



# Updates from NMDOH

NMAFP Winter Refresher February 2026

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# Objectives

At the end of the session, attendees will be able to:

- Describe resources available to NM residents through the Department of Health.
- Understand NM health data and clinical updates on public health topics such as syphilis and drug overdoses.
- Understand emerging public health challenges

# Disclosures

None

# A little about NMDOH



NEW MEXICO INSANE ASYLUM AT LAS VEGAS.

# New Mexico Department of Health

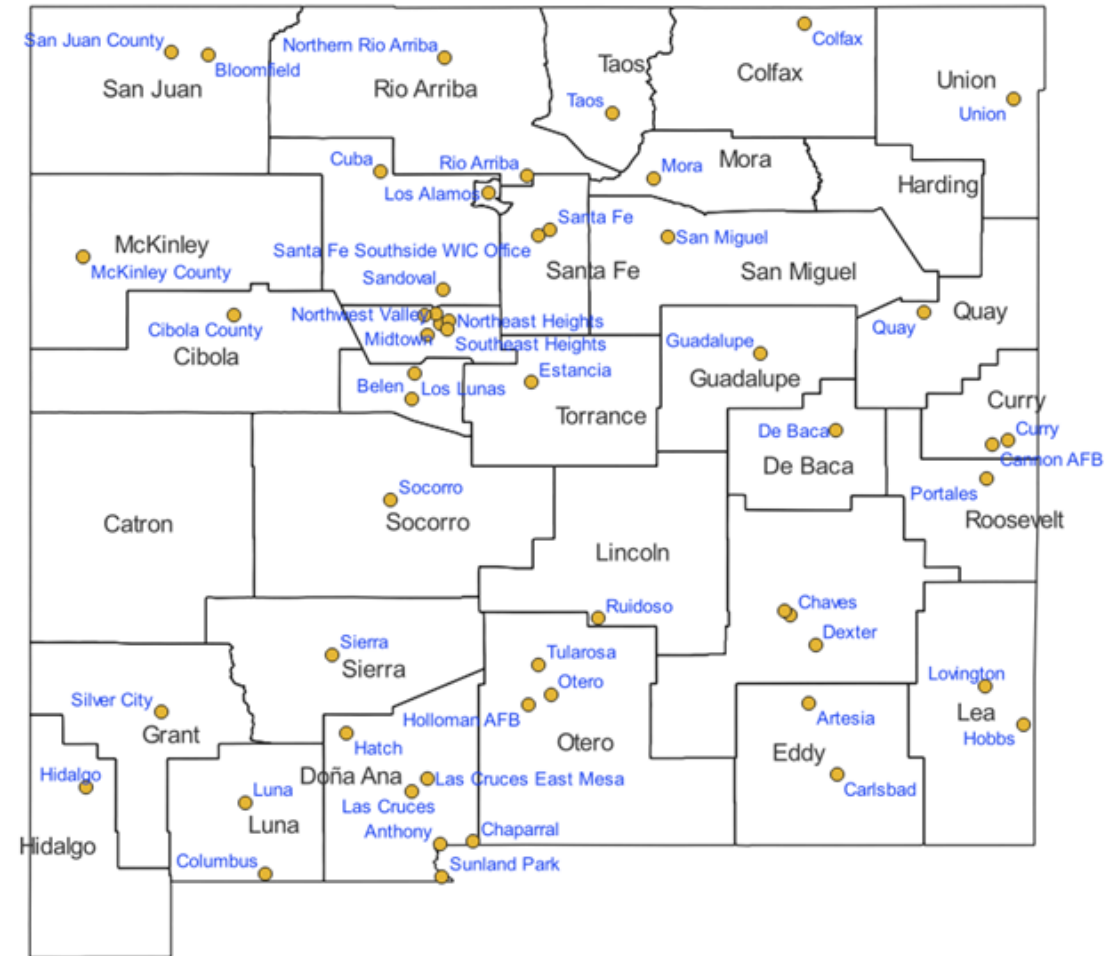


- Started in 1919 (Division of Public Health Nursing) with 4 nurses
- In 1925, public health nurses traveled 130,000 miles, making 10,500 home visits
- Emphasis on providing health care and health education
- Public Health priorities: decreasing infant mortality, improving hygiene, and preventing the spread of communicable diseases: diphtheria, typhoid, TB, malaria

# Public Health Offices

Services at the public health offices:

- STD testing and treatment
- Immunizations
- Family Planning
- HIV PrEP and PEP
- TB Care
- Women Infant Children (WIC)
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Hepatitis C
- Harm Reduction
- Children's Medical Services



# NMDOH Helpline

**NMHealth**  
**Helpline:**  
 Your Unified Health Resource  
**1-833-SWNURSE**  
 (1-833-796-8773)

**MONDAY-FRIDAY**  
 7am-8pm MST

**WEEKENDS**  
 10am-4pm MST

Services available in English and Spanish

Connecting New Mexicans to Health & Wellness

## KEY SERVICES

**Healthcare Connections**

- Find primary care doctors, mental healthcare & specialists.
- Get STI testing & treatment resources.
- Find addiction treatment.

**Health Questions**

- Ask questions about diseases & infections, including food poisoning & animal bites.
- Get advice about COVID & other winter viruses.
- Schedule vaccines for kids & adults.

**Reproductive Health Services**

- Find birth control, including the morning after pill.
- Find an abortion provider & learn about resources.
- Connect to healthy pregnancy resources & prenatal care.

**Provider Support**

- Report notifiable conditions.
- Consult with an epidemiologist.
- Receive help with STD & TB management.

[nmhealth.org](https://www.nmhealth.org)

# NMDOH Facilities

## Treatment

- NM Behavioral Health Institute (NMBHI)
- Turquoise Lodge Hospital (1953)
- New Mexico Rehabilitation Center (1968)
- Sequoyah Adolescent Treatment Center

## Long-Term Care

- Fort Bayard Medical Center
- New Mexico State Veteran's Home
- The Meadows at NM Behavioral Health Institute

## Supported Living

- Los Lunas Community Program

# MAT Services

- The NMDOH **Southwest Pathways Program** has been providing MAT services in Las Cruces in 2009
- Statewide expansion May 2024
- No out-of-pocket costs for visits
- Medication Assistance Program will cover the cost of suboxone until people get enrolled in Medicaid



# Vaccines



# New CDC Childhood Vaccine Schedule

January 5, 2026, CDC updates the childhood vaccine schedule

## Purpose:

- Re-build trust in public health
- Allows for more flexibility and choice, with less coercion
- Calls for a strengthening of vaccine research

## Scientific review included:

- Comparison to peer nations – number of vaccines and mandates
- Cites trust in U.S. public health declined from 72% to 40% between 2020 and 2024
- States large vaccine trials are still needed
- [Assessment of the U.S. Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule Compared to Other Countries](#)



# NMDOH

NMDOH recommends following the AAP Schedule:

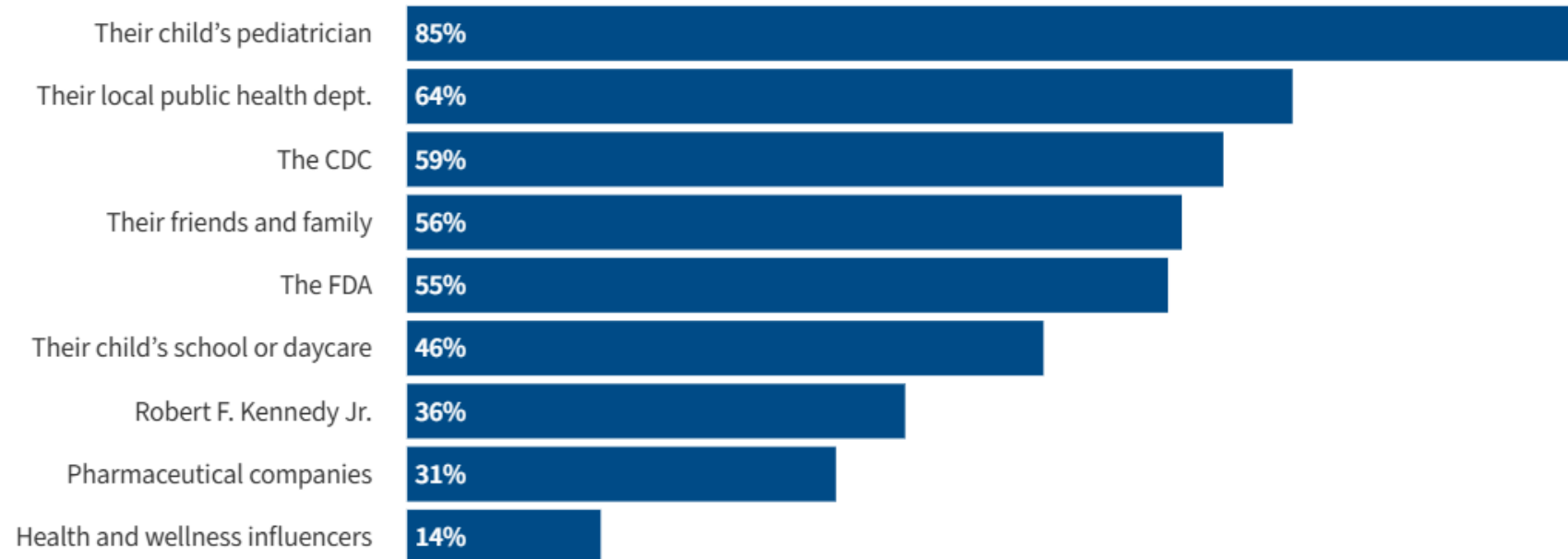
- No new safety data
- No new effectiveness/efficacy data
- Prevents confusion
- Prevents disruptions to clinical practice
- Better for NM

All childhood vaccines still available through VFC and covered by all insurance

# Vaccine Confidence

## Children’s Pediatricians Are the Most Trusted Source of Vaccine Information Among Parents, While Trust in the CDC and FDA is More Divided

Percent who say they trust each of the following a **great deal** or a **fair amount** to provide reliable information about vaccines:



[Who Parents Trust for Childhood Vaccine Information - KFF Polling on Health Information and Trust | KFF](#)

Note: Among parents of children under age 18. Independents include those who identify with 'Other' party. See topline for full question wording.

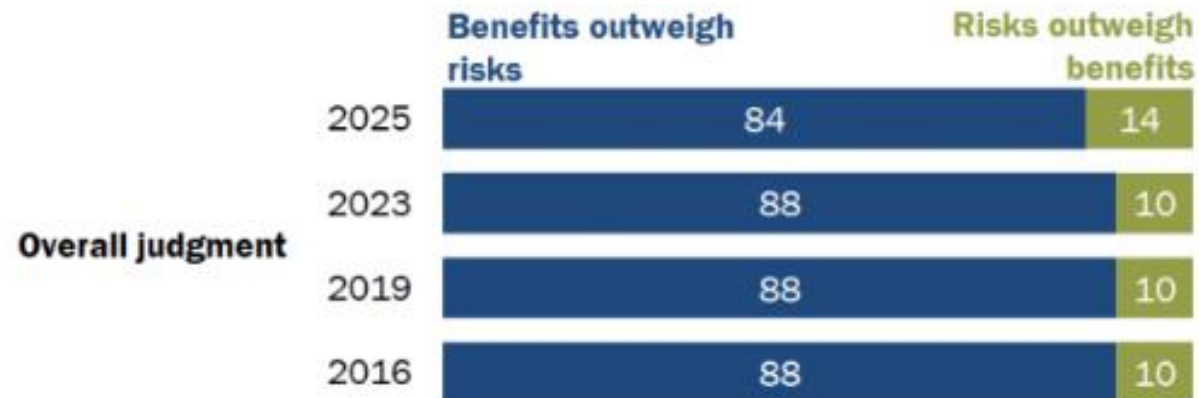
Source: KFF/The Washington Post Survey of Parents (July 18-August 4, 2025)

[Download Data](#)

# Vaccine Confidence

## 84% of Americans say the benefits of the MMR vaccine outweigh the risks

*% of U.S. adults who say the following about childhood vaccines for measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)*



[How Do Americans View Childhood Vaccines, Vaccine Research and Policy? | Pew Research Center](#)

# Measles Response



# Measles

- Extremely infectious (attack rate 90% in exposed, susceptible people)
- Virus can remain suspended in air for 2 hours
- From exposure to rash onset averages 14 days, but ranges from 7-21 days
- Infectious from 4 days before to 4 days after rash onset
- Airborne isolation in healthcare setting
- Preventable

**Measles** IT ISN'T JUST A LITTLE RASH

MEASLES SYMPTOMS TYPICALLY INCLUDE

- High fever (may spike to more than 104° F)
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Red, watery eyes
- Rash breaks out 3-5 days after symptoms begin

Measles can be dangerous, especially for babies and young children.

**Measles Can Be Serious**

- About 1 out of 4 people who get measles will be hospitalized.
- 1 out of every 1,000 people with measles will develop brain swelling due to infection (encephalitis), which may lead to brain damage.
- 1 or 2 out of 1,000 people with measles will die, even with the best care.

**You have the power to protect your child.** Provide your children with **safe** and **long-lasting protection** against measles by making sure they get the **measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine** according to CDC's recommended immunization schedule.

