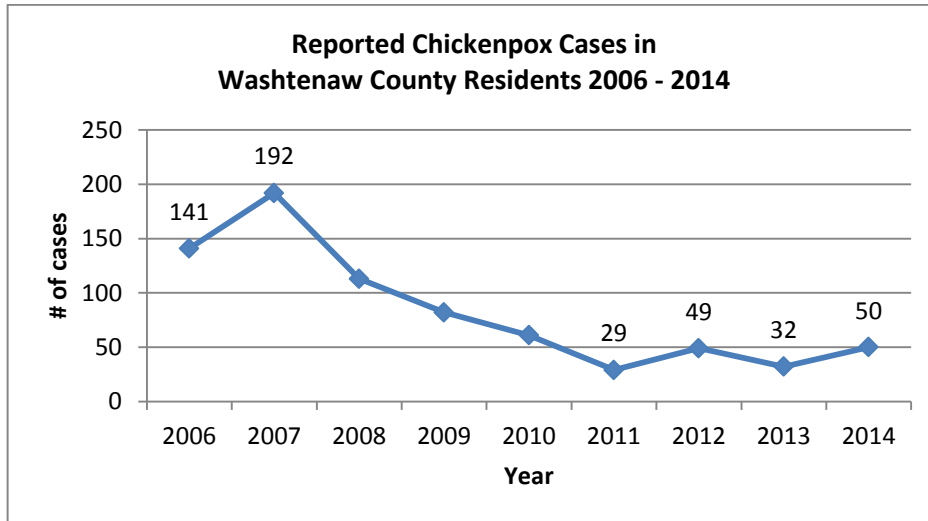


Chickenpox Surveillance in Washtenaw County (2012 – 2014)

- Reported cases of chickenpox disease have decreased dramatically in the past 8 years.

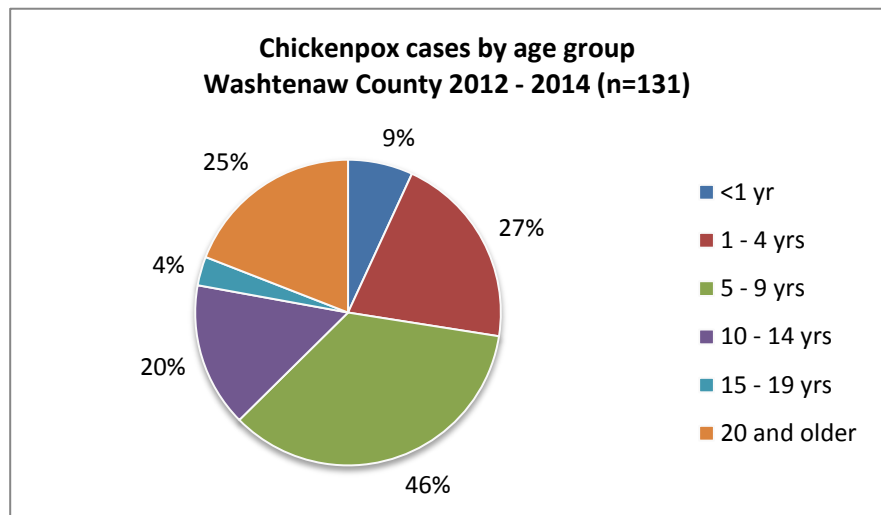


- All ages have been affected (range 1 month – 75 years), but children less than 10 years make up the majority of cases.

- 7 Washtenaw residents (3 children and 4 adults) were **hospitalized** due to severe chickenpox disease during 2012 to 2014. No deaths occurred.

- 38% had milder cases of disease with fewer than 50 lesions (pox).

- Of the adults with chickenpox, 43% were Asian, with many being recent immigrants.



Vaccination status:

- **56%** of reported chickenpox cases **were unvaccinated**, while 44% had one or two doses of varicella vaccine. Of the cases with more severe disease (250+ lesions), 78% were unvaccinated.

Laboratory confirmation:

- Only 23% of reported cases in Washtenaw County had laboratory confirmation. Confirmation by PCR or culture is important as cases become rarer and clinical presentation can be modified by vaccine status.