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2017 MULTI-FACILITY ANTIBIOTIC**

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## **Introduction**

Antimicrobial resistance (AR) is a global public health concern due to high morbidity, mortality, and healthcare costs associated with AR infections. The number of reports of bacteria resistant to antibiotics has grown substantially in the past decade globally, especially isolates resistant to multiple and last-line antibiotics. Facility-level antibiograms provide a summary of the percentage of isolates susceptible to a variety of antimicrobial agents within a healthcare facility. The facility antibiogram is an important tool for the development of antimicrobial stewardship policies and protocols for empiric antibiotic selection. Facility antibiograms are often limited by relatively few organisms tested and restricted geographic sampling.

A multi-facility regional antibiogram skirts many of those limitations by aggregating data from multiple locations for a more precise, accurate, and representative tool. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LAC DPH) produces a multi-facility countywide antibiogram from antibiograms submitted by acute care hospitals in the County. The LAC regional antibiogram allows LAC DPH to track susceptibility data to better understand the problem of AR, and to better target interventions and prevention activities. A LAC DPH Health Officer Order issued by LAC DPH in January 2017 mandated that all acute care hospitals in the county submit their antibiogram to DPH, beginning with data from 2016<sup>1</sup>.

In 2017, antibiogram data representing 86 (93%) acute care hospitals were reported and are included in this countywide report. Of the 86 hospitals, 78 are general acute care and 8 are long-term acute care hospitals.

The report contains an overall gram-negative organism antibiogram table, an overall gram-positive organism antibiogram table, and then a separate table for each organism that contains additional data and comments for relevant antibiotics.

This report also contains comments from the Los Angeles County Healthcare-Associated Infections and Antimicrobial Resistance Committee, an advisory committee to LAC DPH comprised of infectious disease, pharmacy, microbiology, infection prevention, and epidemiology subject matter experts.

The intended use of this document is to provide an annual surveillance report of antimicrobial resistance among acute care hospitals in Los Angeles County. Individual facilities may compare their antibiogram to the regional antibiogram for aberrations. The Los Angeles multi-facility antibiogram may also be used to guide empiric therapy selection when: the individual facility antibiogram has too few isolates (less than 30) of a particular organism; small hospitals and skilled nursing facilities do not encounter a wide variety of organisms; and healthcare facilities outside LA County receive patients from within LA County. Although facility or regional antibiograms can assist healthcare professionals in guiding empiric therapies, clinicians should adjust antibiotic treatment to final microbiology results as soon as they are available<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/docs/CREorder.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> Halstead DC, Gomez N, McCarter YS. Reality of Developing a Community-Wide Antibiotic. *Journal of Clinical Microbiology*. 2004;42(1):1-6. doi:10.1128/JCM.42.1.1-6.2004.

### **Methodology Notes<sup>3</sup>**

- Data included in the multi-facility Los Angeles County antibiogram were obtained through Health Officer Order-mandated facility-level antibiograms.
- Facility-level antibiograms were nearly always compiled for the calendar year January 1 to December 31.
- Not all facilities reported results for all organism/drug combinations. Refer to the “# of hospitals reporting” value for each combination.
- Results are reported as presented by local microbiology labs. Inpatient isolates were used whenever possible, but this could not be determined in some facilities. Results from isolates from all sites are combined.
- Susceptibility was defined by local labs in all circumstances.
- The total number of susceptible isolates was calculated by weighting each facility’s isolate count by its reported susceptibility rate.
- The interquartile ranges (IQR) are presented for each percent susceptibility (%S) value. The IQR is the difference between the third and first quartiles of data.
- Data for both general acute care and long-term acute care hospitals are presented together.
- Facility-level antibiograms that are used to guide empiric therapy of initial infections are generally prepared following CLSI M39 which recommends including data from the first isolate/patient /analysis period. These reports do not include data from subsequent isolates on a patient which may be more resistant than the first isolate. Therefore, % S values are likely overestimated in some cases.
- Organism/drug combinations reported by only one facility are not included.
- Susceptibility results were rounded down to 99% if less than 100% and greater than 99%.

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<sup>3</sup> Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI). 2014. Analysis and Presentation of Cumulative Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test Data; M39-A4. CLSI, Wayne, PA.

**Note on Nitrofurantoin**

Nitrofurantoin is only indicated for cystitis due to inadequate kidney penetration and insufficient serum levels. Nitrofurantoin should only be used in patients with a glomerular filtration rate > 30 and for limited duration of therapy (<5 days) due to known toxicity risk. Data presented here may include results from non-urine isolates, depending on the laboratory testing practices of our local laboratories.