[WWW.CDC.GOV/MEASLES](http://WWW.CDC.GOV/MEASLES)

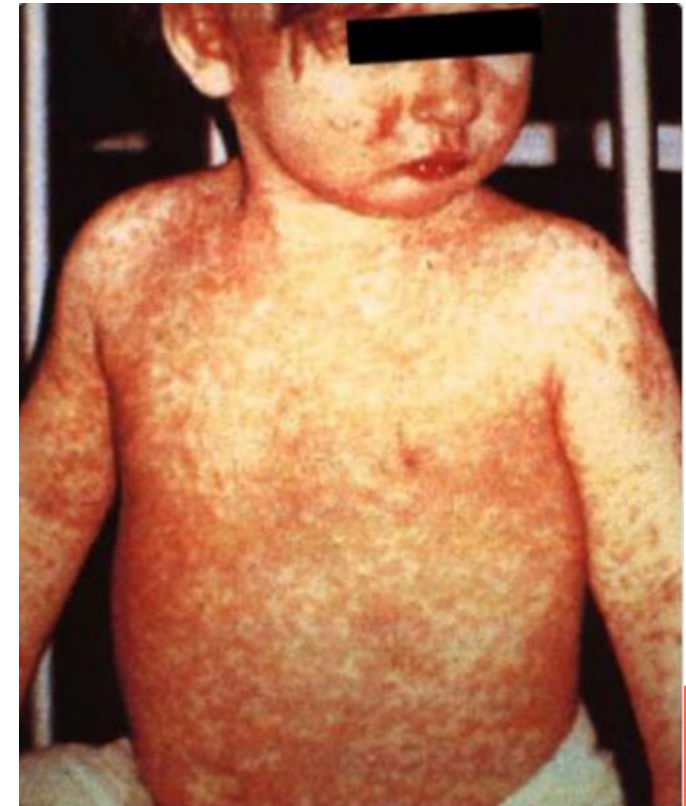
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# Symptoms

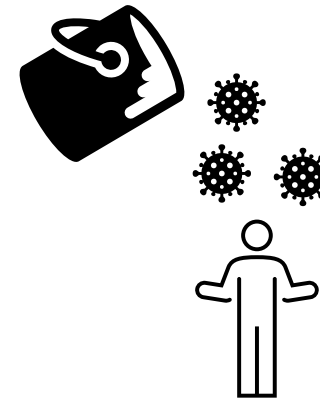
- **Prodrome** (usually 2-4 days, ranges 1-7 days)
  - **Fever**, which increases stepwise up to 103-105°F
  - **The Three C's**
    - Cough
    - Coryza (runny nose)
    - Conjunctivitis
  - **Koplik spots**
- **Rash**

Time (generally) ↓



# Measles Rash

- Red, blotchy, maculopapular. Blanches at first but not after 3-4 days.
- Begins on face near hairline or behind the ears, spreads down and around to rest of body over next few days
- Lasts 4-7 days, fades in the order that it appeared
- A “morbilliform rash” is a measles-like rash (from genus *Morbillivirus*)



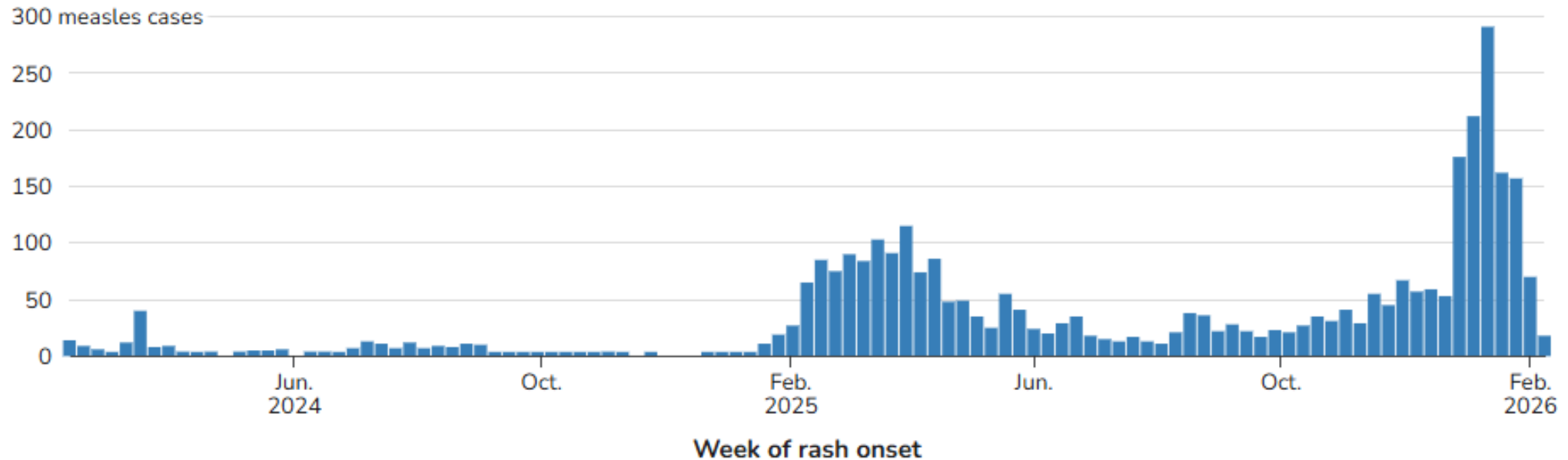
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# US Measles Report

## Weekly measles cases by rash onset date

2023–2026\* (as of February 12, 2026)



# US Demographics

## U.S. Cases

	2026 To date	2025 Full year
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>2280</b>
<b>Age</b>		
Under 5 years	227 (25%)	582 (26%)
5-19 years	527 (58%)	1014 (44%)
20+ years	136 (15%)	671 (29%)
Age unknown	20 (2%)	13 (1%)
<b>Vaccination Status</b>		
Unvaccinated or Unknown	94%	93%
One MMR dose	2%	3%
Two MMR doses	3%	4%

## U.S. Hospitalizations

	2026	2025
<b>Total Hospitalized</b>	<b>3%</b> (30 of 910 cases)	<b>11%</b> (246 of 2280 cases)
<b>Percent of Age Group Hospitalized</b>		
Under 5 years	6% (13 of 227)	18% (107 of 582)
5-19 years	2% (9 of 527)	6% (57 of 1014)
20+ years	5% (7 of 136)	12% (82 of 671)
Age unknown	5% (1 of 20)	0% (0 of 13)

## U.S. Deaths

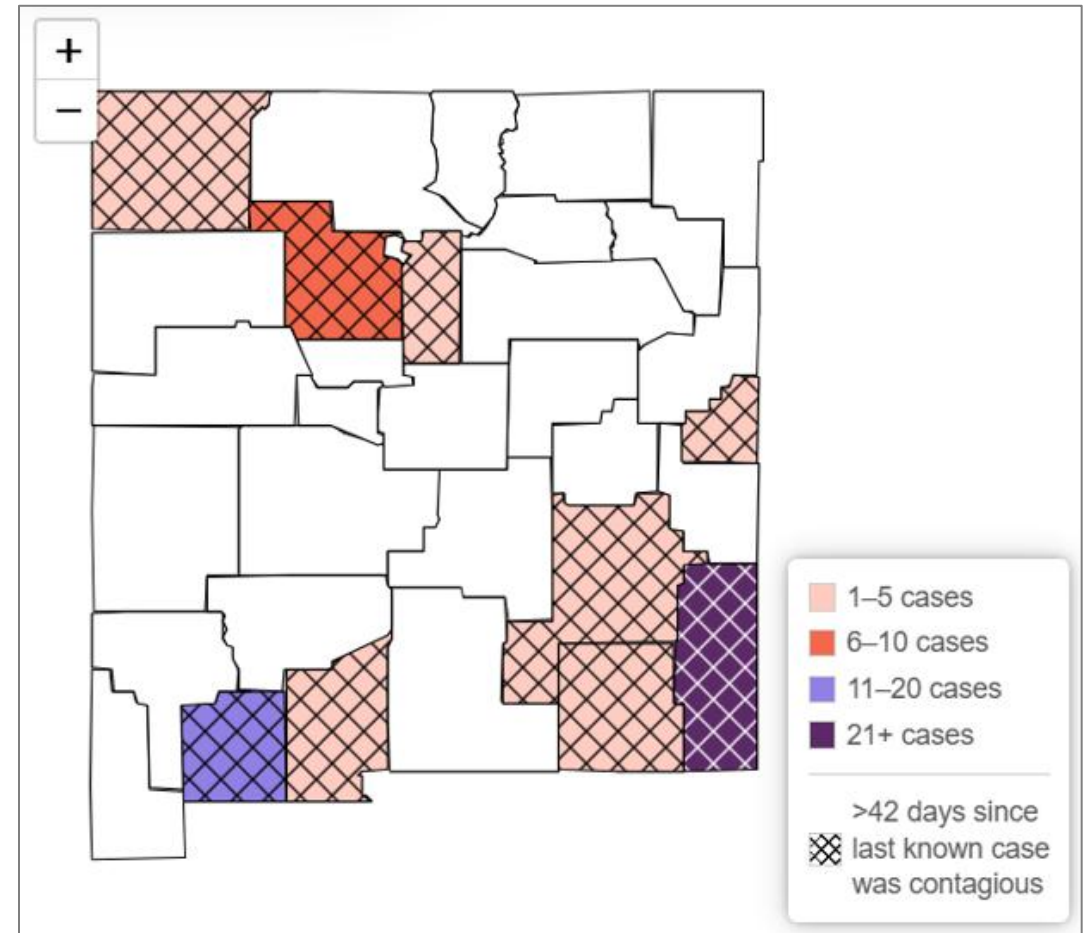
	2026	2025
<b>Total Deaths</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

# NM Measles Outbreak Feb - Sept 2025

- 100 reported cases
  - 53 adults and 47 children (aged <18 years)
  - 7 hospitalizations
  - 1 death

Measles Cases by Vaccination Status

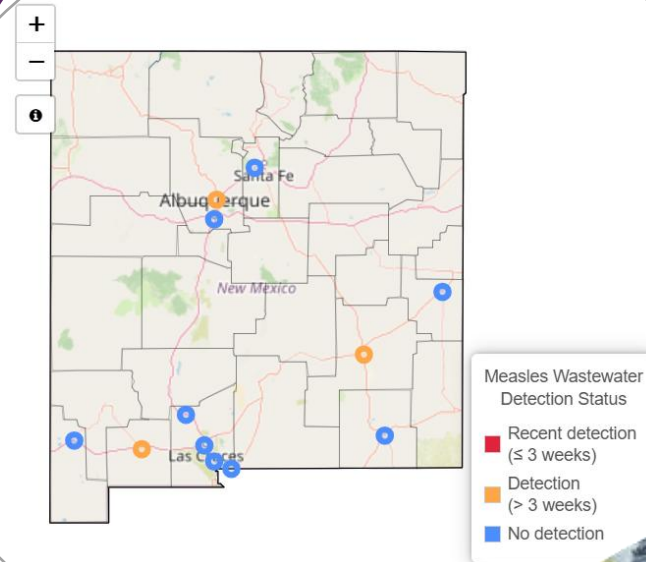
Vaccination Status	Cases
Vaccinated with at least one dose	15
Not Vaccinated	57
Unknown	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>



<https://www.nmhealth.org/about/erd/ideb/mog/>

# NM Response

- Incident Command System
- Helpline
- Vaccination outreach
- Communication
- Wastewater surveillance
- Webpage: [Measles](#)

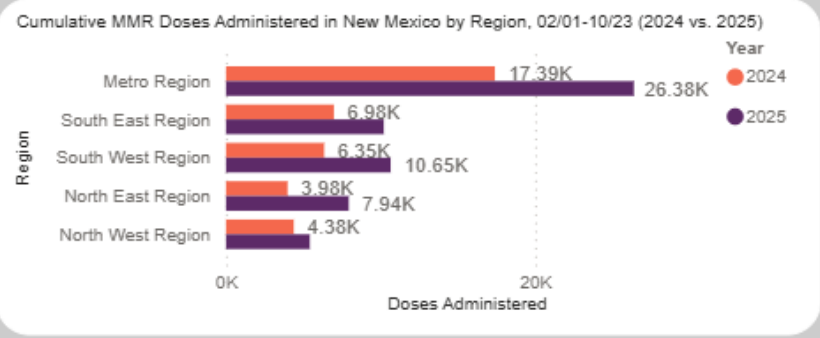
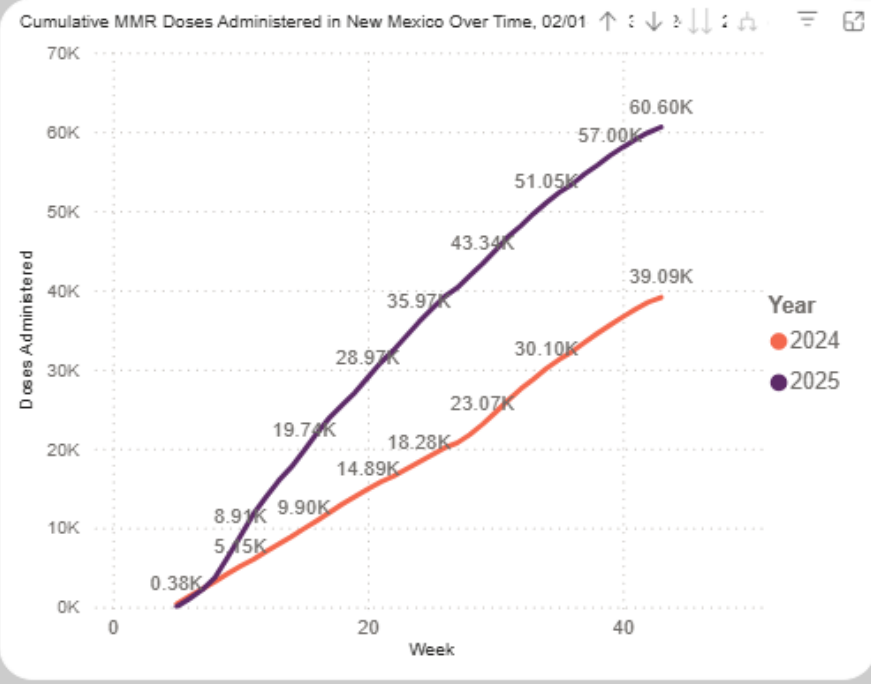


