







Table 1: Serotype and verotoxin (vt) profiles for strains associated with laboratory confirmed VTEC cases, as determined at the VTEC-NRL at PHL, Cherry Orchard Hospital, 2016

Serogroup	vt1	vt2	vt1+vt2	Not reported	Total
O26	81	174	12	1	268
0157	0	72	99	3	174
0145	2	5	38	0	45
091	4	11	5	0	20
0146	11	2	2	0	15
0182	12	1	0	0	13
0103	9	0	2	1	12
0113	0	2	9	0	11
0111	3	7	1	0	11
05	11	0	0	0	11
Other	48	25	37	7	117
Total	181	299	205	12	697

(Source HPSC)

Table 2: VTEC outbreaks by suspected mode of transmission, Ireland, 2016

Transmission Route	Number of outbreaks	Number ill	
Person-to-person	33	80	
Foodborne +/- person-to-person	3	31	
Waterborne person-to-person	11	29	
Animal contact/Environment person-to-person	13	26	
Unknown	38	84	
Total	98	250	

^{*}Of the 98 VTEC outbreaks notified in 2016, 91 (93%) were family-type outbreaks and the remaining 7 (7%) were general-type outbreaks

Source: HPSC

Table 3. Number of VTEC notifications by serogroup, verotoxin and HUS status, Ireland, 2016

Serogroup ^a	Verotoxin	HUS	non-HUS	Total	% with HUS
O26	vt1	0	81	81	0%
	vt2	4	8	12	33%
	vt1+vt2	8	166	174	4.6%
	Not reported	0	1	1	0%
0157	vt1	0	0	0	0%
	vt2	4	95	99	4%
	vt1+vt2	3	69	72	4.2%
	Not reported	0	3	3	0%
Other	vt1	1	99	100	1%
	vt2	6	88	94	6.4%
	vt1+vt2	0	53	53	0%
	Not reported	0	8	8	0%
Laboratory	vt1	0	45	45	0%
confirmation by	vt2	3	54	57	5.4%
PCR only	vt1+vt2	0	29	29	0%
	Not reported	0	4	4	0%

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Total	29	803	832	3.5%

^aFor simplicity mixed infections were recorded as O157 if at least one strain was O157, as O26 if at least one strain was O26 but not O157, and as Other if only non-O157 or non-O26 strains were detected.

Source: HPSC

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