	11	20	12	20	13	20	14
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence										
Blastomycosis <sup>R</sup>	9	0.7	6	0.5	9	0.7	14	1.1	19	1.5	15	1.1
Brucellosis*	1	0.1	1	0.1	3	0.2	1	0.1	2	0.2	1	0.1
Dengue*	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	4	0.3	12	0.9	2	0.2
Diphyllobothrium latum*	5	0.4	10	0.8	9	0.7	4	0.3	13	1.0	4	0.3
Hantavirus*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0
Legionellosis*	0	0.0	5	0.4	5	0.4	3	0.2	4	0.3	2	0.2
Lyme	1	0.1	7	0.6	7	0.6	7	0.6	17	1.3	21	1.6
Malaria	14	1.2	14	1.1	26	2.1	18	1.4	15	1.2	20	1.5
Q. Fever*	2	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Rickettsial Disease, Other*	0	0.0	1	0.1	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Strongyloidiasis	11	0.9	15	1.2	44	3.5	19	1.5	25	1.9	22	1.7
Toxoplasmosis*	1	0.1	4	0.3	5	0.4	3	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
Trichinosis*	0	0.0	2	0.2	0	0.0	2	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
Trypanosomiasis*	0	0.0	3	0.2	7	0.6	4	0.3	3	0.2	2	0.2
Tularemia*	1	0.1	1	0.1	1	0.1	0	0.0	4	0.3	2	0.2

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a case count  $\leq$  5 in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

R Disease of rare occurrence

### **Blastomycosis**

In 2014, there were 15 laboratory-confirmed cases of blastomycosis in Manitoba, categorizing blastomycosis as a disease of rare occurrence (see Methods, page 12). Blastomycosis had similar incidence rates in 2014 and the 5-year average; in both periods, the illness affected over twice as many males as it did females (Table 30). Despite this, Table 31 indicates females ages 10-14 had the highest incidence with 5.1 cases per 100,000 persons, but males ages 5-9 were not far behind with 4.8 cases per 100,000 persons; there were two laboratory-confirmed cases in both of these age groups. Table 32 shows Winnipeg RHA had the highest incidence rate in 2014 (1.7 cases per 100,000 persons) while Interlake-Eastern RHA, Prairie Mountain Health, and Northern RHA experienced no laboratory-confirmed cases of blastomycosis in 2014.

**Table 30:** Number of laboratory-confirmed blastomycosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	15	1.1	12	0.9	
Female	4	0.6	4	0.6	
Male	11	1.7	8	1.2	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	29	0.9	42.4		
Median	22	1.5	40	0.0	
St. Dev.	19.6		23.4		
Min. Age	6.3		2.8		
Max. Age	61	.6	88.2		

**Table 31:** Number of laboratory-confirmed blastomycosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=15)

π	Fen	nale	Ma	ale
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	2	4.8
10-14	2	5.1	1	2.4
15-19	1	2.4	0	0.0
20-24	1	2.1	1	2.0
25-29	0	0.0	0	0.0
30-39	0	0.0	2	2.3
40-59	0	0.0	4	2.3
Over 60	0	0.0	1	8.0

**Table 32:** Number of laboratory-confirmed blastomycosis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

DITA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
RHA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	15	1.1	12	0.9	
Winnipeg	13	1.7	11	1.8	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	2	1.0	2	0.8	
Interlake-Eastern	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.3	
Prairie Mountain Health	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.1	
Northern	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.3	

### Lyme Disease

Table 33 shows the incidence rate of Lyme disease in 2014 was almost 3 times greater than the incidence rate of Lyme disease in the 5-year average (1.6 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 0.6 cases per 100,000 persons). In 2014, Lyme disease was only acquired by people between the ages of four and 75 (Table 33); the highest incidence rate belonged to males in the 15-19 year old age group with 4.5 cases per 100,000 persons (Table 34).

Note: Lyme disease case counts are also reported on the MHHLS', Environmental Health website<sup>7</sup>. Any discrepancies between this report and the website can be attributed to different reporting processes used by Environmental Health and Public Health, such as: using different databases, having different dates of data extraction, and using different data extraction criteria.

