

Multistate Outbreak of Cyclosporiasis Linked to Del Monte Fresh Produce Vegetable Trays — United States, 2018

CDC and federal, state, and local public health partners are investigating an increase in reported cases of *Cyclospora* infection.

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Highlights

More Information

- Read the related statement from the [U.S. Food and Drug Administration](#).
- *Cyclospora cayetanensis* is a single-celled parasite that causes an intestinal infection called [cyclosporiasis](#).
- **Important advice for consumers and retailers in Illinois, Indiana, [Iowa](#), Michigan, [Minnesota](#), and [Wisconsin](#):**
 - On June 15, 2018, Del Monte Fresh Produce [recalled](#) 6 oz., 12 oz., and 28 oz. vegetable trays containing fresh broccoli, cauliflower, celery sticks, carrots, and dill dip. Recalled products were sold in clear, plastic clamshell containers.
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 - Recalled products were distributed to the following stores: Kwik Trip, Kwik Star, Demond's, Sentry, Potash, Meehan's, Country Market, FoodMax Supermarket, and Peapod.
 - Recalled products have a "Best If Enjoyed By" date of June 17, 2018.
 - The recalled 6 oz. Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable tray has a UPC code of 7 1752472715 2 found on the [package label](#).

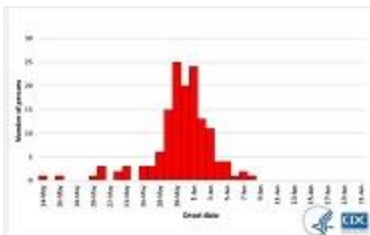
Case Count Maps



[Click map to view case count maps.](#)

- The recalled 12 oz. Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable tray has a UPC code of 7 1752472518 9 found on the [package label](#).
- The recalled 28 oz. Del Monte Fresh Produce small vegetable tray has a UPC code of 7 1752478604 3 found on the [package label](#).
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- Do not eat or sell recalled vegetable trays. Throw them away.
- CDC, public health and regulatory officials in several states, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration are investigating a multistate outbreak of *Cyclospora* infections.
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 - As of June 21, 2018 (11am EDT), CDC has been notified of 144 laboratory-confirmed cases of cyclosporiasis in persons who reportedly consumed pre-packaged Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable trays containing broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, and dill dip. The reports have come from [four states](#).

Epi Curves



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- Six (6) of these people have been hospitalized, and no deaths have been reported.

- [Epidemiologic evidence](#) indicates that pre-packaged Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable trays containing broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, and dill dip are the likely source of these infections.
 - Most ill people reported eating pre-packaged Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable trays containing broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, and dill dip.
 - Most ill people reported buying pre-packaged Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable trays containing broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, and dill dip in the Midwest. Most people reported buying the trays at Kwik Trip convenience stores.
 - The investigation is ongoing. CDC will provide updates when more information is available.
- General advice for consumers about prevention of cyclosporiasis can be found [here](#).

Progression of the Outbreak Investigation

Outbreak Update expanded

INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT collapsed

June 15, 2018

CDC, public health and regulatory officials in several states, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration are investigating a multistate outbreak of *Cyclospora* infection.

As of June 15, 2018 (3pm EDT), a total of 78 laboratory-confirmed cases of *Cyclospora* infection were reported in people who reportedly consumed pre-packaged Del Monte Fresh Produce vegetable trays containing broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, and dill dip from 4 states. A list of the states and the number of cases reported from each state can be found on the [Case Count Maps page](#).

All of the ill persons reported onset of illness on or after May 1, 2018. Ill people range in age from 20 to 79 years old, with a median age of 47. Sixty-seven percent (67%) are female and 4 people have been hospitalized. No deaths have been reported.

Illnesses that began after May 16, 2018 might not have been reported yet due to the time it takes between when a person becomes ill and when the illness is reported.

Investigation of the Outbreak

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The investigation is ongoing to determine if there is a common supplier of the vegetable trays to stores where ill people shopped.