



Local summary of Legionnaires' disease in residents of England and Wales, 2010 – 2012

Thames Valley

This report provides a short summary of Legionella activity in residents of Thames Valley, with particular emphasis on cases with onset of symptoms during 2012. Data for years 2010 and 2011 and in some tables and graphs, for years 2003 to 2011, are presented for comparative purposes.

For a wider analysis of Legionella activity across England and Wales, please refer to the Legionnaires' disease annual report – 2012, available on the Public Health England website.

Figure 1: Number of cases of legionellosis (confirmed and presumptive) in residents of Thames Valley by year of onset of symptoms; 2003 – 2012

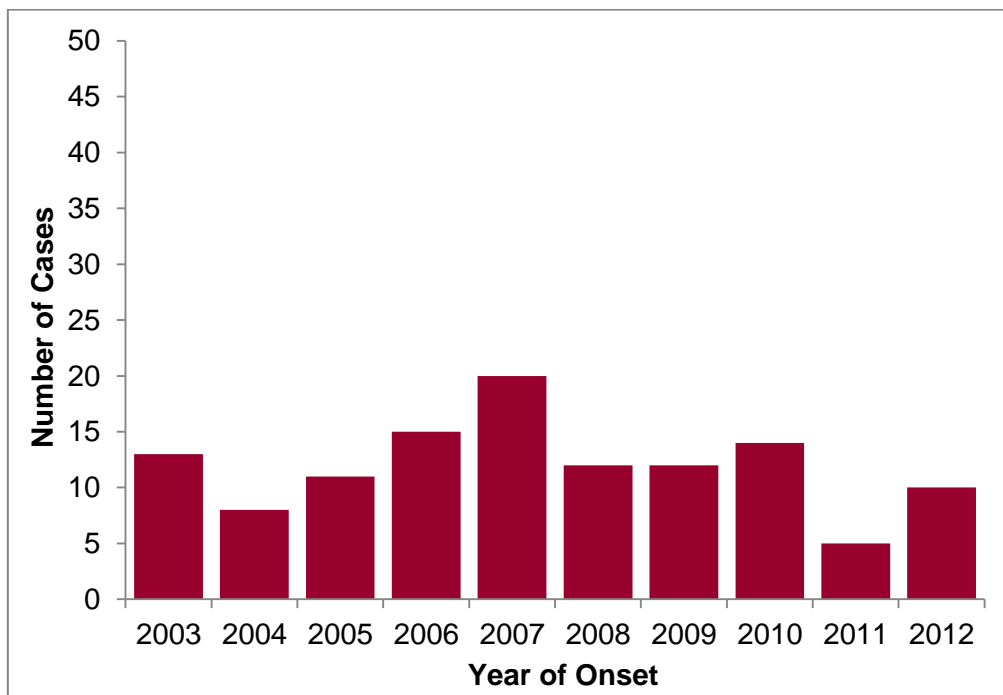


Table 1: Number of cases of legionellosis (confirmed and presumptive) in residents of Thames Valley by disease type and year of onset; 2010 – 2012