**Table 33:** Number of laboratory-confirmed Lyme disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	21	1.6	8	0.6	
Female	5	8.0	4	0.6	
Male	16	2.5	5	0.7	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	37	<b>'</b> .6	42.7		
Median	37	<b>.</b> .7	46.0		
St. Dev.	24.2		19.8		
Min. Age	3.9		9.2		
Max. Age	74	5	81.4		

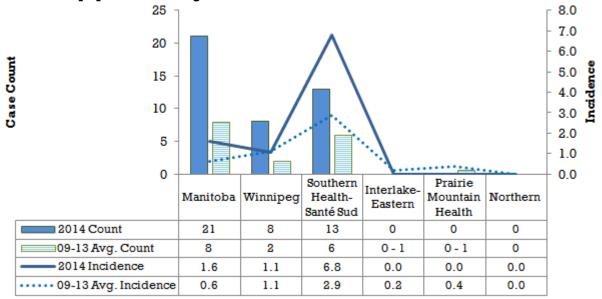
**Table 34:** Number of laboratory-confirmed Lyme disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=21)

_	Fen	nale	Ma	ale
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-4	1	3.1	1	2.9
5-9	0	0.0	0	0.0
10-14	1	2.6	1	2.4
15-19	1	2.4	2	4.5
20-24	0	0.0	2	4.0
25-29	0	0.0	1	2.2
30-39	1	1.2	0	0.0
40-59	0	0.0	4	2.3
Over 60	1	0.7	5	4.1

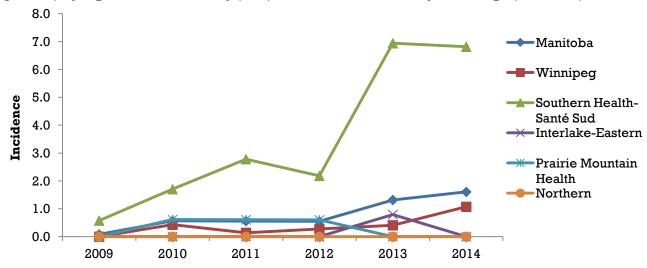
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/lyme/index.html

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Southern Health-Santé Sud had the highest incidence of Lyme disease in both 2014 and in the 5-year average. Southern Health-Santé Sud's incidence rate in 2014 was over twice its 5-year average incidence rate (6.8 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 2.9 cases per 100,000 persons) (Figure 32). Figure 33 shows Southern Health-Santé Sud carried the largest burden of Lyme disease, compared to the other RHAs; Southern Health-Santé Sud's incidence rate increased by about 6 cases per 100,000 persons between 2009 and 2013, but held constant from 2013 to 2014. The other RHA's incidence rates remained fairly constant over all six years. Northern RHA had no cases of Lyme disease within the six years from 2009 to 2014. These trends are not surprising as between 1995 and 2013 there were no established black-legged tick populations found in Northern RHA, with the majority of established populations being found in Southern Health-Santé Sud<sup>8</sup>.



**Figure 32:** Number of laboratory-confirmed Lyme disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 33:** Lyme disease incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors. Lyme Disease Risk Areas and Blacklegged Tick Surveillance in Manitoba. Accessed: July 28, 2015. http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/lyme/surveillance.html.

#### Malaria

The incidence rate of malaria in 2014 is similar to the incidence rate of malaria in the 5-year average (1.5 cases per 100,000 persons compared to 1.4 cases per 100,000 persons). Males made up 16 in 20 (80.0%) of the laboratory-confirmed malaria cases in 2014 (Table 35). In Manitoba, in 2014, males had 2.5 cases per 100,000 persons and females had 0.6 cases per 100,000 persons. Males ages 20-24 had the highest incidence of malaria with 10.1 cases per 100,000 persons (Table 36). In 2014, Winnipeg RHA had the highest incidence of malaria with 2.3 cases per 100,000 persons; Interlake-Eastern RHA was the only RHA to have no laboratory-confirmed cases of malaria in 2014. The other three RHAs displayed low incidence rates for this disease (Table 37). Malaria is considered a travel acquired disease.

