Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) in Humans 2017

CJD became a notifiable disease in December 1996 and since then there has been a total of 89 cases of CJD notified in Ireland. There were nine notifications for CJD in Ireland in 2017. All cases in 2017 were sporadic CJD cases. One case was in the age group 45-54 years, one case was in the 55-64 years age group and the remaining seven cases were in the ≥65 years age group. Six cases were female and three cases were male.

Variant CJD (vCJD) is specified as a separate notifiable disease. No cases of vCJD were reported in 2016. There have been no cases of vCJD since 2006 when four cases were reported.

Source of data:

HPSC: Health Protection Surveillance Centre. Annual Epidemiological Report 2017. https://www.hpsc.ie/abouthpsc/annualreports/