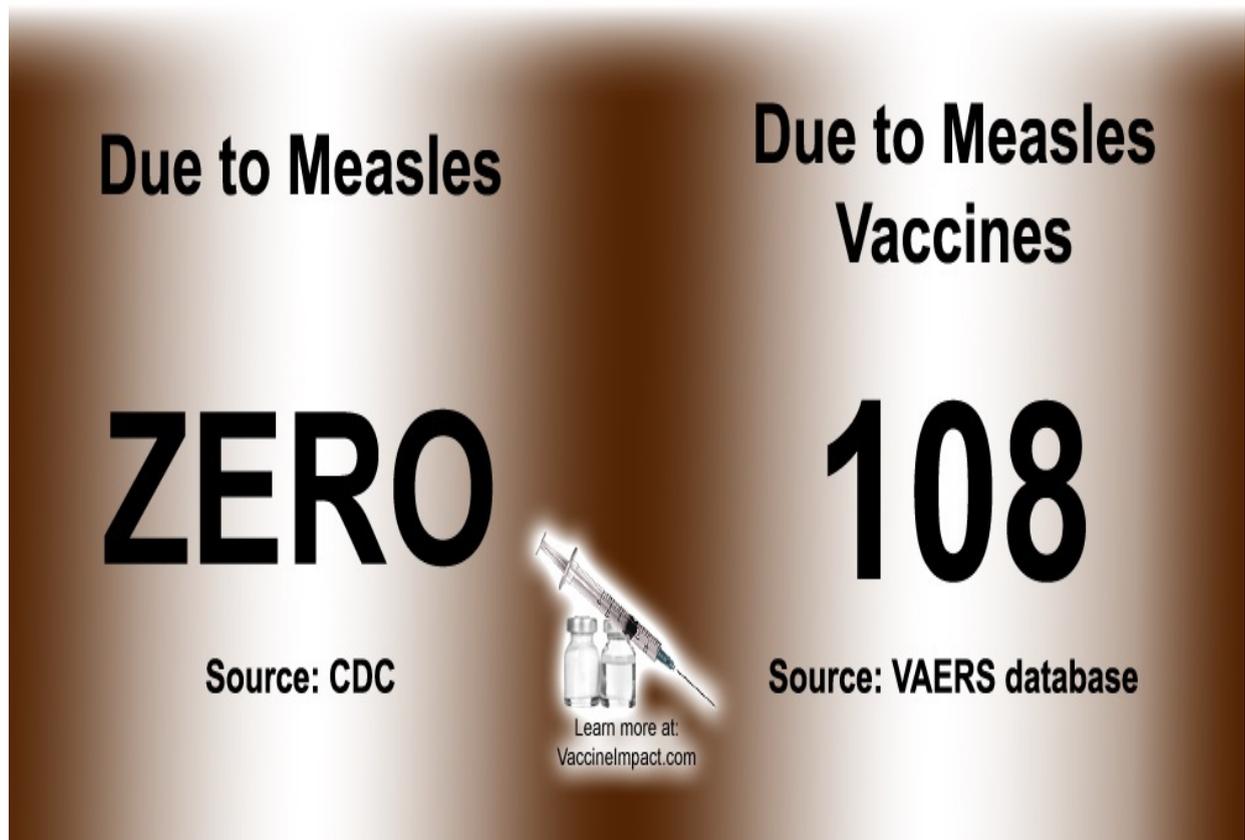


## ZERO U.S. Measles Deaths in 10 Years, but Over 100 Measles Vaccine Deaths Reported

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# Deaths in the U.S. during the past 10 years: 2004 to 2015



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With the measles and measles vaccine debate reaching a near frenzy on the Internet, it is always nice to throw some cold hard facts on the firestorm currently raging in the measles debate.

So here are some easily verifiable facts regarding deaths associated with measles in the United States for the past 10 years, and deaths associated with measles vaccines during the same 10 year period.

