

Case Information:

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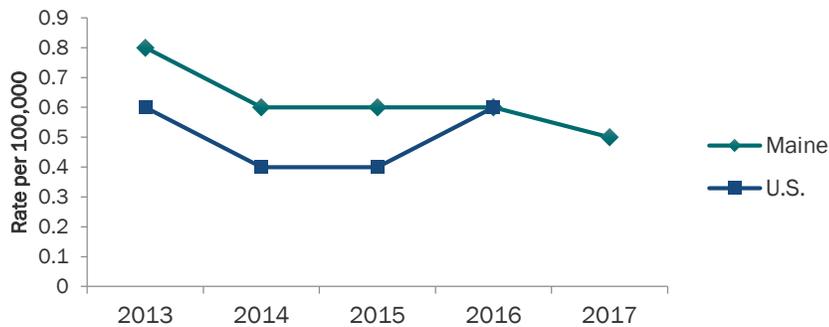
Patients diagnosed with acute hepatitis A

0.6

Cases per 100,000 people

0%

Increase since 2016



Demographics:

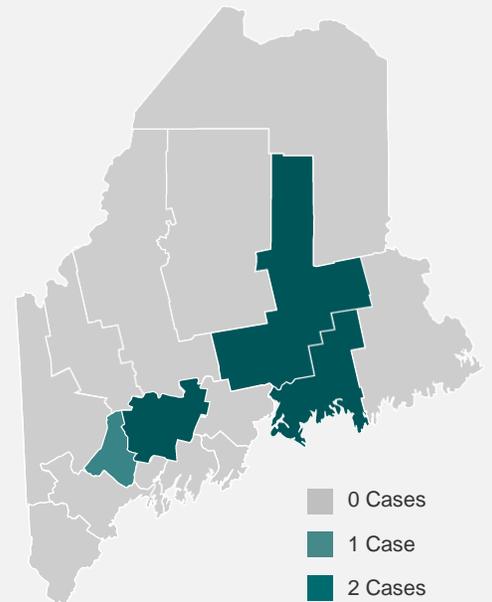


86% of patients were male

57 years old on average

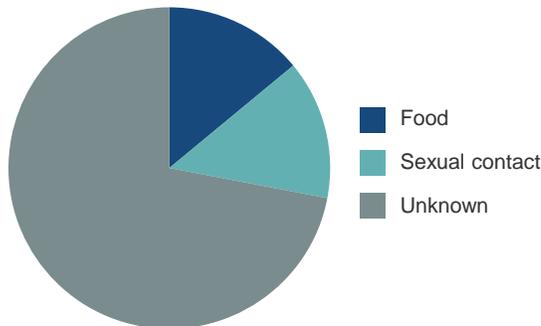
100% White

Geography:



Clinical Characteristics:

Mode of transmission



86%

were jaundiced

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had elevated liver enzyme lab test results

1 Patient reported sexual contact with someone who had hepatitis A

0 patients reported using drugs not prescribed by a doctor

0 Patients reported experiencing homelessness

Investigations:



47 investigations conducted

- 47 medical providers interviewed
- 7 patients interviewed
- 1 patient hospitalized
- 2 patients reported international travel
- 0 patients had been previously vaccinated for hepatitis A virus
- 0 patients reported working as a food handler

Prevention:

- Get vaccinated against hepatitis A
- Wash hands thoroughly after using restroom and before preparing food
- Avoid sexual practices that may allow fecal-oral transmission.
- When traveling, do not drink tap water or use ice

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