**New Mexico MMR Doses Administered Dashboard**  
New Mexico Statewide Immunization Information System (NMSIIS)

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Filter by Region:

Filter by County:

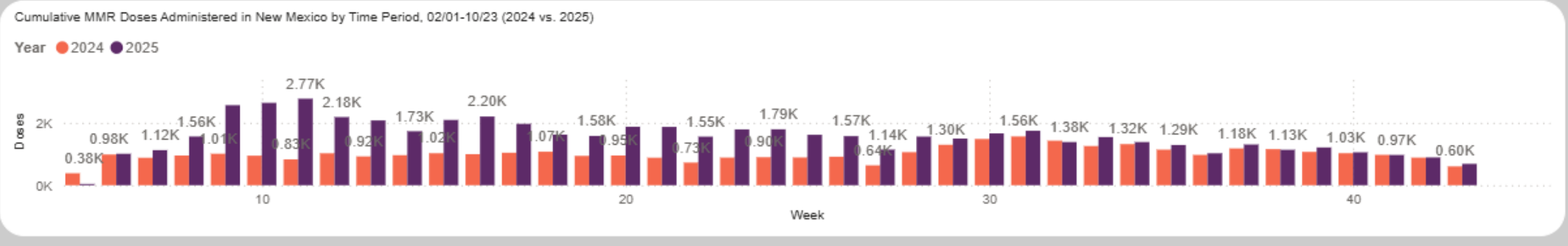
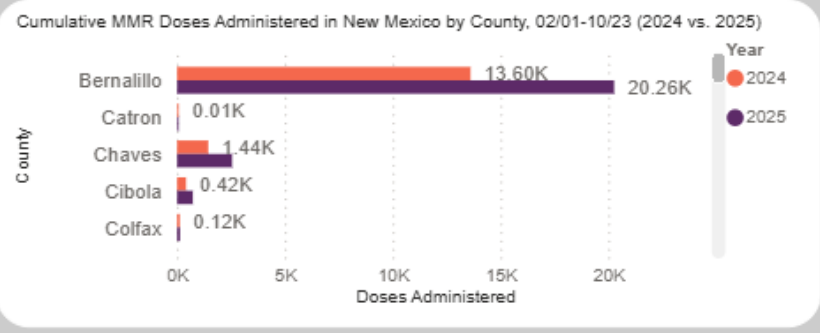


Cumulative MMR Doses Administered in New Mexico, 02/01-10/23, 2025

# 60,597

Percent Difference in Total MMR Doses Administered in New Mexico in 2025 Compared to 2024, 02/01-10/23

# 55%

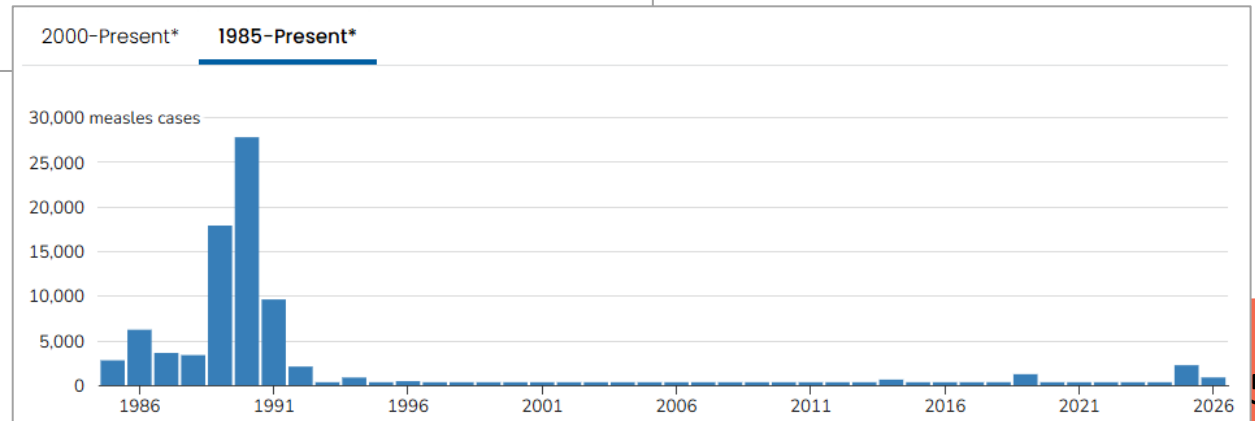
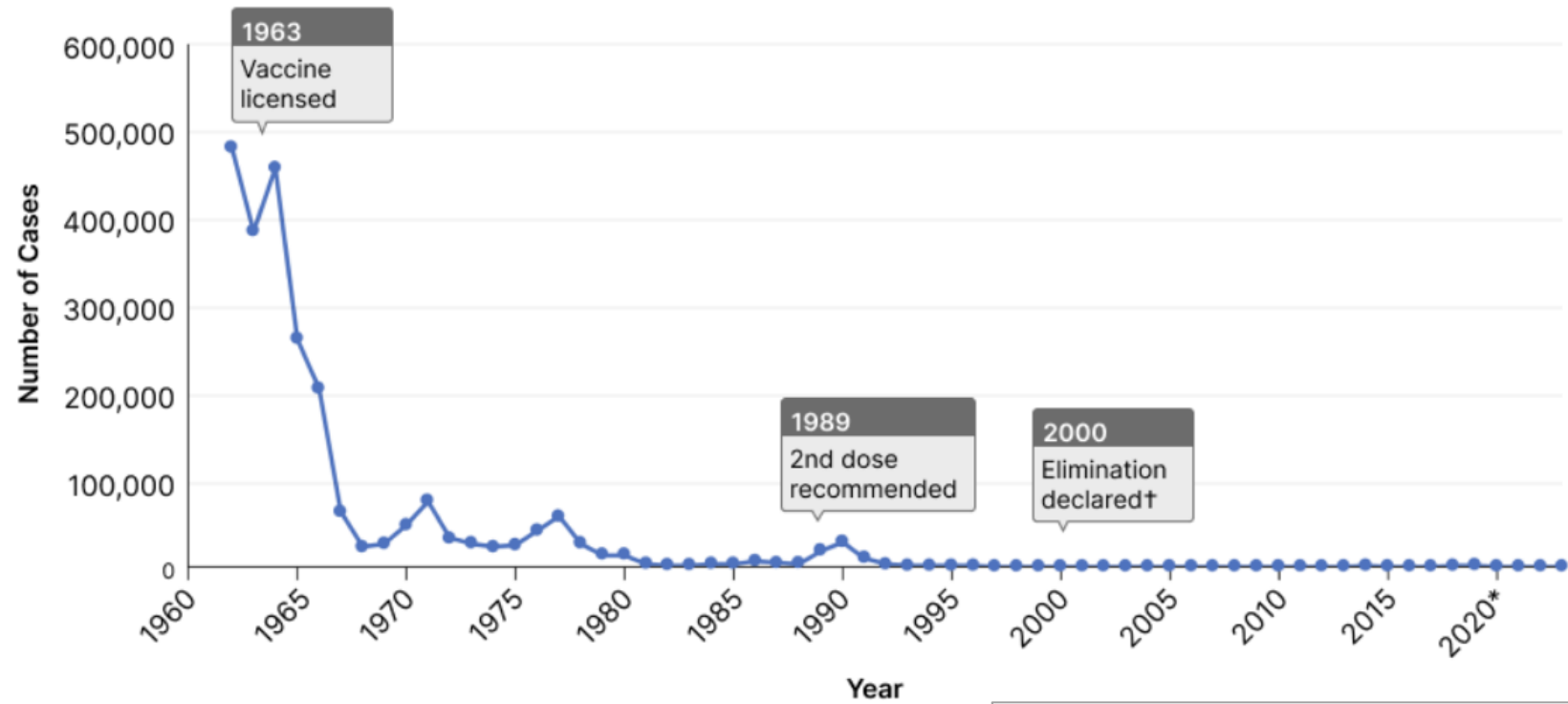


# Vaccination

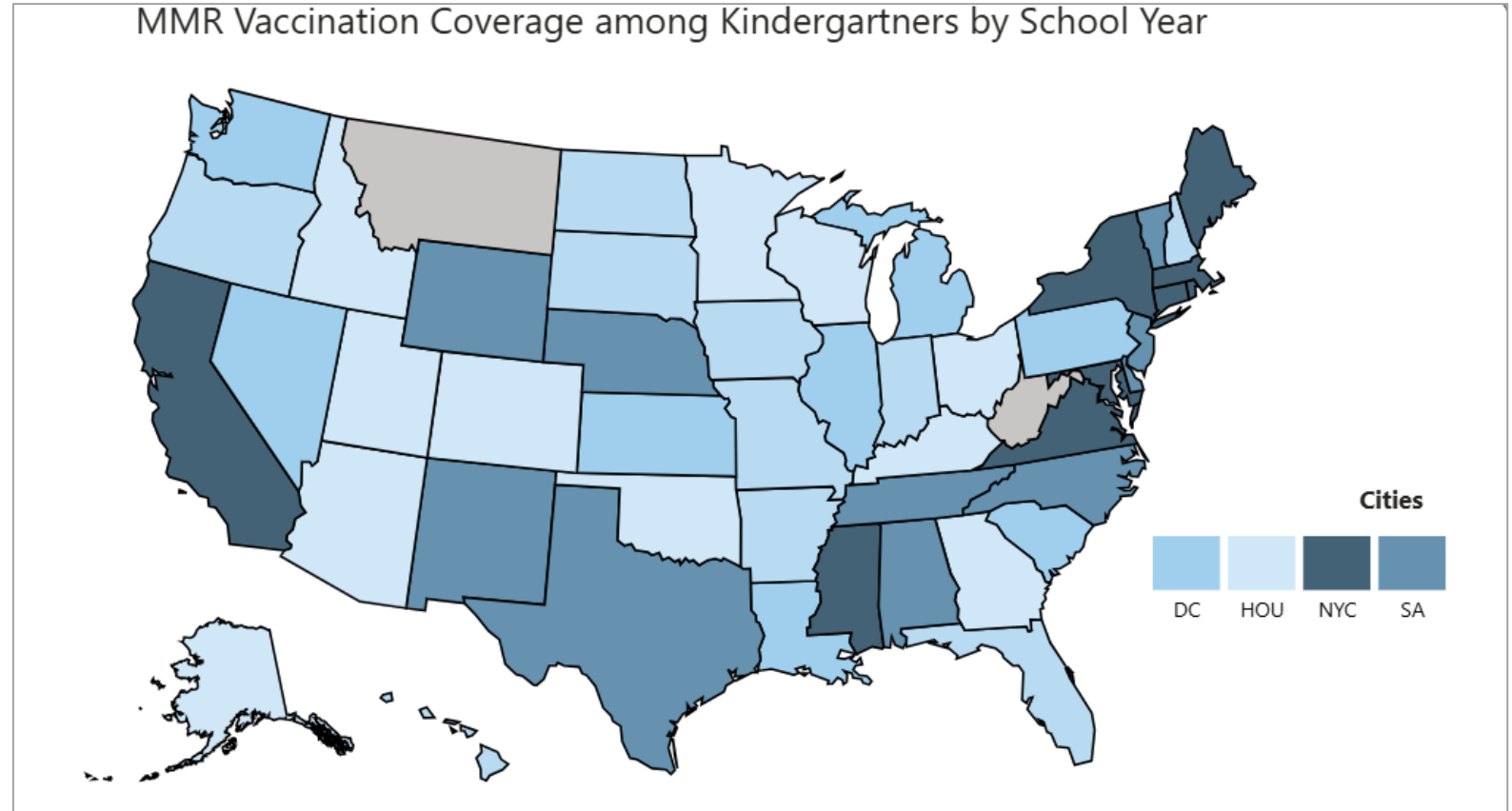
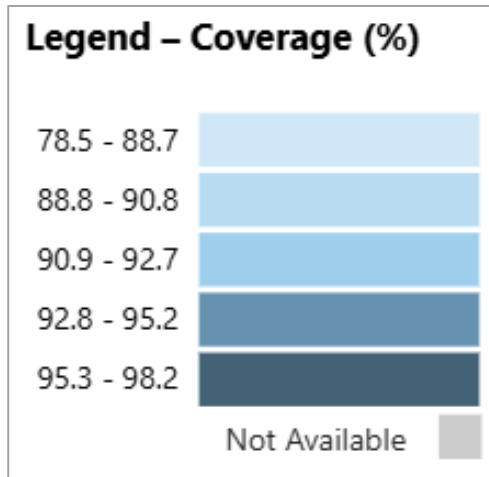
- Highly effective, live attenuated measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine
- Schedule:
  - First dose at 12-15 months and second dose at 4-6 years old
  - Can receive second dose 4 weeks after first dose
  - Can receive first dose at 6 – 12 months for international travel and in outbreaks
- Effectiveness:
  - One dose 93% effective against measles
  - Two doses 97% effective against measles

Infants who receive a dose of MMR vaccine before their first birthday should receive two more doses of MMR vaccine on the regular schedule.

