

Table 13a. Number of Prevalent¹ and Incident² Elevated Blood Lead Level Cases, Ages 16 Years and Older, by State and U.S., 2001

	CA	CT	MA	ME	MI	NC	NE	NJ	NM	NY	OR	WA	WI	US
Prevalent cases with blood lead level ≥ 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$	744	72	301	33	207	301	47	499	23	756	97	104	507	9,943
Incident cases with blood lead level ≥ 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$	380	56	222	N/A	118	186	34	259	18	433	20	76	155	4,225
Prevalent cases with blood lead level ≥ 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$	103	16	49	8	36	198	9	96	<5	126	<5	14	64	2,009
Incident cases with blood lead level ≥ 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$	71	13	38	N/A	29	106	7	48	<5	103	<5	11	34	668

¹A prevalent case is a person with a BLL greater than or equal to 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ (or 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$) who was reported at least once in the calendar year.

²An incident case is a person with a BLL greater than or equal to 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ (or 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$) who was reported in the calendar year, but not in the immediately preceding calendar year.

N/A = not available

Table 13b. Rate of Incident Elevated Blood Lead Level Cases, Ages 16 Years and Older, by State and U.S., 2001

	CA	CT	MA	ME	MI	NC	NE	NJ	NM ²	NY	OR ²	WA	WI	US ¹
Rate of blood lead level ≥ 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$	2.3	3.4	7.0	N/A	2.4	4.9	3.8	6.5	2.3	5.2	1.2	2.7	5.5	5.2
Rate of blood lead level ≥ 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$	0.4	0.8	1.2	N/A	0.6	2.8	0.8	1.2	--	1.2	--	0.4	1.2	0.9

¹ U.S. incidence rate was estimated from 24 ABLES states.

² Rates were not calculated for states with fewer than five cases.

Rates are expressed as residents with elevated BLL per 100,000 workers.

N/A = not available

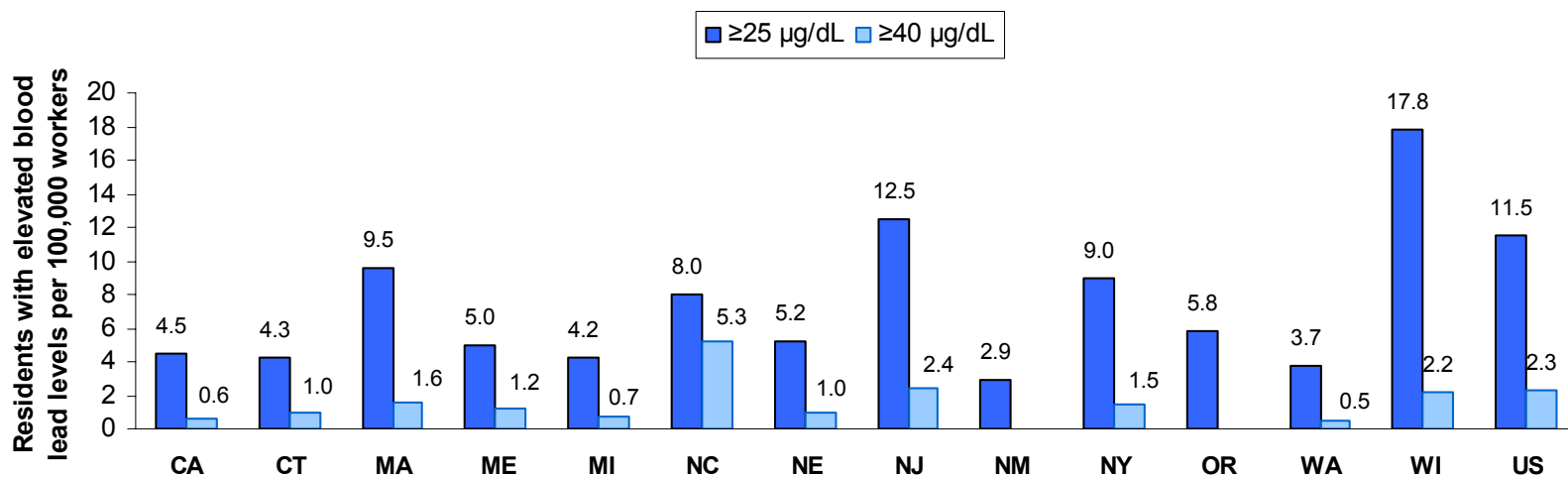
Technical Notes

Rates include all cases of adult elevated BLL in the numerator, but the denominators are limited to employed persons. This may result in an overestimate of rates (cases per 100,000 employed persons) if some cases were the result of non-occupational exposures.

Data published by the ABLES Program may differ from Indicator 13 data because:

- Indicator 13 includes only resident adults, while ABLES data include all adults reported by each state (residents and nonresidents);
- Lead registries continually correct detected errors, thus published numbers may change over time.

Figure 13. Prevalence Rate of Individuals with Blood Lead Levels ≥ 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ and ≥ 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ Ages 16 Years or Older, by State and U.S., 2001



Note: rates were not calculated for states with few than five cases

Data Sources: Numbers of cases with elevated blood lead levels: Adult Blood Lead Epidemiology Surveillance (ABLES) program. Employment estimates used to calculate rates: [Bureau of Labor Statistics' Current Population Survey](#). U.S. prevalence numbers and rates based on reports from 25 ABLES states. U.S. incidence numbers and rates reported from 24 ABLES states.