

Protecting and improving the nation's health

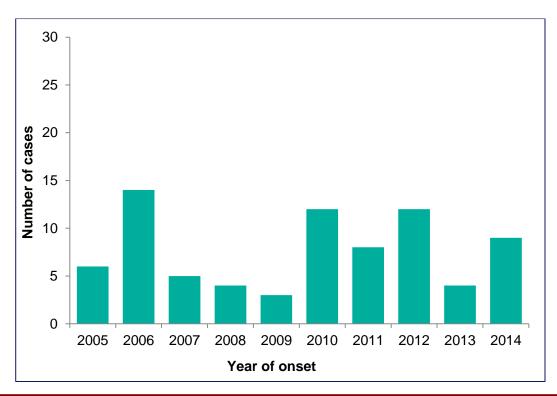
Local Summary of Legionnaires' disease in Residents of England and Wales, 2014

Devon, Cornwall and Somerset

This report provides a short summary of Legionella activity in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset, with particular emphasis on cases with onset of symptoms during 2014. Data for years 2012 and 2013 and in some tables and graphs, for years 2005 to 2013, are presented for comparative purposes.

For wider analysis of Legionella activity across England and Wales along with case definitions and a detailed methodology, please refer to the annual report, Legionnaires' disease in England and Wales; 2014, available on the Public Health England website at; https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/legionnaires-disease-in-england-and-wales-2014

Figure 1: Number of cases of legionellosis (confirmed and presumptive) in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by year of onset of symptoms; 2005 – 2014



PHE publications gateway number: 2015145

Published: September 2015

Table 1: Number of cases of legionellosis (confirmed and presumptive) in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by disease type and year of onset; 2012 – 2014

	Number of	of confirme	d (presum	otive*) cases
	2012	2013	2014	Total (2012 - 2014)
Legionnaires' disease	12	4	9	25
Non-pneumonic Legionellosis	-	-	-	0
Pontiac fever	-	-	-	0
Total	12	4	9	25

^{*} presumptive cases with only a single high titre or PCR result

Table 2: Number and population rate per million of confirmed cases of Legionnaires' disease in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by year of onset; 2012 – 2014

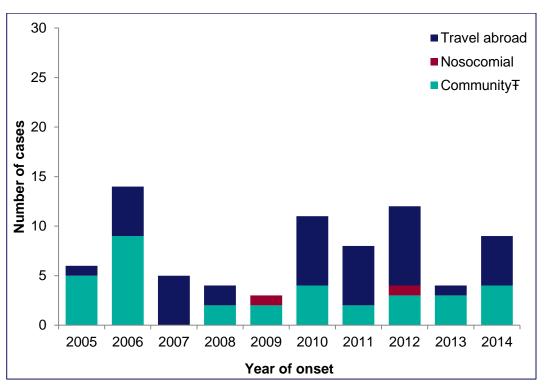
Region	20)12	20	13	2014		Total (2012 - 2014)	
	n	Rate	n	Rate	n	Rate	n	Rate
Devon, Cornwall and Somerset	12	5.38	4	1.79	9	4.03	25	3.74
National	306	5.40	285	5.03	331	5.84	922	5.42

Table 3: Number and proportion of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by likely exposure category; 2012 – 2014

Category	2012	2013	2014	Total	National Total (2012 - 2014)
Community [∓]	3 (25.0)	3 (75.0)	4 (44.4)	10 (40.0)	546 (59.2)
Nosocomial	1 (8.3)	-	-	1 (4.0)	22 (2.4)
Travel abroad	8 (66.7)	1 (25.0)	5 (55.6)	14 (56.0)	354 (38.4)
Total	12	4	9	25	922

Ŧ includes travel UK cases

Figure 2: Number of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by year of onset and category; 2005 – 2014



Ŧ includes travel UK cases

Table 4: Number and proportion of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by age group and gender, with age specific casefatality rates; 2012 – 2014

	Nun	nber (%) of	cases	No.	Age Specific	
Age Groups	Female	Male	Total (2012-2014)	Deaths	CFR (95%CI)	
Under 50 years	-	1 (100.0)	1 (4.0)	-	0.0 (0.0 - 97.5 [‡])	
50-59 years	3 (60.0)	2 (40.0)	5 (20.0)	-	0.0 (0.0 - 52.2 [‡])	
60-69 years	4 (33.3)	8 (66.7)	12 (48.0)	-	0.0 (0.0 - 26.5 [‡])	
70 years & over	3 (42.9)	4 (57.1)	7 (28.0)	1	14.3 (0.4 - 57.9)	
Total	10 (40.0)	15 (60.0)	25 (100.0)	1	4.0 (0.1 - 20.4)	

[‡] one-sided, 97.5% confidence interval

[°]confirmed LD case: diagnosis by culture, urinary antigen or serology with a four-fold rise (FFR) and evidence of pneumonia

Figure 3: Number of confirmed Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by month and year of onset; 2012 – 2014

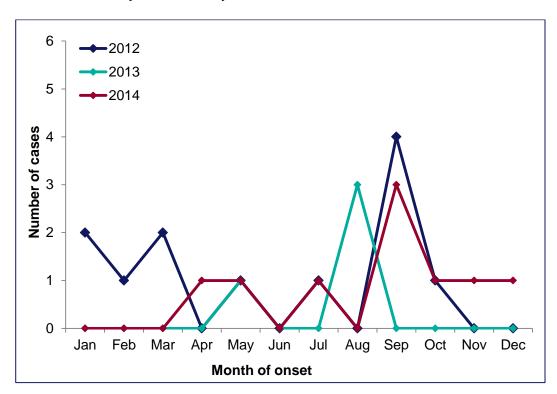


Table 5: Legionnaires' disease cases in residents of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by diagnostic test and year of onset; 2012 - 2014~

	2012	2013	2014	Total (2012 - 2014)	National Total (2012 - 2014)
Case Numbers [†]	12	4	9	25	922
Culture	2 (16.7)	1 (25.0)	2 (22.2)	5 (20.0)	211 (22.9)
Urine	12 (100.0)	3 (75.0)	9 (100.0)	24 (96.0)	905 (98.2)
Serology (SHT)	-	-	-	-	-
Serology (FFR)	-	-	-	-	-
PCR	2 (16.7)	-	-	2 (8.0)	246 (26.7)

[~] 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 Devon, Cornwall and Somerset by Local Authority (Upper-Tier) and year of onset; 2012 – 2014

Local Authority	2012	2013	2014	Total (2012 - 2014)
Cornwall UA	4	1	-	5
Mendip	3	-	-	3
Mid Devon	1	-	-	1
North Devon	-	-	1	1
Plymouth	1	1	1	3
South Hams	-	1	-	1
South Somerset	2	-	1	3
Teignbridge	-	-	2	2
Torbay	-	-	3	3
Torridge	-	-	1	1
West Devon	1	-	-	1
West Somerset	-	1	-	1
Total	12	4	9	25

Table 7: Number and type of outbreaks/clusters with associated number of Devon, Cornwall and Somerset cases of Legionnaires' disease; 2012 – 2014

	2012		2	013	2014		Total (2012 - 2014)	
	ОВ	Cases	ОВ	Cases	ОВ	Cases	ОВ	Cases
Community	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Nosocomial	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Travel UK	-	-	1	2^	-	-	0	2^
Total	0	0	0	2^	0	0	0	2^

^(^) one or more cases with onset of symptoms before 2012

First published: July 2015 © Crown copyright 2015 Re-use of Crown copyright material (excluding logos) is allowed under the terms of the Open Government Licence, visit www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-governmentlicence/version/2/ for terms and conditions.