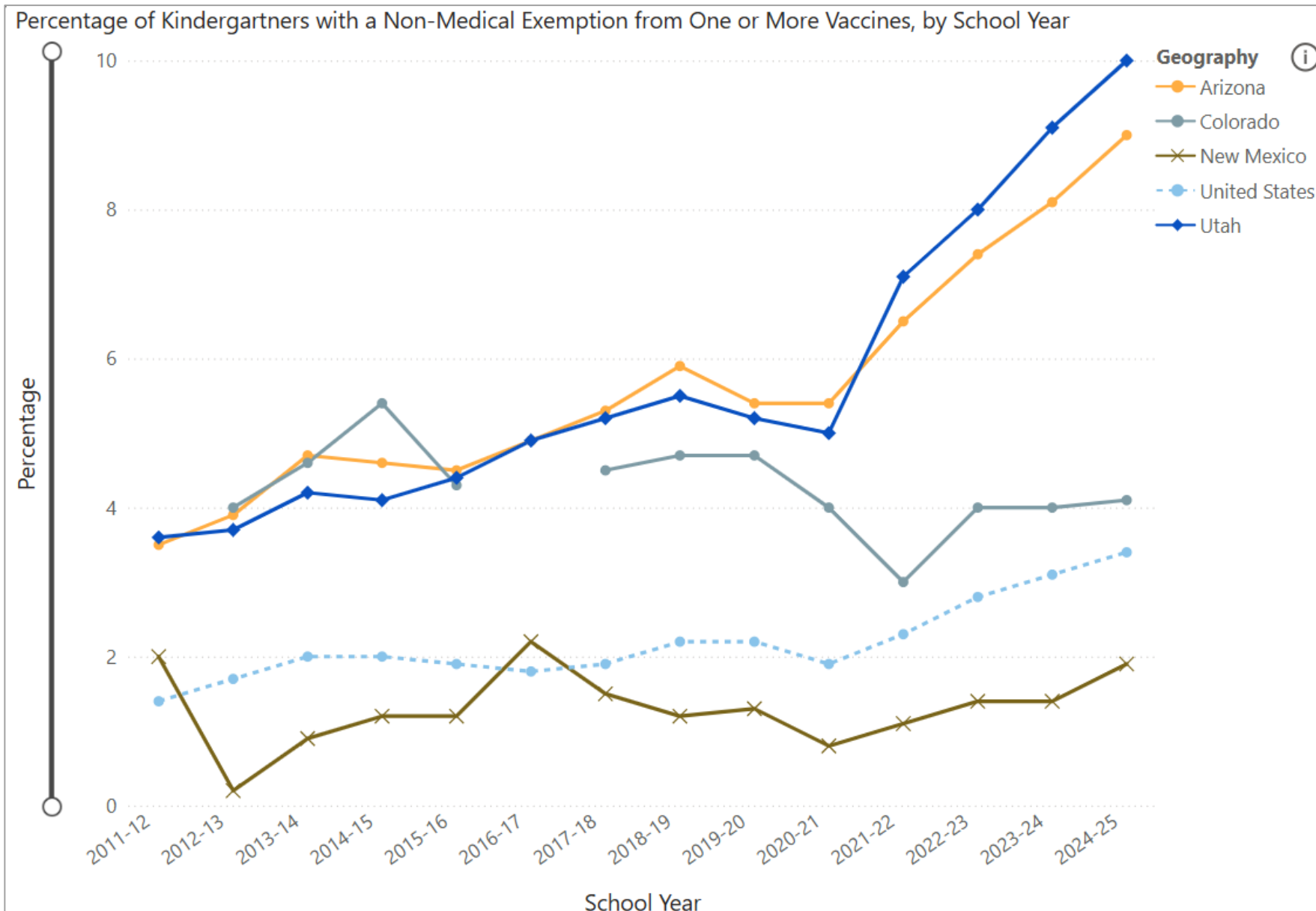
# Reported Measles Cases in the United States from 1962 – 2023\*



# Kindergarten MMR Vaccine Coverage, 2024-2025 School Year



<https://www.cdc.gov/schoolvaxview/data/index.html>.



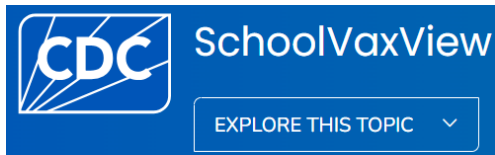
National trend of increasing vaccine exemptions accelerated after 2020



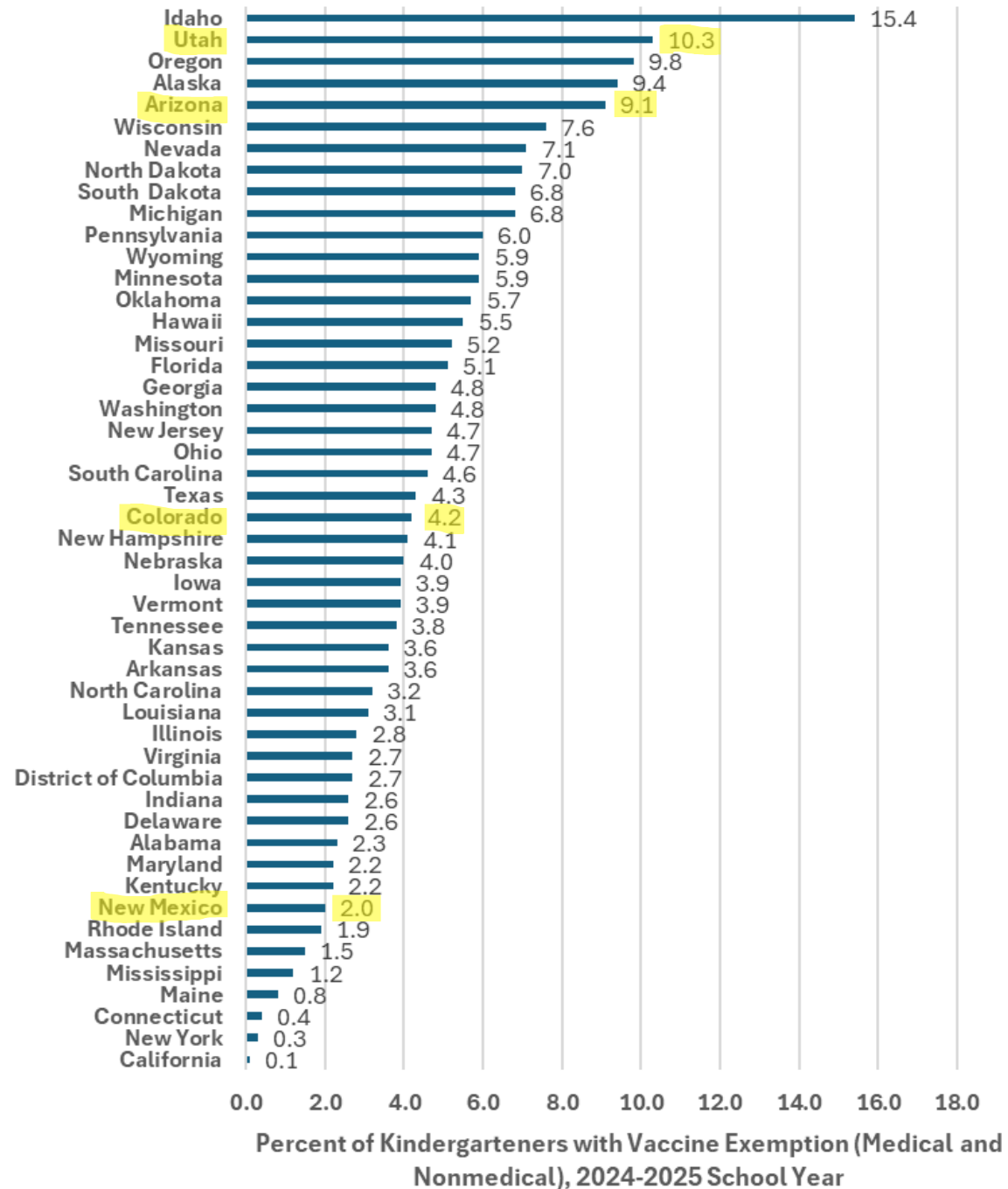
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# Kindergarten Exemption Rates in the US

- Includes medical and non-medical exemptions to any vaccine
- Immunization survey covering Kindergarteners in the 2024-2025 school year



<https://www.cdc.gov/schoolvaxview/data/index.html>



## Who does **not** need an extra MMR dose (for measles)

- Anyone who has already had two documented doses of MMR
  - No boosters are recommended for measles protection even in an outbreak situation
- Anyone who has had measles
  - Disease-acquired immunity is lifelong
- Anyone who has a titer (IgG blood test) showing immunity. This doesn't need to be rechecked
- Most people born before 1957 (healthcare workers may be an exception)

## Who might need an extra MMR dose

- Adults with no evidence of immunity (including those who aren't sure if they were immunized as children)
- Healthcare personnel with only one documented dose
- Adults vaccinated with “killed measles vaccine” or persons vaccinated from 1963 through 1967 with an unknown type of vaccine

# International Travel

In March 2024, CDC recommended:

- All U.S. residents older than age 6 months (without evidence of immunity) who are planning to travel internationally should receive MMR vaccine prior to departure.
- Infants aged 6 through 11 months should receive one dose of MMR vaccine before departure.
- Children aged 12 months or older should receive two doses of MMR vaccine, separated by at least 28 days.
- Teenagers and adults without evidence of measles immunity should receive two doses of MMR vaccine separated by at least 28 days

# Immune Amnesia

- Measles infection results in:
  - Lifelong measles-specific immunity
  - Transient immune suppression lasting weeks to months
  - Increased vulnerability to opportunistic infections for weeks to months (or longer) after recovering
  - Vaccination against measles is also associated with lower mortality from other childhood infections

1. Michael J. Mina *et al.* Measles virus infection diminishes preexisting antibodies that offer protection from other pathogens. *Science* **366**,599-606(2019). DOI:[10.1126/science.aay6485](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.aay6485).
2. Michael J. Mina *et al.* Long-term measles-induced immunomodulation increases overall childhood infectious disease mortality. *Science* **348**,694-699(2015). DOI:[10.1126/science.aaa3662](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.aaa3662)

# Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE)

## NEWS RELEASE



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- Rare, fatal progressive neurological disease presenting 7-10 years after measles infection
- Estimated incidence 7-11 per 100,000 cases, with higher risk if measles acquired before age 2

For Immediate Release:

**September 11, 2025**

### **Public Health Reminds Residents About the Importance of Measles Vaccination Following the Death of a Child from a Measles-Related Complication**

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health encourages residents to make sure that all members of their families are protected against measles following the recent tragic death of a school-aged LA County resident from a complication of measles infection acquired during infancy. The child was originally infected with measles as an infant before they were eligible to receive the measles vaccine which is routinely recommended to be administered between 12 and 15 months. Although they recovered from the initial measles illness, the child developed and ultimately died from subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE)—a rare but universally fatal complication that can occur in individuals who had measles early in life.

1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases. <https://www.cdc.gov/surv-manual/php/table-of-contents/chapter-7-measles.html>.
2. Mubbashir Z, et al. Subacute Sclerosing Panencephalitis: Impact on Public Health, Current Insights, and Future Perspectives. *Brain Behav.* 2025 Feb;15(2):e70292. doi: 10.1002/brb3.70292. PMID: 39924947; PMCID: PMC11808179.
3. County of Los Angeles Public Health. <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=5135>

# Measles Elimination Status

- The Americas became the first region in the world to be declared free of the disease in 2016, following a 22-year regional campaign that relied on mass vaccination against measles, mumps and rubella.
- Status conferred by Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)
- November 10, 2025: Canada no longer holds measles elimination status due to sustained transmission of the same measles virus strain in Canada for a period of more than one year.

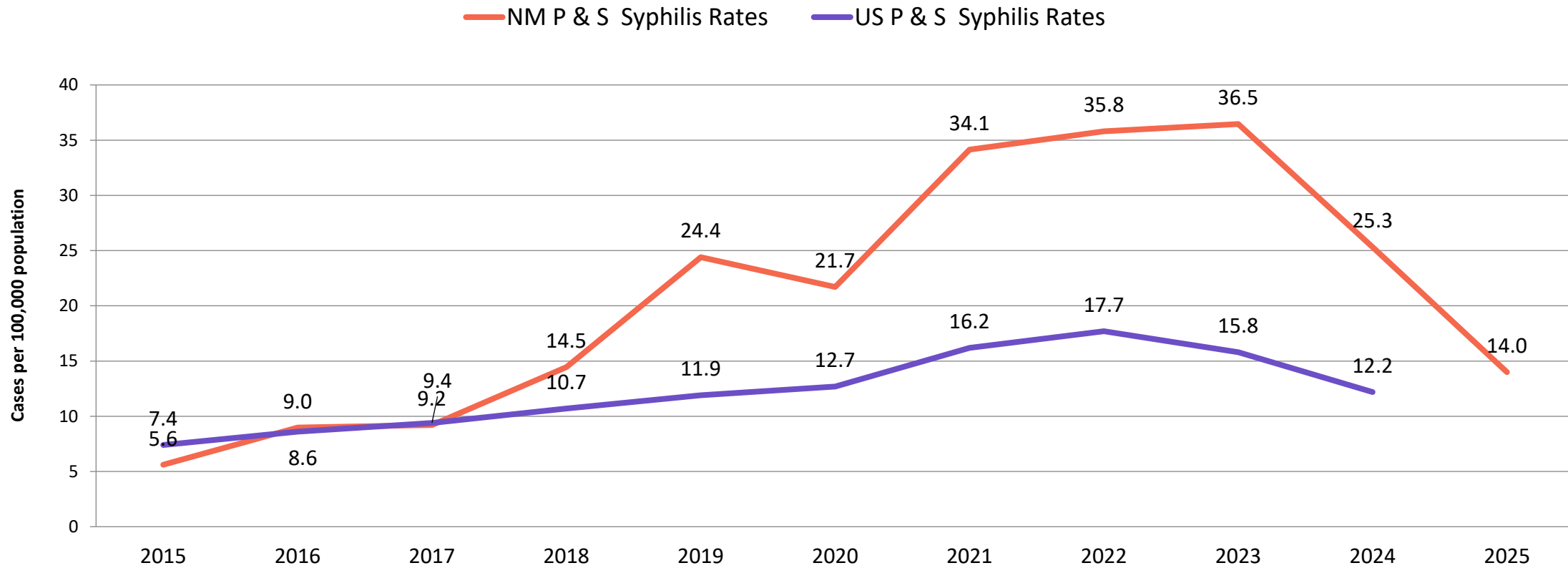
Endemic transmission of measles elimination:

