Case Information:

- **34** Patients diagnosed with legionellosis
- **2.5** Cases per 100,000 people
- **60%** increase since 2017

Demographics:

- 55% of patients were male
- 61 years old on average

Geography:

- **5** patients traveled outside of Maine during incubation period
- **100%** of patients were hospitalized

Characteristics:

- **5** high risk exposures
- None identified
- Long-term care facility stay
- Healthcare facility stay
- Hot tub use
- Multiple exposures

People at increased risk:

- People 50 years or older
- Current or former smokers
- People with chronic lung disease
- People with weak immune systems or who take drugs that weaken the immune system
- People with cancer
- People with underlying conditions such as diabetes, kidney failure, or liver failure

How it spreads:

- People get Legionnaires’ Disease when they breathe in small droplets of water containing *Legionella* bacteria
- People can not spread *Legionella* to other people

For more information visit:

- [www.maine.gov/idepi](http://www.maine.gov/idepi)
- [www.cdc.gov/legionella](http://www.cdc.gov/legionella)

All suspected or confirmed cases of legionellosis must be reported to Maine CDC by calling 1-800-821-5821.