VARIANT CJD CASES WORLDWIDE

COUNTRY	TOTAL NUMBER OF PRIMARY CASES (NUMBER ALIVE)	TOTAL NUMBER OF SECONDARY CASES: BLOOD TRANSFUSION (NUMBER ALIVE)	RESIDENCE IN UK > 6 MONTHS DURING PERIOD 1980-1996
UK	175 (0)	3 (0)	178[§]
France	28 (0)	-	1
Republic of Ireland	4 (0)	-	2
Italy	3 (0)	-	0
USA	4† (0)	-	2
Canada	2 (0)	-	1
Saudi Arabia	1 (0)	-	0
Japan	1* (0)	-	0
Netherlands	3 (0)	-	0
Portugal	2 (0)	-	0
Spain	5 (0)	-	0
Taiwan	1 (0)	-	1

† The third US patient with vCJD was born and raised in Saudi Arabia and has lived permanently in the United States since late 2005. According to the US case-report, the patient was most likely infected as a child when living in Saudi Arabia.
The completed investigation of the fourth US patient did not support the patient's having had extended travel to European countries, including the United Kingdom or travel to Saudi Arabia. It confirmed that the case was in a US citizen born outside the Americas and indicated that his infection occurred before he moved to the United States; the patient had resided in Kuwait, Russia and Lebanon (see http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/article/21/5/pdfs/14-2017.pdf

* The case from Japan had resided in the UK for 24 days in the period 1980-1996.

§ Case 178 from the UK was heterozygous at codon129 of the *PRNP* gene

Source: www.cjd.ed.ac.uk – data correct as at 01/03/2021