

Shigella Isolates 2006

There were 96 isolates of *Shigella* confirmed in 2006, compared with 176 in 2005, when there was an outbreak of 38 cases of *Shigella sonnei* Biotype a linked to consumption of raw shellfish in Northland.

Species	Type	Number	Comment
<i>S. boydii</i>	4	3	Recent travel India (1) and Pakistan (1)
<i>S. boydii</i>	13	2	
<i>S. dysenteriae</i>	3	1	Recent travel South America
<i>S. flexneri</i>	1b	8	Recent travel Fiji (2) and South Africa (1)
<i>S. flexneri</i>	2a	9	
<i>S. flexneri</i>	2b	5	
<i>S. flexneri</i>	3a	5	
<i>S. flexneri</i>	3c	1	Recent travel Mexico
<i>S. flexneri</i>	4	1	Recent travel Tonga
<i>S. flexneri</i>	4a	2	
<i>S. flexneri</i>	4b	1	
<i>S. flexneri</i>	6	3	Recent travel India (2)
<i>S. flexneri</i>	x variant	1	Recent travel China
<i>S. flexneri</i>	y variant	3	Recent travel Nepal (1) and Samoa(1)
<i>S. flexneri</i>	species	1	Recent travel India
<i>S. sonnei</i>	Biotype a	24	Recent travel South America (1)
<i>S. sonnei</i>	Biotype e	1	Recent travel South America
<i>S. sonnei</i>	Biotype f	2	Recent travel Singapore
<i>S. sonnei</i>	Biotype g	22	Recent travel India (3), South America (2), Europe (2) and Indonesia (1)
<i>Shigella</i>	species	1	
TOTAL		96	