

Outbreak Report for August 2026 West Virginia

During the month of August 2026, there were thirty-three outbreaks reported in West Virginia, and thirty-two were confirmed as outbreaks or clusters of disease. Reported outbreaks occurred across eighteen healthcare and care facilities, including thirteen long-term care facilities (LTCF), two hospitals, one assisted living center, one psychiatric hospital, and one rehabilitation center. Outbreaks were also reported in fourteen community and public settings, which included eight community-based in multiple counties, regions and states including West Virginia, three daycares, one food and hospitality, one school, and one sports team.

The rest of this report describes the types and settings of the outbreaks. All data provided is provisional as some outbreaks may still be under investigation.

Respiratory Outbreaks During August 2026 (n=13)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Testing
COVID-19	5	4 LTCF 1 Rehabilitation Center	(3-37) 4	Rapid Test or Lab Confirmed
Acute Respiratory Illness	4	3 LTCF 1 Assisted Living	(4-9) 8	No Lab Testing
Entero/rhinovirus	2	2 LTCF	(7-13)	Rapid Test or Lab Confirmed
Respiratory Syncytial Virus	1	1 School	3	Lab Confirmed
Legionellosis	1	1 LTCF	1	Lab Confirmed

Enteric Outbreaks During August 2026 (n=11)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
Salmonellosis	5	5 Multi-state	(2-4)	Lab Confirmed
Waterborne Giardiasis	1	1 Community Based	1	Lab Confirmed
Escherichia coli	1	1 Multi-regional	2	Lab Confirmed
Campylobacteriosis	1	Food and Hospitality	1	Lab Confirmed
Acute Gastroenteritis	3	1 LTCF 1 Psychiatric Hospital	8 20	No Lab Testing

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Rash Outbreaks During August 2026 (n=5)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
Measles	1	1 Community Based	1	Lab Confirmed
Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	1	1 Sports Team	3	Lab Confirmed
Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease	3	3 Daycares	(4-14)	No Lab Testing

MDRO Outbreaks During August 2026 (n=3)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
VIM-producing Pseudomonas aeruginosa (VIM-CRPA)	1	1 Hospital	1	Lab Confirmed
VIM-producing Enterobacter cloacae (VIM-CRE)	1	1 Hospital	1	Lab Confirmed
Clostridioides difficile	1	1 LTCF	4	Lab Confirmed

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Figure 1 illustrates confirmed outbreaks by type.

