Latent Tuberculosis Infection (LTBI)

Maine Surveillance Report | 2018

Case Information:

- **375** Patients diagnosed with LTBI
- **28** Cases per 100,000 people
- **42%** Decrease in cases since 2017

![Line graph showing the number of cases from 2014 to 2018, with a decrease in cases since 2017.]

Clinical Characteristics:

- **49%** of patients (184) were treated with Rifampin
- **2%** were a contact to a case of Active TB
- **3%** lived in a congregate setting
- **7** patients were immunocompromised
- **1** patient reported substance abuse

Prevention:

- Test high-risk individuals and treat LTBI
- LTBI causes no symptoms and is not infectious; treating LTBI greatly reduces the risk of developing active TB disease.

For more information visit:

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

Demographics:

- **56%** of patients were male
- 35 years old on average
- **2%** Asian
- **59%** Black
- **7%** White
- **31%** Unknown or Other Race

Geography:

- Patients were born in 39 different countries
- **Country of Birth** | **# Cases**
  - Angola | 136
  - Congo | 72
  - USA | 40
  - Djibouti | 20

LTBI is not reportable in Maine; case data is estimated from patients are referred to the TB Control program for diagnostic and medication cost assistance.