- Mexico: 1996
- Canada: 1998
- US: 2000

# Syphilis Response

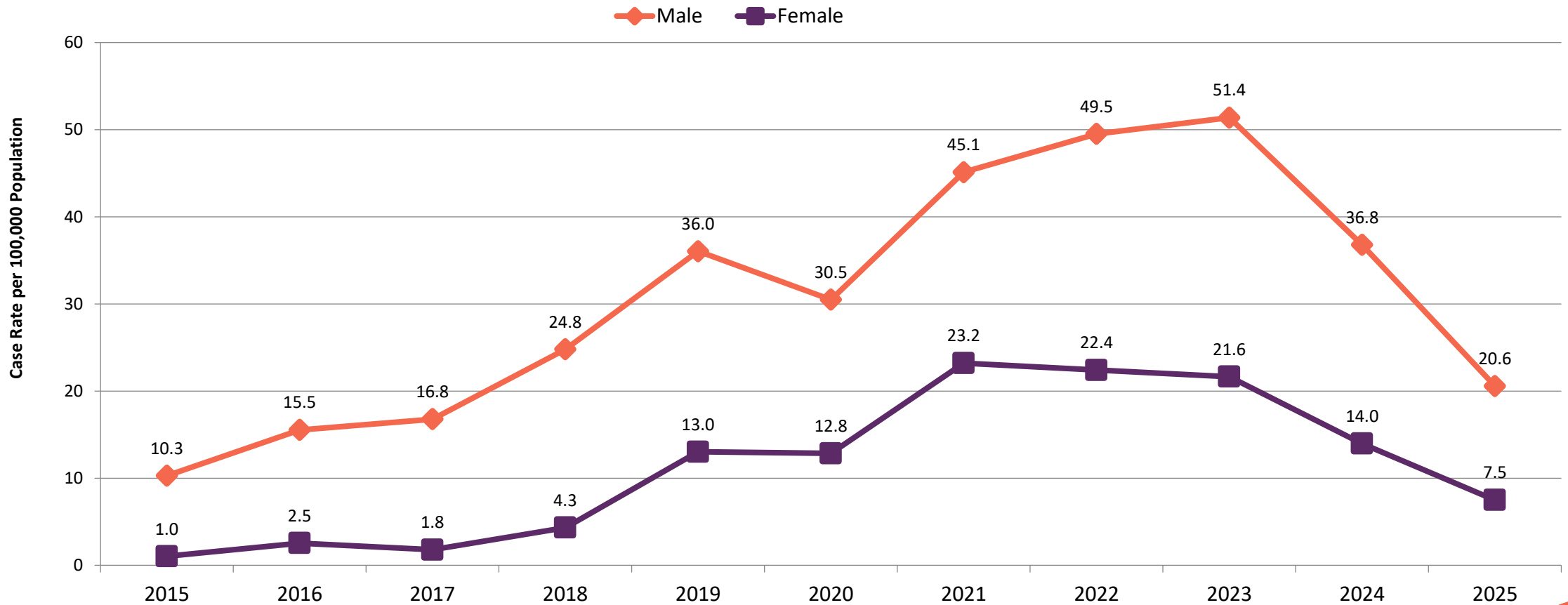


# Primary and Secondary Syphilis Rates



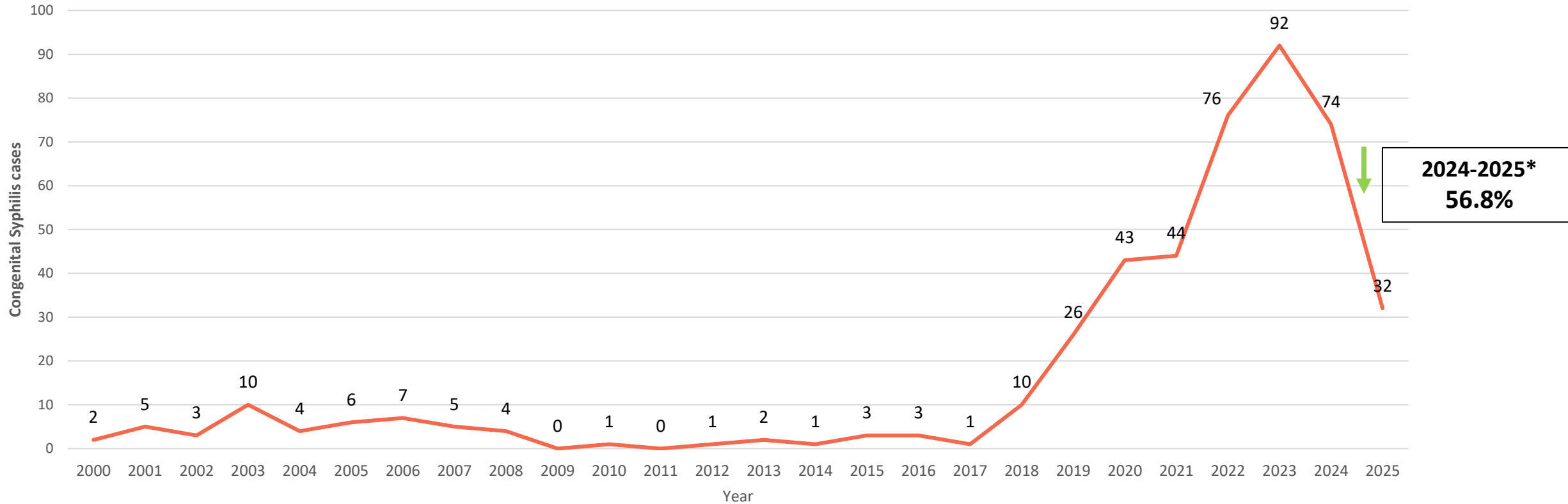
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# Primary and Secondary Syphilis Rates by Sex



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# Congenital Syphilis Case Counts New Mexico, 2000 - 2025

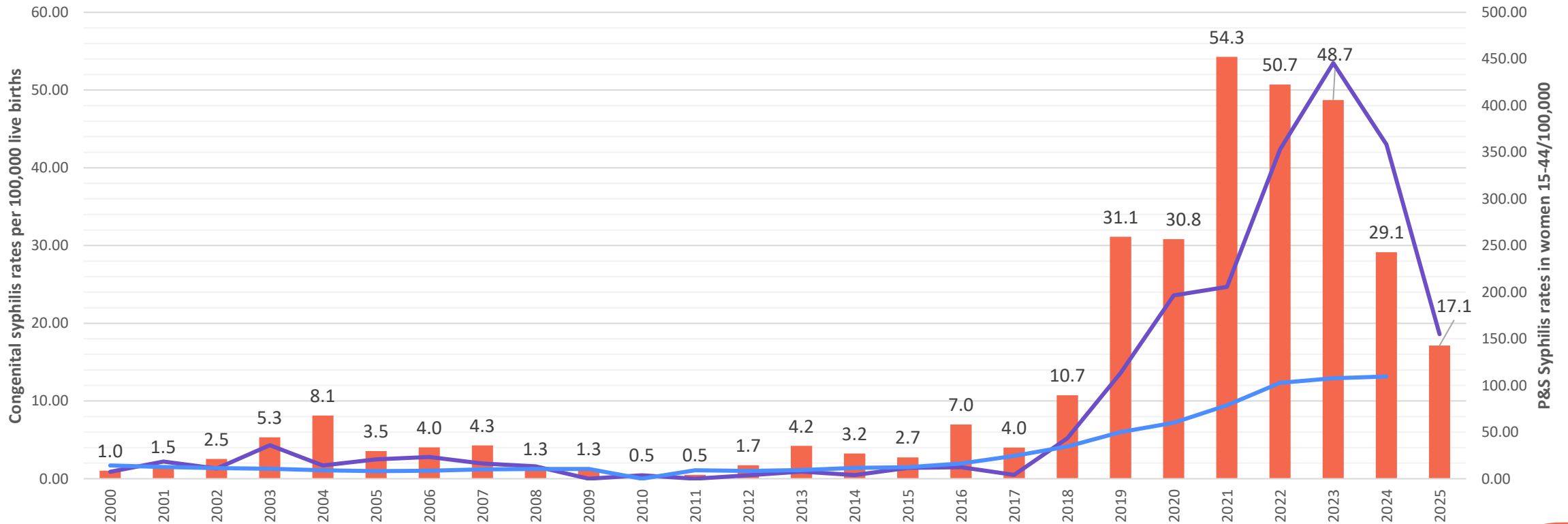


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# Congenital Syphilis rates , New Mexico and US, and Primary and Secondary Syphilis rates in women aged 15 – 44, NM



■ NM P&S Syphilis rates in women 15-44/100,000
 — NM Congenital syphilis rates - infants<1 year/100,000 live births
 — US Congenital syphilis rates per 100,000 live births

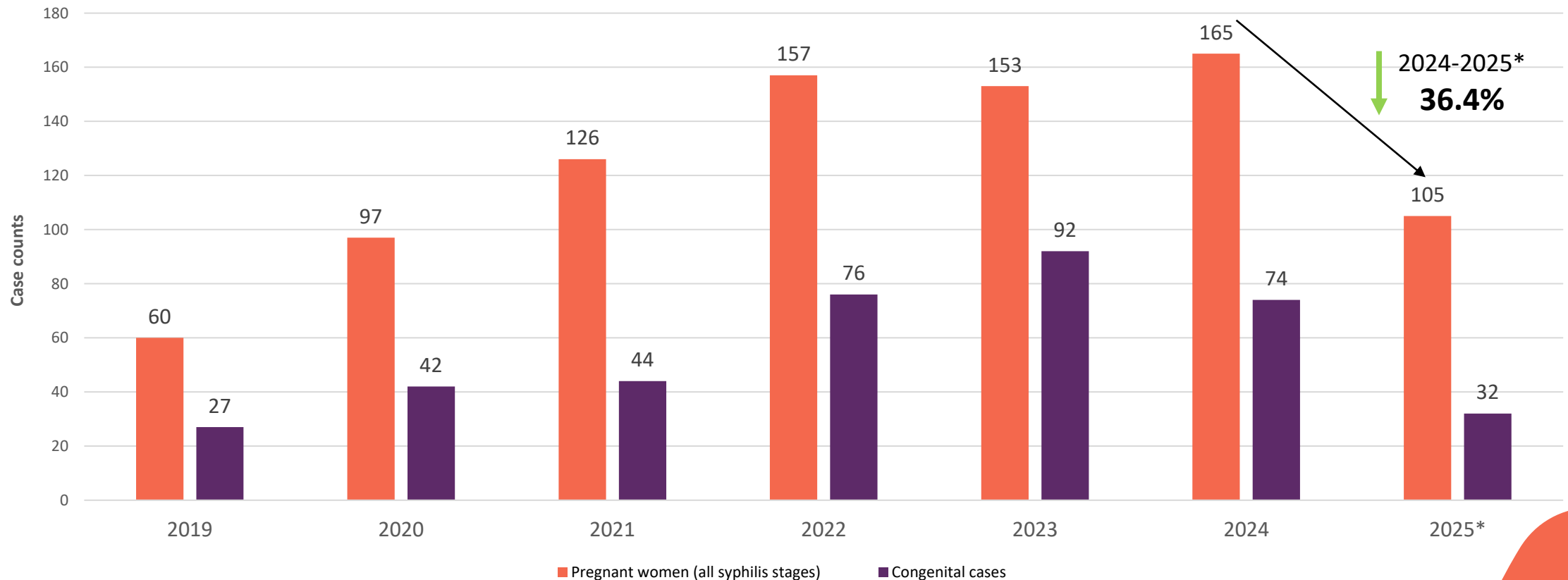


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# Reported Cases of Syphilis (All Stages) among Pregnant Women and Congenital Syphilis by Year of Birth