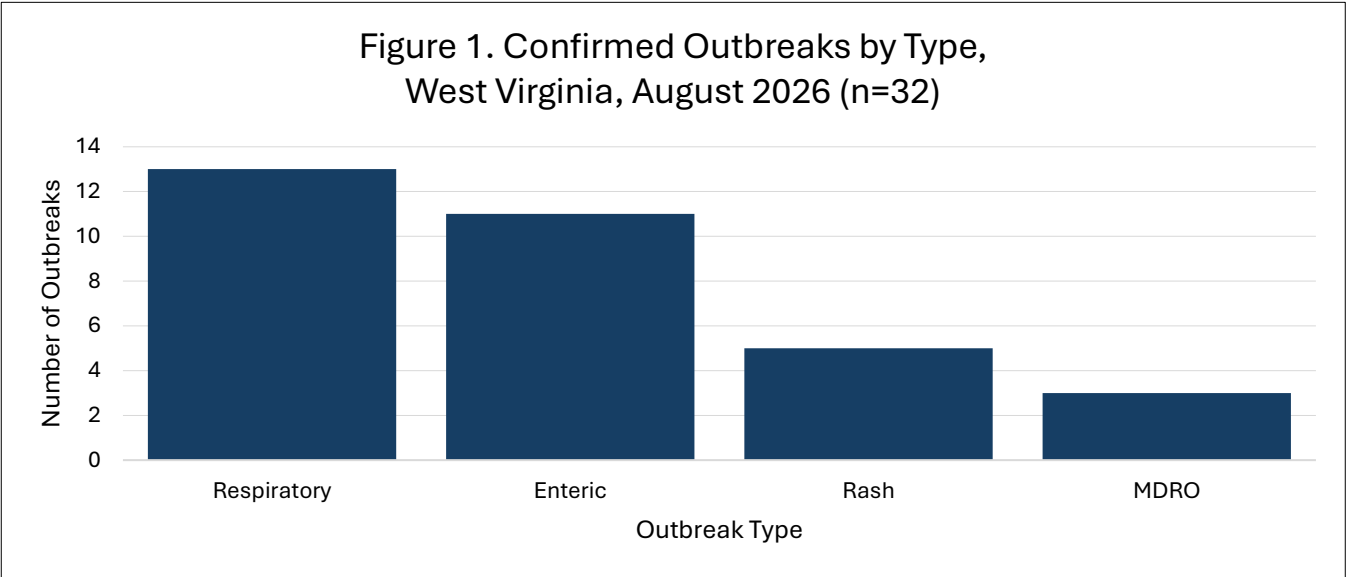
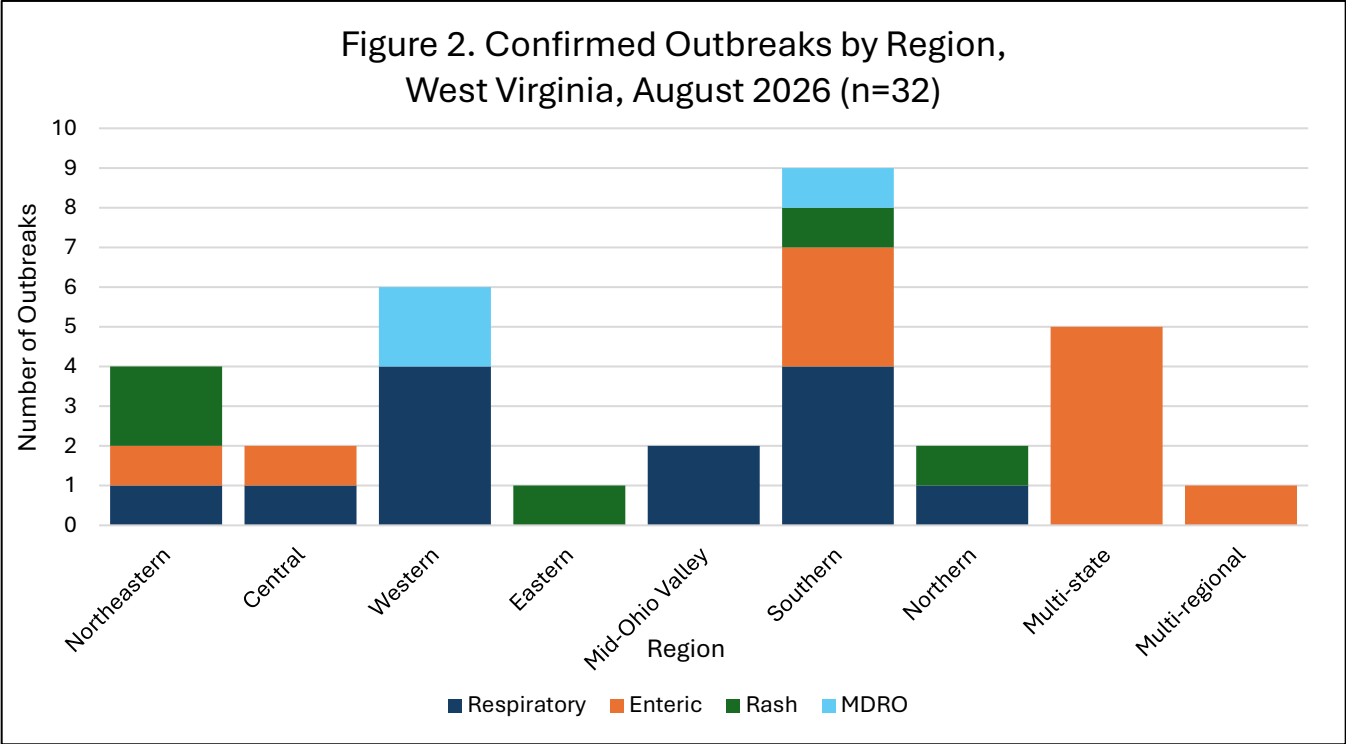
