B-notification Report Technical Notes

TB B classification: B1 or B2 classification for TB includes B-notification arrivers who had an abnormal CXR, consistent with TB on pre-immigration examination using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) 1991 or 2007 Technical Instructions (TI). Immigrant arrivers who underwent pre-immigration screening using the 2007 TI and had a positive tuberculosis skin test (TST) were assigned a B2 LTBI classification. A description of the 1991 and 2007 TI's can be found at: http://www.cdc.gov/immigrantrefugeehealth/exams/ti/panel/technical-instructions-panel-physicians.html

U.S. arrival year reflects the year that an arriver with a TB B classification entered the U.S. based on data provided by the CDC, Division of Global Migration and Quarantine.

Evaluated in U.S. is defined as a B-notification arriver who underwent evaluation for a TB condition in the U.S. and whose evaluation results were reported to the TB Control Branch of the California Department of Public Health. B-notification arrivers who were reported by the local health department to have moved out of California, or to have died before they could undergo domestic TB evaluation were excluded from the arrivers who were available to complete domestic evaluation.

The data presented in Table 5 is based on a match of B-notification and RVCT data. Data is limited to B-notification arrivers who were reported as active TB cases by the local health department <6 months after their date of U.S. arrival. These cases are thought to more likely represent imported cases of active TB disease as opposed to TB cases resulting from reactivation or recent transmission of disease in the U.S.