## Gram-Negative Organism Antibiogram

		Penicillins			Cephalosporins			Carbapenems			Aminoglycosides		Quinolones		Other					
Data presented as: <b>Percent Susceptible</b> (# of Isolates Tested)	# of all isolates tested (# of hospitals reporting)	Ampicillin	Ampicillin/ Sulbactam	Piperacillin/ Tazobactam	Ceftriaxone	Ceftazidime	Cefepime	Cefazolin	Ertapenem	Imipenem	Meropenem	Amikacin	Gentamicin	Tobramycin	Ciprofloxacin	Levofloxacin	Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole	Nitrofurantoin	Minocycline	Tigecycline
Acinetobacter baumannii	<b>2,723</b> 75	R 2,084	<b>43</b> 1,776	<b>27</b> 1,320	<b>10</b> 1,894	<b>27</b> 1,139	<b>40</b> R	<b>R</b> R	<b>27</b> 1,120	<b>39</b> 1,436	<b>36</b> 1,925	<b>37</b> 2,661	<b>40</b> 2,084	<b>27</b> 2,030	<b>26</b> 1,985	<b>48</b> 2,287	- -	<b>79</b> 154	<b>79</b> 424	
Citrobacter freundii	<b>1,720</b> 45	R 1,604	R 1,629	<b>83</b> 1,370	<b>79</b> 1,579	<b>80</b> 1,100	<b>98</b> 1,100	R 361	<b>100</b> 1,329	<b>98</b> 1,517	<b>99</b> 1,720	<b>92</b> 916	<b>91</b> 1,490	<b>90</b> 801	<b>82</b> 1,683	<b>95</b> 1,443	- -	<b>100</b> 254		
Citrobacter koseri	<b>561</b> 19	R 85	<b>90</b> 549	<b>99</b> 527	<b>96</b> 383	<b>97</b> 483	<b>99</b> 498	<b>93</b> 248	<b>100</b> 161	<b>99</b> 364	<b>100</b> 450	<b>99</b> 561	<b>99</b> 427	<b>99</b> 372	<b>98</b> 450	<b>96</b> 550	<b>86</b> 542	- 61	<b>100</b> 100	
Enterobacter sp.	<b>8,911</b> 71	R R	<b>81</b> 8508	<b>79</b> 7918	<b>81</b> 6816	<b>81</b> 8044	<b>96</b> 5333	R 2138	<b>95</b> 6770	<b>94</b> 7207	<b>99</b> 8818	<b>99.5</b> 5022	<b>97</b> 7331	<b>96</b> 4605	<b>95</b> 8510	<b>92</b> 5735	<b>35</b> 1650	- -	<b>99</b> 99	
Escherichia coli	<b>143,153</b> 82	<b>38</b> 15,318	<b>50</b> 59,750	<b>94</b> 135,592	<b>87</b> 136,184	<b>89</b> 118,505	<b>89</b> 128,176	<b>83</b> 123,386	<b>100</b> 89,252	<b>100</b> 27,115	<b>100</b> 11,374	<b>99</b> 123,826	<b>88</b> 142,208	<b>83</b> 67,642	<b>73</b> 122,656	<b>67</b> 69,750	<b>67</b> 141,267	<b>96</b> 129,730	- 8,523	<b>100</b> 100
Klebsiella oxytoca	<b>3,248</b> 49	R 1,693	<b>66</b> 2,844	<b>93</b> 2,842	<b>93</b> 2,448	<b>96</b> 2,772	<b>97</b> 2,604	<b>53</b> 1,890	<b>100</b> 717	<b>100</b> 2,408	<b>100</b> 2,679	<b>96</b> 2,948	<b>94</b> 1,692	<b>95</b> 2,588	<b>95</b> 1,358	<b>91</b> 2,780	<b>85</b> 2,046	- -	<b>100</b> 479	
Klebsiella pneumoniae	<b>30,629</b> 80	R 13,763	<b>71</b> 24,936	<b>87</b> 25,145	<b>85</b> 20,712	<b>86</b> 23,744	<b>87</b> 21,631	<b>81</b> 15,606	<b>96</b> 6,529	<b>90</b> 19,382	<b>97</b> 24,501	<b>95</b> 25,802	<b>90</b> 15,356	<b>84</b> 21,942	<b>86</b> 13,646	<b>84</b> 24,970	<b>83</b> 20,500	<b>35</b> 1,948	- -	<b>93</b> 93
Morganella morganii	<b>2,300</b> 53	R 1,362	<b>10</b> 2,223	<b>96</b> 2,037	<b>85</b> 1,747	<b>78</b> 2,077	<b>96</b> 1,300	R 439	<b>100</b> 1,599	<b>55*</b> 2,119	<b>99</b> 2,240	<b>99</b> 1,325	<b>73</b> 1,876	<b>85</b> 1,401	<b>63</b> 2,178	<b>54</b> 2,178	<b>56</b> R	- -	R R	
Proteus mirabilis	<b>19,503</b> 80	<b>70</b> 17,791	<b>77</b> 9,969	<b>97</b> 17,599	<b>87</b> 17,582	<b>91</b> 14,857	<b>92</b> 16,487	<b>74</b> 16,657	<b>99</b> 10,454	<b>69*</b> 2,583	<b>97</b> 13,057	<b>99</b> 15,833	<b>83</b> 18,733	<b>82</b> 11,239	<b>67</b> 15,154	<b>62</b> 11,572	<b>68</b> 18,603	<b>R</b> R	- -	R R
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	<b>23,921</b> 83	R 23,524	R 20,258	<b>85</b> 21,045	R R	<b>81</b> 1,2142	<b>85</b> 17,770	R 22,185	R 23,575	<b>R</b> 21,464	<b>R</b> 19,554	<b>R</b> 16,206	<b>R</b> R	<b>R</b> R	<b>R</b> R	<b>R</b> R	- -	R R		
Serratia marcescens	<b>2,668</b> 58	R 1,876	<b>94</b> 2,376	<b>90</b> 2,047	<b>92</b> 2,401	<b>95</b> 1,462	R 555	<b>R</b> 1,987	<b>99</b> 2,417	<b>96</b> 2,663	<b>97</b> 1,707	<b>96</b> 2,330	<b>97</b> 1,581	<b>87</b> 2,256	<b>86</b> 2,256	<b>98</b> R	- -	<b>99.6</b> 550		
Stenotrophomonas maltophilia	<b>1,970</b> 51	R R	R R	R 1,082	R 46	- -	R R	R -	<b>81</b> 1,511	<b>92</b> 1,996	- -	<b>98</b> 42	<b>R</b> R							