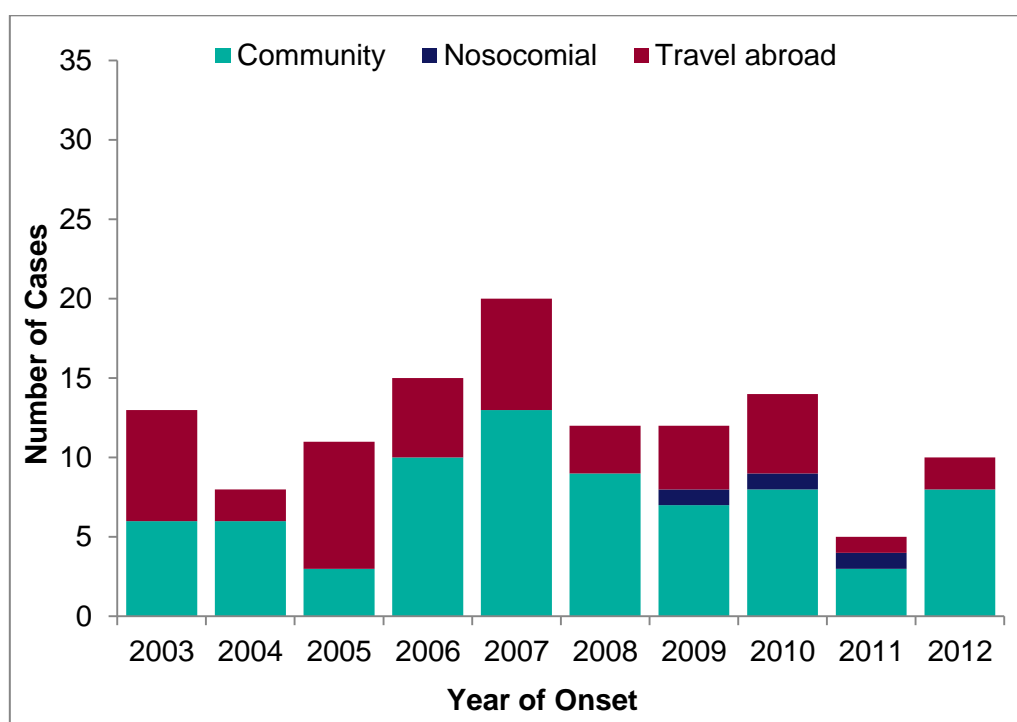
	Number of confirmed (presumptive*) cases			
	2010	2011	2012	Total (2010-2012)
Legionnaires' disease	14	5	10	29
Non-pneumonic Legionellosis	-	-	-	0
Pontiac fever	-	-	-	0
Total	14	5	10	29

* Presumptive cases with only a single high titre or PCR result

Table 2: Number & population rate per million of confirmed cases of Legionnaires' disease in residents of Thames Valley by year of onset; 2010 – 2012

Region	2010		2011		2012		Total (2010-2012)	
	n	Rate	n	Rate	n	Rate	n	Rate
Thames Valley	14	3.39	5	1.21	10	2.42	29	2.34
National	357	6.36	235	4.18	306	5.45	898	5.33

Figure 2: Number of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases^o in residents of Thames Valley by year of onset and category; 2003-2012



^o Confirmed LD case: diagnosis by culture, urinary antigen or FFR and evidence of pneumonia

Table 3: Number and proportion of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Thames Valley by likely exposure category; 2010 – 2012

Category	2010	2011	2012	Total (2010-2012)	National Total (2010-2012)
Community [†]	8 (57.1)	3 (60.0)	8 (80.0)	19 (65.5)	497 (55.4)
Nosocomial	1 (7.1)	1 (20.0)	-	2 (6.9)	44 (4.9)
Travel abroad	5 (35.7)	1 (20.0)	2 (20.0)	8 (27.6)	357 (39.8)
Total	14	5	10	29	898

† includes travel UK cases

Table 4: Number and proportion of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Thames Valley by age group and gender, with age specific case-fatality rates; 2010 – 2012

Age Groups	Number (%) of cases			No. Deaths	Age Specific CFR (95% CI)
	Female	Male	Total (2010-2012)		
Under 50 years	3 (37.5)	5 (62.5)	8 (27.6)	0	0 (0.0 - 36.9 [‡])
50-59 years	1 (33.3)	2 (66.7)	3 (10.3)	0	0 (0.0 - 70.8 [‡])
60-69 years	3 (27.3)	8 (72.7)	11 (37.9)	1	9.1 (0.2 - 41.3)
70 years & over	-	7 (100.0)	7 (24.1)	1	14.3 (0.4 - 57.9)
Total	7 (24.1)	22 (75.9)	29 (100.0)	2	6.9 (0.8 - 22.8)

‡ one sided confidence interval

Figure 3: Number of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Thames Valley by month and year of onset; 2010 – 2012