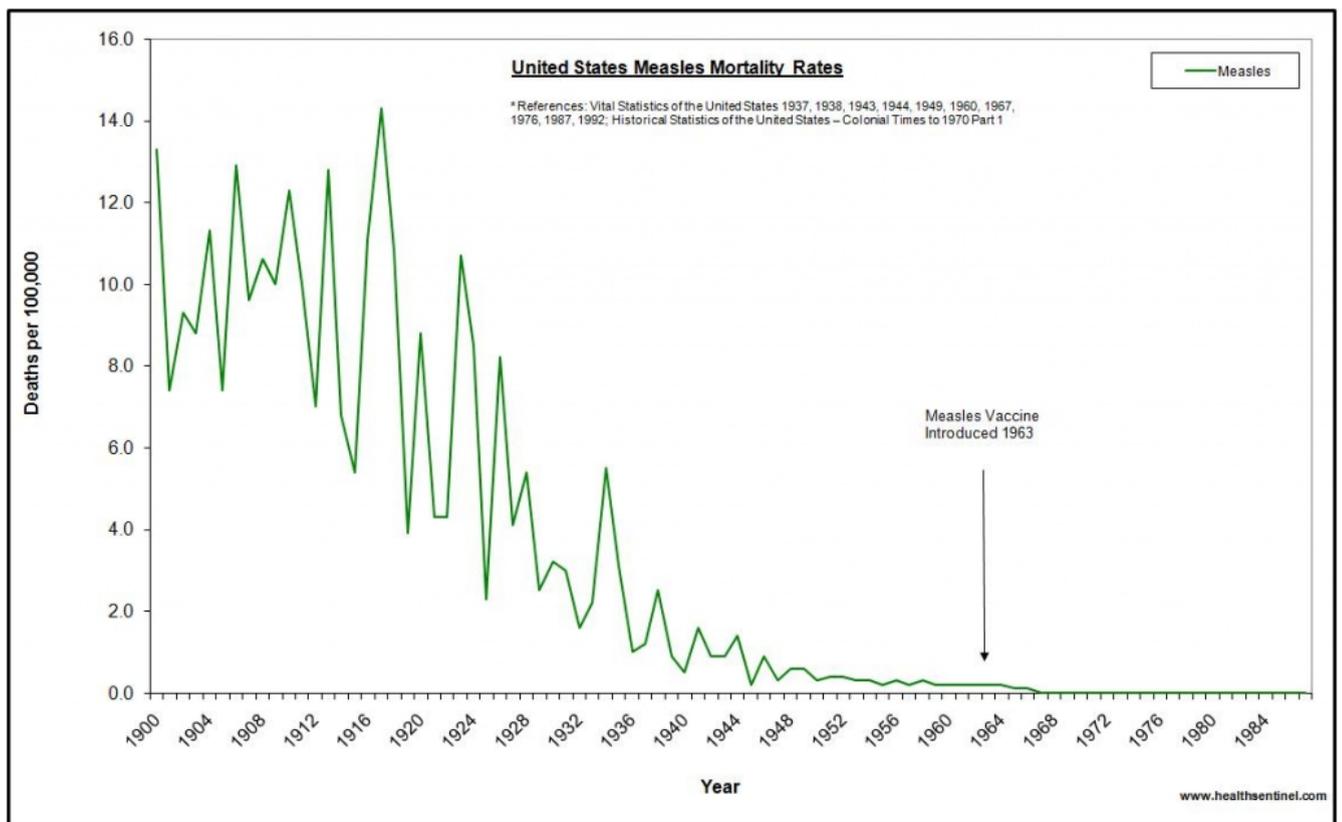
First, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) keeps a weekly tally of disease outbreaks, including deaths. According to a statement made by Dr. Anne Schuchat, the director of CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, in an Associated Press story picked up by Fox News on April 25, 2014:

There has been no measles deaths reported in the U.S. since 2003 [1]

The weekly CDC *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Reports* (MMWR) since that date have not revealed any measles deaths either. (\*See edit below.)

And while health authorities are blaming measles outbreaks in recent years on unvaccinated children, when you mention the fact that nobody is dying from measles in the U.S., they are quick to turn around and claim vaccines have eliminated measles deaths (even though they cannot eliminate the disease itself apparently.)

Besides the obvious contradiction in reasoning with such a claim, the historical evidence just does not support it either:



[2]

Image from healthsentinel.com – [Click image to enlarge](#) [2].

## Death by Measles Vaccines

What about deaths associated with the measles vaccine during the same time period?

The U.S. Government keeps a database of reports called *The Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System* (VAERS). The database is available to the public, and there is a search portal the public can use at [Medalerts.org](http://Medalerts.org) [3].

We ran a search for a ten year period for deaths reported with measles vaccines, including a few that are no longer in production. The search result contained 108 deaths over this period, associated with four different measles vaccines sold in the United States during the past 10 years.