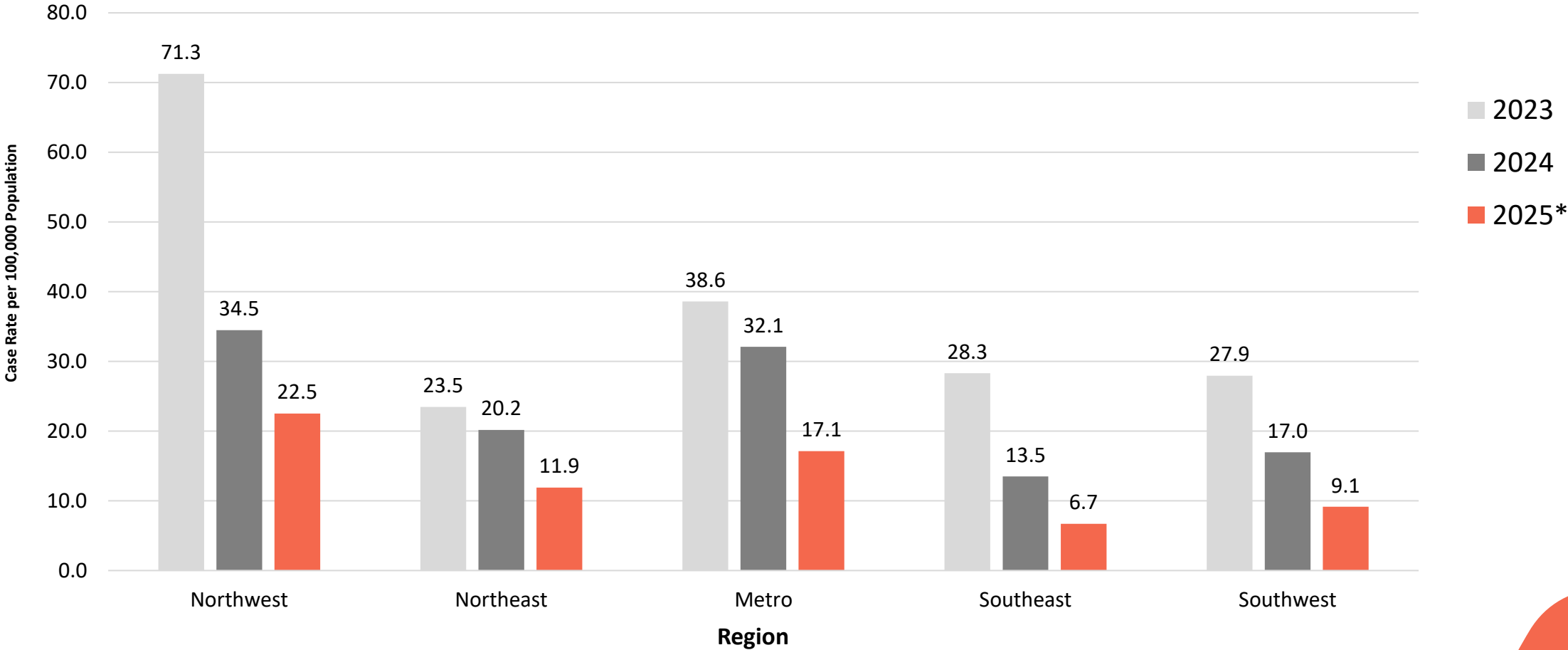


About **70% of potential congenital syphilis cases were averted** in 2025 compared with 55% in 2024.



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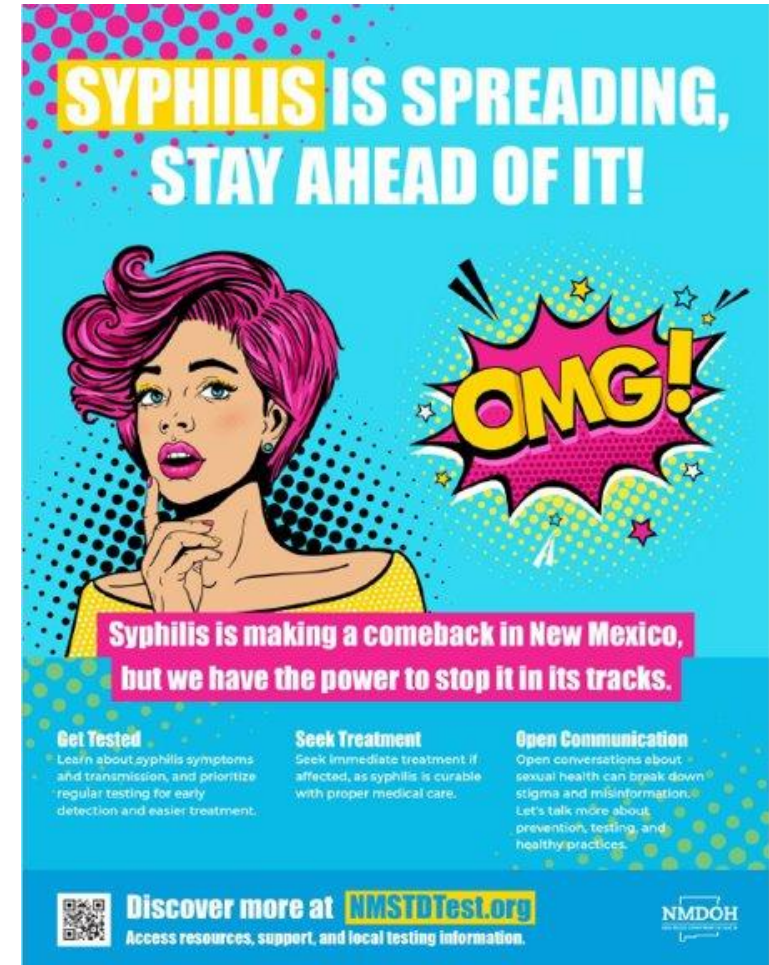
# Primary and Secondary Syphilis Rates by Region, New Mexico, 2023-2025



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# Interventions

- Doxy-PEP
- Help Line
- Expanded testing/screening
- Disease Intervention Specialists
- Testing in non-traditional healthcare sites
- Outreach, outreach, outreach



# Overdose Response



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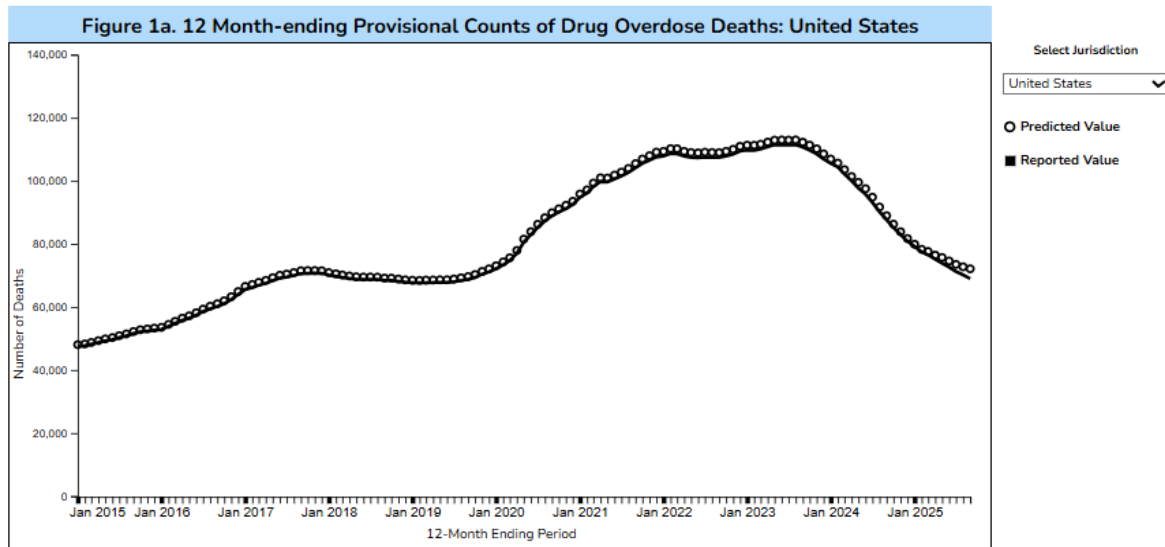


# While overdose deaths in the U.S. are trending down, NM is seeing an increase in overdose deaths

## United States

12 Month–ending Provisional Number and Percent Change of Drug Overdose Deaths

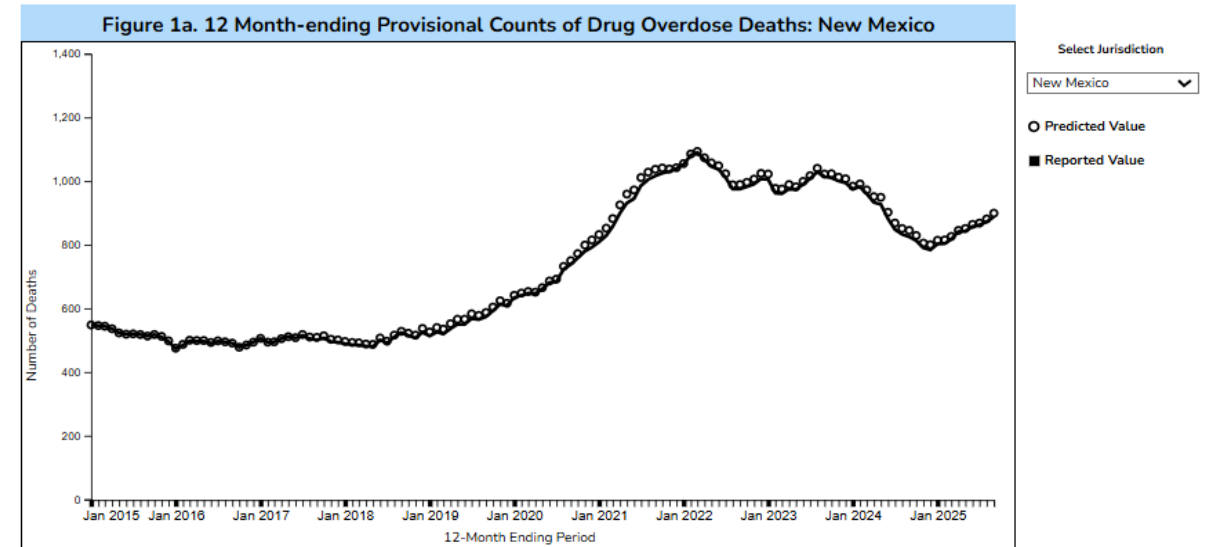
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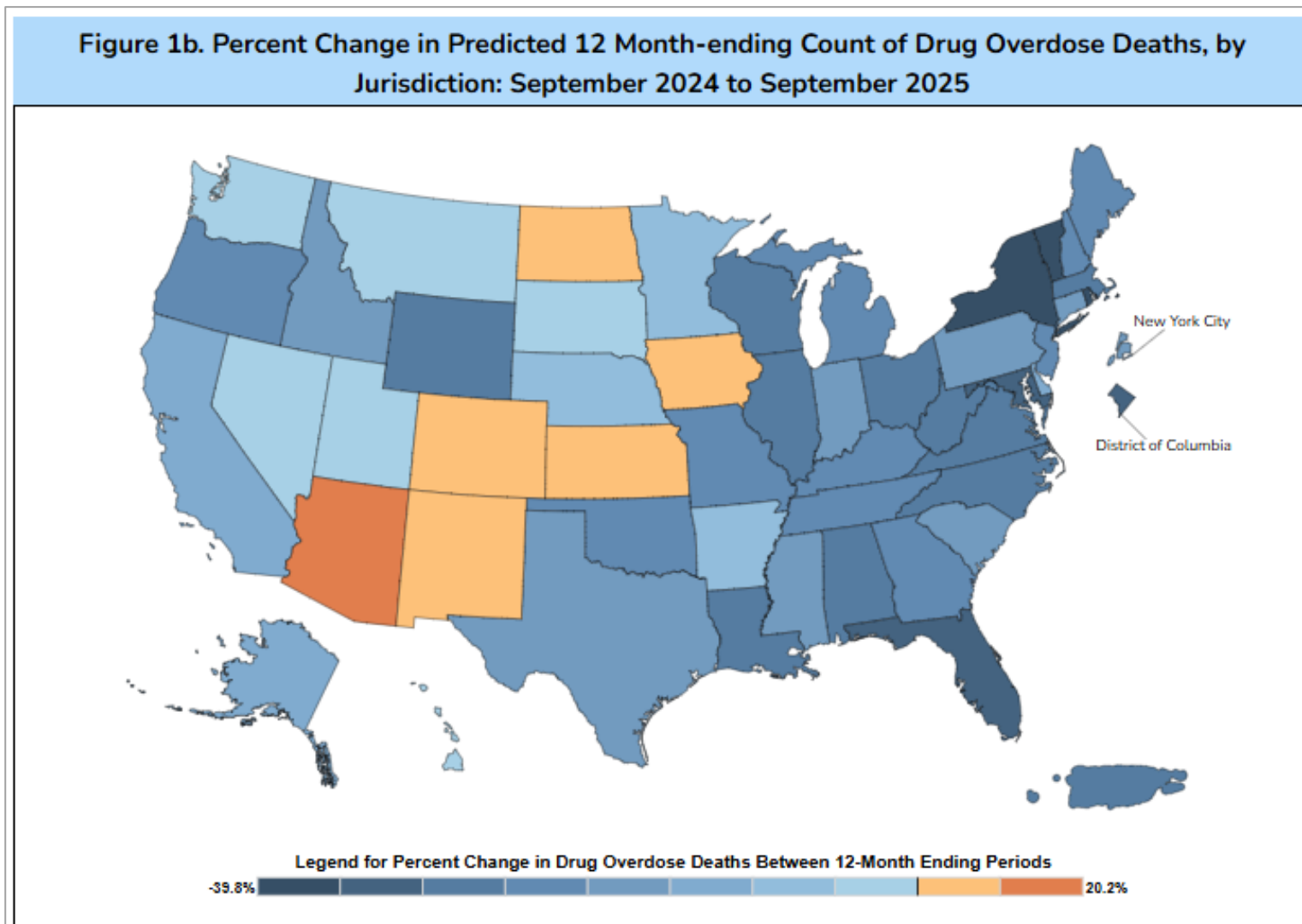
## New Mexico

12 Month–ending Provisional Number and Percent Change of Drug Overdose Deaths

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# Overdose Deaths increasing in 6 states



[Products - Vital Statistics Rapid Release - Provisional Drug Overdose Data](#)

# Changes in the Drug Supply

- More potent fentanyl products
- Less predictable supply
- Carfentanil
- Adulterants:
  - xylazine
  - medetomidine

