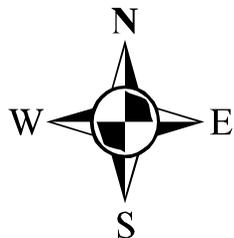


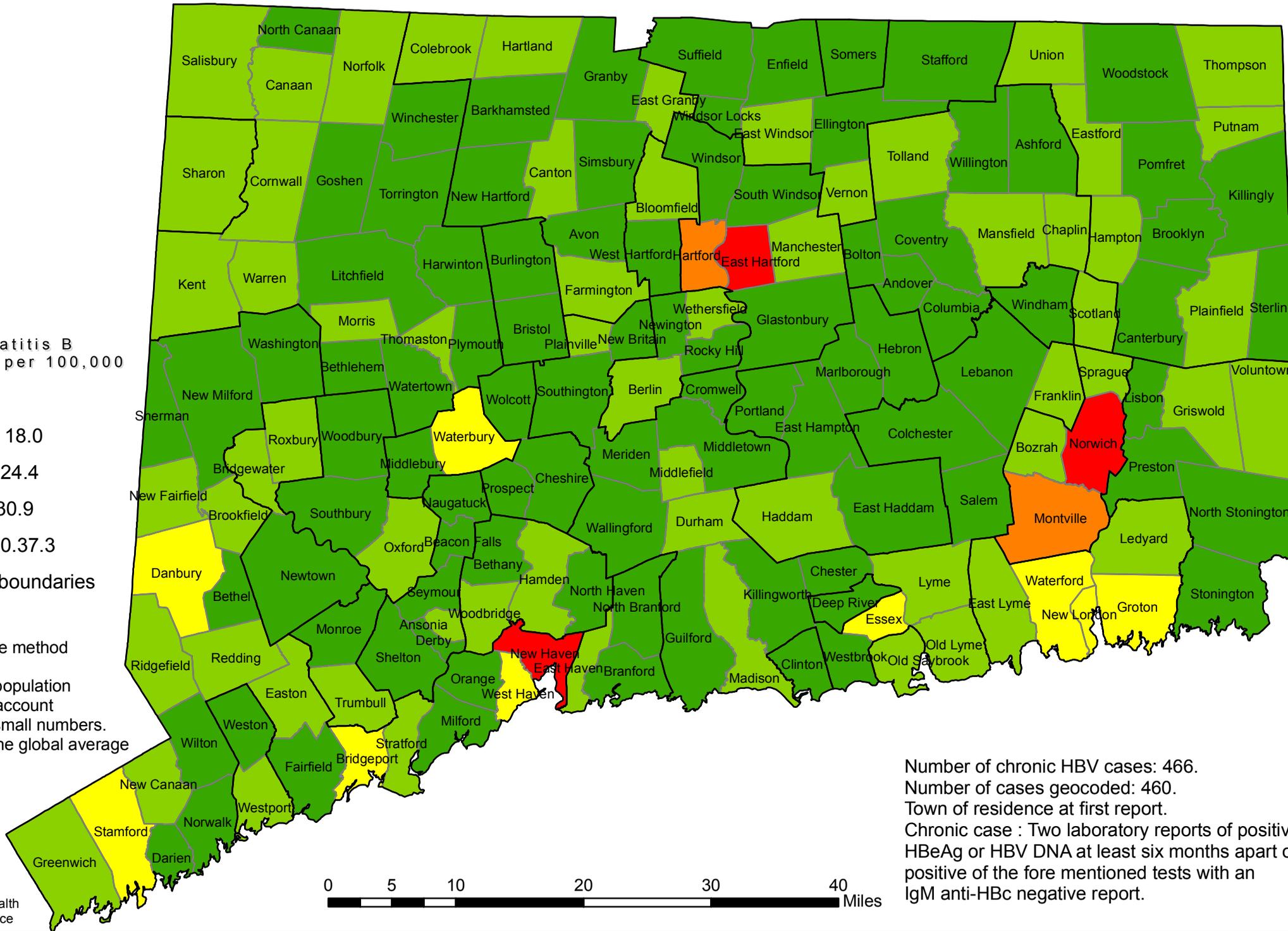
Global smoothed rate of reported chronic hepatitis B, Connecticut, 2009



Reported chronic hepatitis B global smoothed rate per 100,000



Global empirical bayesian rate method (global smoothing) adjusts area rates based on population sizes for the specific area to account for small populations and or small numbers. Rates are adjusted towards the global average of all areas.



Number of chronic HBV cases: 466.
 Number of cases geocoded: 460.
 Town of residence at first report.
 Chronic case : Two laboratory reports of positive HBsAg, HBeAg or HBV DNA at least six months apart or one positive of the fore mentioned tests with an IgM anti-HBc negative report.

