# **WEEKLY BULLETIN ON OUTBREAKS AND OTHER EMERGENCIES**

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Grade 2 events

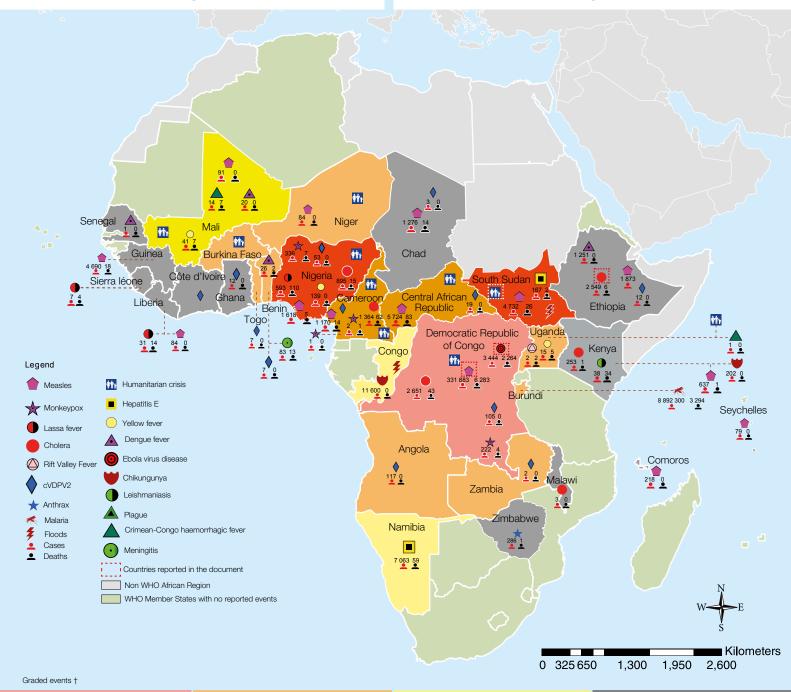
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# **Overview**

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This Weekly Bulletin focuses on public health emergencies occurring in the WHO African Region. The WHO Health Emergencies Programme is currently monitoring 68 events in the region. This week's main articles cover key new and ongoing events, including:

- Measles in Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Oholera in Ethiopia
- Ebola virus disease in Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Humanitarian crisis in South Sudan

For each of these events, a brief description, followed by public health measures implemented and an interpretation of the situation is provided.

A table is provided at the end of the bulletin with information on all new and ongoing public health events currently being monitored in the region, as well as recent events that have largely been controlled and thus closed.

### Major issues and challenges include:

- On 23 February 2020, the Republic of South Sudan formed a new Transitional Government of National Unity (ToGNU). There are high expectations that the formation of ToGNU, this week, will usher in lasting peace and security in South Sudan. The humanitarian community welcomes this momentous event as a turning point towards the restoration of and improvement in the livelihood of the population. Cognizant of the fact that the translation of this event into tangible improvement in livelihood of anyone in the remote community will be a tedious and tortuous process, the aid actors should continue providing for the immediate and life-saving needs of the community while aiming for early recovery, reconstruction and development of the nation, in support of the new government. Top of the agenda will be repatriation and resettlement of the internally displaced persons and refugees in a coordinated manner.
- The measles outbreak in Democratic Republic of the Congo remains serious although the overall situation has been improving in the past two months. Large numbers of children have been vaccinated and more supplemental immunization activities are being planned. However, given the large scale of the outbreak, the ongoing response is facing several operational challenges, including inadequate logistics and funding. There is a need for the national authorities and partners to scale up and sustain the ongoing response to the measles outbreak to continue with the positive trend being observed. It is also important to start working towards improving routine immunization coverage, including the introduction of the second dose of measles vaccine.

# **Ongoing events**

Measles

**Democratic Republic of the Congo** 

20 475 Cases

252 Deaths 1.2%

**CFR** 

#### EVENT DESCRIPTION

The measles outbreak in Democratic Republic of the Congo continues, with continuous improvement being observed. While the overall situation remains serious, the weekly incidence of cases and deaths has continued to reduce in the past 10 weeks. Since our last report on 12 January 2020 (Weekly Bulletin 2), there have been an additional 20 412 suspected measles cases and an additional 238 deaths. Of these cases, 2 915 were laboratory confirmed. During week 6 (week ending 9 February 2020), a total of 2 529 suspected cases and 22 deaths were reported across the country, compared to 2 827 cases with 23 deaths reported in week 5 and 3 398 cases with 52 deaths reported in week 4.

