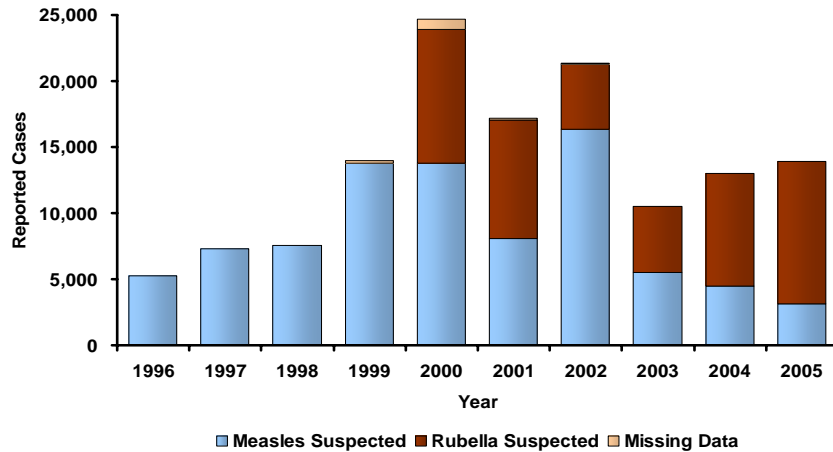




This graph highlights the effect of integrating rubella to ongoing measles surveillance. Between 2003 and 2005, the increase in number of rubella suspect cases drives the increase in the total number of suspect cases. Measles awareness should be maintained.

**Reported Cases by Initial Diagnosis
The Americas, 1996–2005**



Source: Countries reporting to the Measles Elimination Surveillance System

**Table No.1
Classification of Suspected Measles, Rubella, & Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS) Cases for the Period of Week 01, 2006**

Subregion and Country	Suspected Cases 2006	Measles Confirmed 2006			Year/Week Last Confir. Measles Case	Rubella Confirmed 2006			Year/Week Last Confir. Rubella Case	Diagnosis of Discarded Cases 2006		Congenital Rubella Syndrome	
		Clinic.	Lab.	Total		Clinic.	Lab.	Total		Dengue	Other	Suspec.	Confir.
AND	BOL	...	...	...	00/40	...	...	...	05/48	...	...	...	...
	COL	1	0	0	02/39	0	0	0	05/48	0	0	...	...
	ECU	...	...	...	01/14	...	...	...	04/45	...	...	...	...
	PER	...	...	...	00/13	...	...	...	05/48	...	...	...	...
	VEN	0	0	0	02/47	0	0	0	05/50	...	...	...	...
BRA	BRA	...	...	...	05/29	...	...	...	05/50	...	...	...	...
CAP	COR	...	...	...	03/47	...	...	...	01/42	...	...	...	...
	ELS	...	...	...	01/19	...	...	...	03/31	...	...	...	...
	GUT	0	0	0	98/05	0	0	0	05/34	...	...	0	0
	HON	0	0	0	97/29	0	0	0	04/11	...	...	0	0
	NIC	0	0	0	94/14	0	0	0	04/19	...	...	0	0
	PAN	0	0	0	95/49	0	0	0	02/48	...	...	0	0
CAR	CAR	...	...	...	98/23	...	...	...	01/27	...	...	...	...
LAC	CUB	...	...	...	93/27	...	...	...	04/11	...	...	...	...
	DOR	0	0	0	01/23	0	0	0	05/37	...	...	...	...
	FGU	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	GUA	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	HAI	...	...	...	01/39	...	...	...	04/25	...	...	...	...
	MAR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	PUR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
MEX	MEX	0	0	0	05/14	0	0	0	05/44	0	0	0	0
NOA	CAN	...	0	0	05/51	...	...	...	05/25	...	...	...	...
	USA	...	...	...	05/45	...	...	...	05/52	...	...	...	...
SOC	ARG	1	0	0	00/11	0	0	0	04/50	0	0	...	...
	CHI	0	0	0	03/19	0	0	0	05/21	...	...	5	0
	PAR	1	0	0	98/44	0	0	0	05/21	0	1	0	0
	URU	0	0	0	99/08	0	0	0	01/37	0	0
TOTAL		3	0	0	---	0	0	0	---	0	1	5	0

