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UK Government updates vCJD death toll

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Report Highlights:

Latest data released by the UK's Department of Health indicates forty seven deaths from vCJD, the human form of BSE, since the first recorded death from the disease in 1995.

Includes PSD changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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The UK Government's Department of Health has revised upwards the number of deaths from variant Creutzfeld Jacob Disease (vCJD), the human form of BSE, during 1998. Previous data had pointed to sixteen (16) deaths. However, data released on November 1, 1999 reveal an upward revision to seventeen (17) deaths. With seven (7) deaths reported over the first nine months of 1999 this brings the total number of deaths from vCJD to forty seven (47) since 1995, the first year such a death was recorded.

Number of deaths from vCJD

Year	Number
1995	3
1996	10
1997	10
1998	17
1999*	7

*To 30 September, 1999

Source: UK Department of Health