

Incidence Rates of Poliomyelitis in England

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Acute Poliomyelitis became notifiable in 1912.

*Deaths include late effects.

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YEAR	NOTIFICATIONS			
	Acute Poliomyelitis (paralytic)	Acute polio-encephalitis (non-paralytic)	Total Poliomyelitis	Deaths*
1912	839	--	839	--
1913	745	--	745	--
1914	509	--	509	177
1915	517	--	517	172
1916	688	--	688	190
1917	354	--	354	168
1918	228	--	228	237
1919	553	82	615	179
1920	293	38	329	134
1921	488	51	539	169
1922	355	31	386	136
1923	587	57	644	119
1924	777	83	860	157
1925	371	51	422	156
1926	1158	138	1296	235
1927	801	94	895	182
1928	452	89	541	167
1929	531	91	622	140
1930	506	85	591	164
1931	339	55	394	98
1932	656	94	750	178
1933	711	83	794	202
1934	589	81	670	135
1935	630	67	697	145
1936	528	52	580	102
1937	758	95	853	152

1938	1485	96	1581	254
1939	732	87	819	142
1940	938	128	1066	159
1941	861	79	940	155
1942	545	91	636	123
1943	398	46	444	88
1944	438	57	495	97
1945	748	73	821	126
1946	600	55	655	116
1947	7095	551	7646	688
1948	1674	155	1829	239
1949	5439	479	5918	657
1950	5565	2195	7760	755

Source: *Communicable Statistics Series MB3*

YEAR	Notifications			Deaths	
	Acute Poliomyelitis (paralytic)	Acute polio-encephalitis (non-paralytic)	Total Poliomyelitis	Total Deaths	Excluding Late Effects
1951	1529	1085	2514	217	191
1952	2747	1163	3910	295	275
1953	2976	1571	4547	338	320
1954	1319	641	1960	134	112
1955	3712	2619	6331	270	241
1956	1717	1483	3200	137	114
1957	3177	1667	4844	255	226
1958	1419	575	1994	154	129
1959	739	289	1028	87	68
1960	257	121	378	46	23
1961	707	169	876	79	59
1962	212	59	271	45	18
1963	39	12	51	38	35
1964	29	8	37	29	4
1965	55	36	91	19	3
1966	19	4	23	22	1
1967	16	3	19	15	0

1968	19	5	24	15	0
1969	9	1	10	10	0
1970	6	0	6	19	0
1971	6	1	7	23	0
1972	3	2	5	15	0
1973	4	1	5	17	3
1974	5	1	6	23	0
1975	2	1	3	17	0
1976	10	3	13	25	1
1977	15	1	16	15	0
1978	3	0	3	18	0
1979	6	2	8	20	0
1980	2	1	3	21	0
1981	2	0	2	24	0
1982	2	0	2	19	0
1983	4	0	4	21	0
1984	0	0	0	38	0
1985	3	1	4	29	0
1986	2	1	3	34	1
1987	3	0	3	21	0
1988	1	1	2	27	3
1989	1	0	1	29	0
1990	1	0	1	1	
1991	2	2	4	0	
1992	2	1	3	0	
1993	1	0	1	0	
1994	0	0	0	1	
1995	1	0	1	1	
1996	0	1	1	1	
1997	2	0	2	n/a	
1998			2		
1999			0		
2000			0		
Totals	62,264	17,038			