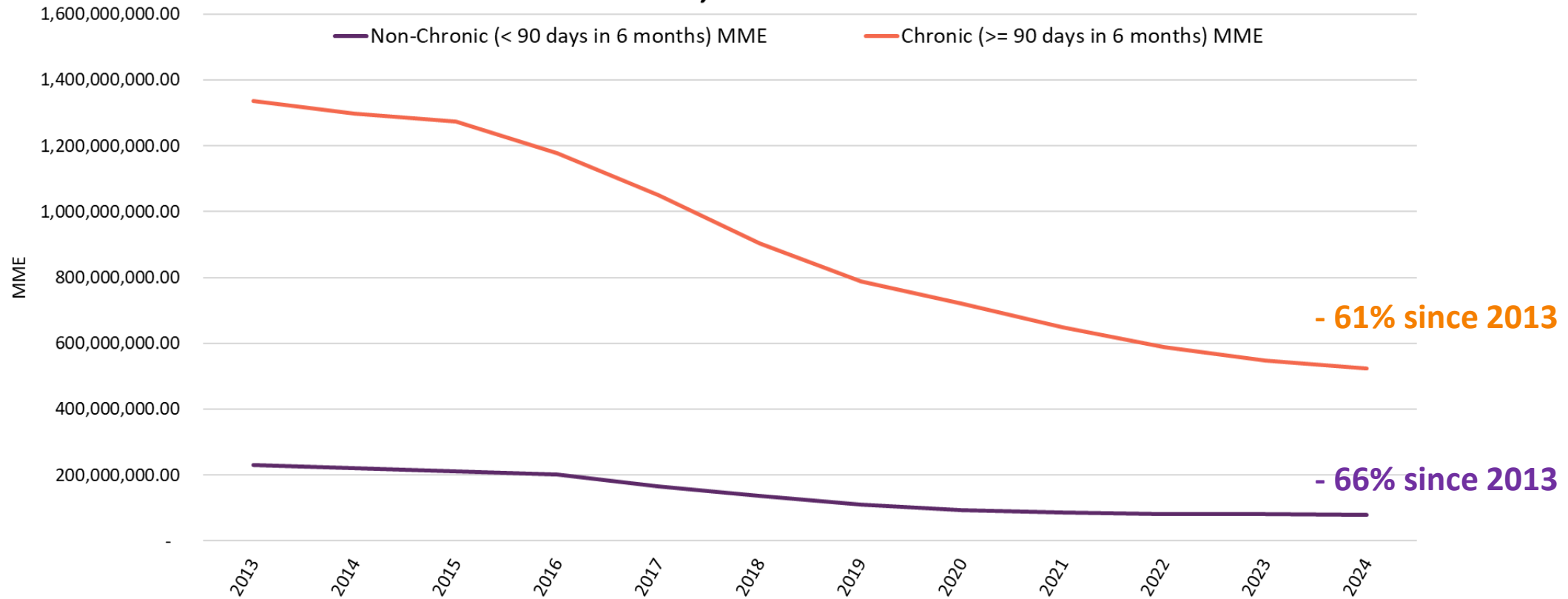
Compared to same time last year, drug overdose deaths increased by:

- 48% in Rio Arriba County
- 104% in Santa Fe County
- 340% in Taos County

Drug overdose related emergency department visits also increased by:

- 81% in Rio Arriba County
- 131% in Santa Fe County
- 206% in Taos County

## Opioid Prescription MME (Chronic vs non-Chronic) by Year, New Mexico, 2013-2024



Source: NM Board of Pharmacy Prescription Monitoring Program data.

MME = Morphine milligram equivalents

These data were analyzed & prepared by the NMDOH Substance Use Epidemiology Section. Please contact Sangam Shrestha at [sangam.shrestha@doh.nm.gov](mailto:sangam.shrestha@doh.nm.gov) with any questions regarding these data.

# Prevention and Intervention

- Expanding Treatments Options
- Narcan
- Harm Reduction
- Adulterant Checking
- Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP)
- Provider Education
- Monitoring Trends (epidemiology work)
- Increasing Public Awareness
- Coordination of care
- Stigma Reduction

**WHERE TO FIND NALOXONE IN NEW MEXICO**

Naloxone, also called Narcan, is a safe and effective medicine that reverses an opioid overdose. Naloxone is approved by the FDA and does not require a prescription. It helps treat overdoses from drugs like prescription painkillers, heroin, and fentanyl. Learn how to use naloxone at [NMHarmReduction.org](http://NMHarmReduction.org).

**DOH Public Health Offices** **01**

- In person services
- Available at no cost
- Locate an office closest to you at [NMHIVGuide.org](http://NMHIVGuide.org)

**Order Online** **02**

- Available at no cost
- Shipped to your address/PO Box
- To order naloxone: [NMHarmReduction.org](http://NMHarmReduction.org)

**Harm Reduction & Community Health Programs** **03**

- In person services
- Available at no cost
- Locate a program closest to you: [NMHIVGuide.org](http://NMHIVGuide.org)

**Pharmacies** **04**

Walgreens, CVS, Target, Walmart, Smith's, or Albertsons all carry naloxone

- Over the counter for purchase
- Without a prescription (with insurance - possible copay)
- With a prescription (possible copay)

For help locating naloxone, call the NMHealth Helpline: 1-833-796-8773

# Re-emerging Infections: New World Screwworm



# New World Screwworm (NWS)

- An ongoing outbreak of New World screwworm (NWS) in Central America and Mexico poses a threat of reintroduction into the United States.
- NWS myiasis is caused by the maggots of *Cochliomyia hominivorax*, a fly whose larvae consume living flesh.
- Can infest any warm-blooded animals, including humans



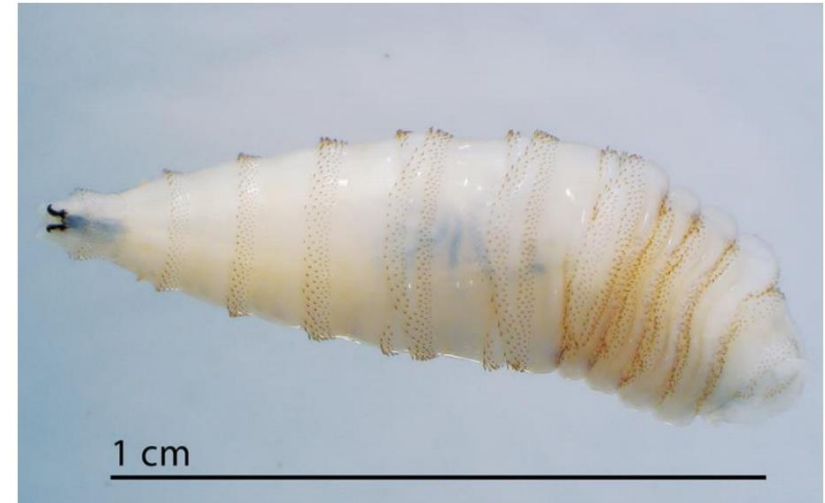
Myiasis is a parasitic infection of fly larva (maggots) in human tissue.

# New World Screwworm (NWS)



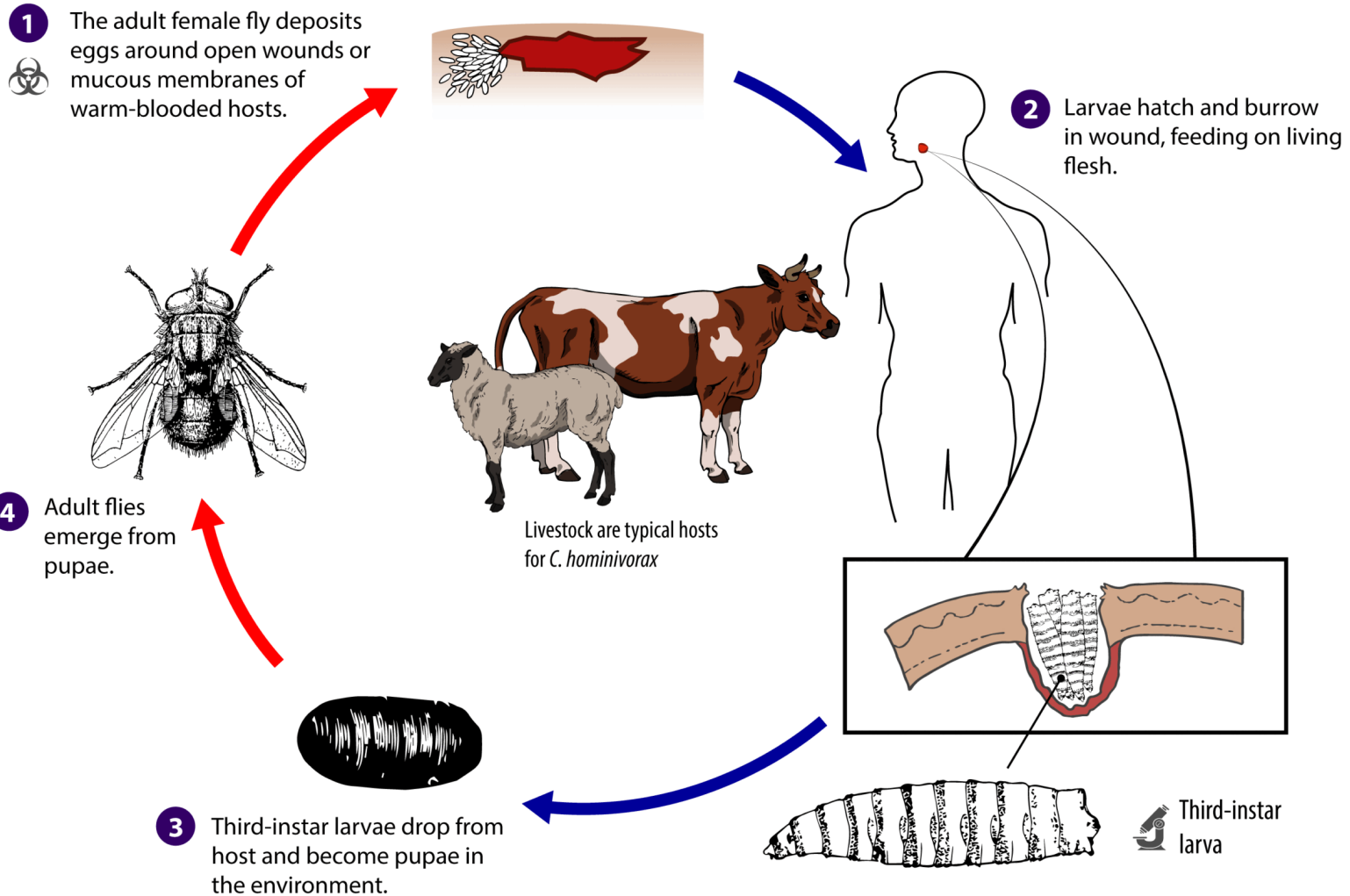
- Females mate only once in their 21-day lifespan
- Lay hundreds of eggs directly on wounds or mucous membranes

- Eggs hatch in 24 hours into larvae (maggots) which feed on living flesh.
- Larvae can persist in tissue for 7 days



- Ventral view showing mandibles. Image courtesy of Mark Fox, CDC
- Emerging as flies

# Cochliomyia hominivorax



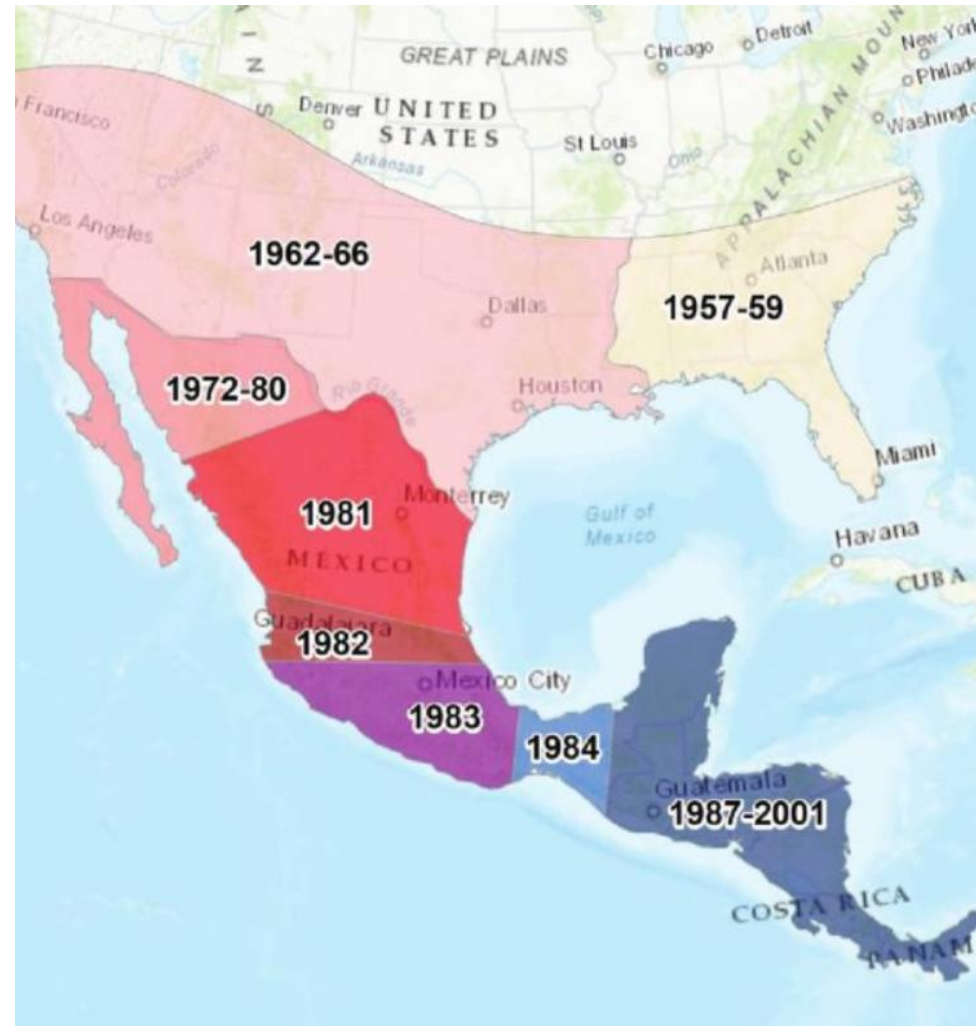
Infective stage  
 Diagnostic stage



CDC - DPDx - New World Screwworm

# NWS Eradication

- Sterile Insect Technique developed by Raymond Bushland and Edward Knippling in 1950's
- In 1954, the technique was used to eradicate NWS from the island of Curaçao. Eradication took 7 weeks.
- NWS was eradicated from the US by 1966 and from Central America by 2001
- Eradication campaign: 500 million sterile flies per week



# NWS Eradication

- Local outbreak in Key Deer in Florida Keys in 2016 - 2017.
- Elicited immediate, large multi-agency response.
- 188 million sterile flies released across 35 release sites.