**Table 35:** Number of laboratory-confirmed malaria cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

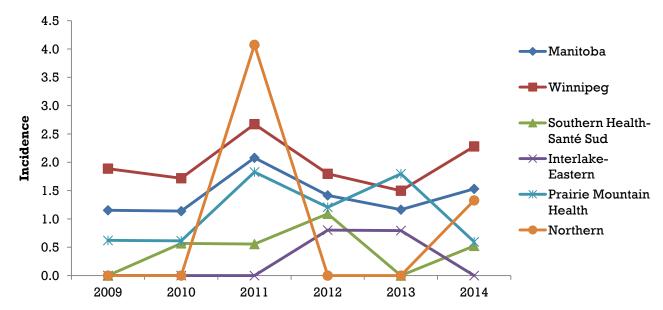
	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	20	1.5	18	1.4	
Female	4	0.6	6	0.9	
Male	16	2.5	12	1.9	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	28	3.2	30.7		
Median	26	5.2	28.9		
St. Dev.	14.6 18.2		3.2		
Min. Age	1.0		0.0		
Max. Age	52	1.5	90.3		

**Table 36:** Number of laboratory-confirmed malaria cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=20)

π	Female		M	ale
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-4	1	3.1	0	0.0
5-9	1	2.5	1	2.4
10-14	0	0.0	1	2.4
15-19	0	0.0	0	0.0
20-24	1	2.1	5	10.1
25-29	0	0.0	1	2.2
30-39	0	0.0	4	4.7
40-59	1	0.6	4	2.3
Over 60	0	0.0	0	0.0

**Table 37:** Number of laboratory-confirmed malaria cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

DITA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
RHA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	20	1.5	18	1.4	
Winnipeg	17	2.3	14	2.4	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	1	0.5	0 – 1	0.4	
Interlake-Eastern	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.3	
Prairie Mountain Health	1	0.6	2	1.2	
Northern	1	1.3	0 – 1	0.8	



**Figure 34:** Malaria incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

### **Strongyloidiasis**

Table 38 shows the incidence rate of strongyloidiasis in 2014 was similar to the incidence rate of strongyloidiasis in the 5-year average (1.7 cases per 100,000 persons, compared to 1.8 cases per 100,000 persons). In 2014, as in the 5-year average, males experienced an incidence rate of strongyloidiasis almost double the female incidence rate (Table 38). In 2014, the highest female incidence occurred in the 25-29 age group with 4.4 cases per 100,000 persons; the highest male incidence occurred in the 30-39 age group with 5.9 cases per 100,000 persons (Table 39).

**Table 38:** Number of laboratory-confirmed strongyloidiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

	20	14	2009-2013	3 Average	
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Total	22	1.7	23	1.8	
Female	7	1.1	9	1.3	
Male	15	2.3	15	2.3	
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)		
Average	39	0.1	33.3		
Median	37	<b>.</b> .8	32.0		
St. Dev.	15.9		19.7		
Min. Age	6.9		1.2		
Max. Age	72	1.3	90.4		

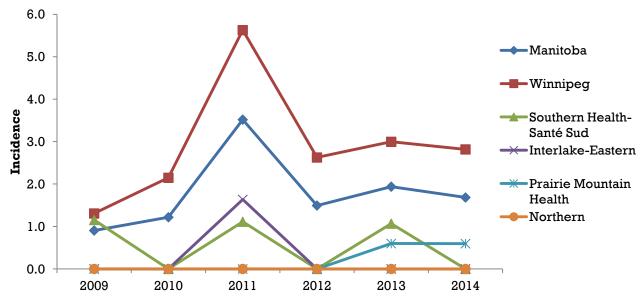
**Table 39:** Number of laboratory-confirmed strongyloidiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=22)

π.	Fer	nale	М	ale
Age Group	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	1	2.4
10-14	1	2.6	0	0.0
15-19	0	0.0	0	0.0
20-24	1	2.1	1	2.0
25-29	2	4.4	0	0.0
30-39	2	2.3	5	5.9
40-59	0	0.0	7	4.0
Over 60	1	0.7	1	0.8

Table 40 shows Winnipeg RHA had the highest incidence of strongyloidiasis in 2014 with 2.8 cases per 100,000 persons. In fact, Winnipeg RHA had the highest incidence rate over all six years from 2009 to 2014 (Figure 35). Southern Health-Santé Sud and Interlake-Eastern RHA had no laboratory-confirmed cases of strongyloidiasis in 2014—Northern RHA had no laboratory-confirmed cases of strongyloidiasis from 2009 to 2014. An interesting peak in incidence rates was seen for most of the RHAs in 2011.

