

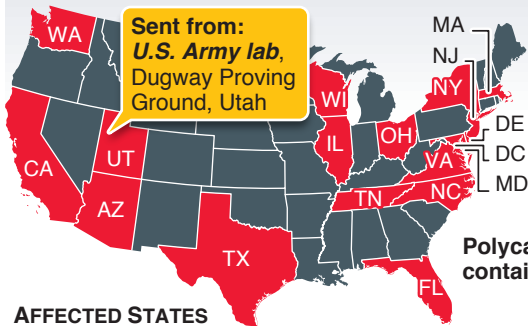
U.S. postal anthrax scare widens

The Pentagon has admitted that more than 50 laboratories in 17 U.S. states and three foreign countries have received samples of live anthrax, instead of inert bacteria, via commercial mail over the last 10 years

ANTHRAX DESTINATIONS

51 laboratories: Commercial companies, academic institutions and Federal labs

Sent from:
U.S. Army lab,
Dugway Proving
Ground, Utah



AFFECTED STATES

Arizona (AZ), California (CA), Delaware (DE), Florida (FL), Illinois (IL), Maryland (MD), Massachusetts (MA), New Jersey (NJ), New York (NY), North Carolina (NC), Ohio (OH), Tennessee (TN), Texas (TX), Utah (UT), Virginia (VA), Washington (WA) and Wisconsin (WI), plus District of Columbia (DC)

OTHER COUNTRIES AFFECTED

Canada



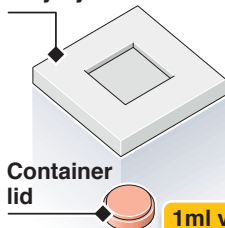
South Korea

Australia



HOW IT IS DELIVERED

Polystyrene lid



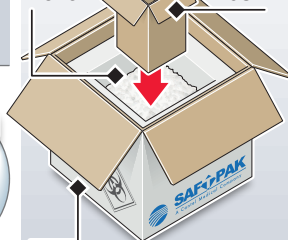
Container lid

1ml vial
In Ziploc
bag and
wrapped
in cloth

**Polycarbonate
container**

Dry ice
Keeps
sample
frozen

**Card-
board
box**



Cardboard box

Polystyrene inner shell

WHAT IS ANTHRAX?

- ***Bacillus anthracis***, found naturally in soil, produces dormant spores that can live in environment for years
- If spores get into body (via skin cut, ingestion or inhalation), they become active
- Active growing cells multiply and spread around body, producing toxins that can cause severe illness and lead to death

