

Table 58.3. Viruses Causing Encephalitis

Virus	Geographic location	Major age group	Predominant season	Notable features
Herpes simplex	All	All	None	Focal symptoms
St. Louis encephalitis	All	Older Adults	Summer-fall	Most cases mild
Eastern equine encephalitis	East coast and Texas	Children	Summer-fall	Disabling sequelae
Western equine encephalitis	West of Mississippi	Infants to children	Summer-fall	
California equine encephalitis	East of Mississippi	Older children	Summer-fall	
Enteroviruses	All	Infants to children	Summer	Severity inverse to age
Rabies	All	All	All	Animal bite
Varicella	All	Children	Winter	Rare
HIV	All	Adults	All	Dementia in AIDS patients

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