

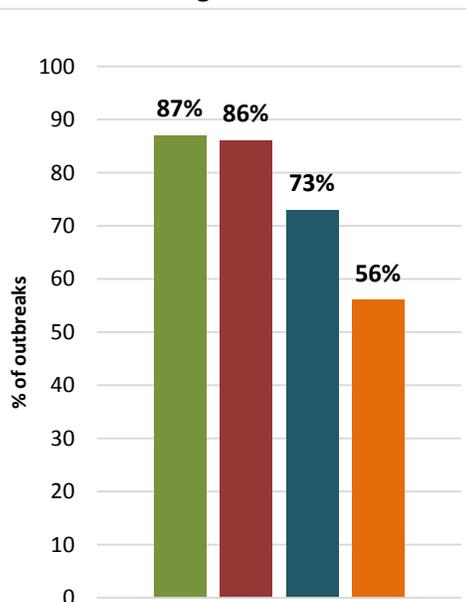
# National Environmental Assessment Reporting System (NEARS)

## 2014 Summary Report

In 2014, a total of 110 outbreaks were reported to NEARS. This summary provides information on those outbreaks' characteristics, investigations, primary agents, contributing factors, and establishment characteristics. The data included in this summary was collected by NEARS participants in California, Connecticut, Minnesota, New York City, New York State, Rhode Island, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.

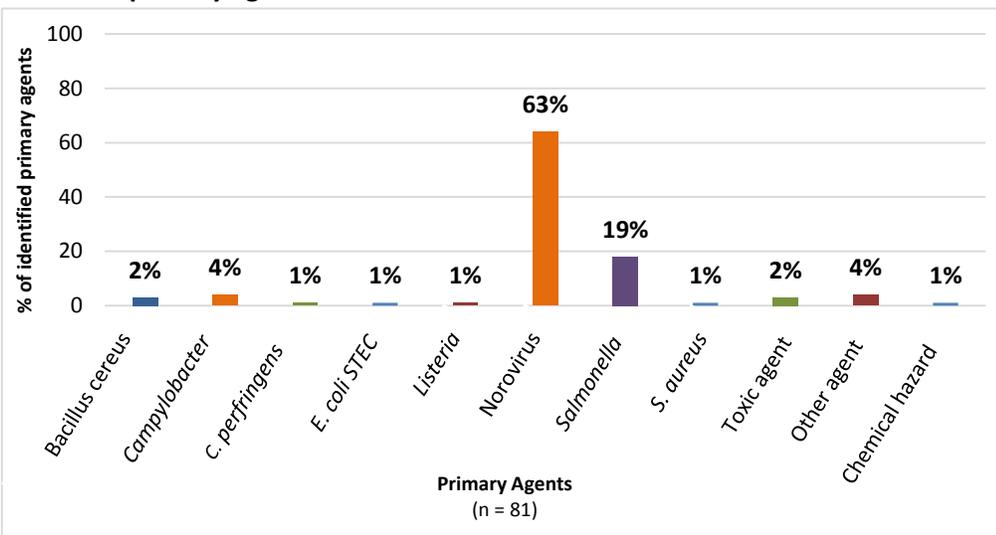
### Outbreak Characteristics

#### Outbreak investigation

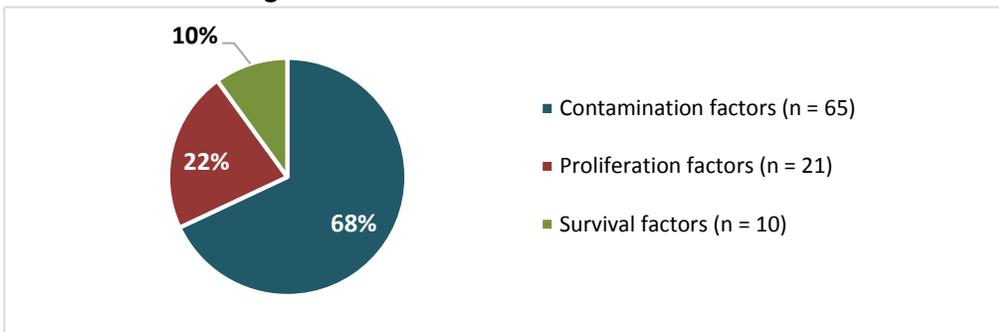


- Outbreak reported to NORS
- Investigation included an environmental assessment
- Investigation identified a primary agent
- Investigation identified a contributing factor