R: Intrinsically resistant

-: Not routinely tested or not applicable

\*Note: Some isolates are not susceptible to imipenem due to non-carbapenemase mechanisms.

**Methodology Notes for Gram-Negatives:**

- In 2015, LACDPH identified that more than 25% of laboratories submitting data were using outdated breakpoints (higher than currently recommended) for carbapenems when testing many gram-negative bacteria. In response, LACDPH has worked with hospitals to update carbapenem breakpoint for Enterobacteriaceae; as a result, more than 20 additional hospitals now have updated breakpoints. However, outreach to update breakpoints for *Pseudomonas* spp. or other pathogens has not been pursued. Consequently, %S data for ertapenem, imipenem and meropenem should be interpreted with caution and may be erroneously high for some pathogens.
- %S for carbapenems varies considerably among facilities
- Meropenem results should not be used to predict imipenem results for any species, nor imipenem used to predict meropenem results.
- Cephalosporin breakpoints for Enterobacteriaceae and piperacillin-tazobactam breakpoints for *P. aeruginosa* have also been updated by standards organizations in the past few years. Not all laboratories have adopted the updated breakpoints and it is not known which breakpoints were used to generate the 2017 antibiograms at the local facilities.

<b><i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i></b> (n=2,723 from 75 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin-Sulbactam</b>	43% (28-64)	2,084	60
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	27% (19-54)	1,776	48
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	10% (0-18)	1,320	45
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	27% (16-50)	1,894	61
<b>Cefepime</b>	40% (25-67)	1,139	34
<b>Imipenem</b>	27% (11-51)	1,120	25
<b>Meropenem</b>	39% (25-75)	1,436	48
<b>Amikacin</b>	36% (25-62)	1,925	45
<b>Gentamicin</b>	37% (28-65)	2,661	72
<b>Tobramycin</b>	40% (25-61)	2,084	56
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	27% (14-54)	2,030	58
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	26% (14.5-42.5)	1,985	52
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	48% (38-71)	2,287	66
<b>Minocycline</b>	79% (50-80)	154	5
<b>Tigecycline</b>	79% (70-100)	424	14

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:** The observed patterns of antibiotic resistance are worrisome. Caution should be used with tigecycline due to FDA black-box warnings of reduced clinical efficacy. Susceptibility of minocycline was tested in relatively few hospitals (n=5) and clinical experience with minocycline in treatment of *A. baumannii* is limited.