Between weeks 1-6, 2020, a cumulative total of 20 475 suspected measles cases, including 252 associated deaths (case fatality ratio 1.2%) have been reported from all 26 provinces in the country. The provinces that recorded the highest burden of measles cases and deaths in the past four weeks (weeks 3-6 of 2020) were Maindombe (1 739 cases, 28 deaths), Congo Central 1 609, 4 deaths), Equateur (1 395 cases, 18 deaths), Bas-Uele (1 238 cases, 30 deaths) and Mongala (1 234 cases, 1 death). Other provinces with high mortality figures were Kasai (417 cases, 18 deaths), Tshuapa (549 cases, 17 deaths) and South Kivu (525 cases, 14 deaths). There is a small declining trend shown in reported cases in the provinces of Haut Katanga, Kinshasa, Congo Central, Kwango, Lomani, Maniema, Tanganyika and Tshopo.

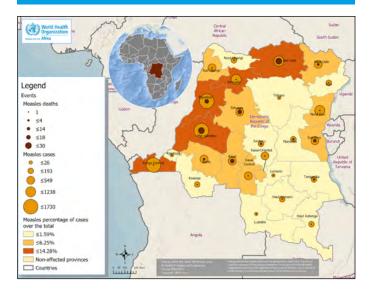
Children under the age of five years remain the most affected in all provinces, accounting for 71% of all confirmed cases. The vaccination status is known in 36% of confirmed cases, while 14% were not vaccinated and 50% had unknown vaccination status.

Reactive vaccination campaigns have reached 5 789 008 children aged 6-59 months in 179/261 health zones. In addition, 18 million children aged 6-59 months have been vaccinated in supplementary vaccination activities in 518/129 health zones.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS

- The Institut National de Recherche Biomédicale (INRB) and WHO conducted a joint mission to the provinces to strengthen laboratory surveillance, including case confirmation and collection of nasopharyngeal samples.
- Focal points have been identified at national, provincial and health zone level, along with regular information sharing from consultants deployed at hotspot health zones.
- A validation workshop for technical guidelines for measles cases was held from 20-21 February 2020; recruitment of a paediatrician for Kasai Province is underway.
- Communication messages are being updated in the provinces with support from sub-coordination teams, along with continuation of community engagement.
- A reactive vaccination exercise is being prepared in eight health zones in Tshuapa Province, planned for 24-28 February 2020 and the Minister of Health signed the release of funds for the purchase of 1.6 million doses of vaccines.
- Technical support mission by MSP partners at all levels are ongoing.

Geographic distribution of suspected measles cases and deaths in Democratoc Republic of the Congo, weeks 1-6, 2020.



Weekly trend of suspected measles cases and deaths in Democratoc Republic of the Congo, week 1, 2019 - week 6, 2020 (n= 331 883).



#### SITUATION INTERPRETATION

Although the number of new cases of measles reported is showing a steady declining trend, there is no room for complacency as multiple operational challenges confound the ongoing response. Challenges include mobilization of resources for the government's three-month operational plan and its implementation; systematization of daily notification, strengthening of the multi-sectoral coordination and collaboration; difficulties with rapid routing of samples to the INRB and Lubumbashi Laboratory and delay in confirmation of biological samples. This, coupled with limited supply of kits in health facilities and issues around provision of free medical care in affected areas and the inaccessibility of some health zones and provinces makes it difficult to dispatch and deliver logistical resources. Communication is also an issue. These challenges need urgently to be addressed, along with careful planning of logistics, implementation of operational plans and funding. Continuing transmission of the virus shows that vaccination activities are still falling short and there is an urgent need to introduce the second dose of measles vaccine. National authorities and partners need to step up their response to cover these shortfalls.

