

## C. difficile surveillance

### Quarterly report

October - December 2017

#### Key points

- CDD cases for hospital inpatients aged 16 years and over decreased by 1% from 124 to 123 episodes during October - December 2017 compared to July - September 2017.
- CDD rate per 1,000 bed days decreased by 17% during October - December 2017 compared to July - September 2017.
- CDD cases for community patients aged 16 years and over increased by 24% from 10 to 12 episodes during October - December 2017 compared to July - September 2017.
- Total CDD hospital inpatient episodes and community patients combined aged 16 years and over increased by 24% during October - December 2017 compared to July - September 2017 (from 134 to 135 episodes).
- CDD cases for hospital inpatients aged 16 years and over decreased by 17% between the 2015/16 and 2017/17 financial years.
- During October - December 2017 the most prevalent biotypes for CDD inpatients are BEC (19%), BEC (17%) and 029 (16%) (Table 1) and in the community are BEC (19%), BEC (17%) and 029 (17%) (Table 2).

For further information on surveillance of CDD, additional pages refer to previous reports on <https://ph.govt.nz>

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