<b><i>Citrobacter freundii</i></b> (n=1,720 from 45 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	83% (81-95)	1,604	40
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	79% (73.5-89)	1,629	42
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	80% (77-91)	1,370	36
<b>Cefepime</b>	98% (97.5-100)	1,579	37
<b>Ertapenem</b>	100% (100-100)	1,100	22
<b>Imipenem</b>	98% (97.5-100)	361	13
<b>Meropenem</b>	98% (100-100)	1,329	28
<b>Amikacin</b>	99% (100-100)	1,517	38
<b>Gentamicin</b>	92% (89-100)	1,720	44
<b>Tobramycin</b>	92% (89-100)	916	30
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	91% (88-97.5)	1,490	37
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	90% (86-95)	901	29
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	82% (76-90)	1,683	44
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	95% (94-100)	1,443	42
<b>Tigecycline</b>	100% (100-100)	254	11

<i>Citrobacter koseri</i> (n=561 from 19 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin-Sulbactam</b>	90% (69.5-93.5)	85	4
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	99% (98-100)	549	17
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	96% (91-100)	527	17
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	97% (93-100)	383	14
<b>Cefepime</b>	99% (100-100)	483	16
<b>Cefazolin</b>	93% (85-96)	498	18
<b>Ertapenem</b>	100% (100-100)	248	9
<b>Imipenem</b>	99% (100-100)	161	5
<b>Meropenem</b>	100% (100-100)	364	11
<b>Amikacin</b>	99% (100-100)	450	16
<b>Gentamicin</b>	99% (100-100)	561	19
<b>Tobramycin</b>	97% (92-100)	427	14
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	99% (100-100)	372	14
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	98% (96-100)	450	14
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	96% (90-100)	550	18
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	86% (86-95)	542	18
<b>Tigecycline</b>	100% (100-100)	61	3

<b><i>Enterobacter</i> species</b> (n=8,911 from 71 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	81% (74-88)	8,508	66
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	79% (73-85)	7,918	61
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	81% (74-88)	6,816	55
<b>Cefepime</b>	96% (94-100)	8,044	58
<b>Ertapenem</b>	95% (93-100)	5,333	36
<b>Imipenem</b>	94% (92-100)	2,138	30
<b>Meropenem</b>	99% (99-100)	6,770	47
<b>Amikacin</b>	100% (100-100)	7,207	59
<b>Gentamicin</b>	97% (96-100)	8,818	69
<b>Tobramycin</b>	97% (93-100)	5,022	56
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	96% (94-100)	7,331	57
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	95% (93-100)	4,605	54
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	92% (87-100)	8,510	68
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	35% (18-47)	5,735	56
<b>Tigecycline</b>	99% (100-100)	1,650	12

<i>Escherichia coli</i> (n=143,153 from 82 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
Ampicillin	38% (34-49)	15,318	73
Ampicillin-Sulbactam	50% (33-54)	59,750	62
Piperacillin-Tazobactam	94% (88-96)	135,592	79
Ceftriaxone	87% (71-91)	136,184	77
Ceftazidime	89% (75-94)	118,505	64
Cefepime	89% (59-94)	128,176	70
Cefazolin	83% (57-86)	123,386	67
Ertapenem	100% (99-100)	89,252	42
Imipenem	100% (99-100)	27,115	36
Meropenem	100% (99-100)	11,374	50
Amikacin	99% (97-100)	123,826	73
Gentamicin	88% (72-89)	142,208	80
Tobramycin	83% (51-88)	67,642	62
Ciprofloxacin	73% (30-76)	122,656	66
Levofloxacin	67% (21-71.5)	69,750	64
Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole	67% (50-69)	141,267	81
Nitrofurantoin	96% (94-97)	129,730	72
Tigecycline	100% (100-100)	8,523	14

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**

Percent susceptible for oral agents for management of urinary tract infection, particularly trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole and fluoroquinolones, is relatively low. Nitrofurantoin remains highly active, but is only indicated for cystitis (see note on page 6).

<b><i>Klebsiella oxytoca</i></b> (n=3,248 from 49 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin-Sulbactam</b>	66% (58-73)	1,693	39
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	93% (90-99)	2,844	47
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	93% (89-98)	2,842	44
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	96% (90-100)	2,448	39
<b>Cefepime</b>	97% (94-100)	2,772	41
<b>Cefazolin</b>	53% (41.5-74)	2,604	41
<b>Ertapenem</b>	100% (100-100)	1,890	26
<b>Imipenem</b>	100% (100-100)	717	16
<b>Meropenem</b>	100% (100-100)	2,408	34
<b>Amikacin</b>	100% (100-100)	2,679	43
<b>Gentamicin</b>	96% (94-100)	2,948	
<b>Tobramycin</b>	94% (90-97)	1,692	35
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	95% (93-100)	2,588	38
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	95% (91-98)	1,358	33
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	91% (86-96)	2,780	46
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	85% (81.5-92)	2,046	42
<b>Tigecycline</b>	100% (100-100)	479	11