## Search Results

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# Found 108 cases where Vaccine is MEA or MM or MMR or MMRV and Patient Died and Vaccination Date on/after '2004-01-01'

## Case Details

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VAERS ID: [217129](#) (history) Vaccinated: 2004-02-26  
Age: 1.7 Onset: 2004-02-26, Days after vaccination: 0  
Gender: Male Submitted: 2004-03-02, Days after onset: 5  
Location: California Entered: 2004-03-03, Days after submission: 1

Life Threatening? No  
Died? Yes  
Date died: 2004-02-26  
Days after onset: 0  
Permanent Disability? No

Vaccination	Manufacturer	Lot	Dose	Route	Site
DTAPHEPBIP: DTAP + HEPB + IPV (PEDIARIX)	GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS	21893B9	1	IM	LL
HIBV: HIB (PEDVAXHIB)	MERCK & CO. INC.	0915N	1	IM	RL
MMR: MEASLES + MUMPS + RUBELLA (MMR II)	MERCK & CO. INC.	0178N	0	SC	RL
PNC: PNEUMO (PREVNAR)	LEDERLE LABORATORIES	493505	1	IM	RL
VARCEL: VARICELLA (VARIVAX)	MERCK & CO. INC.	0196N	0	IM	LL

Recovered? No  
ER or Doctor Visit? Yes  
Hospitalized? No  
Previous Vaccinations:

Other Medications: Aspirin 1/2 tab per day (baby Aspirin)

Current Illness: NONE

Preexisting Conditions: Cardiac heterotaxy; Dextrocardia; Complete AV Septal defect; Pulmonary Atresia

Diagnostic Lab Data: blood culture (+) for streptococcus pneumoniae;

CDC Split Type:

Administered by: Private Purchased by: Private

Symptoms: [Adrenal haemorrhage](#), [Bacterial infection](#), [Crying](#), [Heart disease congenital](#), [Pyrexia](#), [Sepsis](#), [Shock](#), [Vomiting](#)

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Today, one can only purchase a measles vaccine in combination with the mumps and rubella vaccines (MMR Vaccine).

When searching for just the MMR vaccine during the past 10 years, 96 deaths were reported:

## Search Results

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Life Threatening? No  
Died? Yes  
Date died: 2004-02-26  
Days after onset: 0  
Permanent Disability? No

Recovered? No  
ER or Doctor Visit? Yes  
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Previous Vaccinations:

Other Medications: Aspirin 1/2 tab per day (baby Aspirin)

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Preexisting Conditions: Cardiac heterotaxy; Dextrocardia; Complete AV Septal defect; Pulmonary Atresia

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CDC Split Type:

Anybody with a computer and Internet access can search this database by visiting [MedAlerts.org](#) [3].

This database reflects only deaths that were reported during the time frame, and therefore probably reflects a much lower number than actual deaths, since most doctors and health authorities believe vaccines are safe, and would not normally attribute a death to a vaccine and actually report it.

## The U.S. Government Settlements on Measles Vaccine Injuries

The other place to find facts regarding injuries and deaths due to the measles vaccine is to look at U.S. Government settlements for MMR vaccine injuries and deaths. The U.S. public is largely unaware that manufacturers of vaccines have been given legal immunity from being prosecuted in civil court for vaccine injuries and deaths, since 1986. If someone is injured or killed by a vaccine, they have to sue the U.S. Government in a special "vaccine court."

The Department of Justice issues [quarterly reports](#) [6] on claims and settlements, and one can search for specific vaccines settlements at the [United States Federal Courts website](#) [7].

As [search here](#) [7] for "measles" returns a result of 111 claims settled for the MMR vaccine since 2004. Some of them are for settlements due to deaths related to the MMR vaccine, as determined by the judge.



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### 12-890 • KOTROCZO v. SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Filed 01/09/2015

PUBLIC DECISION (Originally filed: 12/19/2014) regarding DECISION Fees Stipulation/Proffer, DECISION Stipulation/Proffer, Signed by Special Master Nora Beth Dorsey.

**Keywords:** re: Public Decision Joint Stipulation on Damages; Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR); Influenza (Flu) vaccine; Acute, Bilateral, Acquired Vestibular Neuritis or Labyrinthitis; Attorney's Fees and Costs; Reasonable Amount to which Respondent does not Object.

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We did not click on and read each decision to find out how many resulted in deaths, but if we get a few reports from others who are willing to do so, and the numbers match, we will update this story with the actual death figure.

It takes many years to win a case in this vaccine court, so this probably represents only a tiny fraction of actual injuries and deaths due to the MMR vaccine.