3 444 2 264 **Deaths** Cases

66%

**CFR** 

#### EVENT DESCRIPTION

The Ebola virus disease (EVD) outbreak in North Kivu, South Kivu and Ituri provinces in Democratic Republic of the Congo remains stable, with a low transmission level. No new confirmed EVD case has been reported for the fifth-consecutive day from 22 February 2020. Since our last report on 16 February 2020 (Weekly Bulletin 7), there has been one new confirmed case and 1 new death. Beni remains the only health zone to report confirmed cases in the past seven days. In the past 21 days (2 to 12 February 2020), five new confirmed cases were reported from two health areas in Beni Health Zone.

As of 22 February 2020, a total of 3 444 EVD cases, including 3 310 confirmed and 134 probable cases have been reported. To date, confirmed cases have been reported from 29 health zones: Ariwara (1). Bunia (4). Komanda (56). Lolwa (6). Mambasa (82). Mandima (347), Nyakunde (2), Rwampara (8) and Tchomia (2) in Ituri Province; Alimbongo (5), Beni (721), Biena (19), Butembo (295), Goma (1), Kalunguta (198), Katwa (653), Kayna (28), Kyondo (25), Lubero (31), Mabalako (463), Manguredjipa (18), Masereka (50), Musienene (85), Mutwanga (32), Nyiragongo (3), Oicha (65), Pinga (1) and Vuhovi (103) in North Kivu Province and Mwenga (6) in South Kivu Province.

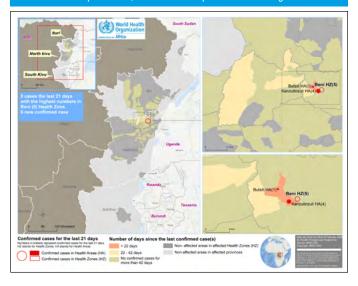
As of 22 February 2020, a total of 2 264 deaths were recorded, including 2 130 among confirmed cases, resulting in a case fatality ratio among confirmed cases of 64% (2 130/3 310). As of 22 February 2020, the total number of health workers affected remains at 172, representing 5% of confirmed and probable cases.

Contact tracing is ongoing in one health zone. A total of 620 contacts are under follow-up as of 22 February 2020, of which 601 (96.9%) have been seen in the past 24 hours. Thirty-four out of 50 health zones raised alerts on 22 February 2020. Of 5 262 alerts processed (of which 5 196 were new) in reporting health zones on 22 February 2020, 5 202 were investigated and 447 (8.6%) were validated as suspected cases.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS

- Response and surveillance activities continue in all affected areas.
- Insecurity continues, with clashes between regular and militia forces in Nyankunde and ongoing military operations in Biakato areas, adversely affecting response activities; the ETC in Mangina was re-opened after a temporary closure due to insecurity and security arrangements have been strengthened.
- As of 22 February 2020, a cumulative total of 297 275 people have been vaccinated since the start of the outbreak in August
- Point of Entry/Point of Control (PoE/PoC) screening continues. with over 155 million screenings to date. A total of 106/109 (97.2%) PoE/PoC transmitted reports as of 22 February 2020.

Geographical distribution of confirmed Ebola virus disease cases reported from 26 January 2020 to 15 February 2020, North Kivu, South Kivu and Ituri provinces, Democratic Republic of the Congo.



- Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) activities continue and as of 22 February 2020, a total of 22 MONUSCO healthcare providers were trained in Mavivi, Beni Health Zone, and 186 health facilities were monitored and supported in Beni, Oicha, Katwa, Musienene and Mabalako health zones, along with evaluation of 667 handwashing points.
- As of 22 February 2020, the Risk Communication and Engagement teams continued the community dialogues in Beni, Biakato and Alova.

#### SITUATION INTERPRETATION

The EVD outbreak in Democratic Republic of the Congo remains stable. with Beni the only health zone reporting confirmed cases for the second week running. While there is room for cautious optimism around the decline in new confirmed cases, continued access and heightened vigilance is required to maintain case investigation and contact tracing activities in all health zones.

#### **EVENT DESCRIPTION**

The cholera outbreak in Ethiopia, which initially started on 24 September 2019 in Hudet woreda (district) in Somali region, continues, although the situation has continuously been improving. In week 7 (week ending 16 February 2020), a total of 65 suspected cholera cases were reported compared to 167 cases reported in week 6. The new cases reported during the week (week 7) came from 17 woredas in seven zones of the three regions. The number of cases reported weekly has been on a downward trend since week 2 (week ending 11 January 2020) when 570 cases were reported.

