

## Q Fever

Twelve cases of Q fever were notified during 2006 compared to ten in 2005 and seven in 2004.

Nine cases occurred in males and three in females. The cases ranged in age from three years to 77 years (mean age, 47 years; median age, 43 years) (table 3).

Eight cases were classified as confirmed and four as probable.

Table 3. Q fever notifications by age and sex, Ireland 2006

Age group	Male	Female	Total
<5 yr	1	0	1
5-14 yrs	0	0	0
15-24 yrs	0	0	0
25-44 yrs	4	1	5
45-64 yrs	2	0	2
65+ yrs	2	2	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>