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Gallatin County Weekly Communicable Disease Report

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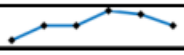
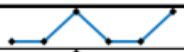
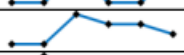
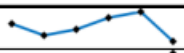
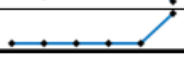
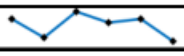
This report provides a weekly snapshot of communicable disease activity in Gallatin County. Data are provisional and are expected to change as more information is received. If you are seeking data that is not included in the report below, please submit a data request through HS@gallatin.mt.gov. The turnaround time depends on the complexity of the request and availability of our staff.

Table 1. Communicable diseases reported in Gallatin County* during MMWR week 36 (week ending 9/12/26)

	Gallatin County			State of Montana	
	MMWR Week 36	Total (2026 Year-to-Date)	Six-Week Trend Line	MMWR Week 36	Total (2026 Year-to-Date)
General Communicable Diseases					
COVID-19	5	197		32	2,979
Enteric Diseases					
Cryptosporidiosis	1	11		1	35
Salmonellosis	1	32		6	151
Shiga Toxin-Producing E. Coli (STEC)	1	25		3	109
Sexually Transmitted Diseases					
Chlamydia	4	245		45	2,031
Syphilis, Latent	1	7		6	218
Zoonotic Diseases					
Rabies, PEP	1	21		18	385
Other Conditions					
Animal Bites	2	210		Not Reported	

Data source: MTDPHHS Weekly Communicable Disease Epidemiology Report
* Not all cases were contracted in Gallatin County

Communicable Disease News:

- Additional summary of diseases reported in the state of Montana for MMWR week 36:
  - **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (7), Giardiasis (7), Shigellosis (1)
  - **General Communicable Diseases:** *Haemophilus influenzae,* invasive (2), Streptococcal disease, invasive, Group A (2), Tuberculosis, latent infection (LTBI) (1)
  - **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis C, chronic (5)
  - **STD/HIV:** Gonorrhea (14), Syphilis, primary or secondary (1)
  - **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Influenza, hospitalization or death (2)
  - **Vectorborne Diseases:** West Nile Virus, neuroinvasive (1)
  - **Other Reportable Conditions:** Lead poisoning (3), Metal Exposure, Mercury (1), Rabies, animal (1)

- **Salmonella outbreak linked to broccoli sprouts:** Public health officials in Montana and three other states are investigating an outbreak of **Salmonella** linked to **broccoli sprouts** produced by **Evergreen Fresh Sprouts, LLC** of Idaho.
  - As of Sept. 21, 2026, four people in Montana, 16 people in Washington, one person in Idaho, and one person in Utah have been linked to this outbreak. Of the 22 cases, 2 (9%) have been hospitalized.

Questions? Please Contact:

Gallatin City-County Communicable Disease Program
Hours: M-F 8:00AM-5:00PM: (406) 582-3100
After hours 24/7 line: (406) 582-2100 ext. 2, ask to page the Health Dept
www.healthygallatin.org
Reportable Communicable Disease List

State health officials in Montana suspect that the number of in-state cases associated with the outbreak will increase once additional laboratory testing is completed.
  - Most sick people in the outbreak who were interviewed reported eating broccoli sprouts from Evergreen Fresh Sprouts, LLC. Montana cases reported purchasing these sprouts from Town and Country and Super 1 grocery stores in the state. The product has been recalled and should no longer be sold in grocery stores or served in restaurants.
  - The Montana Public Health Laboratory (MTPHL) obtained an unopened package of broccoli sprouts from a case's home, which tested positive for the same type of *Salmonella* that made people sick in this outbreak.
  - This *Salmonella* outbreak appears unrelated to the recent multistate *Salmonella* and *E. coli* outbreak traced to alfalfa sprouts produced by Everything Sprouts, LLC in Minnesota.

- **NEW Foodborne Illness Complaint Form:** GCCHD has a new online form to submit foodborne illness complaints. If you/your patient suspects foodborne illness, please encourage them to utilize this form: https://form.jotform.com/261124254262145 . The form is also available on our website. Foodborne illness complaints may also be submitted via email (cd@gallatin.mt.gov) or phone (406-582-3100).

- **Update from GCCHD**: The GCCHD continues to operate out of 400 E Babcock Street in Bozeman for the foreseeable future while the main annex undergoes structural repairs. Services have resumed normal operations at this location.

Statewide STD Data – MMWR Week 36

- Compared to the previous year and three-year trends:
  - Chlamydia cases are reported below the three-year average.
  - Gonorrhea and syphilis (all stages) are reported slightly above the three-year average.
  - No HIV diagnoses were added during MMWR week 36. HIV cases reported are higher than this time last year.

Montana STD HIV Update MMWR Week 36

Week ending in 9/12/2026

Condition	Cases this Week	2025 Year to Date (YTD)	2026 Year to Date (YTD)	% Change in 2025-2026 YTD Cases
Chlamydia	45	2264	2032	-10%
Gonorrhea	14	609	387	-36%
Syphilis, Primary	1	49	33	-33%
Syphilis, Secondary	0	35	29	-17%
Syphilis (All stages)	8	337	280	-17%
Congenital Syphilis	0	14	12	-14%
HIV	0	18	20	11%

*2026 data are provisional and may undercount the final number of disease events.

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