<b><i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i></b> (n=30,629 from 80 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin-Sulbactam</b>	71% (25.5-82)	13,763	59
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	87% (61-92)	24,936	72
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	85% (45-93)	25,145	73
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	86% (18-93)	20,712	66
<b>Cefepime</b>	87% (39-94)	23,744	64
<b>Cefazolin</b>	81% (33-91)	21,631	63
<b>Ertapenem</b>	96% (83-100)	15,606	40
<b>Imipenem</b>	90% (69.5-97)	6,529	33
<b>Meropenem</b>	97% (94-100)	19,382	50
<b>Amikacin</b>	95% (81-99)	24,501	68
<b>Gentamicin</b>	90% (61-95)	25,802	75
<b>Tobramycin</b>	84% (42-90)	15,356	62
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	86% (42-93)	21,942	63
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	84% (44-90)	13,646	60
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	83% (50-87.5)	24,970	75
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	35% (23-41)	20,500	65
<b>Tigecycline</b>	93% (80-100)	1,948	11

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**  
Susceptibility of *K. pneumoniae* to meropenem remains relatively stable compared to data from 2015.

<b><i>Morganella morganii</i></b> (n=2,300 from 53 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin-Sulbactam</b>	10% (2-14)	1,362	38
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	96% (95-100)	2,223	52
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	85% (78-93)	2,037	48
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	78% (70-86)	1,747	41
<b>Cefepime</b>	96% (94-100)	2,077	45
<b>Ertapenem</b>	100% (100-100)	1,300	28
<b>Imipenem</b>	55% (35-78)	439	16
<b>Meropenem</b>	99% (100-100)	1,599	33
<b>Amikacin</b>	99% (100-100)	2,119	47
<b>Gentamicin</b>	73% (65-83)	2,240	51
<b>Tobramycin</b>	85% (76-93)	1,325	38
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	63% (44-79)	1,876	43
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	54% (36-67)	1,401	40
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	56% (42-68)	2,178	52

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**  
*Proteus, Providencia, and Morganella* are intrinsically less susceptible to imipenem than to meropenem.  
Imipenem should not be used to classify *Proteus / Providencia / Morganella* isolates as CRE.

<b><i>Proteus mirabilis</i></b> (n=19,503 from 80 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin</b>	70% (54-76)	17,791	72
<b>Ampicillin-Sulbactam</b>	77% (69-83)	9,969	57
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	97% (95-100)	17,599	76
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	87% (76-96)	17,582	74
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	91% (81-98)	14,857	65
<b>Cefepime</b>	92% (75-99)	16,487	66
<b>Cefazolin</b>	74% (59-83)	16,657	67
<b>Ertapenem</b>	99% (99-100)	10,454	41
<b>Imipenem</b>	69% (12-91)	2,583	21
<b>Meropenem</b>	97% (98-100)	13,057	49
<b>Amikacin</b>	99% (98-100)	15,833	67
<b>Gentamicin</b>	83% (74-90)	18,733	78
<b>Tobramycin</b>	82% (75-90)	11,239	61
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	67% (39-79)	15,154	63
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	62% (41-70)	11,572	65
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	68% (54-75)	18,603	79

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<b><i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i></b> (n=23,921 from 83 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	85% (79-93)	23,524	82
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	81% (71-90)	20,258	72
<b>Cefepime</b>	85% (75.5-90)	21,045	71
<b>Imipenem</b>	80% (62-88)	12,142	44
<b>Meropenem</b>	84% (74-93)	17,770	52
<b>Amikacin</b>	96% (94-98)	22,185	78
<b>Gentamicin</b>	85% (76-91)	23,575	81
<b>Tobramycin</b>	93% (90-97)	21,464	72
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	73% (57-83)	19,554	68
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	65% (50-71)	16,206	67

