

Tuberculosis

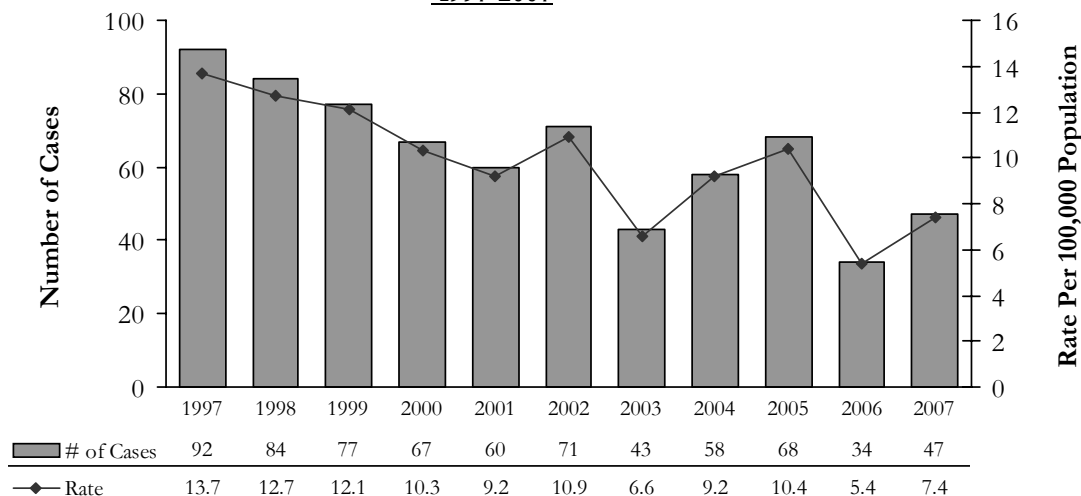
Importance: Tuberculosis (TB) is a chronic lung infection that, if not treated properly, can be fatal.

National statistic: In 2007, 4.4 cases reported per 100,000

Healthy People 2010 goal: 1.0 new case per 100,000

Tuberculosis Incidence and Incidence Rates, Baltimore City

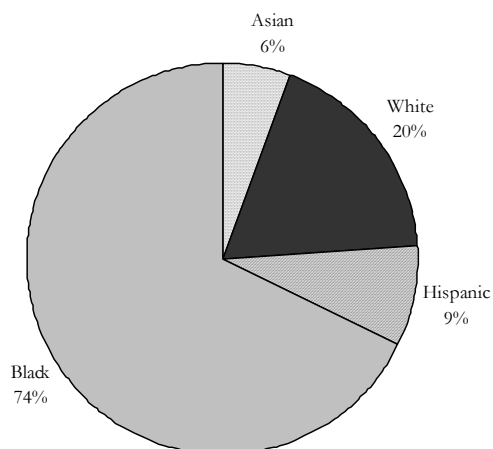
1997-2007



Source: Baltimore City Health Department, Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Program

- The rate of new tuberculosis cases (incidence) has decreased by almost 50% over the past decade in Baltimore City. Statewide, the tuberculosis incidence rate has decreased by almost 25% (from 6.3 per 100,000 in 1998 to 4.8 per 100,000 in 2007).
- While Hispanics and Asians made up approximately 2.5% and 2% of Baltimore City's population (according to Census data), they comprised 9% and 6% of new tuberculosis cases in 2007.

Incident Tuberculosis Cases by Race/Ethnicity, Baltimore City, 2007



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