**Table 40:** Number of laboratory-confirmed strongyloidiasis cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

RHA	20	14	2009-2013 Average		
KHA	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence	
Manitoba	22	1.7	23	1.8	
Winnipeg	21	2.8	21	3.0	
Southern Health-Santé Sud	0	0.0	2	0.7	
Interlake-Eastern	0	0.0	0 – 1	0.3	
Prairie Mountain Health	1	0.6	0 – 1	0.1	
Northern	0	0.0	0	0.0	



**Figure 35:** Strongyloidiasis incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

# **Respiratory Diseases**

Respiratory diseases are any of the diseases or disorders that affect the human respiration system. For this report, only laboratory-confirmed respiratory diseases that were listed as reportable under *The Public Health Act* were included. Table 41 shows there were two respiratory diseases reported to MHHLS in 2014: leprosy and parapertussis. Neither disease had greater than five laboratory-confirmed cases in 2014, so there will not be a detailed analysis performed.

**Table 41:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each respiratory disease confirmed in Manitoba, 2009-2014

	20	09	20	10	20	11	20	12	20	13	20	14
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence										
Leprosy*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1
Parapertussis*	2	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	3	0.2	3	0.2	4	0.3

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a case count  $\leq$  5 in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

## **Other Diseases**

For the purposes of this report, the term "other diseases" is used for those diseases not easily captured in the other broad groupings. Table 42 shows there were six diseases classified as "other" reported to MHHLS in 2014. However, only Invasive Beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease had a sufficiently large number of reported cases in 2014 to warrant an in-depth analysis (see Methods, page 12)

**Table 42:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) for each 'other' disease confirmed in Manitoba, 2009-2014

		09	20	10	20	11	20	12	20	13		14
Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence										
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (C.J.D.)*	3	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.1	1	0.1
Invasive Beta- hemolytic Streptococcal Disease	251	20.7	225	18.3	272	21.8	304	23.9	313	24.3	280	21.4
Necrotizing Fasciitis*	3	0.2	12	1.0	3	0.2	3	0.2	19	1.5	5	0.4
Staphylococcus aureus (Toxic Shock)*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1
Streptococcal Glomerulonephritis*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0
Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS)*	2	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	4	0.3	2	0.2
Viral Hepatitis, Other (all types of hepatitis excluding A, B, and C)	0	0.0	6	0.5	0	0.0	2	0.2	3	0.2	2	0.2

<sup>\*</sup> Disease with a case count  $\leq$  5 in 2014; will not have a detailed analyses performed

Note: "Other" refers to a disease that is not: a nosocomial and/or antibiotic resistant disease, not an enteric disease, not a vaccine preventable disease, not a zoonotic or environmental disease, and not a respiratory disease.

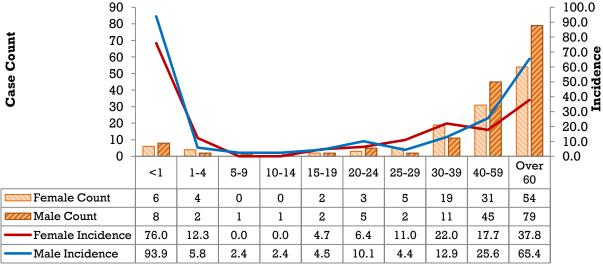
### **Invasive Beta-hemolytic Streptococcal Disease**

This category includes *all* beta-hemolytic streptococcal species isolated from normally sterile sites. The 2014 incidence rate (21.4 cases per 100,000 persons) is similar to the 5-year average incidence rate (21.8 cases per 100,000 persons) (Table 43). Children less than one-year old and adults over the age of 60 had the highest incidence rates of invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease in 2014 (Figure 36). Females less than one-year old experienced 76.0 cases per 100,000 persons (6 cases in 2014), while males less than one-year old experienced 93.9 cases per 100,000 persons (8 cases in 2014). Females over the age of 60 experienced 37.8 cases per 100,000 persons (54 cases in 2014), while males over the age of 60 experienced 65.4 cases per 100,000 persons (79 cases in 2014).

