

Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) in Humans 2016

CJD became a notifiable disease in December 1996 and since then there has been a total of 80 cases of CJD notified in Ireland. There were five notifications in both 2016 and 2015. All cases in 2016 were sporadic CJD cases. Two cases were in the age group 55-64 years and three were in the age group ≥65 years. Four cases were female and one case was 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 2016.

<http://www.hpsc.ie/abouthpsc/annualreports/HSE%20HPSC%20Annual%20Report%20ready%202016.pdf>