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## Measles Can Travel

Multistate Measles Outbreak Associated with an International Youth Sporting Event — Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Texas, August–September. 2007

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In the United States, measles is no longer a major health concern because most people have been vaccinated against the disease. However, outbreaks of the childhood illness can still occur. A major international sporting event for children held in the United States in August of 2007 resulted in seven people being diagnosed with measles.

Virtually all measles outbreaks in the U.S. today are caused by someone bringing the disease in from another country and spreading it to others. Such was the case in the most recent outbreak. Vaccination is still the most effective way to prevent measles, so parents, make sure your children are up-to-date on their vaccinations.

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