**Table 43:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by sex, with age analysis, in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)

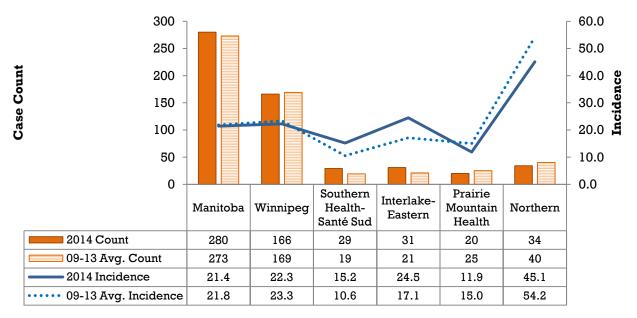
	20	14	2009-2013 Average				
	Case Count	Incidence	Case Count	Incidence			
Total	280	21.4	273	21.8			
Female	124	18.8	125	19.7			
Male	156	24.1	149	24.0			
	Age Analys	is (in years)	Age Analysis (in years)				
Average	54	.9	50.5				
Median	58	3.7	54.2				
St. Dev.	2	4	24.7				
Min. Age	(	)	0				
Max. Age	100	0.3	99.4				

Note: one case with unknown gender and one case with unknown age were left out of male/female breakdown and age analysis for the 2009-2013 average, respectively.

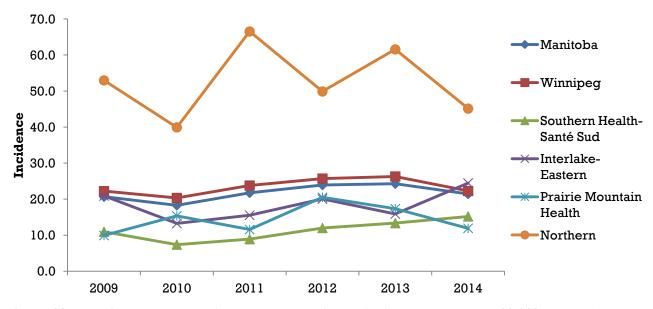


**Figure 36:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by age group and sex in Manitoba, 2014, (N=280)

Figures 37 and 38 indicate Northern RHA had the highest incidence of invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease of all the RHAs, from 2009 to 2014, with an incidence rate of 45.1 cases per 100,000 persons in 2014. Winnipeg RHA had the second highest incidence rate from 2009 to 2013 but, in 2014, Interlake-Eastern RHA had the second highest incidence rate with 24.5 cases per 100,000 persons.



**Figure 37:** Number of laboratory-confirmed invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease cases and incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2014 and 5-year average (2009-2013)



**Figure 38:** Invasive beta-hemolytic streptococcal disease incidence rates (per 100,000 persons) by regional health authority (RHA) in Manitoba, 2009-2014

# Appendix A - Reportable Diseases List, 2014

The following diseases and/or conditions are (human) reportable diseases in Manitoba for the year 2014, as prescribed by *The Reporting of Diseases and Conditions Regulation*<sup>9</sup> under *The Public Health Act*.

Table 44: Reportable Diseases List, 2014

Common name	Scientific or technical name of disease or its infectious agent
* AIDS	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
Amoebiasis	Entamoeba histolytica
* + Anthrax	Bacillus anthrasis
* + Avian Influenza	Influenza A virus, select Hemaglutinin and Neuraminidase types
Blastomycosis	Blastomyces dermatitidis
* + Botulism	Clostridium botulinum
Brucellosis	Brucella species
Campylobacter	Camplylobacter species
Cancer or malignant neoplasm	Cancer or malignant neoplasm
Chancroid	Haemophilus ducreyi
Chlamydia	Chlamydia trachomatis
+ Cholera	Vibrio cholerae, typable
Clostridium difficile toxin	Clostridium difficile
Clostridium perfringens (except wound specimens)	Clostridium perfringens
* Congenital Rubella Infection/Syndrome	Rubella virus
Cryptosporidium	Cryptosporidium parvum
Cyclospora	Cyclospora cayetanensis
* Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease	Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease prion
Dengue Fever	Dengue virus
* + Diphtheria (Cases and Carriers)	Toxigenic Corynebacterium diptheriae (all subspecies)
* Encephalitis	Encephalitis
Fish Tapeworm	Diphyllobothrium latum (Dibothriocephalus latus)
Food poisoning caused by Bacillus cereus	Bacillus cereus
Giardia	Giardia lamblia
Gonorrhea	Neisseria gonorrhoaea
Hantavirus	Hantavirus
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 $<sup>^9</sup>$  Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors. (2009). Reporting of Diseases and Conditions Regulation. Available at: http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/current/\_pdf-regs.php?reg=37/2009. Accessed: September 24, 2014

