

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT FUNDING FOR TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL AND TREATMENT, AND REFUGEE HEALTH ASSESSMENT SERVICES, AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS MEDICATION, AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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Tuberculosis



San Diego County, 2023:

- 243 new **active** TB cases reported
 - 17% increase in active cases (208) since 2022
 - Comparable to 15% increase across the State
- Approximately 175,000 **latent** TB infections

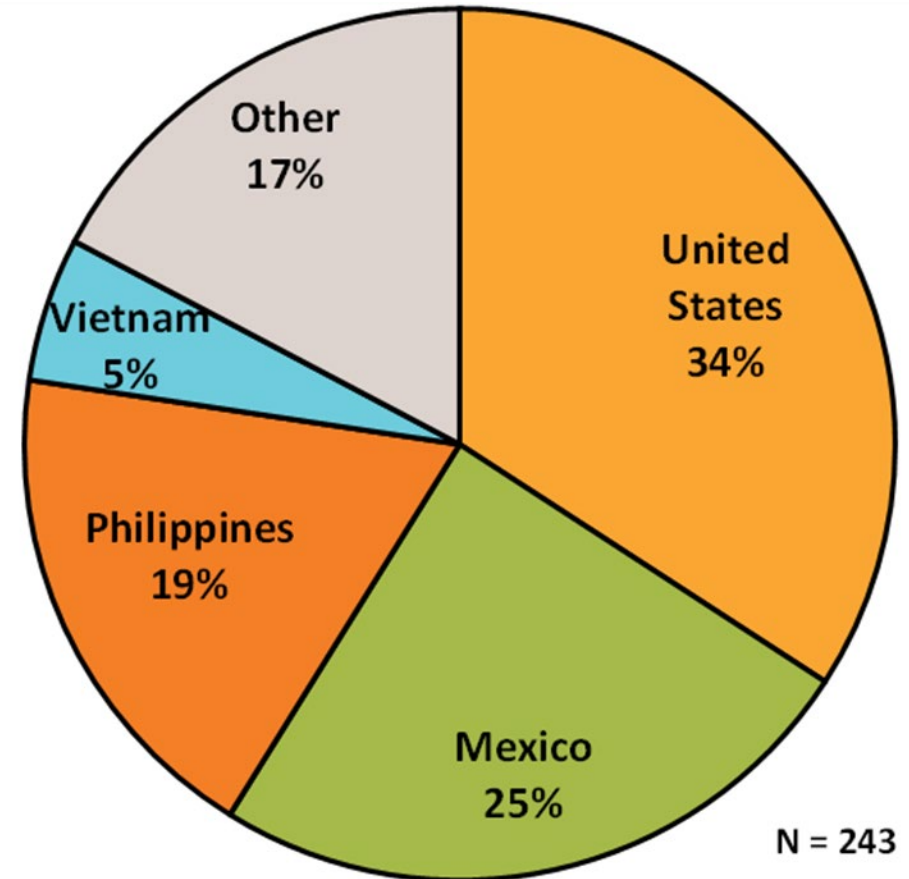
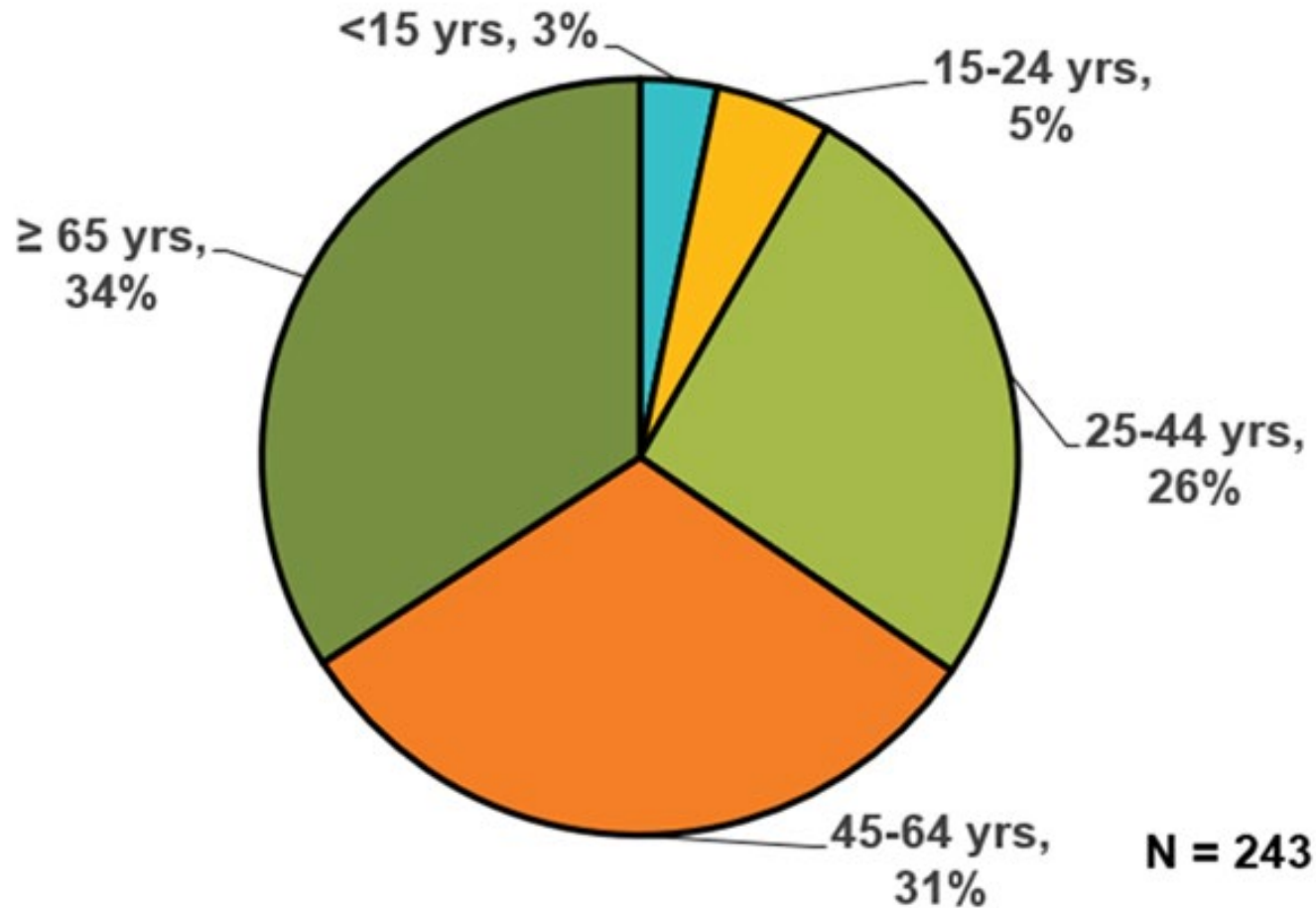