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**

Carbapenem resistance among *Pseudomonas* spp. is relatively common in Los Angeles County. These data are particularly relevant to the empiric management of sepsis, where microbiologically active therapy is crucial (Kolleff et al. Chest. 1999; Kumar et al. Critical care Medicine. 2006). One potential approach to improve the probability of microbiologically active therapy is the inclusion of adjunctive therapy with a non-beta-lactam antibiotic. (IDSA HAP/VAP guidelines – Kalil et al. Clinical Infectious Disease, 2016; Gutierrez-Gutierrez et al. Lancet Infectious Disease. 2017) Fluoroquinolone susceptibility is relatively low, compared to aminoglycosides. This may be relevant to management of pneumonia and other hospital-acquired infections where *Pseudomonas* spp. infection is likely.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Serratia marcescens</i> (n=2,668 from 58 Hospitals)</p>			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Piperacillin-Tazobactam</b>	94% (92-100)	1,876	39
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	90% (86-96)	2,376	54
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	92% (86-100)	2,047	46
<b>Cefepime</b>	95% (92-100)	2,401	48
<b>Ertapenem</b>	99% (100-100)	1,462	33
<b>Imipenem</b>	96% (94-100)	555	17
<b>Meropenem</b>	97% (99-100)	1,987	39
<b>Amikacin</b>	96% (95-100)	2,417	49
<b>Gentamicin</b>	97% (93-100)	2,663	59
<b>Tobramycin</b>	79% (70-86)	1,707	43
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	87% (71-98)	2,330	49
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	86% (72-98)	1,581	43
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	98% (95-100)	2,256	53
<b>Tigecycline</b>	100% (100-100)	550	14

<b><i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i></b> (n=1,970 from 51 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ceftazidime</b>	46% (29-59)	1,082	23
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	81% (75-88)	1,511	43
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	92% (92-100)	1,996	51
<b>Minocycline</b>	98% (91-97)	42	2

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**

Clinicians should be aware that several local laboratories reported susceptibility results for beta-lactam antibiotics to which *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia* are intrinsically resistant: piperacillin-tazobactam, ceftriaxone, cefepime, ertapenem, and meropenem.<sup>456</sup> We also note that the local antibiogram reports for *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia* from some laboratories included aminoglycoside antibiotics: amikacin, gentamicin , and tobramycin to which *S. maltophilia* are also intrinsically resistant. Clinicians should be aware that a result of “susceptible” is not reliable for drugs to which *S. maltophilia* are intrinsically resistant.

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<sup>4</sup> Sanchez et al. (2009). *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia* drug resistance. *Future Microbiology*, Vol 4(6).

<sup>5</sup> Sanford Guide Antimicrobial Therapy (2017).

<sup>6</sup> Brooke, JS. (2012). *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia*: An Emerging Global Opportunistic Pathogen. *Clinical Microbiology Reviews*, Vol 25 (1):2-41.

## Gram-Positive Organism Antibiogram

Percent Susceptible (# of Isolates Tested)	# of all isolates tested (# of hospitals reporting )	Penicillin			Cephalosporins		Quinolones	Tetracyclines		Aminoglycosides		Other							
		Ampicillin	Oxacillin	Penicillin	Ceftriaxone	Ceftaroline	Levofloxacin	Doxycycline	Tetracycline	Gentamicin	Gentamicin Synergy	Streptomycin Synergy	Clindamycin	Daptomycin	Erythromycin	Linezolid	Nitrofurantoin	Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole	Vancomycin
Enterococcus species	16,551 37	88 15,860	R 6,016	87 2,926	R 1,209	- 3,705	68 2,705	44 3,096	23 2,450	- R	76 100	67 1,129	R 99	- -	99 13,119	90 11,520	R 16,131	89 16,131	
Enterococcus faecalis	14,071 69	98 11,920	R 4,763	98 6,633	R 767	- 6,422	69 73	21 99	20 48	- R	66 4,832	72 2,530	R 97	- -	99 7,658	97 10,620	R 12,824	94 12,824	
Enterococcus faecium	3,572 57	13 2,793	R 1,625	11 1,471	R 180	- 1,710	12 1,212	54 594	38 461	- R	89 97	48 461	R 97	- -	18 2,419	R 2,088	R 3,362	23 3,362	
Staphylococcus aureus	35,074 58	0.4 1,481	64 32,481	6 117,372	- 2,275	- 5,658	52 25577	96 10,028	93 32,581	- 32,581	88 3,288	- 16,211	46 12,135	99 3,288	99 16,211	99 12,135	- 33,222	97 35,079	100 35,079
Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	15,317 53	R 10,302	0 399	R 1,843	R 12,410	- 4,429	7 15,166	95 904	89 8,154	80 10,604	- 904	14 8,154	99 7,290	99 18,004	14 1,844	99 8,135	14 7,290	95 14,912	100 15,436
Methicillin-susceptible Staphylococcus aureus (MSSA)	19,898 41	- 17,513	98 13,804	13 5,551	- 1,326	- 16,799	100 3,178	- -	99 18,004	95 18,004	94 18,004	- 18,004	67 1,844	100 8,135	100 7,290	- 18,697	- 18,772	98 18,697	100 18,772
Streptococcus agalactiae (Group B Streptococcus)	1,092 18	100 905	- 910	100 148	- 318	- 411	96 647	- -	17 -	- -	- -	43 416	- 453	33 416	100 453	- -	- -	- -	
Streptococcus pneumoniae (non-meningitis)	1,708 47	95 19	- 919	90 793	- 679	- 100	97 375	79 -	81 -	- -	- -	81 486	- 826	66 176	100 827	- -	74 827	- -	
Streptococcus pneumoniae (meningitis)	520 24	- 520	- 501	73 520	90 501	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	

