

## **CDC: 10 listeria illnesses now linked to Blue Bell foods**

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In this April 10, 2015, file photo, Blue Bell ice cream rests on a grocery store shelf in Lawrence, Kan. Texas-based Blue Bell Creameries issued a voluntary recall Monday, April 20, 2015, for all of its products on the market after two samples of chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream tested positive for listeriosis. (AP Photo/Orlin Wagner, File)

Federal regulators say they're now aware of 10 listeria illnesses linked to ice cream and other products made by Texas-based Blue Bell Creameries



over the last five years.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had previously reported eight illnesses from Kansas and Texas, including three deaths in Kansas.

The agency said Tuesday that two more illnesses have been confirmed in Oklahoma and Arizona.

CDC says those sickened fell ill between January 2010 and January 2015.

Blue Bell recalled all of its products late Monday after two samples of chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream tested positive for <u>listeria</u> <u>bacteria</u>.

The recall includes <u>ice cream</u>, frozen yogurt, sherbet and frozen snacks distributed in 23 states and abroad.

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