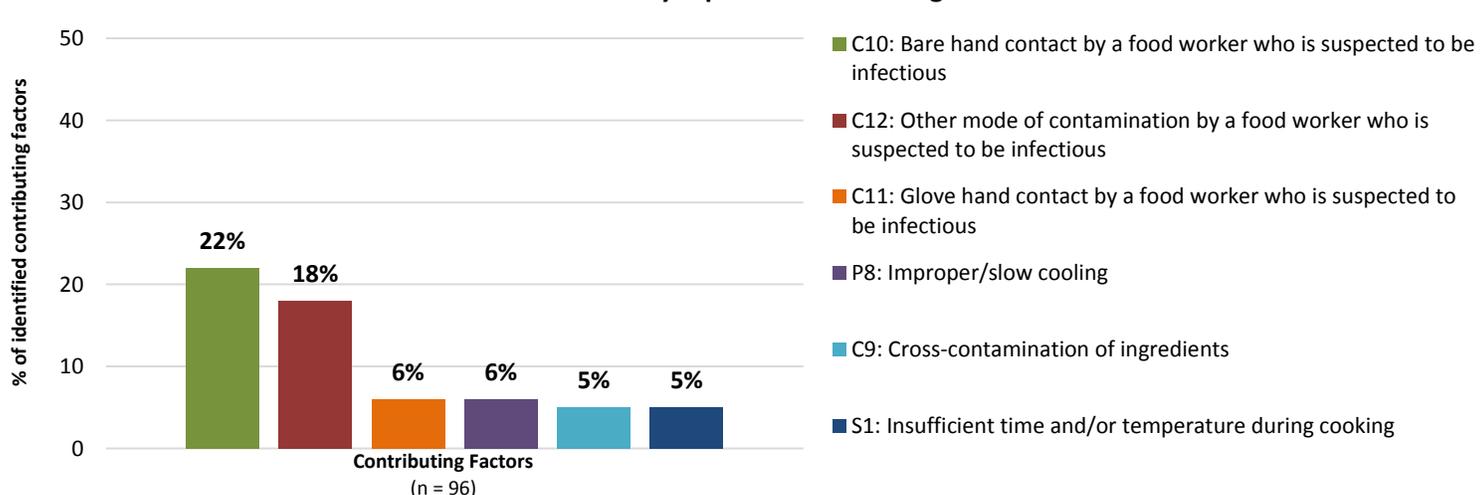
#### Outbreak primary agents



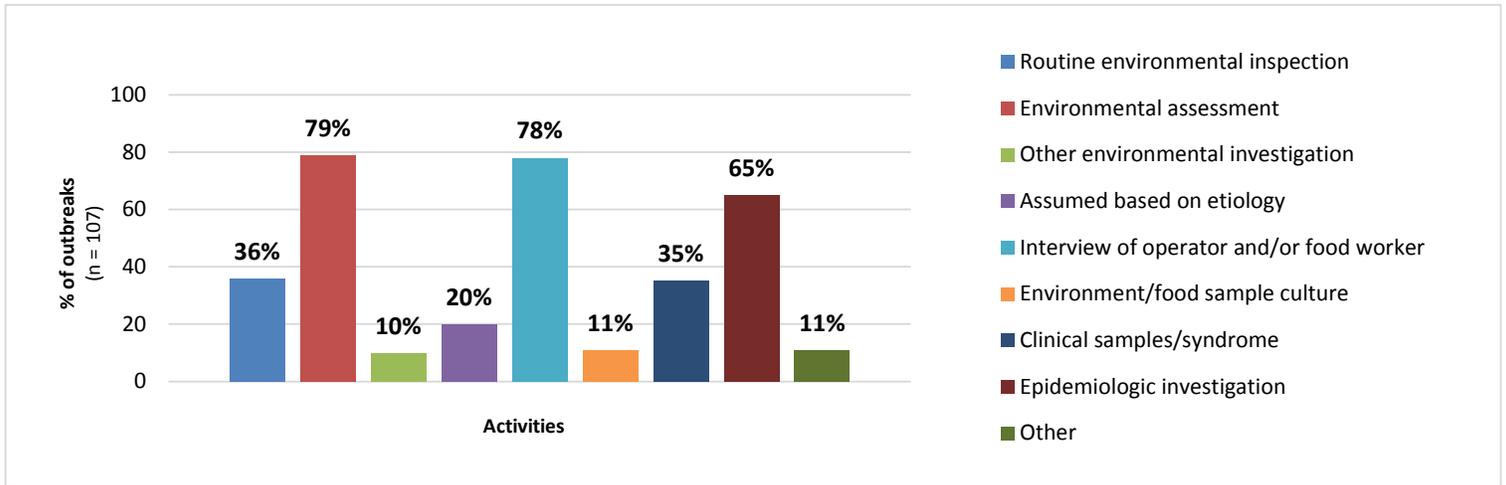
#### Outbreak contributing factors



#### Most commonly reported contributing factors

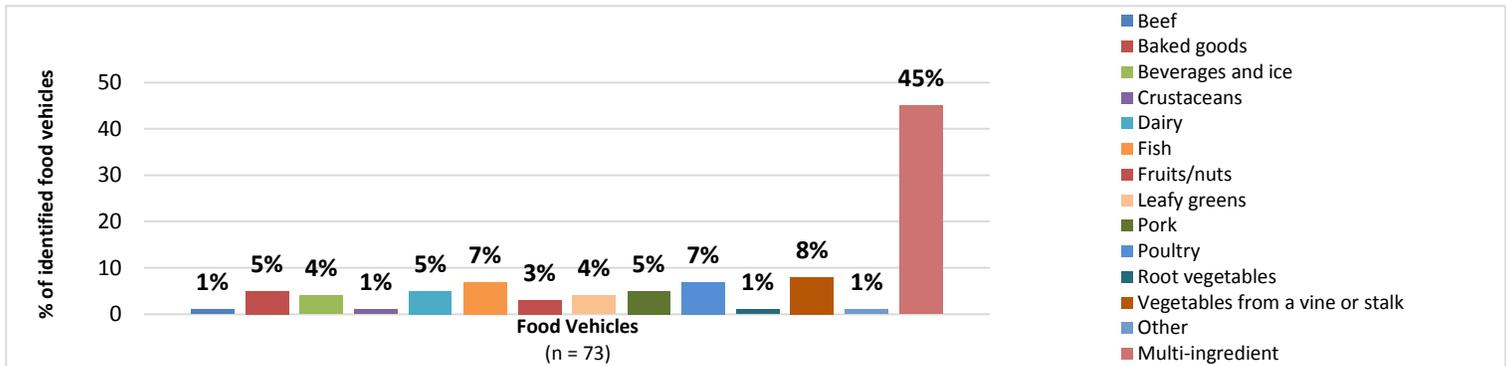


## Activities used to try to identify contributing factors



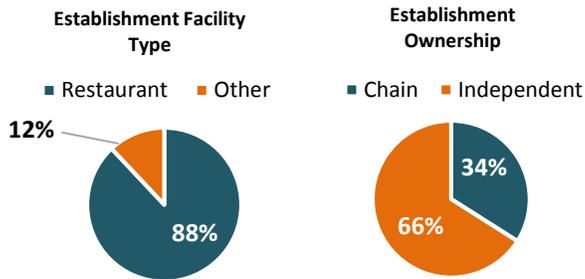