R: Intrinsically resistant

-: Not routinely tested or not applicable

<b><i>Enterococcus</i> spp.</b> (n=16,551 from 37 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin</b>	88% (47-97)	15,860	34
<b>Penicillin</b>	87% (41-96)	6,016	13
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	68% (37-77.5)	2,926	14
<b>Doxycycline</b>	44% (10-95)	1,209	4
<b>Tetracycline</b>	23% (21-32)	3,705	14
<b>Gentamicin Synergy</b>	76% (69-100)	3,096	9
<b>Streptomycin Synergy</b>	67% (55-79)	2,450	9
<b>Daptomycin</b>	99% (99-99)	2,705	4
<b>Linezolid</b>	99% (100-100)	13,119	29
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	90% (50-95)	11,520	30
<b>Vancomycin</b>	89% (0-100)	16,131	37

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:** This table includes data from *Enterococcus* isolates not identified to species level by the submitting laboratory and does not include data from isolates listed in a submitting facility's antibiogram as *E. faecalis* or *E. faecium*.

<b><i>Enterococcus faecalis</i></b> (n=14,071 from 69 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin</b>	98% (98-100)	11,920	66
<b>Penicillin</b>	98% (98-100)	4,763	17
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	69% (51-73)	6,633	35
<b>Doxycycline</b>	21% (17.5-22)	767	5
<b>Tetracycline</b>	20% (16-23)	6,422	35
<b>Gentamicin Synergy</b>	66% (50-70)	4,832	24
<b>Streptomycin Synergy</b>	72% (65-78)	2,530	13
<b>Daptomycin</b>	100% (100-100)	1,129	12
<b>Linezolid</b>	99% (99-100)	7,658	52
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	97% (95-100)	10,620	52
<b>Vancomycin</b>	94% (72-100)	12,824	69

<b><i>Enterococcus faecium</i></b> (n=3,572 from 57 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin</b>	13% (0-19)	2,793	48
<b>Penicillin</b>	11% (0-7)	1,625	9
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	12% (0-14.5)	1,471	27
<b>Doxycycline</b>	54% (33-54)	180	5
<b>Tetracycline</b>	38% (33.5-48.5)	1,710	32
<b>Gentamicin Synergy</b>	89% (80.5-94.5)	1,212	22
<b>Streptomycin Synergy</b>	48% (36-57)	594	12
<b>Daptomycin</b>	97% (96-100)	461	9
<b>Linezolid</b>	97% (100-100)	2,419	46
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	18% (10.5-28)	2,088	42
<b>Vancomycin</b>	23% (2.5-31.0)	3,362	57

<b><i>Staphylococcus aureus</i></b> (n=35,074 from 57 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
Oxacillin	64% (50-70)	32,481	54
Penicillin	6% (4.5-14)	17,372	20
Levofloxacin	52% (38-68.5)	2,275	7
Doxycycline	96% (91-98)	5,658	8
Tetracycline	93% (89-94)	25,577	41
Gentamicin	88% (78-93)	10,028	31
Clindamycin	73% (63-78)	32,581	52
Daptomycin	99% (99-100)	3,288	9
Erythromycin	46% (35-59)	16,211	36
Linezolid	99% (99-100)	12,135	28
Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole	97% (96-98)	33,222	52
Vancomycin	100% (100-100)	35,079	57

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Daptomycin and linezolid resistance was reported for several isolates of *Staphylococcus aureus* in LA in 2017. When very uncommon types of resistance such as these are encountered, isolates should be sent to a referral laboratory for confirmation.

