

# New York State Acute Hepatitis Surveillance Summary

## Cases Reported January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008<sup>1</sup>

### Acute Hepatitis C

Number of confirmed cases <sup>2,3</sup>	43
NYS rate per 100,000 population	0.39
U.S. rate per 100,000 population <sup>4</sup>	0.30

Age (years)	N	%
≤ 1	0	0.0
2-5	0	0.0
6-10	0	0.0
11-20	3	7.0
21-30	12	27.9
31-40	8	18.6
41-50	13	30.2
50+	7	16.3

Mean Age: 38.3 years

Gender	N	%
Male	14	32.6
Female	29	67.4

Race	N	%
White	31	72.1
Black	4	9.3
Alaskan Native/Amer Ind	0	0
Asian/Pac Islander	1	2.3
Other	4	9.3
Unknown	3	7.0

Ethnicity	N	%
Non-Hispanic	32	74.4
Hispanic	5	11.6
Unknown	6	14.0

### Reported Cases by County<sup>5</sup>

Albany	1	Franklin	1	Onondaga	5	Steuben	1
Broome	1	Fulton	1	Ontario	1	Suffolk	3
Chenango	1	Jefferson	1	Putnam	1	Ulster	1
Columbia	2	Monroe	2	Rensselaer	3	Warren	1
Dutchess	1	Nassau	5	Saratoga	1	Wayne	1
Erie	7	Niagara	1	Schenectady	1		

### FOOTNOTES:

<sup>1</sup> Represents cases reported to the NYSDOH by local health departments during 2008, excluding New York City.

<sup>2</sup> Case Definition:

Clinical criteria: An acute illness with  
1) a discrete onset of symptoms and  
2) jaundice, or ALT ≥400 u/L)

Laboratory criteria: 1) positive confirmatory anti-HCV or HCV RNA and

2) IgM anti-HAV and IgM anti-HBc negative  
Confirmed case classification: Meets both the clinical and laboratory criteria.

<sup>3</sup> Acute hepatitis C cases are difficult to diagnose for several reasons; therefore, it is likely that these data reflect an underreporting of acute hepatitis C cases.

<sup>4</sup> Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Notifiable Disease Surveillance System, 2007.

<sup>5</sup> Includes only counties that reported at least one case of acute hepatitis C in 2008.

Note: Percentages may not equal 100 due to rounding.



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