Note: Percentages do not add up to 100% because this question allowed for multiple responses per outbreak

## Identified food vehicles

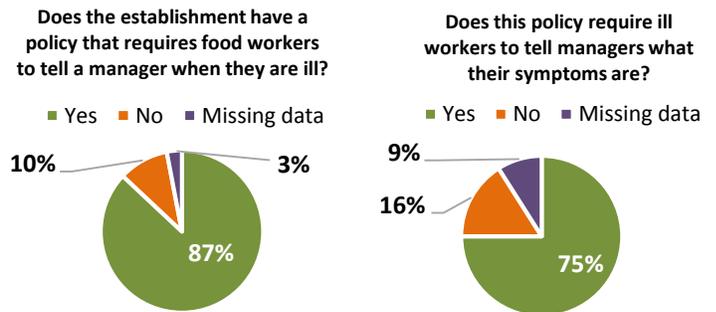


## Outbreak Establishment Characteristics

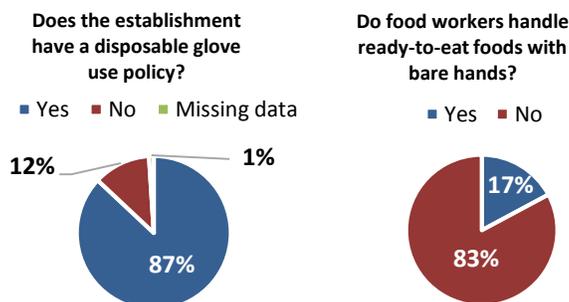
### General characteristics



### Ill worker characteristics



### Hand hygiene characteristics



### Kitchen manager characteristics