<b>Methicillin-Resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA)</b> (n=15,317 from 53 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Oxacillin</b>	0%	10,302	32
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	7% (6-8)	399	3
<b>Doxycycline</b>	95% (95-99)	1,843	6
<b>Tetracycline</b>	89% (83-92)	12,410	41
<b>Gentamicin</b>	80% (74-84)	4,429	22
<b>Clindamycin</b>	61% (50-64)	15,166	53
<b>Daptomycin</b>	99% (99-100)	904	5
<b>Erythromycin</b>	14% (10-16)	8,154	35
<b>Linezolid</b>	99% (99-100)	10,604	33
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	95% (94-97)	14,912	52
<b>Vancomycin</b>	100% (100-100)	15,436	53

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**

MRSA are predictably resistant to antistaphylococcal  $\beta$ -lactams except ceftaroline. In terms of oral MRSA therapy, linezolid, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, and doxycycline retain good microbiologic activity. Clindamycin %S is relatively low.

<b>Methicillin-Susceptible <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MSSA)</b> (n=19,898 from 41 Hospitals)			
	<b>% Susceptible (IQR)</b>	<b>Number of Isolates</b>	<b>Number of Hospitals</b>
<b>Oxacillin</b>	98% (100-100)	17,513	32
<b>Penicillin</b>	13% (8-27)	13,804	19
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	85% (75-87)	5,551	18
<b>Doxycycline</b>	99% (98-99)	1,326	4
<b>Tetracycline</b>	95% (93-96)	16,799	31
<b>Gentamicin</b>	94% (92-97)	3,178	15
<b>Clindamycin</b>	81% (77-84)	18,004	40
<b>Daptomycin</b>	99% (99-100)	1,844	6
<b>Erythromycin</b>	67% (64-72)	8,135	28
<b>Linezolid</b>	100% (100-100)	7,290	24
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	98% (97-99)	18,697	40
<b>Vancomycin</b>	100% (100-100)	18,772	40

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**

MSSA are predictably susceptible to antistaphylococcal β-lactams. In terms of oral MSSA therapy, linezolid, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, and doxycycline retain good microbiologic activity. Clindamycin percent susceptible is relatively low. This may have relevance for skin and skin structure infections (STI).

<b><i>Streptococcus agalactiae</i> (Group B <i>Streptococcus</i>)</b> (n=1,092 from 18 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin</b>	100% (100-100)	905	12
<b>Penicillin</b>	100% (100-100)	910	12
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	100% (100-100)	148	6
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	96% (96-100)	318	8
<b>Tetracycline</b>	17% (9.5-20)	411	10
<b>Clindamycin</b>	43% (12.5-59)	647	13
<b>Erythromycin</b>	33% (17-53)	416	7
<b>Linezolid</b>	100% (100-100)	453	11

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**  
Clindamycin %S of 43% for Group B *Streptococcus* is noteworthy.

Published literature has reported a clindamycin susceptibility rate of 59% for Group B *Streptococcus* largely due to the presence of a 23S rRNA methylase gene (ermB, ermTR or ermT) (Metcalf et al. Clin Microbiol Infect 2017). Clindamycin resistance may be more prevalent in Los Angeles than other parts of the country.

The CDC has issued specific guidance on the Prevention of Perinatal Group B Streptococcal Disease that includes susceptibility testing for clindamycin for patients with known allergy and particularly anaphylaxis to penicillin (MMWR November 19, 2010, Vol. 59). The clindamycin %S data listed here should be discussed with local infectious disease specialists and microbiology experts to determine strategies for prophylaxis of highly penicillin-allergic pregnant women who are colonized with *S. agalactiae*. *S. agalactiae* reported to date worldwide have been susceptible to vancomycin, but few data exist on use of vancomycin for prevention of perinatal GBS.

<b><i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i></b> (n=1,708 from 47 Hospitals)			
	% Susceptible (IQR)	Number of Isolates	Number of Hospitals
<b>Ampicillin</b>	95% (92-97)	19	2
<b>Penicillin</b>			
Non-meningitis	90% (89-100)	919	34
Meningitis	73% (58-83)	520	19
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>			
Non-meningitis	97% (95-100)	793	30
Meningitis	90% (87.5-98.5)	501	21
<b>Levofloxacin</b>	97% (97.5-100)	679	26
<b>Doxycycline</b>	79% (76-88.5)	100	2
<b>Tetracycline</b>	81% (75-90)	375	13
<b>Clindamycin</b>	81% (69-87)	486	20
<b>Erythromycin</b>	66% (54-75.5)	826	35
<b>Linezolid</b>	100% (100-100)	176	5
<b>Trimethoprim/ Sulfamethoxazole</b>	74% (63-80)	827	34

**Comments from LA County Healthcare-Associated Infection and Antibiotic Resistance Committee:**  
*Streptococcus pneumoniae* reported to date worldwide have been susceptible to vancomycin.

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