

Final update on Salmonella-tainted honey smacks cereal

September 28 2018



(HealthDay)—A total of 135 people across 36 states fell ill with

Salmonella after eating Kellogg's Honey Smacks cereal, according to a final update from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Many of the illnesses linked to the *Salmonella* Mbandaka strain were severe. Thirty-four people were hospitalized; however, no deaths were reported. The illnesses first surfaced in early March and the last [illness](#) was reported on Aug. 29.

On June 14, Kellogg Co. announced it was recalling certain boxes of Honey Smacks cereal due to the possibility of contamination with *Salmonella*. The cereal under recall includes Honey Smacks 15.3 oz. size with the UPC code of 3800039103 and a Best if Used by Date of JUN 14, 2018, through JUN 14, 2019. Also included are Honey Smacks in the 23 oz. size with the same "Best Before" date and the UPC code of 3800014810.

"This outbreak investigation is over," according to the CDC. "However, recalled Kellogg's Honey Smacks cereal has a long shelf life and might still be in people's homes. Consumers unaware of the recall could continue to eat these products and potentially get sick."

More information: [More Information](#)

Copyright © 2018 [HealthDay](#). All rights reserved.

Citation: Final update on Salmonella-tainted honey smacks cereal (2018, September 28) retrieved 9 April 2024 from <https://medicalxpress.com/news/2018-09-salmonella-tainted-honey-smacks-cereal.html>

<p>This document is subject to copyright. Apart from any fair dealing for the purpose of private study or research, no part may be reproduced without the written permission. The content is provided for information purposes only.</p>
--