

Flathead County Communicable Disease Weekly Report

This report provides the weekly report of communicable diseases in Flathead County. The data provided is provisional and may change as information is received.

Table 1. Communicable diseases in Flathead County* compared to statewide data during week MMWR 7 (week ending 2/17/2024).

	Flathead County		State of Montana	
	MMWR Week 7	Total (2024 Year-to-Date)	MMWR Week 7	Total (2024 Year-to-Date)
Enteric Diseases				
Campylobacteriosis	2	6	13	54
Salmonellosis	1	2	2	
General Communicable Diseases				
Covid-19	22	251	468	3,969
Influenza, Hospitalization, or death	6	60	23	
Haemophilus influenzae, invasive	1	1	1	
Sexually Transmitted Diseases				
Chlamydia	3	23	76	476
Animal Bites	3	31	Not Reported	

Data Source: MTDPHHS Weekly Communicable Disease Epidemiology Report

*Not all cases were contracted in Flathead County

Additional Information:

Summary of Diseases in the State of Montana for Week 7:

- **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (13), Cryptosporidiosis (2), Giardiasis (1), Salmonellosis (2), Shigellosis (1), Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) (1)
- **General Communicable Diseases:** COVID-19 (468), Latent TB Infection (LTBI) (3)
- **Heavy Metal Exposures:** Lead (3)
- **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis C, chronic (23)
- **STD/HIV:** Chlamydia (76), Gonorrhea (14), HIV/AIDS (1), Syphilis, congenital (1), Syphilis, primary and secondary (9), Syphilis, latent (5)
- **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Haemophilus influenzae, invasive (1), Influenza, hospitalization or death (23), Pertussis (1), Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive (6)
- **Zoonotic and Vector borne:** Rabies, post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) (1)

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (Coxsackie virus)

(HFMD) spreads easily through: Person-to-person contact, droplets made when a person who is sick with HFMD sneezes, coughs, or talks and contact with contaminated surfaces and objects.

Sign and Symptoms:

- Tiny blisters in the mouth and on the fingers,
- palms of hands, buttocks, and soles of feet
- Fever
- Sore throat
- Runny nose/cough
- Vomiting and diarrhea may occur
- Asymptomatic infections may occur

Hand, foot, and mouth disease (HFMD) is very contagious.

You can help prevent catching or spreading HFMD by following simple steps below.

- Wash your hands
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and shared items