Common name	Scientific or technical name of disease or its infectious agent
*Haemophilus influenza invasive disease from type- able Haemophilus organisms	Haemophilus influenzae
* + Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)	Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome
Hepatitis A	Hepatitis A virus
Hepatitis B	Hepatitis B virus
Hepatitis C	Hepatitis C virus
Hepatitis, Viral (Other)	Hepatitis viruses other than A, B or C
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
Influenza A	Influenza A viruses
Influenza B	Influenza B viruses
Legionellosis	Legionella pneumophilia
* Leprosy	Mycobacterium leprae
* LGV	Lymphogranuloma venereum (Chlamydia trachomatis)
Listeriosis invasive disease	Listeria monocytogenes in normally sterile tissue
* Lyme Disease	Borrelia burgdorferi
Malaria	Plasmodium falciparum Plasmodium vivax Plasmodium malariae Plasmodium ovale
* + Measles	Rubeola virus
* + Meningococcal invasive disease	Neisseria meningitidis
Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	Staphylococcus aureus with Methicillin resistance
* Mumps	Mumps virus
Parapertussis	Bordetella parapertussis
Parasitic Diseases other than amoebiasis, cryptosporidium, cyclospora, fish tapeworm, giardia, malaria, strongyloidiasis, toxoplasmosis, trichinosis and trypanosomiasis	
Parrot Fever (Psittacosis)	Chlamydophilia psittaci
Penicillin resistant pneumococci	Streptococcus pneumoniae with penicillin resistance
* Pertussis	Bordetella pertussis
Plague	Yersinia pestis
Pneumococcal invasive disease (any normally sterile body site)	Streptococcus pneumoniae
* + Polio	Poliovirus
Q fever	Coxiella burnetii
* + Rabies	Rabies virus

Common name	Scientific or technical name of disease or its infectious agent
Relapsing Fever	Borrelia recurrentis Borrelia duttoni
Rickettsial Diseases other than Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Q-fever and typhus	
Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever	Rickettsia rickettsii
* Rubella	Rubella virus
Salmonella	Salmonella species
* + Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)	SARS coronavirus
* + Severe Respiratory Illness (SRI)	Severe Respiratory Illness
Shigella	Shigella species
* + Smallpox	Variola major virus Variola minor virus
Staphylococcal Food Poisoning	Staphylococcus aureus
* Staphylococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome	Staphylococcus aureus in blood or normally sterile tissue in association with Toxic Shock Syndrome
Beta Hemolytic Streptococcal invasive disease, typable	Beta Hemolytic Streptococcal typable species in blood or normally sterile tissue. (Includes all samples of Strep. Group A, B, C, D, E, F or G found in blood, sterile tissue or internal aspirates — not in skin or wounds.)
* Streptococcal Necrotizing Fasciitis	Streptococcus species in blood or normally sterile tissue in association with Necrotizing Fasciitis. (Includes all samples of Strep. Group A, B, C, D, E, F or G found in tissue or wounds that are accompanied by a clinical assessment of NF.)
* Streptococcal Necrotizing Myositis	Streptococcus species in blood or normally sterile tissue in association with Necrotizing Myositis. (Includes all samples of Strep. Group A, B, C, D, E, F or G found in tissue or wounds that are accompanied by a clinical assessment of NM.)
* Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome	Streptococcus species in blood or normally sterile tissue in association with Toxic Shock Syndrome. (Includes all samples of Strep. Group A, B, C, D, E, F or G found in blood that are accompanied by a clinical assessment of TSS.)
Strongyloidiasis	Strongyloides stercoralis
Syphilis	Treponema pallidum pallidum
* Tetanus	Clostridium tetani
Toxoplasmosis	Toxoplasma gondii
Trichinosis	Trichinella spiralis
Trypanosomiasis	Trypanosoma species