## Conclusion: Measles Vaccine Enthusiasm based Largely on Fear and Beliefs

We fully realize that those who believe in the value of vaccines will probably not be persuaded by these facts, which anyone with a computer and Internet access can verify from U.S. Government sources.

Having now published a few stories on the measles issue, and having received many hundreds of comments, it has become very clear to us that those who have strong opinions on the measles vaccine are based more on fear and beliefs, than they are on facts or science. Any attempt by these vaccine proponents to force their beliefs on the rest of the U.S. public should be vigorously opposed.

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\* **EDIT** – Since publishing this article, some have pointed out to us that some pro-vaccine sites are claiming that the CDC's National Vital Statistics Reports show 2 deaths associated with measles for [2009](#)

[9], and 2 deaths listed in the same report for 2010 [10]. That would make 4 deaths due to measles according to the the CDC's National Vital Statistics Reports, and not zero, as reported by the CDC's Dr. Anne Schuchat in the Associated Press interview of 2014. Were her public statements in error?

Another reader has now sent us an email they received from the CDC, Division of Viral Diseases, stating that there has been no measles deaths in the U.S. since 2003. So that appears to be the "official" position of the CDC.

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Thank you for you inquiry regarding measles deaths. Measles data available to the public can be found in [www.cdc.gov/measles](http://www.cdc.gov/measles), MMWR (<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/>), and other publications such as those listed on <http://www.cdc.gov/measles/resources/ref-res.html>.

The last documented deaths in the US directly attributable to acute measles occurred in 2003. Before the measles vaccination program started in 1963, we estimate that 3-4 million people got measles each year in the US, and 400-500 of those died (<http://www.cdc.gov/measles/about/faqs.html>).

Regards,  
Division of Viral Diseases  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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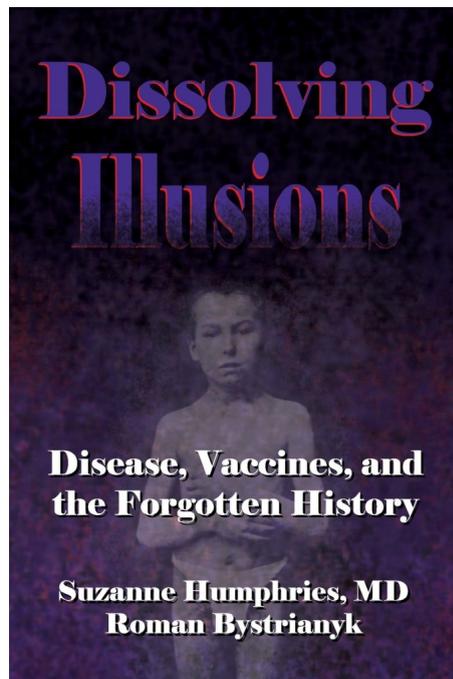
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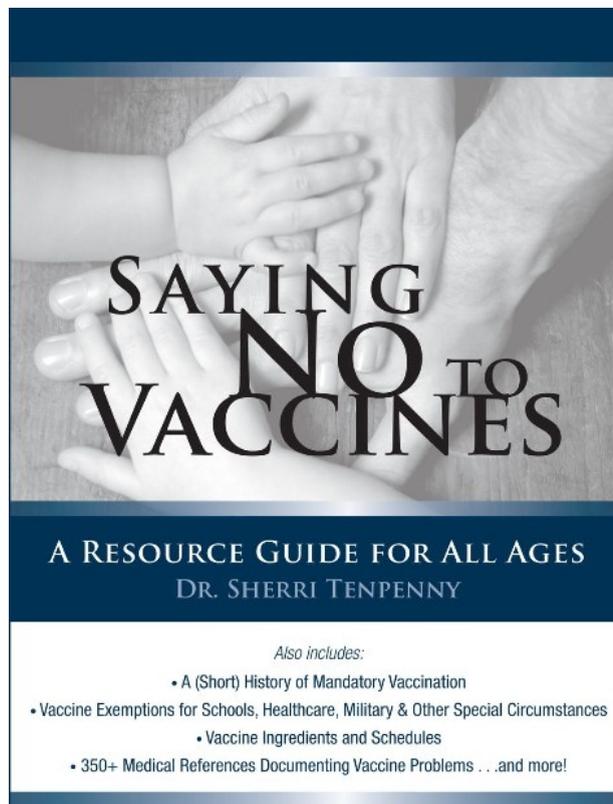
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