

## Subsection 3.—Notifiable Diseases

Notifiable diseases include essentially communicable diseases. The method of collecting notifiable disease statistics is outlined in the 1955 Year Book at pp. 246-247 and numbers of cases and rates for selected diseases for 1926 to 1955 are given in the 1956 edition at p. 267.

Table 15 shows the number of cases reported for selected notifiable diseases and the rates per 100,000 population for 1956. That year was free from major epidemics on a national scale and the number of cases of poliomyelitis dropped to a new low.

15.—Reported Cases of Selected Notifiable Diseases and Rates per 100,000 Population by Province 1956

Int. List No.	Disease	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	Canada
087	Chickenpox.....	255	100	1,679	2	9,582	16,432	1,249	59	2	7,113	30	36,499
055	Diphtheria.....	1	—	—	1	43	4	48	15	22	1	—	135
045-048	Dysentery <sup>2</sup> .....	1	22	—	18	23	70	16	48	71	342	—	611
046	Amoebic.....	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	2
045	Bacillary.....	—	22	—	18	23	68	16	48	71	342	—	608
082	Encephalomyelitis, infectious.....	—	2	—	—	2	20	8	6	1	9	—	46
480-483	Influenza, epidemic.....	2	3,242	3,374	9	—	344	102	23	2	4,021	60	11,177
085	Measles.....	566	575	2,035	2	15,131	25,846	1,797	297	2,075	5,616	48	53,986
057	Meningococcal meningitis and meningococemia.....	73	4	10	31	26	74	7	12	2	45	1	285
089	Mumps.....	43	347	560	2	5,302	13,705	1,350	37	1	6,768	—	28,112
080	Poliomyelitis, epidemic <sup>3</sup> .....	4	4	20	24	152	193	22	21	76	84	7	607
080.0	} With paralysis.....	3	3	9	7	185	127	15	7	35	37	1	389
080.1	} Without paralysis.....	1	1	11	17	22	66	7	7	41	47	6	286
086	Rubella (German measles).....	153	2	929	1	22,305	16,043	170	13	982	11,297	136	52,028
050,051	Scarlet fever <sup>4</sup> .....	187	755	1,788	48	2,327	4,669	185	240	655	816	2	11,672
084	Smallpox.....	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
001-019	Tuberculosis <sup>5</sup> .....	385	44	112	579	3,512	1,334	647	355	1,071	1,331	7	9,377
001,002	Pulmonary.....	384	31	102	542	3,398	1,334	617	377	982	1,207	7	7,545
003-019	Non-pulmonary.....	1	13	9	37	114	5	30	77	89	124	—	494
040,041	Typhoid and paratyphoid.....	18	—	—	13	229	92	1	11	27	64	—	455
044	Undulant fever.....	—	—	—	—	92	33	9	1	2	4	—	141
020-039	Veneral diseases.....	475	41	504	224	3,764	2,244	1,444	1,269	2,988	3,643	46	16,642
020-029	Syphilis.....	43	4	83	33	989	386	87	108	145	195	4	2,082
030-035	Gonorrhoea.....	432	37	416	191	2,774	1,858	1,556	1,158	2,842	3,448	41	14,547
036-039	Other venereal diseases <sup>6</sup> .....	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	3	1	6	1	15
056	Whooping cough.....	154	537	174	142	3,944	1,265	402	368	540	987	—	8,513
RATES PER 100,000 POPULATION (CENSUS 1956)													
087	Chickenpox.....	61.4	100.7	241.7	2	207.0	304.0	146.9	6.7	2	508.6	245.9	253.8
055	Diphtheria.....	0.2	—	—	0.2	0.9	0.1	5.6	1.7	2.0	0.1	—	0.8
045-048	Dysentery <sup>2</sup> .....	0.2	22.2	—	3.2	0.5	1.3	1.9	5.5	6.3	24.5	—	3.8
046	Amoebic.....	—	—	—	—	2	7	—	—	—	—	—	7
045	Bacillary.....	—	22.2	—	3.2	0.5	1.3	1.9	5.5	6.3	24.5	—	3.8
082	Encephalomyelitis, infectious.....	—	2	—	—	7	0.4	0.9	0.7	0.1	0.6	—	0.3
480-483	Influenza, epidemic.....	0.5	3,264.9	485.7	1.6	—	6.4	12.0	2.6	2	287.5	491.8	74.8
085	Measles.....	136.4	579.1	292.9	2	326.9	478.2	211.4	33.7	184.8	401.6	393.4	348.1
057	Meningococcal meningitis and meningococemia.....	17.6	4.0	1.4	5.6	0.6	1.4	0.8	1.4	0.2	3.2	8.2	1.8
089	Mumps.....	10.4	349.4	80.6	2	114.6	253.6	158.8	4.2	2	484.0	—	195.4
080	Poliomyelitis, epidemic <sup>3</sup> .....	1.0	4.0	2.9	4.3	3.3	3.6	2.6	2.4	6.8	6.0	57.4	3.8
080.0	} With paralysis.....	0.7	3.0	1.3	1.3	2.7	2.3	1.8	0.8	3.1	2.6	8.2	2.3
080.1	} Without paralysis.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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