TB Cases by Age and Country of Birth

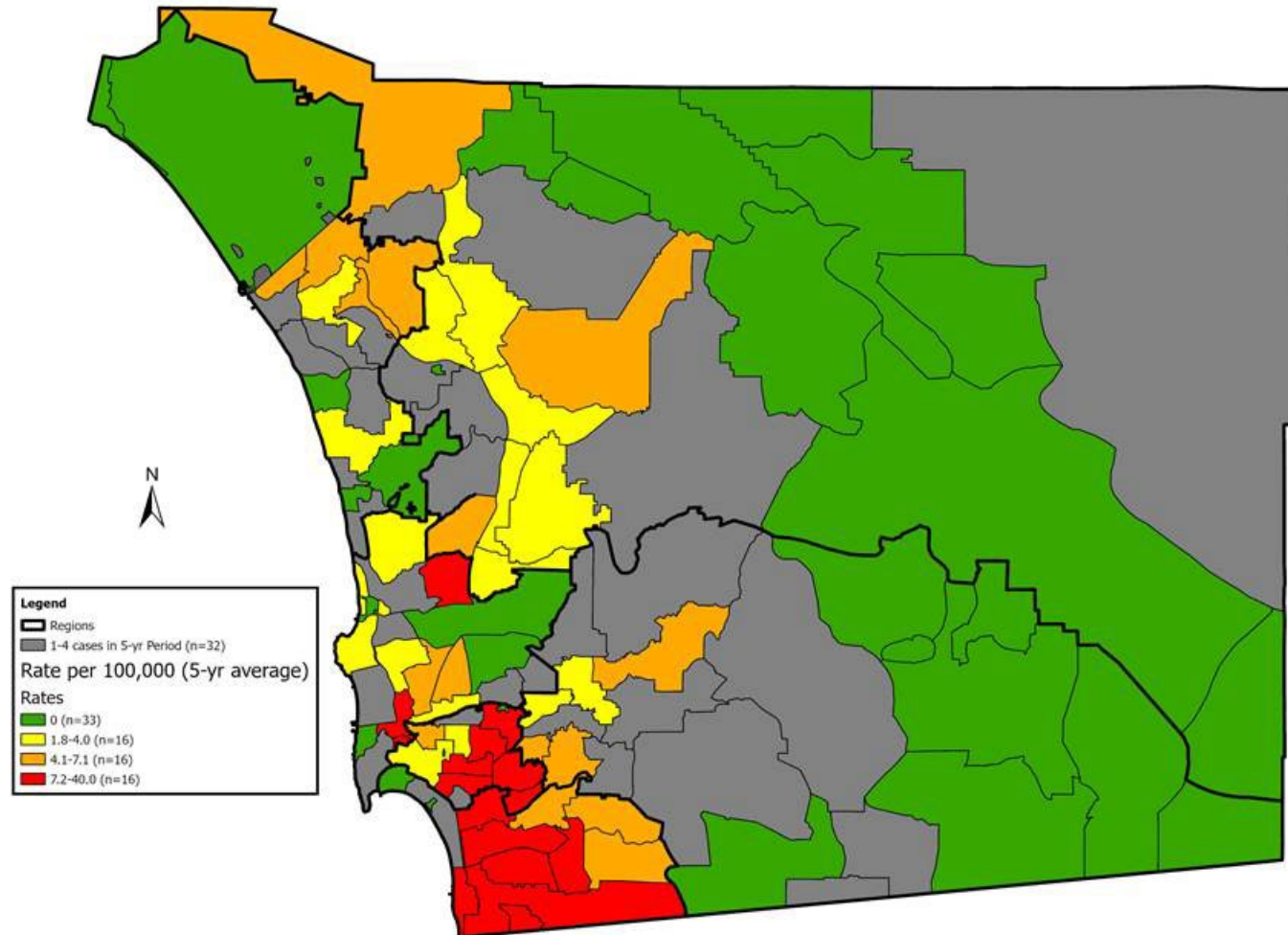


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TB Incidence Rates by Zip Code: San Diego County, 2018-2022



Tuberculosis Rates by Zip Code, San Diego County, 2018-2022
Source: County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Tuberculosis Control, RVCT Database
Map Date: November 28, 2023



TB Services Outcomes



County Services Provided, 2023:

- 6,154 clinical services
- 2,638 unique patients provided clinical care
- 2,485 contacts of active TB cases were identified
- 123 Cure TB referrals
- 65 individuals were sheltered in TB housing
- 59 educational trainings provided to 1,931 participants

Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP)



- Provides comprehensive health assessments to newly arrived refugees, asylees, victims of trafficking, and other eligible entrants, within the first 90-days of their arrival to San Diego county
- Includes follow-up and referrals for health conditions identified in the assessment process
- 1,759 individuals eligible for RHAP received health assessments and referrals in Fiscal Year 2021-22
- 82% of those individuals that started the assessment, also completed within 90 days

Tuberculosis Control & Refugee Health Revenue

Funding Source:	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	California Department of Public Health (CDPH)	CDPH Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP)
Programs Supported:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact investigation • TB testing • Latent TB infection screening • Treatment • Direct observed therapy • Laboratory analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treatment • Direct observed therapy • Epidemiologic studies • Transitional housing and support • Binational education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact investigation • Refugee health screening
Award Amount:	\$1,780,240	\$890,885	\$692,000
Funding Term:	January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025	July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025



Acceptance of Anti-TB Medication



- CDPH distributes, at no-cost, anti-TB medication set to expire in the same year
- Local TB programs are requested to apply as soon as possible
- Due to limited availability, anti-TB medication is often reserved in days
- Request the Board authorize the Public Health Officer, Agency Director, or their designee to apply for and no-cost anti-TB medications from CDPH when available



Recommendations



1. Waive Board Policy B-29 Fees, Grants, Revenue, Contracts - Department responsibility for cost recovery.
2. Accept \$1,780,240 in funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for tuberculosis control and treatment services.
3. Accept \$890,885 in funds from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for tuberculosis control and treatment services.
4. Accept \$692,000 in funds from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for Refugee Health Assessment Program services.
5. Authorize pursuit of future funding opportunities for tuberculosis treatment and control and refugee health services.
6. Authorize pursuit of future anti-tuberculosis medication donations from California Department of Public Health to support tuberculosis treatment.

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