Image courtesy of Samantha Gibbs, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

# NWS Outbreak

- Biological barrier maintained at Darien Gap (Panama) until 2022
- As of February 10, 2026, more than 152,000 NWS cases in animals and over 1,300 cases in people have been reported in Mexico and Central America
- Seven human deaths have been reported.



## New World Screwworm: Outbreak Moves into Northern Mexico

JAN. 20, 2026

### AT A GLANCE

- Distributed via the CDC Health Alert Network
- January 20, 2026, 12:30 PM ET
- CDCHAN-00526



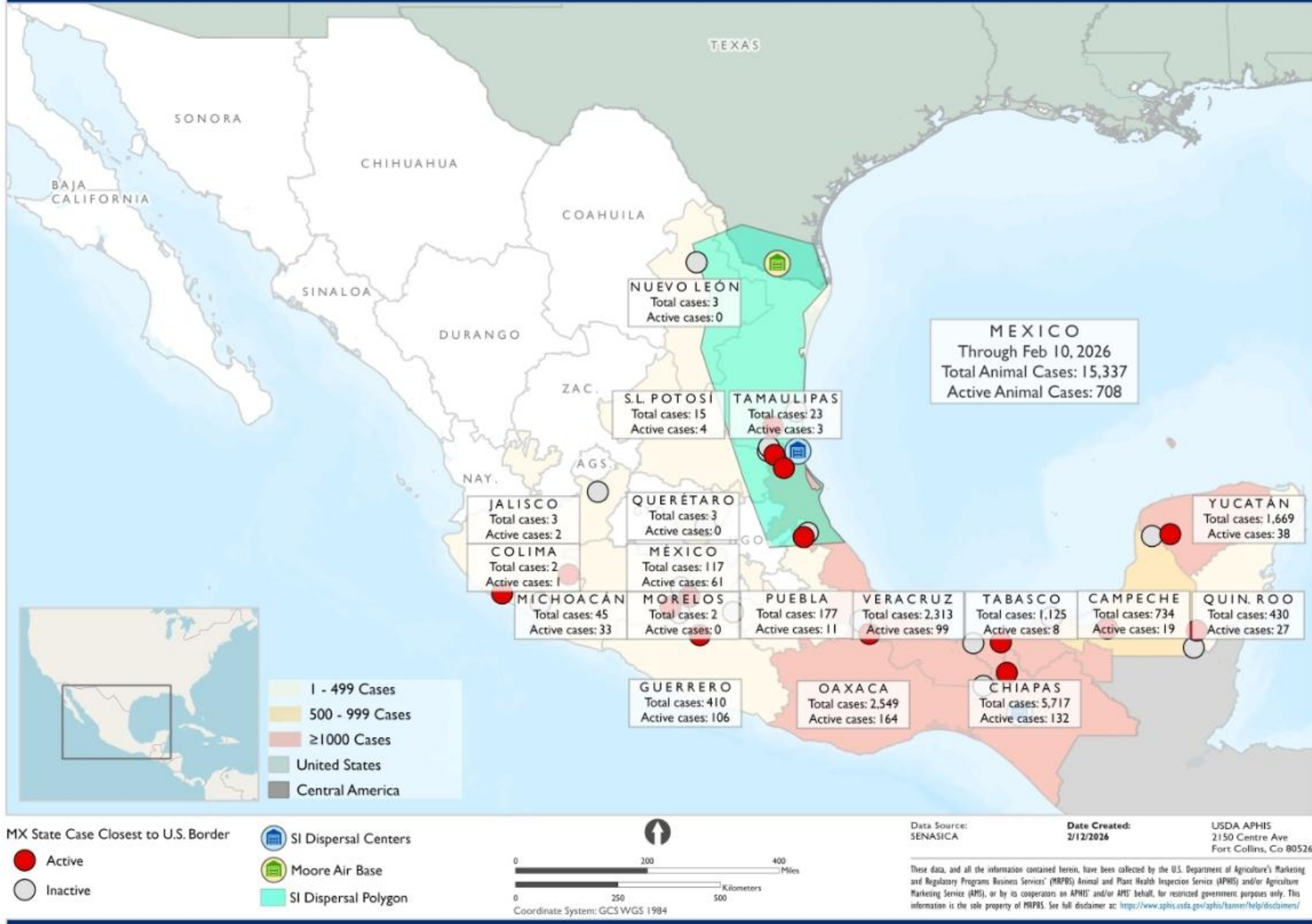
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USDA dispersing 100 million sterile insects per week in Mexico

[Current Status of New World Screwworm | Screwworm.gov](https://www.screwworm.gov)

[SENASICA – New World Screwworm Cases in Mexico](https://www.senasica.gob.mx)



# NWS in Humans

- New World screwworm can cause infestations of wounds as small as a tick bite
- Any mucous membrane and ears

*Healthcare providers should be alert for travel-associated cases*

## Screwworm confirmed in US with first human case reported in Maryland: CDC

By Amanda Hurley | Published August 25, 2025 9:55am PDT | Maryland | FOX 5 DC | [↗](#)



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# Symptoms

Wounds which are:

- Painful
- Foul smelling
- Non-healing
- Sensation of movement in wound
- May see larvae
- Secondary bacterial infections



- New World screwworm infestation in a patient's leg.
- Image courtesy of [Dr Isaac Bogoch, Toronto General Hospital](#)

# Risk Factors:

Working around infested livestock or other animals  
Sleeping outdoors  
Open wounds  
Compromised immune system  
Diabetes  
Poor personal hygiene  
Elderly or incapacitated

# Prevention:

Keep open wounds covered  
Wear loose-fitting long-sleeved shirts and pants  
Use EPA-registered insect repellents  
Treat clothing using products with 0.5% permethrin  
Avoid sleeping outdoors

# Treatment

- Remove all larvae from wound
- Debride necrotic tissue
- Wound care
- Pain management
- Treat secondary infections

Submit larvae for identification in  
70% ethanol.  
Do not discard any live larvae.

## About Ivermectin

- Not FDA approved – but EUA issued for use in cattle in August 2025.
- Anecdotal reports of benefit
- In vitro lab studies and studies in livestock show efficacy of ivermectin for killing NWS eggs and larvae.
- Case reports of off-label use in humans

# If You Suspect Screwworm:

## In an animal:

- Contact the New Mexico Livestock Board
- (505) 841-6161
- After hours, call the AgroGuard Hotline at 1-800-525-2782
- Staff will provide guidance and help coordinate diagnosis

## In a human:

- Contact the New Mexico Department of Health
- (833) 796-8773
- Staff will provide detailed guidance regarding specimen submission and diagnosis.
- Link to CDC guidance:
  - [New World Screwworm Myiasis, Recommendations for Healthcare Providers](#)

# Prevention/Readiness

The USDA's current strategy:

- Releasing sterile male flies
- Animal movement controls
- Surveillance, outreach, and education in impacted areas

In NM:

- SLD (State Lab) has telediagnosis capability for preliminary identification



<https://www.cdc.gov/new-world-screwworm/media/images/2025/09/NWS-larva-nickel-web.png>

# Radiation Exposure Compensation Act



— 100 METERS

# What is RECA?

The **Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA)**, was passed on October 5th, 1990.

Provides partial restitution to individuals who developed certain cancers following exposure to radiation from the U.S. nuclear weapons program.

Reauthorized on July 4, 2025, and for the first time, includes New Mexico Downwinders (all of NM).

Provides qualifying Downwinders and uranium workers with a one-time, lump sum payment of \$100,000.



# Eligibility in NM

## Eligibility:

- Lived in any part of New Mexico for one year from Sept. 1944 through Nov. 1962 and
- Have one of 19 cancers that are covered by the expansion.
- If the individual has died, their survivors may apply for equal shares of the single payment.

Eligibility expanded for uranium miners who worked for one year between Jan 1942 and Dec 1990

**Application deadline is Dec 31, 2027.**



# Additional Resources

You can find full information about RECA at the US DOJ RECA website

<https://www.justice.gov/civil/reca>

Individuals can remain updated about the application process by going to any of the following websites:

[www.trinitydownwinders.com](http://www.trinitydownwinders.com)

<https://fernandez.house.gov/live/>

<https://www.lujan.senate.gov/>

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**Please carefully review the FAQ document  
for specific program details**

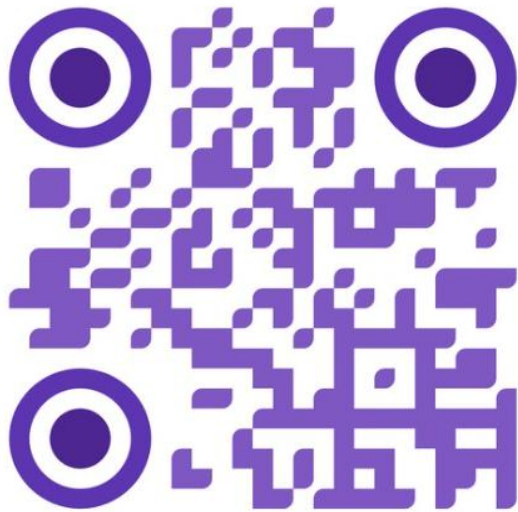
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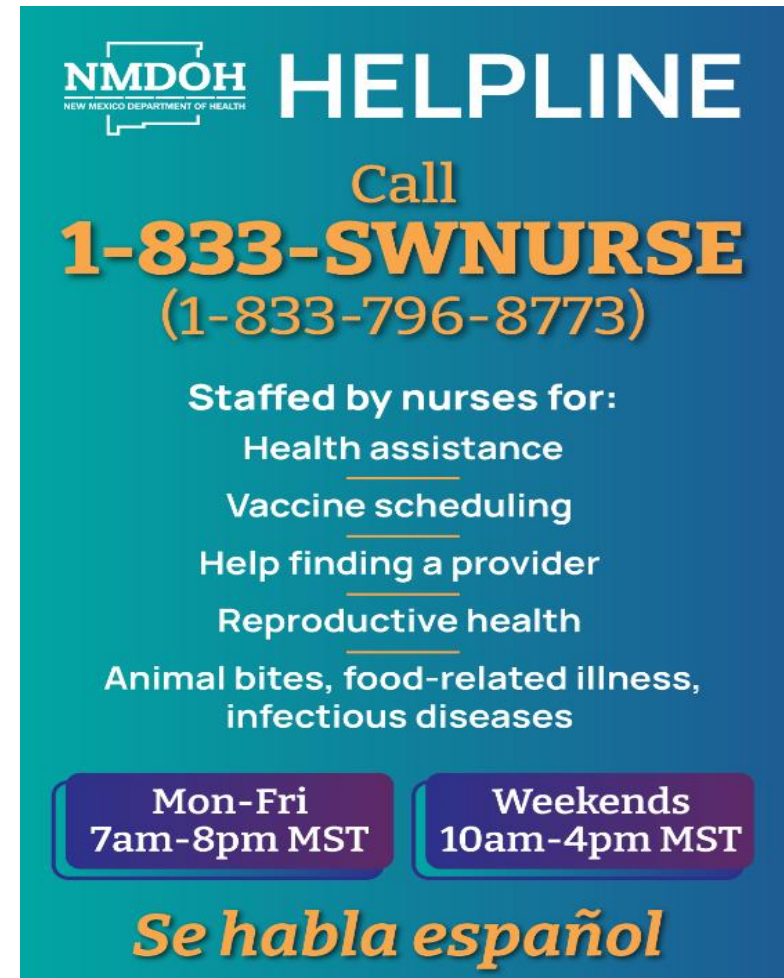
# NMDOH Resources

**NMDOH Helpline: 1-833-SWNURSE**

Sign up for New Mexico Health Alert Network (HAN) messages



<https://gqr.sh/k33X>

A vertical graphic for the NMDOH Helpline. It has a teal-to-blue gradient background. At the top left is the NMDOH logo. The word "HELPLINE" is in large white letters. Below it, "Call" is in orange, followed by "1-833-SWNURSE" in large orange letters, and "(1-833-796-8773)" in smaller orange letters. A list of services is provided in white text, with some words underlined. At the bottom, two purple rounded rectangles contain the operating hours for weekdays and weekends. At the very bottom, "Se habla español" is written in orange script.

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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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- Vaccine scheduling
- Help finding a provider
- Reproductive health
- Animal bites, food-related illness, infectious diseases

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# Questions?

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