

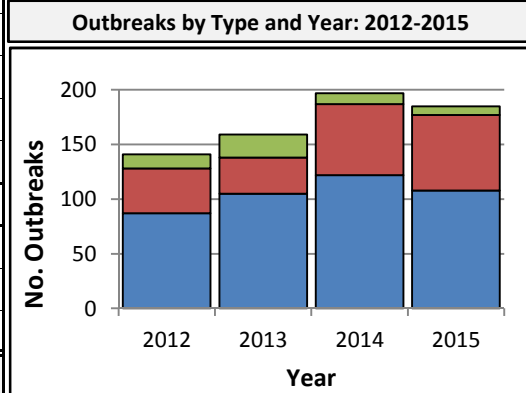
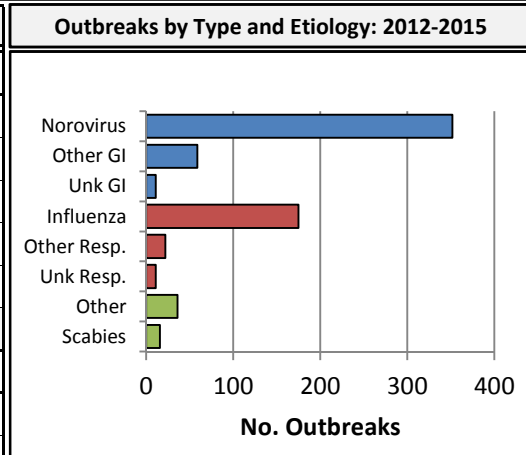
Outbreak Report Summary: 2012 - 2015

A total of **682** outbreaks were reported to the Communicable Disease Branch (CDB) from January 1, 2012–December 31, 2015; an average of 171 per year. Details of those outbreaks are presented below.

As required by North Carolina Administrative Code (10A NCAC 41A .0103), local health departments must submit a written report of the investigation within 30 days of the end of the outbreak. Outbreak reports were received for 78% of 2012 outbreaks, 91% of 2013 outbreaks, 61% of 2014 outbreaks and 89% of 2015 outbreaks.

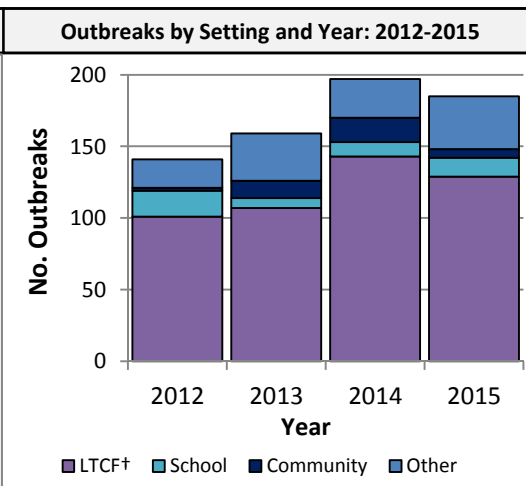
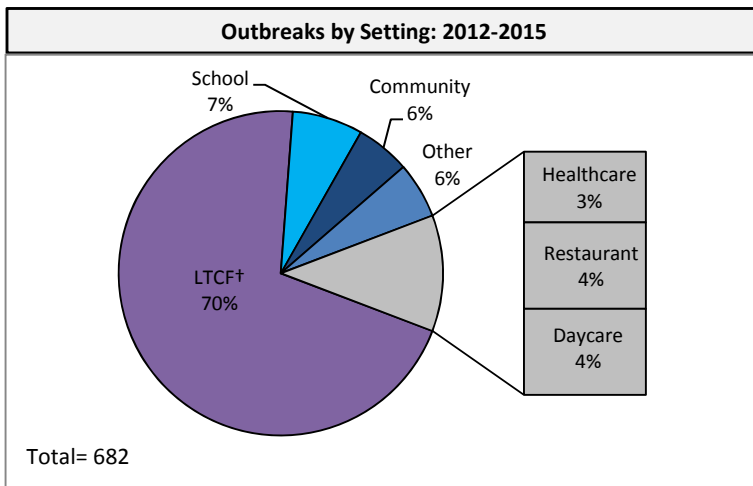
TYPE AND ETIOLOGY

Type	Etiology	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total	%
Gastrointestinal (GI) Causes							
62%	Norovirus	80	90	104	78	352	83%
	Salmonella	3	5	5	4	17	4%
	Shigella	0	2	7	11	20	5%
	Other GI	4	4	3	11	22	5%
	Unknown	0	4	3	4	11	3%
	Total		87	105	122	108	422
Respiratory Causes							
30%	Influenza	29	23	57	66	175	84%
	Pertussis*	8	4	1	1	14	7%
	Legionella	0	0	5	0	5	2%
	Other Respiratory	1	0	0	2	3	1%
	Unknown	3	6	2	0	11	5%
Total		41	33	65	69	208	
Other Causes							
8%	Other	8	16	6	6	36	69%
	Scabies	5	5	4	2	16	31%
	Total	13	21	10	8	52	
Total Outbreaks		141	159	197	185	682	



*Pertussis was at epidemic levels in 2014, therefore individual outbreaks were not reported.

SETTING



†Long-term care facility (LTCF) includes nursing homes, assisted living facilities and adult care homes