

**Table 1. Examples of the most common viral, bacterial, and parasitic causes of foodborne illness (Mead et al., 1999)**

<b>Microorganism</b>	<b>Estimated Incidence Per Year</b>
Norwalk-like viruses	23,000,000
Rotavirus	3,900,000
Astrovirus	3,900,000
<i>Campylobacter</i> spp.	2,453,926
<i>Giardia lamblia</i>	2,000,000
<i>Salmonella</i> , nontyphoidal	1,412,498
<i>Shigella</i> spp.	448,240
<i>Cryptosporidium parvum</i>	300,000
<i>Clostridium perfringens</i>	248,520
<i>Toxoplasma gondii</i>	225,000
<i>Staphylococcus</i>	185,060