Common name	Scientific or technical name of disease or its infectious agent
* Tuberculosis — respiratory	Mycobacterium tuberculosis Mycobacterium africanum Mycobacterium canetti Mycobacterium bovis
Tuberculosis — other	Mycobacterium species (non-tuberculosis)
Tularemia	Francisella tularensis
Typhoid Fever	Salmonella typhi
Typhus	Rickettsia species
Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)	Enterococcus species with vancomycin resistance
Vancomycin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (VRSA)	Staphylococcus aureus with vancomycin resistance
Verotoxin-producing organisms	Verotoxin-producing organisms
Vibrio parahaemolyticus	Vibrio parahaemolyticus
* + Viral Hemorrhagic Fever	Viral Hemorrhagic Fever
West Nile Virus (WNV)	West Nile virus
Western Equine Encephalitis	Western Equine Encephalitis virus
*Yellow Fever	Yellow fever virus
Yersinia infections	Yersinia pseudotuberculosis Yersinia enterocolitica

<sup>\*</sup> A health professional must make a report respecting the reportable disease if the health professional becomes aware that a person (i) has or may have the reportable disease, or (ii) recently had or may have had the reportable disease (clause 3(a) of the Reporting of Diseases and Conditions Regulation).

<sup>+</sup> The person in charge of the laboratory must make a report of a reportable disease, to the chief public health officer no later than the day, not including a Saturday or a holiday, after the day that the positive result was isolated and confirmed. In addition, the person in charge of the laboratory must also, within the same period, report the existence of the positive result by telephone to the chief public health officer (clause 9(2)(a) of the Reporting of Diseases and Conditions Regulation).

# <u>Appendix B – Laboratory-confirmed, reportable diseases present in Manitoba, in 2014, ranked by case count</u>

Table 45 includes only those laboratory-confirmed, reportable diseases, present in Manitoba, in 2014. Any diseases that are within the scope of the report, but not shown in Table 45, had zero cases in 2014.

**Table 45:** The number of laboratory-confirmed cases, incidence rates (per 100,000 persons), and proportion of total case count for each reportable disease, infection, and/or organism confirmed in Manitoba, in 2014,

ranked by case count

Rank	Disease Name	Case Count	Incidence	Proportion of Total Cases
1	Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	4,928	377.6	56.87%
2	Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)	1,576	120.6	18.19%
3	Clostridium difficile Infection	881	67.4	10.17%
4	Invasive Beta-hemolytic Streptococcal Disease	280	21.4	3.23%
5	Salmonellosis	229	17.5	2.64%
6	Campylobacteriosis	170	13.0	1.96%
7	Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD)	135	10.3	1.56%
8	Cryptosporidiosis	113	8.7	1.30%
9	Giardiasis	86	6.6	0.99%
10	Shigellosis	35	2.7	0.40%
11	Verotoxigenic Escherichia Coli (VTEC)	35	2.7	0.40%
12	Amebiasis	29	2.2	0.33%
13	Strongyloidiasis	22	1.7	0.25%
14	Lyme	21	1.6	0.24%
15	Malaria	20	1.5	0.23%
16	Blastomycosis <sup>R</sup>	15	1.1	0.17%
17	Pertussis <sup>R</sup>	13	1.0	0.15%
18	Invasive Haemophilus influenzae Disease (IHD) <sup>R</sup>	12	0.9	0.14%
19	Measles <sup>R</sup>	9	0.7	0.10%
20	Hepatitis A <sup>R</sup>	8	0.6	0.09%
21	Cyclosporiasis*	5	0.4	0.06%
22	Necrotizing Fasciitis*	5	0.4	0.06%
23	Diphyllobothrium latum*	4	0.3	0.05%
24	Parapertussis*	4	0.3	0.05%
25	Paratyphoid*	4	0.3	0.05%
26	Clostridium perfringens*	3	0.2	0.03%
27	Invasive Meningococcal Disease (IMD)*	3	0.2	0.03%
28	Dengue*	2	0.2	0.02%
29	Legionellosis*	2	0.2	0.02%
30	Listeriosis*	2	0.2	0.02%
31	Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS)*	2	0.2	0.02%
32	Trypanosomiasis*	2	0.2	0.02%
33	Tularemia*	2	0.2	0.02%
34	Viral Hepatitis, Other*	2	0.2	0.02%
35	Brucellosis*	1	0.1	0.01%
36	Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (C.J.D.)*	1	0.1	0.01%
37	Leprosy*	1	0.1	0.01%
38	Staphylococcus aureus (Toxic Shock)*	1	0.1	0.01%
39	Typhoid*	1	0.1	0.01%
40	Yersiniosis*	1	0.1	0.01%
	Total	8,665		56.87%