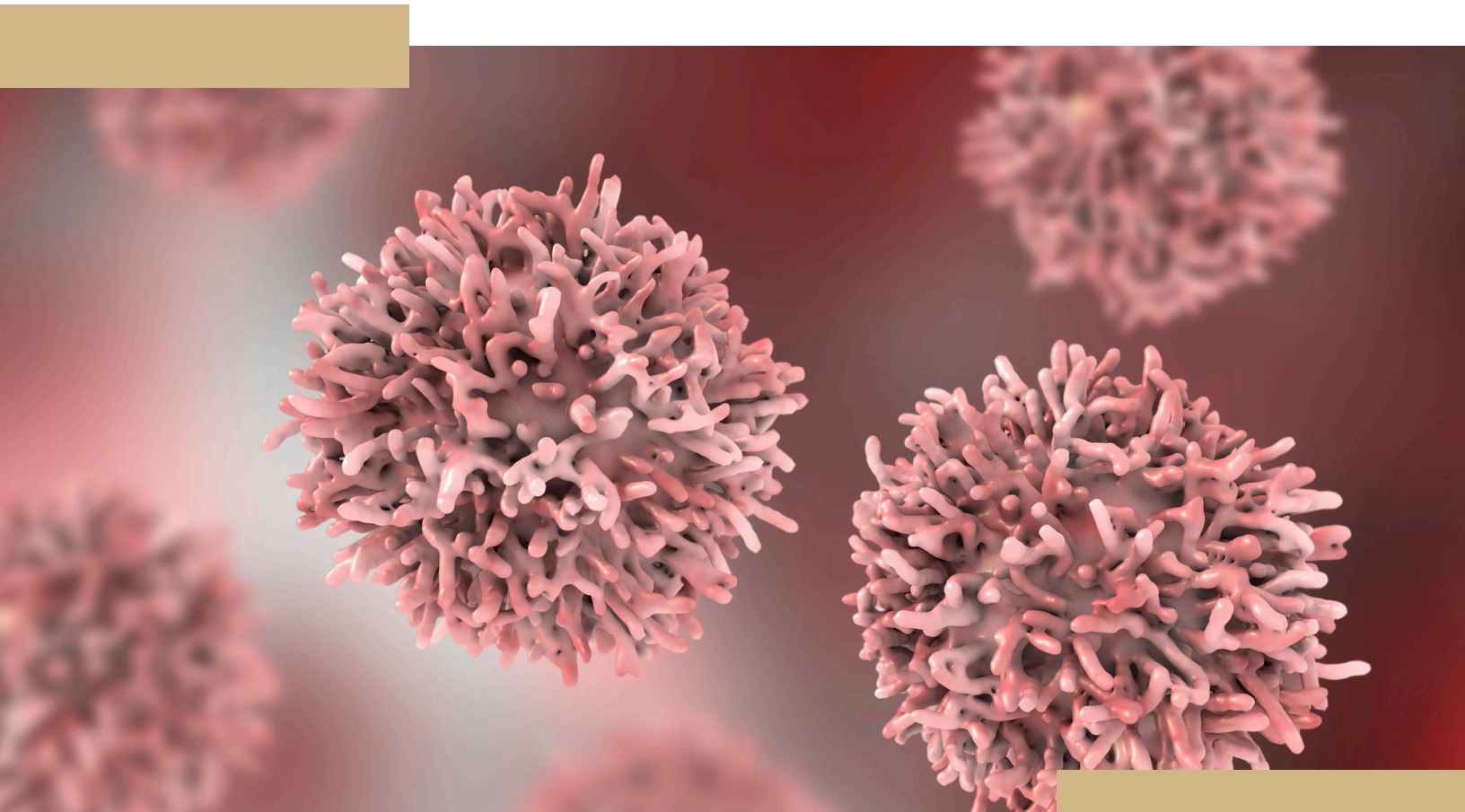


FAIRFIELD COUNTY

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORT



COMMUNICABLE DISEASE SUMMARY

MAY 2026

AT A GLANCE

56

TOTAL CASES THIS MONTH

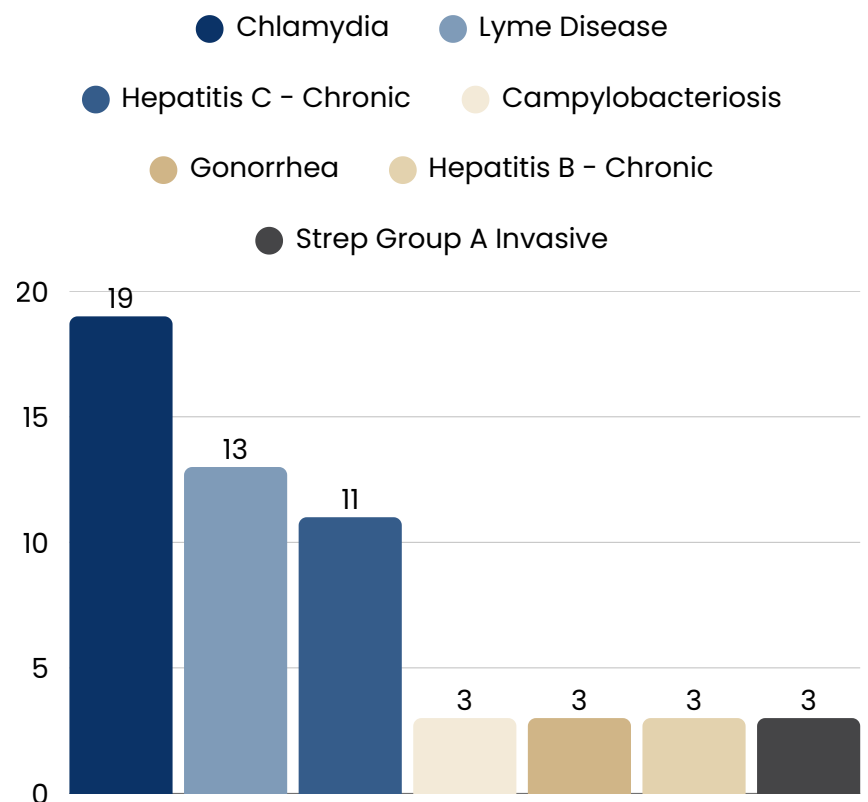
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YEAR TO DATE (YTD) TOTAL

▼ **215**

YTD DIFFERENCE VS 2025

Top Reported Conditions in Fairfield County, Ohio
May 2026*



*Counts include confirmed, probable, and suspected cases.