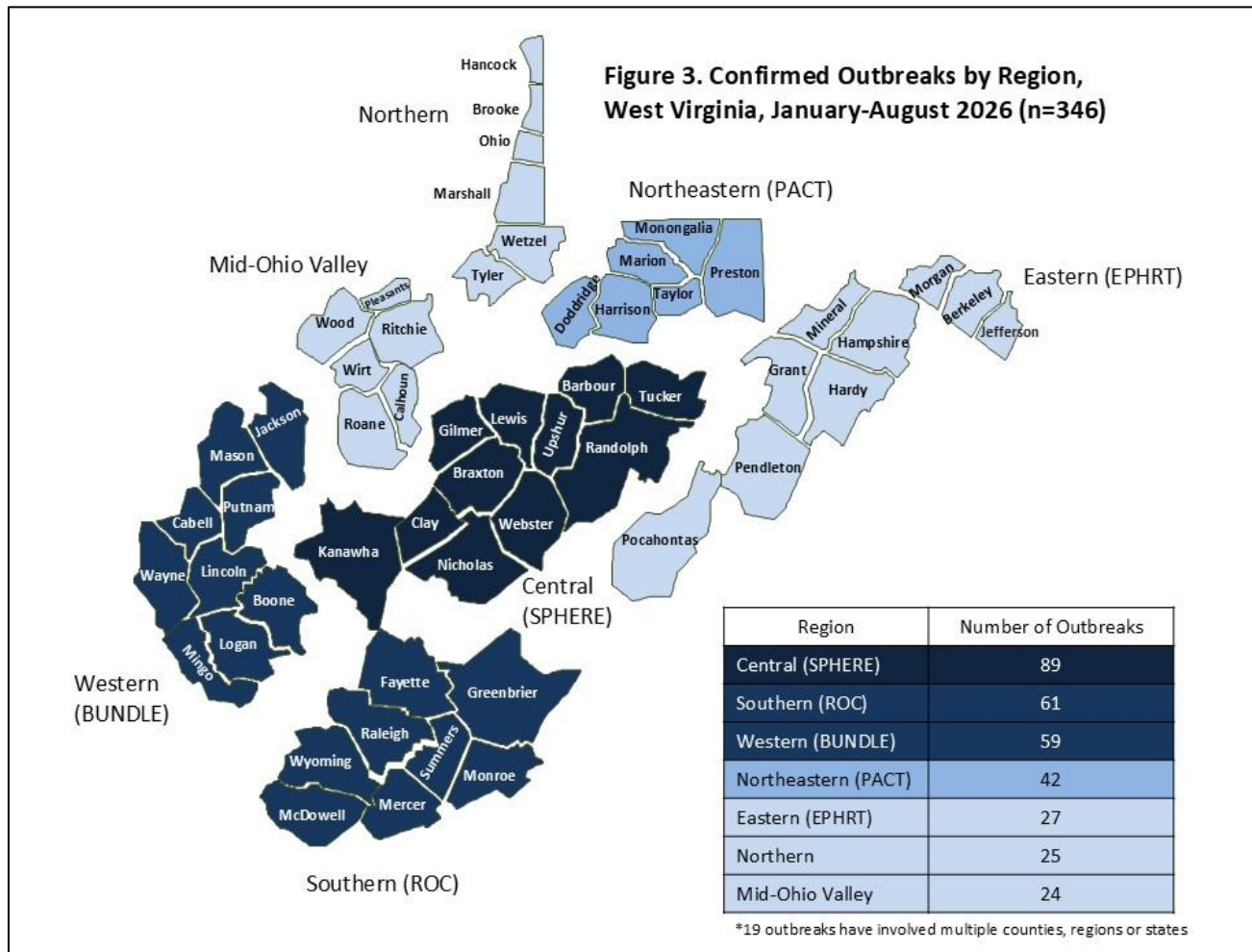


