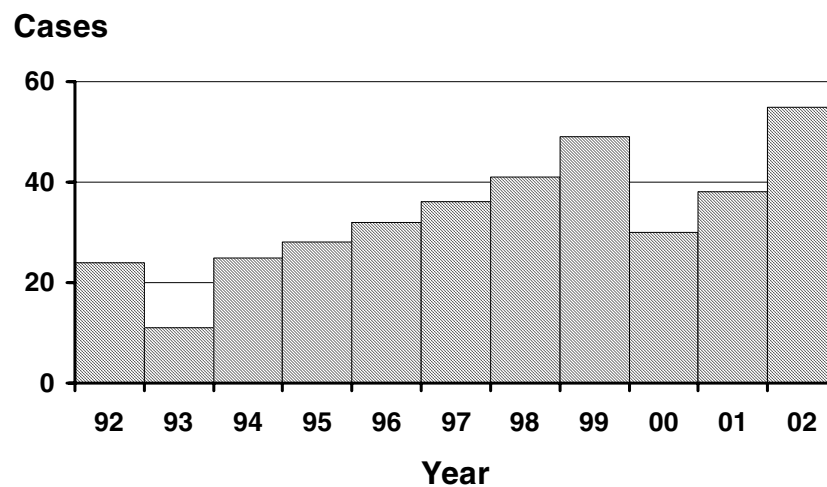


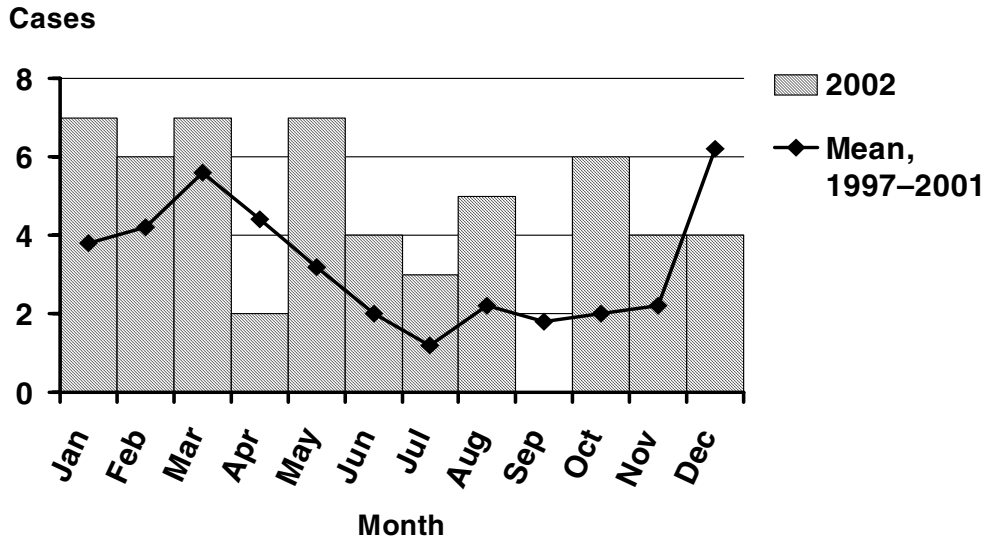
H. influenzae

Until the advent of an effective vaccine against serotype b organisms, it was the leading cause of meningitis in children under 5 years of age in Oregon and elsewhere. Today it is well down the listing, with *S. pneumoniae* now in the lead. In Oregon, serotype b organisms have not been cultured in association with invasive infection of normally sterile body fluids in children since 1999. Appropriate utilization of conjugate vaccine will help to ensure that this trend continues well into the future.

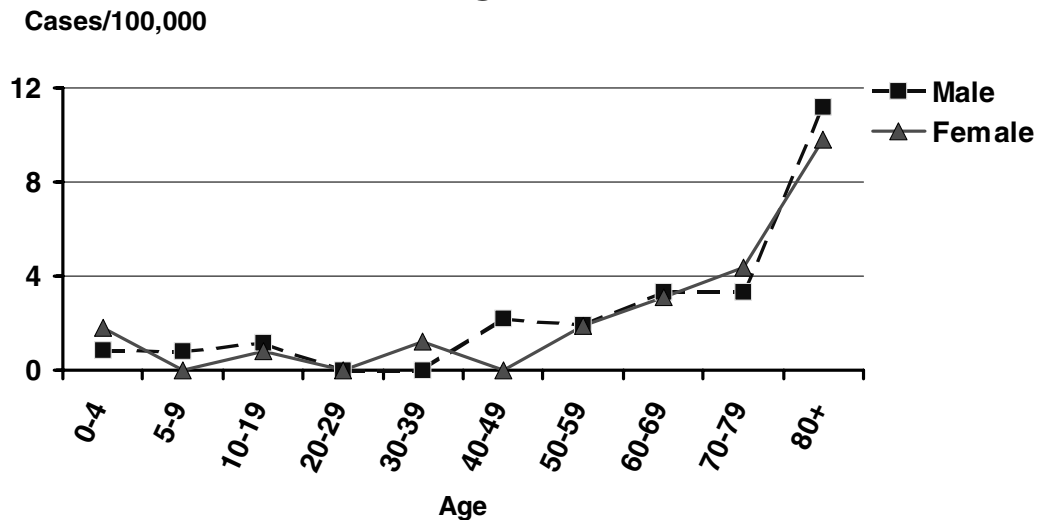
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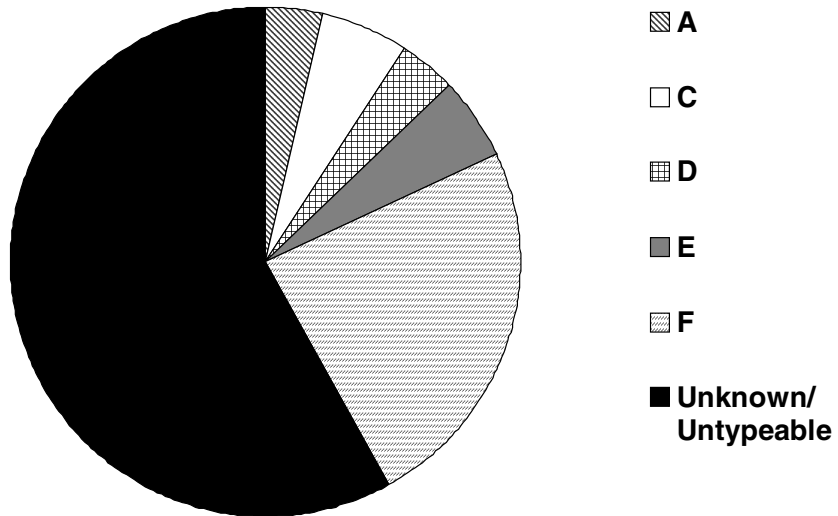
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Incidence of *H. influenzae* Invasive Disease All Serotypes by Age and Sex Oregon, 2002



H. Influenzae by Serotype Oregon, 2002



Incidence of *H. influenzae* Invasive Disease by County Oregon, 2002

