

AK Foodborne Illness Report

Cases Reported - Includes probable and lab-confirmed cases¹

Disease Name	2019								5 year median		
	Q3 (Jul-Sep)							Q3 Total	YTD	Q3	Annual Total
	Anch	Mat-Su	Gulf Coast	Interior	Northern	Southeast	Southwest				
Botulism	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	7
Campylobacteriosis	19	3	4	6	4	2	9	47	99	28	117
Cryptosporidiosis	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	7	3	10
Cyclosporiasis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Giardiasis	6	3	2	5	1	14	1	32	54	16	89
Listeriosis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Salmonellosis	6	5	1	1	3	0	0	16	48	13	67
Shigellosis	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	5	2.5	6
STEC - Shiga toxin-producing <i>E. coli</i>	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	5	2	13
Vibriosis (non-cholera)	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	4	5	1	5
Yersiniosis	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	8

Food-related Complaints – Complaints are followed up with appropriate actions, such as inspections

Q3 (Jul-Sep)						YTD
Anch/MatSu	Gulf Coast	Interior	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	Statewide
15	2	32	1	19	7	184



To report illness or make a complaint, call (907)764-9825 or use <http://dec.alaska.gov/eh/fs/forms/report-foodborne-illness/>

More information is available at: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/dod/foodwater/default.aspx>

Outbreaks² Investigated - Includes suspected, probable, and lab-confirmed pathogens

Q3 (Jul-Sep)			
Location	Pathogen	Number Reported Ill	Suspected Vehicle or Setting
Anchorage	Botulism	1	Home-canned foods
Northern	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	4	Walrus meat
Gulf Coast	Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning	1	Self-harvested clam

Alaska cases linked to national clusters: see <https://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/outbreaks/multistate-outbreaks/outbreaks-list.html>

¹ Information about how cases are categorized as probable and confirmed can be found at <https://wwwn.cdc.gov/nndss/conditions/notifiable/2018/>

² Information about the national definition of an outbreak can be found at <https://wwwn.cdc.gov/nndss/conditions/foodborne-disease-outbreak/case-definition/2011/>; in Alaska, single cases of certain conditions (i.e., botulism and paralytic shellfish poisoning) are considered to be outbreaks.