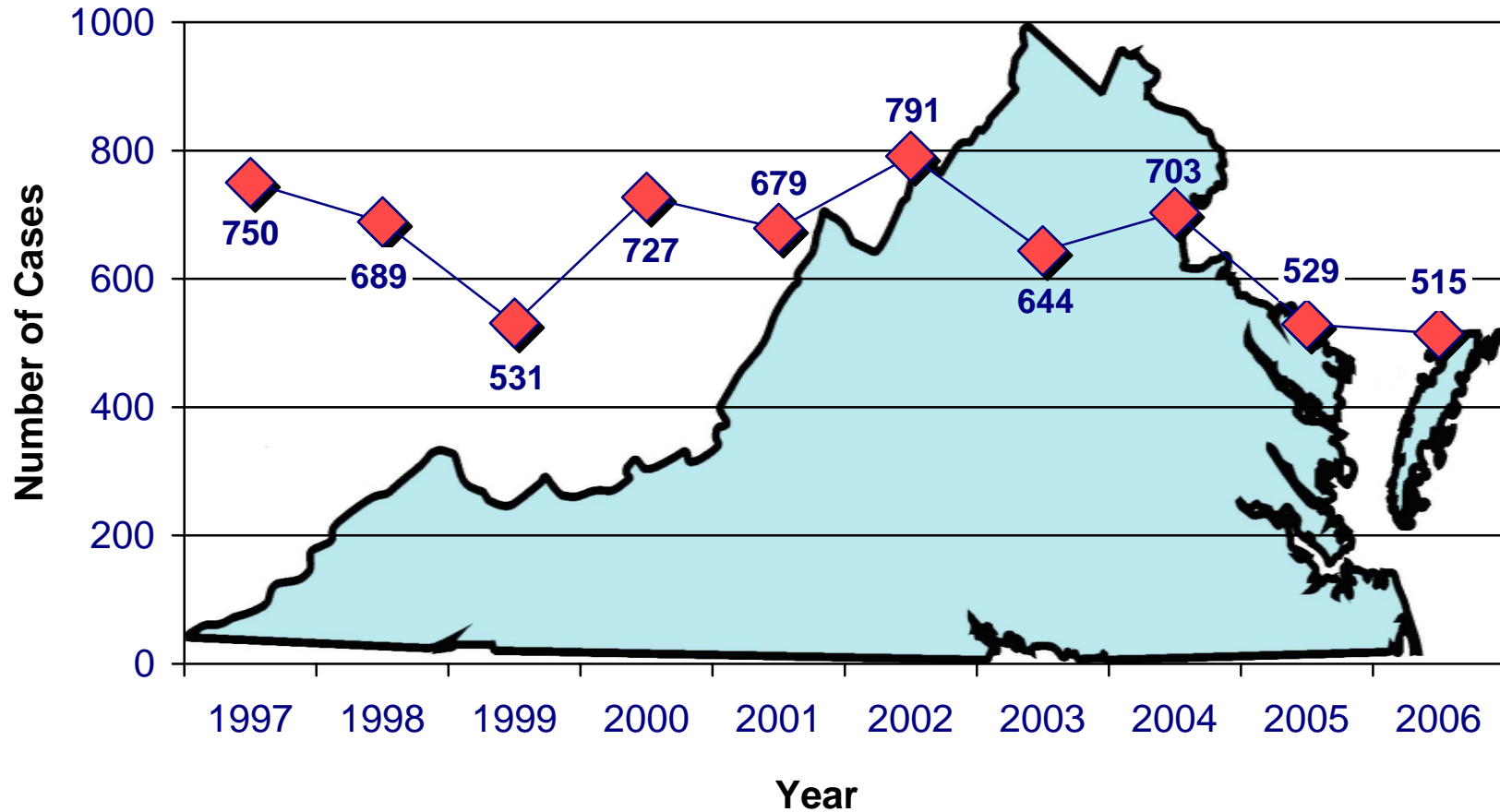


Reported New Cases of Childhood Elevated Blood Lead Levels, by Year, from 1997 to 2006



The above data represent a ten-year trend of incidence, or newly reported, cases of childhood elevated blood lead levels in Virginia. As defined in the *Regulations for Disease Reporting and Control* effective May 2007, an elevated blood lead level means a blood lead level greater than or equal to 10 micrograms of lead per deciliter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$) of whole blood in a child or children 15 years of age and younger. Within this 10-year trend, the mean yearly total is 671 with a standard deviation of 90.6.