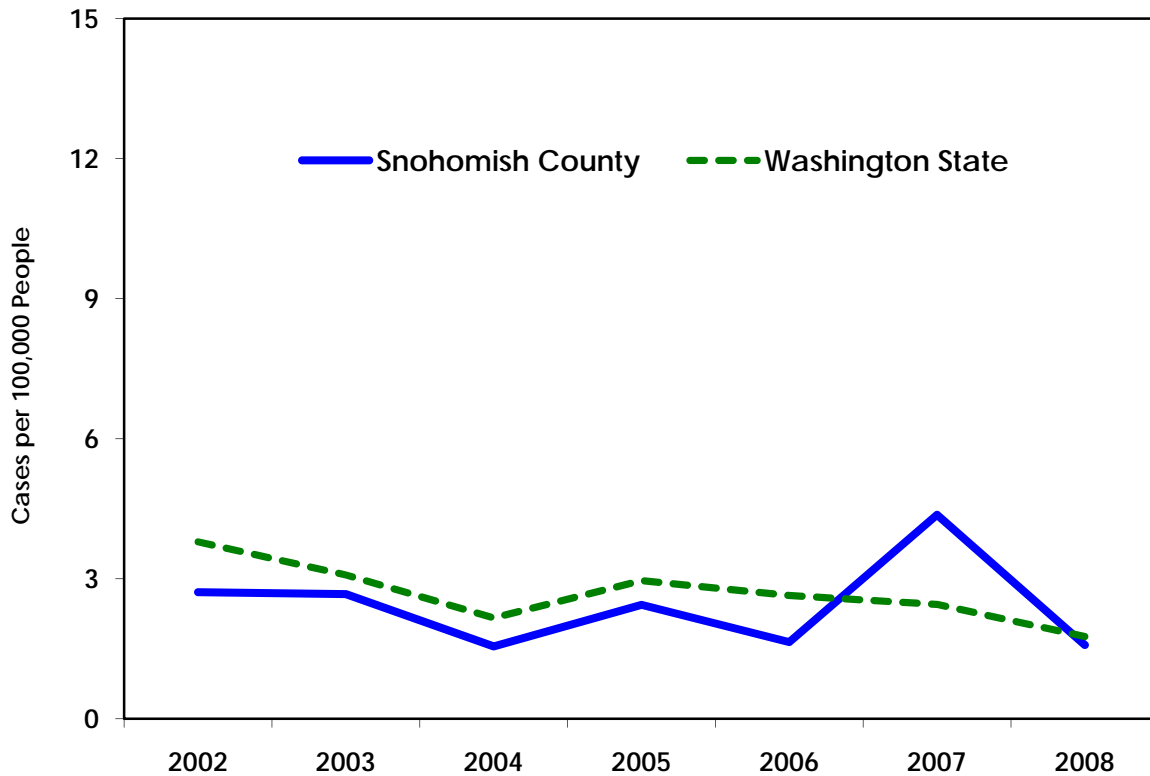


Shigellosis Incidence – Snohomish County, 2002 - 2008

- Shigellosis is an infection caused by ingestion of the *Shigella* bacteria, which is found in water polluted with fecal matter, or via the fecal-oral route of transmission.
- The incidence of shigellosis in both Snohomish County and Washington State is relatively uncommon.
- In 2008 the Snohomish County rate was comparable with the Washington State rate.



Year	Snohomish County				Washington State		
	Cases	Population	Cases per 100,000	95% C.I. ¹	Cases	Population	Cases per 100,000
2002	17	627,974	2.7	(1.6, 4.3)	229	6,041,710	3.8
2003	17	637,500	2.7	(1.6, 4.3)	188	6,098,300	3.1
2004	10	644,811	1.6	(0.7, 2.9)	133	6,167,800	2.2
2005	16	655,800	2.4	(1.4, 4.0)	185	6,256,400	3.0
2006	11	671,836	1.6	(0.8, 2.9)	168	6,375,600	2.6
2007	30	686,300	4.4	(3.0, 6.2)	159	6,488,000	2.5
2008	11	696,629	1.6	(0.8, 2.8)	116	6,587,600	1.8

¹ 95% Confidence Interval: A confidence interval is a range of values that has a specified probability of containing the rate. Narrow confidence intervals indicate that rate is precisely estimated, while wider confidence intervals indicate that the estimated rate is less precisely estimated.