Hepatitis A Surveillance
January 1, 2018–September 7, 2019

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Case Data
- Current case data are preliminary and will change as new information is gathered. The most recent data available are displayed in this report.
- Hepatitis A is a reportable disease in Florida. Case information is documented by county health department epidemiologists in Merlin, Florida’s reportable disease surveillance system.
  - Only Florida residents are included in case counts. Hepatitis A case counts include both confirmed and probable cases.
- Map counts and rates are determined by the individual’s county of residence; these data do not take into account location of exposure.
- For more information about reportable diseases, please visit FloridaHealth.gov/DiseaseReporting.
- For more information about Florida’s guides to surveillance and investigation, including disease-specific surveillance case definitions, please visit FloridaHealth.gov/GSI.

Population Data
- Population data from 2019 used to calculate incidence rates are from FLHealthCHARTS (Community Health Assessment Resource Tool Set).
- For more information about FLHealthCHARTS, please visit FLHealthCharts.com.

Vaccination Data
- Vaccination data are from Florida’s statewide immunization registry, Florida SHOTS. Use of Florida SHOTS is optional for most providers.
- For more information about Florida SHOTS, please visit flshotsusers.com.