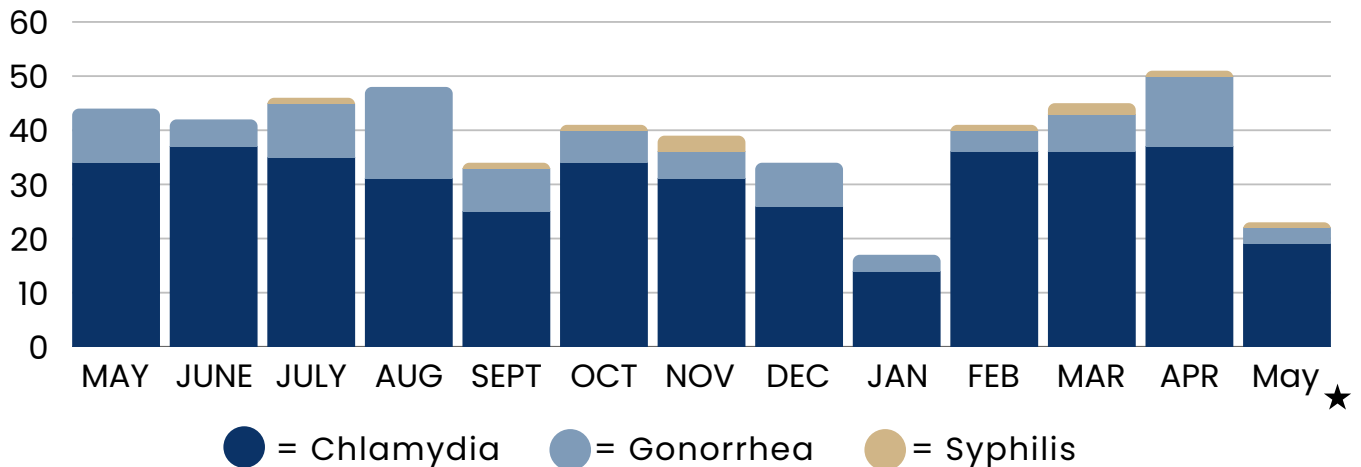
KEY FINDINGS

- Overall reportable disease activity decreased from 92 cases in April to 56 cases in May. Activity was driven largely by sexually transmitted and vector-borne diseases, with Chlamydia infection (19) and Lyme disease (13) accounting for the highest case counts.
- Respiratory hospitalization activity remained low, with 1 COVID-19 associated hospitalization, no RSV associated hospitalizations, and 1 influenza associated hospitalization reported.
- Additional notable reports included Perinatal Hepatitis B (1), Perinatal Hepatitis C (1), Salmonella (2), and Yersiniosis (1).

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

Disease	May 2026*	May 2025*	Change	YTD 2026*
Chlamydia	19	34	▼ 15	142
Gonorrhea	3	10	▼ 7	30
Syphilis	1	0	▲ 1	5

Number of Sexually Transmitted Infection Cases by Month in Fairfield County from May 2025 - May 2026



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Sexually transmitted infection activity significantly decreased in May 2026 compared to May 2025, driven primarily by decreases in Chlamydia and Gonorrhea cases.
- Chlamydia remained the most frequently reported STI this month with 19 reported cases.
- FCHD offers **free** STI testing every 4th Monday from 12 to 3 pm. Early testing and treatment, consistent condom use, and routine screening reduce spread and protect long term health.

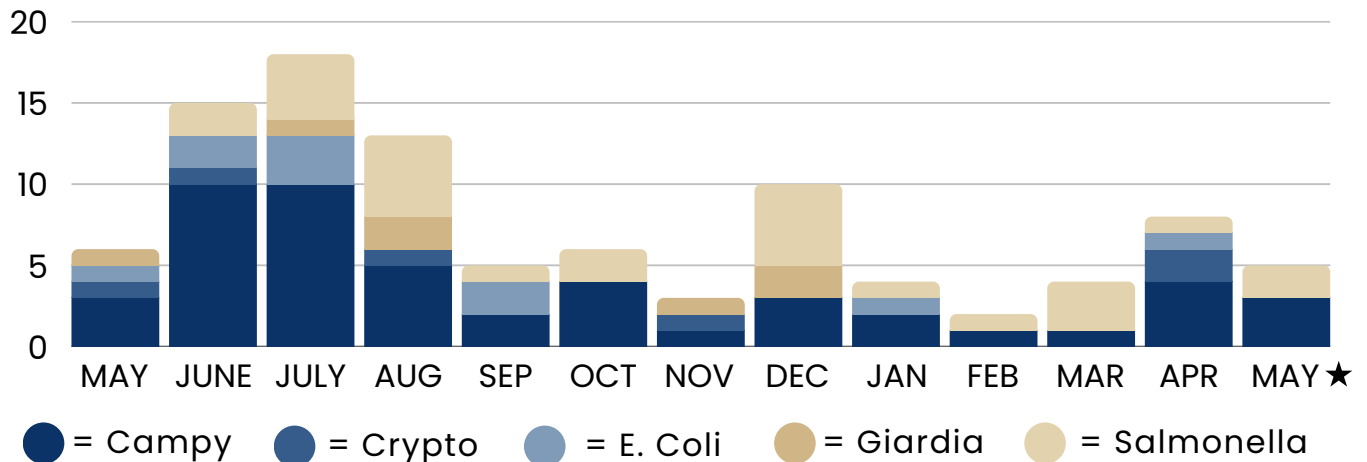
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Source: Ohio Disease Reporting System Data as of 06/03/2026.

