

Cyclospora outbreak linked to lettuce at Taco Bell

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in collaboration with state and local partners, are investigating a multistate outbreak of *Cyclospora* illnesses linked to shredded Iceberg lettuce served at Taco Bell locations in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia. The illnesses included in this outbreak are a subset of the *Cyclospora* illnesses identified nationwide.

Based on epidemiological information collected by CDC, a total of 1,644 people infected with *Cyclospora* and reporting exposure to Taco Bell have been reported by five states. Illnesses started on dates ranging from May 13 to July 13. There have been 94 hospitalizations, and no deaths have been reported.

Michigan analyzed food exposure details from 190 of the cases who reported eating at Taco Bell and shared these findings with CDC. Ingredient level analyses on meals eaten by these cases

indicate that 90 percent of those interviewed reported eating Iceberg lettuce.

As a result, the FDA said consumers should avoid eating shredded Iceberg lettuce from Mexico at Taco Bell locations in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia. Additional states may be added to this advisory as more information becomes available. Taco Bell said it is working to stop use of all lettuce implicated by this investigation. Not all Taco Bell locations in these states received implicated product.

FOUR SEASONS PRODUCE IS CLOSELY TRACKING THE CYCLOSPORA OUTBREAK.

Please check for current updates at:

CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/cyclosporiasis/outbreaks/07-26/index.html>

FDA: <https://www.fda.gov/food/outbreaks-foodborne-illness/investigation-5-state-outbreak-cyclospora-illnesses-iceberg-lettuce-july-2026>

IFPA: <https://www.freshproduce.com/who-we-are/commentary/cyclospora-faqs/>



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Dear Valued Customer,

Based on information provided yesterday by the FDA, Taylor Farms de México is voluntarily removing all iceberg lettuce sourced from central Mexico from the U.S. market.

Our records indicate that you WERE NOT shipped iceberg lettuce products included in this action.

At this time, Taylor Fresh Foods has stopped sourcing iceberg lettuce from central Mexico.

As you know, consumer health and well-being are our highest priority. We appreciate your support and patience as we navigate this issue. We will provide continuous updates if new information emerges.

Kind regards,

Taylor Farms

7/17/26 UPDATE:

**Four Seasons Produce
NOT involved in the Taylor
Farms recall of Iceberg
Lettuce from Mexico.**