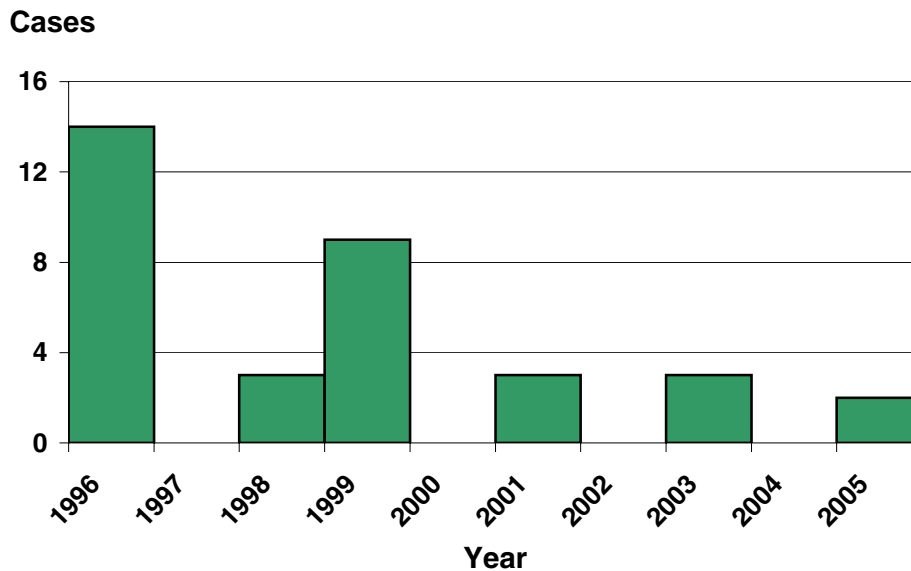


Measles

Measles is an acute, highly communicable viral illness, known for its red, blotchy rash that starts on the face and then becomes generalized. The rash is preceded by a febrile prodrome that includes cough, coryza, and conjunctivitis, and sometimes photophobia and Koplik spots. Diagnosis is confirmed by the presence of serum IgM antibodies (in a patient who has not recently been immunized).

Measles is no longer endemic in the United States, however, cases are occasionally imported; the 2005 cases of measles were imported from Saudi Arabia and Egypt. No indigenous cases were reported in 2005 and the risk of exposure to measles in Oregon remains low.

**Measles
by Year
Oregon, 1996-2005**



Incidence of Measles Oregon vs. Nationwide 1995-2005