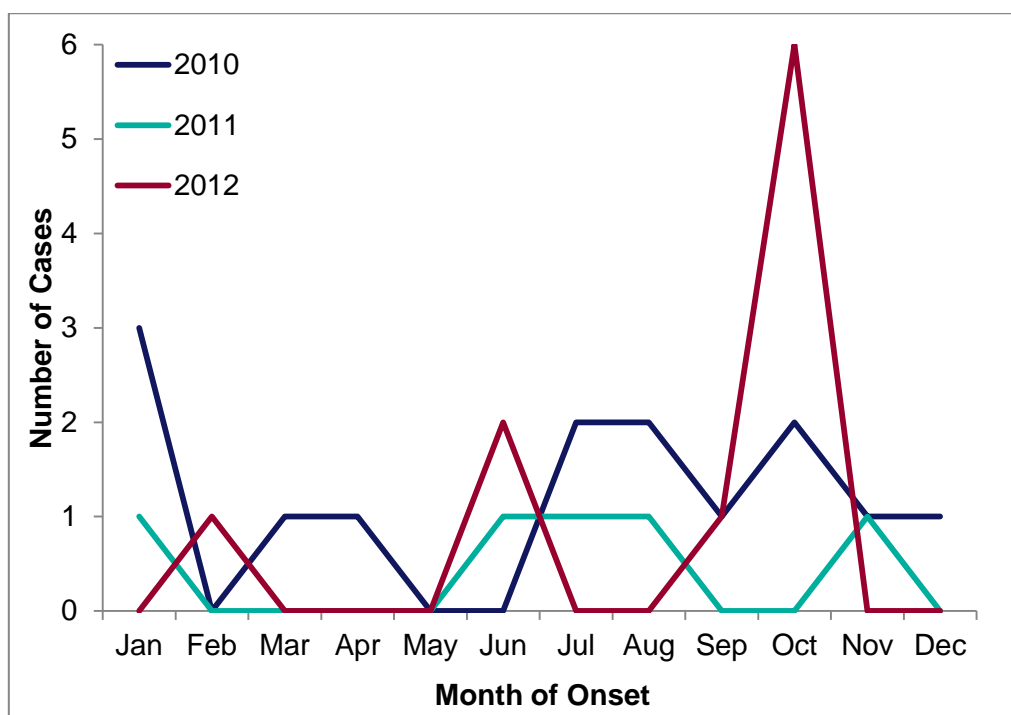


Table 5: Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Thames Valley by diagnostic test and year of onset; 2010 - 2012~

	2010	2011	2012	Total	National Total (2010-2012)
Case Numbers[†]	14	5	10	29	898
Culture	6	3	2	11	180 (20.0)
Urine	14	4	10	28	881 (98.0)
Serology (SHT)	-	-	-	-	13 (1.5)
Serology (FFR)	-	-	-	-	3 (0.3)
PCR	1	1	1	3	145 (16.2)

~ This table shows the investigations carried out on each confirmed case

[†] Please note that some cases have more than one diagnostic test carried out, therefore the sum of diagnostic tests does not equal the annual 'case number'.

Table 6: Number of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Thames Valley by Local Authority (Upper-Tier) and year of onset; 2010 – 2012

Local Authority	2010	2011	2012	Total (2010-2012)
Aylesbury Vale	1	-	-	1
Bracknell Forest	1	-	-	1
Chiltern	-	-	1	1
Newbury	-	1	3	4
Reading	3	1	1	5
Slough	1	-	-	1
South Oxfordshire	1	1	1	3
Vale of White Horse	-	1	1	2
West Oxfordshire	2	-	-	2
Windsor and Maidenhead	-	1	1	2
Wokingham	1	-	1	2
Wycombe	4	-	1	5
Total	14	5	10	29

Table 7: Number and type of outbreaks/clusters with associated number of Thames Valley cases of Legionnaires' disease; 2010 – 2012

Category	2010		2011		2012		Total (2010-2012)	
	OB	Cases	OB	Cases	OB	Cases	OB	Cases
Community	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	2
Nosocomial	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Travel UK	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Total	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2

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