Figure 2 illustrates the number of outbreaks per region by type.



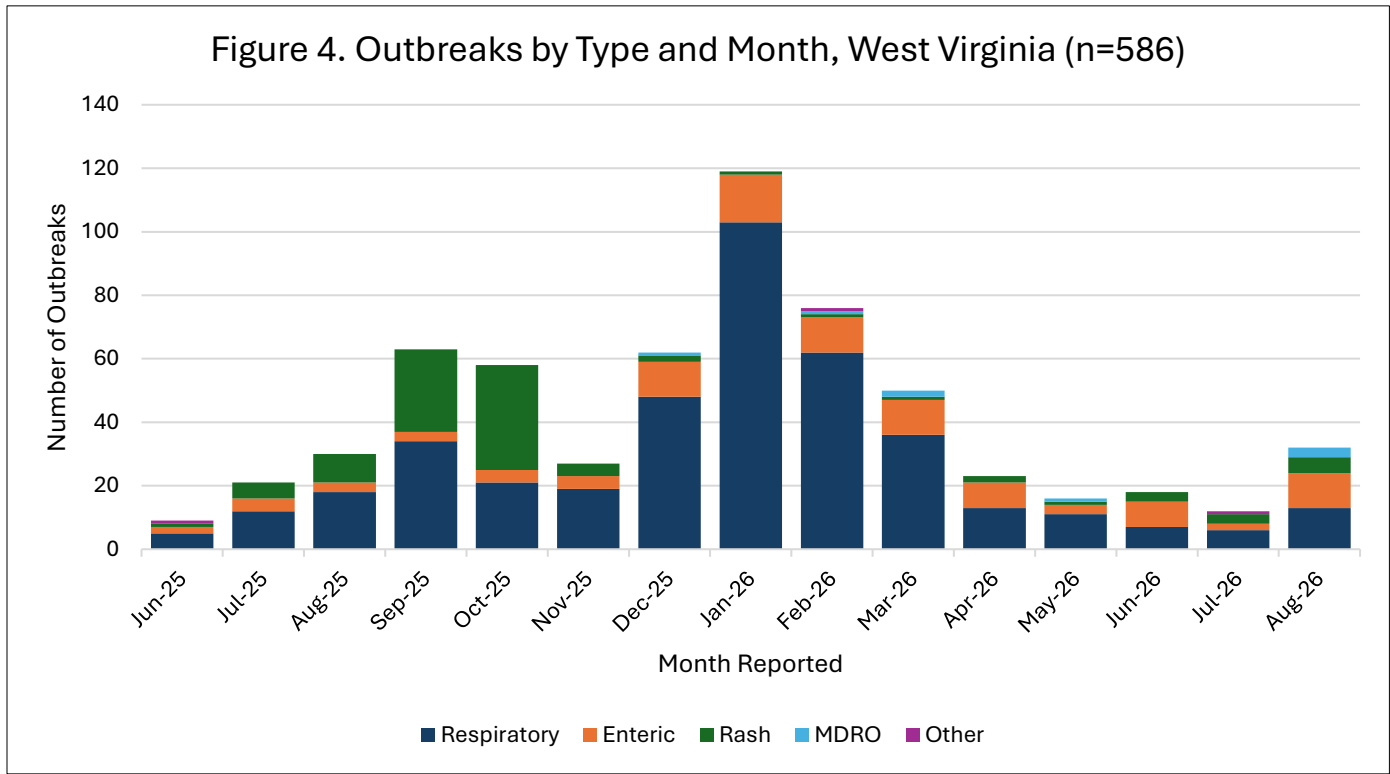
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Figure 3 displays the number of outbreaks by region.



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Figure 4 displays the number of outbreaks by type and month for the period from 2025 to 2026.



For outbreak guidelines or information on any disease or condition, visit the Office of Epidemiology & Prevention Services website at <https://oeps.wv.gov>. For after-hours public health emergencies, disease reporting, or to consult with an epidemiologist, call (304) 558-5358, or toll-free in West Virginia at 1-800-423-1271 (available 24/7/365)

Remember that outbreaks should be reported immediately to the local health department.

This report is sent monthly. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.