FOODBORNE & ENTERIC DISEASES

Disease	May 2026*	May 2025*	Change	YTD 2026*
Campylobacteriosis	3	3	— 0	11
Cryptosporidiosis	0	1	▼ 1	2
E. Coli	0	1	▼ 1	2
Giardiasis	0	1	▼ 1	0
Salmonellosis	2	0	▲ 2	8

Number of Foodborne & Enteric Disease Cases by Month in Fairfield County from May 2025 - May 2026



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Foodborne and enteric disease activity remained relatively stable in May 2026, with a notable increase in Salmonellosis compared to May 2025.
- Campylobacteriosis was the most frequently reported disease among foodborne this month with 3 reported cases, similar to May 2025.
- Warmer weather and increased outdoor food activities during the spring and summer months can increase the risk of foodborne illness transmission. Residents are encouraged to practice proper handwashing and safe food preparation to help prevent illness.

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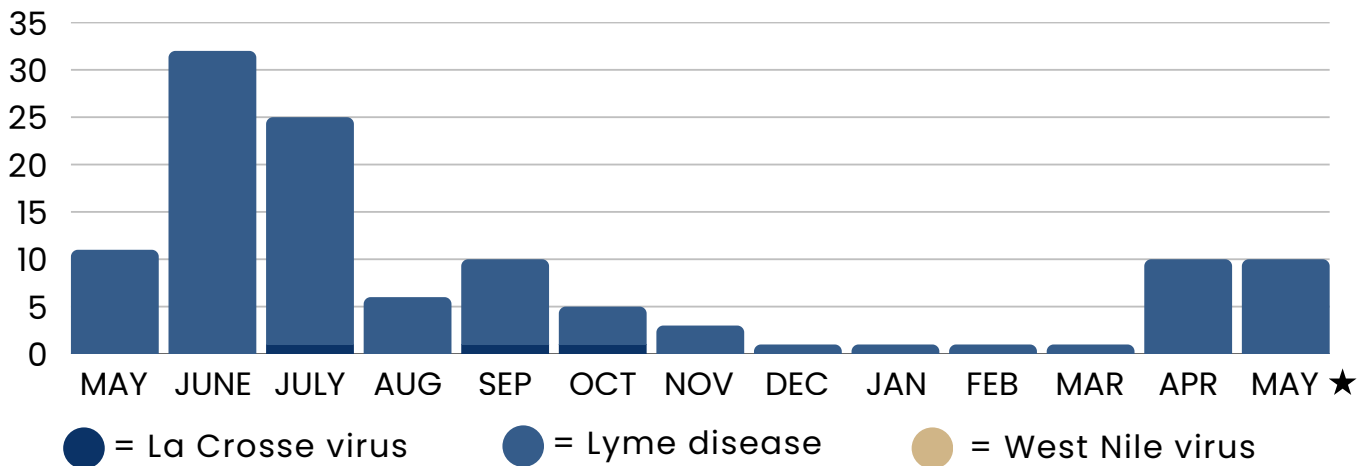
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SEASONAL FOCUS

VECTOR-BORNE DISEASES

Disease	May 2026*	May 2025*	Change	YTD 2026*
La Crosse virus	0	0	— 0	0
Lyme disease	10	11	▼ 1	23
West Nile virus	0	0	— 0	0

Number of Vector-borne Disease Cases by Month in Fairfield County from May 2025 - May 2026



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Lyme disease activity remained stable in May 2026, with 10 reported cases, equivocal to the 10 cases in April 2026. Tick activity typically begins increasing in the spring and continues through the summer months.
- No cases of La Crosse virus or West Nile virus have been reported in Fairfield County so far in 2026.
- Fairfield County Health Department's mosquito surveillance program has resumed for the 2026 season. Surveillance traps are currently being monitored throughout the county to identify mosquito borne disease activity.

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