Table 6: Pertussis notifications and deaths, England and Wales, 1940 - 2012

Year	Notifications	Deaths
1940	53,607	678
1941	173,330	2,383
1942	66,016	799
1943	96,136	1,114
1944	93,990	1,054
1945	62,663	689
1946	92,912	808
1947	92,662	905
1948	146,383	748
1949	102,809	527
1950	157,752	394
1951	169,347	453
1952	114,863	181
1953	157,835	243
1954	105,904	139
1955	79,101	87
1956	92,407	92
1957	85,017	87
1958	33,400	27
1959	33,252	25
1960	58,030	37
1961	24,469	27
1962	8,347	24
1963	34,736	36
1964	31,594	44
1965	12,945	21
1966	19,417	23
1967	33,531	27
1968	17,367	15
1969	4,994	6
1970	16,597	15
1971	16,844	26
1972	2,069	2
1973	2,437	2
1974	16,225	13
1975	8,910	12
1976	3,907	3
1977	17,475	7
1978	65,956	12
1979	30,816	7
1980	21,131	6

1981	19,395	5
1982	65,810	14
1983	19,340	5
1984	5,517	1
1985	22,045	4
1986	36,506	3
1987	15,203	5
1988	5,117	0
1989	11,646	1
1990	15,286	7
1991	5,201	0
1992	2,309	1
1993	4,091	0
1994	3,964	3
1995	1,869	2
1996	2,387	2
1997	2,989	2
1998	1,577	4
1999	1,139	2
2000	712	2
2001	888	5
2002	883	4
2003	409	1
2004	504	3
2005	594	5
2006	550	2
2007*	1,089	5
2008*	1,512	7
2009*	1,155	2
2010*	405	1
2011*	911	7
2012#	6,556	14

2012 data are provisional data

*The recent increase in pertussis notifications corresponds with the availability of enhanced diagnostic methods; since mid-2006 there has been greater awareness and use of these testing methods compared to previous years with an increasing proportion of reports diagnosed by PCR and/or serology (see table 5 & Figure 2).

Source: Notifications of Infectious disease
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