

Table 1 - Deaths for which Clostridium Difficile was (a) recorded as the underlying cause of death; (b) described as a contributory factor; and (c) mentioned as either the underlying cause of death or a contributory factor, Scotland, 2000-2008

	Year								
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
(a) Underlying cause	38	57	70	73	98	102	164	220	248
(b) Mentioned as a contributory factor	78	113	94	115	141	211	253	377	517
(c) Mentioned as <i>either</i> the underlying cause <i>or</i> a contributory factor	116	170	164	188	239	313	417	597	765

Quarter in which the deaths were registered	Year								
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
(a) Underlying cause									
Annual total	38	57	70	73	98	102	164	220	248
Quarter 1	10	18	23	23	26	32	50	50	75
Quarter 2	6	13	11	22	20	24	43	54	75
Quarter 3	10	11	23	15	26	23	32	58	56
Quarter 4	12	15	13	13	26	23	39	58	42
(b) Mentioned as a contributory factor									
Annual total	78	113	94	115	141	211	253	377	517
Quarter 1	23	30	20	28	32	58	56	102	150
Quarter 2	21	25	25	28	37	52	65	91	121
Quarter 3	17	28	27	28	31	46	68	79	126
Quarter 4	17	30	22	31	41	55	64	105	120
(c) Mentioned as <i>either</i> the underlying cause <i>or</i> a contributory factor									
Annual total	116	170	164	188	239	313	417	597	765
Quarter 1	33	48	43	51	58	90	106	152	225
Quarter 2	27	38	36	50	57	76	108	145	196
Quarter 3	27	39	50	43	57	69	100	137	182
Quarter 4	29	45	35	44	67	78	103	163	162