

Pertussis Outbreak 2015

Highlights

- In early September 2015, an increase in pertussis cases was detected in Saskatoon Health Region. In November, a pertussis outbreak was declared until March 16, 2016.
- Several distinct geographical clusters were identified (Figure 1).
- Clusters of cases were concentrated among 5 to 13 year olds-- the age group soon due for updating immunization (Figure 2).
- Overall, pertussis immunization coverage in the Region was high in 2014: two-year-old coverage was 78.8% and seven-year-old coverage was 85%, however pockets of lower immunization coverage existed within geographic areas. See [Immunization](#).
- See Public Health Response to Pertussis Outbreak under [Activities Summary](#).

Figure 1: Pertussis Outbreak, Saskatoon Health Region, 2015 to 16*

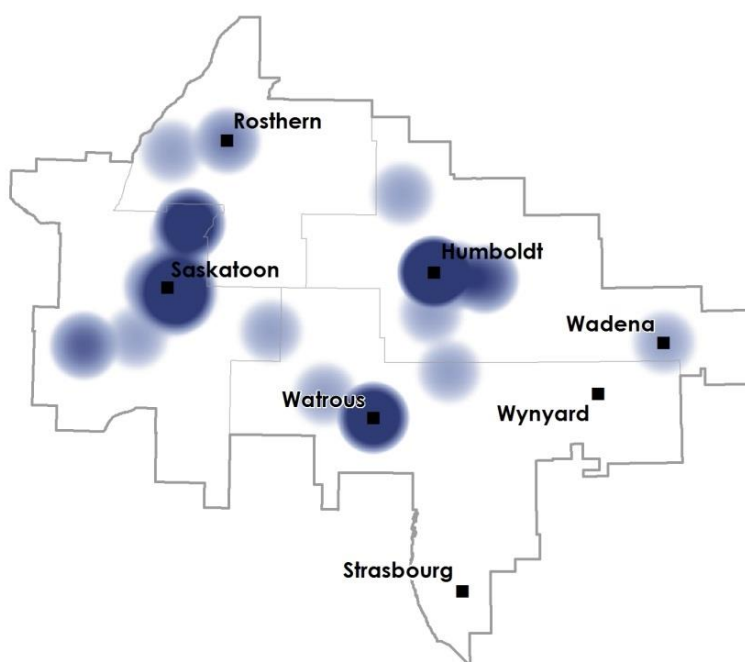


Figure 2: Pertussis Cases, Saskatoon Health Region, January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016

