

Variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (vCJD) Countries of Risk

These lists were prepared from the FDA Guidance for Industry “Revised Preventive Measures to Reduce the Possible Risk of Transmission of Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease and Variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease by Blood and Blood Products,” updated January 2016, and further modified to include current geo-political names. The guidance can also be found by date and title on the FDA website as a Blood Guidance. The lists should be available to the donor when the DHQ is being used and to the donor historian when using the corresponding flowcharts.

vCJD countries of risk - United Kingdom

Channel Islands
England
Falkland Islands
Gibraltar
Isle of Man
Northern Ireland
Scotland
Wales

vCJD countries of risk -Europe

Albania
Austria
Belgium
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Bulgaria
Croatia
Czech Republic
Denmark
Finland
France, including its overseas departments (e.g., Martinique and others)*
Germany
Greece
Hungary
Republic of Ireland
Italy
Kosovo
Liechtenstein
Luxembourg
Macedonia
Montenegro
Netherlands
Norway
Poland
Portugal, including the Azores
Romania
Serbia
Slovak Republic
Slovenia
Spain, including the Canary Islands and Spanish North African territories
Sweden
Switzerland
Yugoslavia (or the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia)

NOTE: *Time spent in United Kingdom countries also counts towards time in Europe.*

** = See page 2 for additional detail on French departments.*

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From 1980 through 1996 were you a member of the U.S. military, a civilian military employee, or a dependent of a member of the U.S. military?

[If so] Did you spend a total time of 6 months or more associated with a U.S. military base in any of the following countries?

From 1980 through 1990:

Belgium, Netherlands, or Germany

From 1980 through 1996:

Greece, Italy, Portugal, Spain, or Turkey

* (from page 1)

The FDA has clarified that France has five overseas departments that fall into the vCJD risk category:

- 1) Martinique
- 2) Guadeloupe
- 3) French Guiana
- 4) Reunion
- 5) Mayotte