... No report received



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Table No.2

Infection Source of Measles and Rubella Confirmed Cases for the Period of Week 01, 2006

Subregion and Country		Measles			Rubella			
		I	IR	U	I	IR	U	IN
AND	BOL							
	COL							
	ECU							
	PER							
	VEN							
BRA	BRA							
	CAP							
	COR							
	ELS							
	GUT							
CAR	HON							
	LAC							
	NIC							
	PAN							
	CAR							
LAC	CUB							
	DOR							
	FGU							
	GUA							
	HAI							
MEX	MAR							
	PUR							
	MEX							
	NOA							
	CAN							
SOC	USA							
	ARG							
	CHI							
	PAR							
	URU							
TOTAL								

Table No.3

Measles/Rubella Suspected Cases Under Investigation for the Period of Week 01, 2006

Country	Pending Cases 2005	Cumulative 2006	Week of Rash Onset					
			1	---	---	---	---	Unkn.
BOL	1	...	...			
COL	67	1	1					
ECU	4	...	...			
PER	2681	...	...			
VEN	0	0	0					
BRA	BRA	994	...	...		
	CAP							
	COR	5	...	...		
	ELS	2	...	...		
	GUT	1	0	0				
CAR	HON	8	0	0				
	LAC							
	NIC	0	0	0				
	PAN	1	0	0				
	CAR	30	...	...		
LAC	CUB	...	...	...	
	DOR	5	0	0				
	FGU	...	...	...	
	GUA	...	...	...	
	HAI	0	...	...		
MEX	MAR	...	...	...	
	PUR	...	...	...	
	MEX	825	0	0				
	NOA							
	CAN	...	...	...	
SOC	USA	...	...	...	
	ARG	12	1	1				
	CHI	21	0	0				
	PAR	2	0	0				
	URU	0	0	0				
TOTAL	4659	2	2					

I: Imported – IR: Import-related – U: Unknown – IN: Indigenous

... No report received

Table No.4

Indicators of Integrated Measles/Rubella Surveillance for the Period of Week 01, 2006

Sub-region and Country		% Sites Reporting Weekly	% Cases with Adequate Investigation	% Cases with Adequate Sample	% Lab Received ≤5 days	% Lab Result ≤4 days	% Cases Discarded by Lab	Chains of Transmission With Representative Samples for Viral Isolation	
								Measles	Rubella
AND	BOL	...	...	...	...	...	...
	COL	95	100	100	0	0	0		
	ECU	...	...	...	...	...	...
	PER	...	...	...	...	...	...
	VEN	...	...	...	...	...	...
BRA	BRA	...	...a	...	...	...	...
	CAP								
	COR	...	...	...	...	...	...
	ELS	...	...	...	...	...	...
	GUT	...	...	...	...	...	...
CAR	HON	95	...	...	...	...	...
	LAC								
	NIC	100	...	...	...	...	...
	PAN	94	...	...	...	...	...
	CAR	...	...	...	...	...	...
LAC	CUB	...	...a	...	...	...	...
	DOR	...	...	...	...	...	...
	FGU	...	...	...	...	...	...
	GUA	...	...	...	...	...	...
	HAI	...	...	...	...	...	...
MEX	MAR	...	...	...	...	...	...
	PUR	...	...	...	...	...	...
	MEX	...	...b	...	...	...	...
	NOA								
	CAN	...	...	...	...	...	...
SOC	USA	...	...	...	...	...	...
	ARG	100	0	0	0	0	0		
	CHI	...	...	...	...	...	...
	PAR	76	0	100	100	100	100		
	URU	56	...	...	...	...	...
Total and Average		91	33	67	33	33	33		

... No report received

^a Also includes information on active case-searches

^b Only considers home visit within 48 hours of notification

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<http://www.paho.org/english/ad/fch/im/measles.htm>