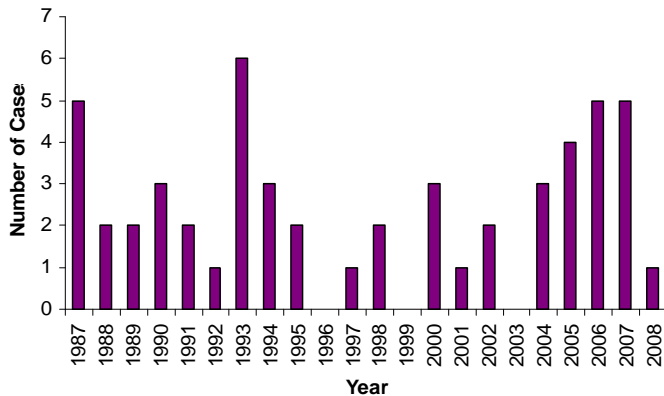


2008 Georgia Data Summary: Brucellosis

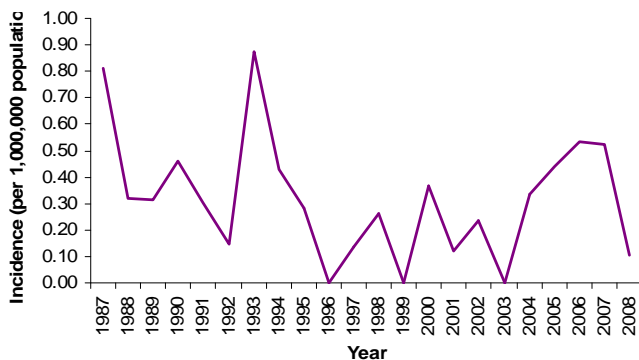


UNDULANT FEVER, MALTA FEVER, AND MEDITERRANEAN FEVER

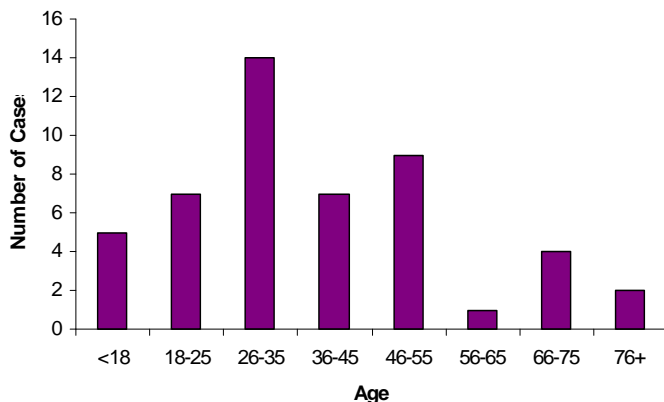
Brucellosis Cases in Georgia, 1987-2008



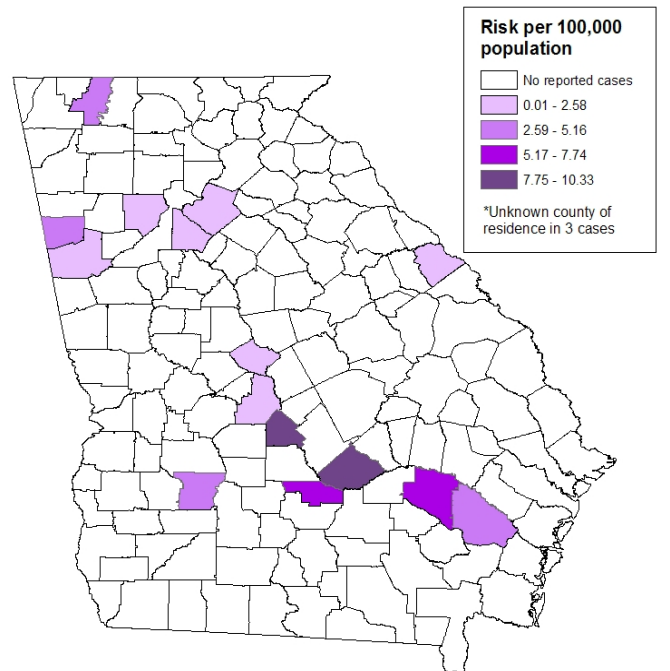
Incidence of Brucellosis Cases in Georgia, 1987-2008



Brucellosis by Age Category in Georgia, 1987-2008



Incidence of Brucellosis by County of Residence, 2000-2008



Georgia Department of Community Health
Division of Public Health

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Miles

Created: October 2009
Classification: Equal Interval
Source: Division of Public Health
Projection: Georgia Statewide
Lambert Conformal Conic

- Brucellosis is an infection caused by bacteria in the *Brucella* genus and rarely occurs in the United States. Over the past 20 years, there have been only 53 cases of brucellosis reported in Georgia.
- Brucellosis is primarily an occupational disease of those working with infected animals and their tissues or hunters of wild animals. Because of this, males are more likely to become infected with *Brucella*. Since 1987, 74% of cases (n=45) reported in Georgia were male.
- Exposure through the consumption of raw milk or milk products has been reported.
- Public health investigates each case of *Brucella* infection to determine the source of infection and because of its potential use as a biological weapon.