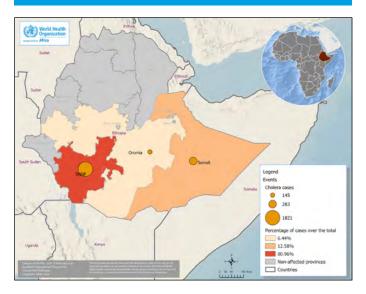
Since the beginning of the cholera outbreak on 24 September 2019, a cumulative total of 2 549 suspected cases were reported from seven zones in three regions, as of 16 February 2020. The regions most affected are Southern Nations Nationalities Peoples (SNNP) and Somali where 94% of suspected cases have been reported.

The most affected people are between the ages of 15 and 44 years, accounting for 52% of all cases. The outbreak has affected more males than females with a ratio of 1.1:1. The main propagating factors of the outbreak include insufficient potable water, poor sanitary and hygiene facilities amongst populations in many of the affected communities.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS

- The Ethiopian Public Health Institute (EPHI), in collaboration with WHO and other health partners, are responding to the outbreak in the affected woredas. Technical experts in water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH); risk communication; surveillance; health information management; case investigation and logistics are deployed to support the response.
- The Federal Ministry of Health, with support from partners, conducted the first round of oral cholera vaccination campaign in Afar, Oromia, Somali and SNNP regions, reaching 581 973 of the 616 643 targeted persons, giving a coverage of 94.4%.
- EPHI, in partnership with technical support from WHO, UNICEF, John Hopkins University and others, is developing a cholera control and elimination plan.
- The Federal Ministry of Health, with support of WHO, continues to provide cholera investigation and cholera treatment kits to the affected woredas.
- The Federal Ministry of Health, together with WHO and other partners, continues to provide technical support to the response through deployment of experts in surveillance, case investigation, and health information management.
- Risk communication and community engagement activities on preventive and control of cholera are ongoing in the affected Woredas.

Geographic distribution of suspected cholera cases in Ethiopia, 24 September 2019 - 16 February 2020.



Water, sanitation and hygiene activities, including water quality surveillance and monitoring, chlorination of water sources and provision of water purification tablets to the affected communities have been extensively provided to ensure consumption of safe water by the affected communities.

#### SITUATION INTERPRETATION

The cholera outbreak in Ethiopia continues to improve, with the number of new cases gradually going down. Outbreak control activities led by EPHI are ongoing in affected communities focusing on enhanced surveillance, case management, WASH and community engagement. The national authorities and partners should ensure targeted interventions based on sound epidemiologic analysis.

#### **South Sudan**

#### **EVENT DESCRIPTION**

On 23 February 2020, the formation of a new Transitional Government of National Unity (ToGNU) in South Sudan, is expected to bring lasting peace and security. Otherwise, the complex humanitarian crisis has shown minimal signs of improving. Between 31 January 2020 and 14 February 2020, security incidents continued, with 40 casualties reported as a result of cattle raids in Cueicok, Rumbek Centre County on 31 January 2020. There are conflicts and access constraints in Lopua, Kapoeta East County and fighting was reported in Gumuruk Centre, Pibor County. The security situation and access to Baggari has somewhat improved compared to a few weeks ago, but the situation is still fragile. During the reporting period 1 373 displaced individuals fled to Kupera after fighting in Loka Round, Laiyna County. In addition, over 600 internally displaced persons (IDPs) from approximately 100 households were displaced due to armed conflict between government forces and unknown insurgents in Landili, Maridi County.

In the past four weeks, most of the flood-affected areas have been dry and water levels are receding, making it increasingly difficult to access areas in need by boat, while road access remains difficult.

Outbreaks of infectious disease continue to complicate the humanitarian situation. The top common alerts reported through the IDSR system in week 5 (week ending 7 February 2020) were malaria, acute watery diarrhoea, measles and bloody diarrhoea. Measles outbreaks have been confirmed in three counties, Tonj East, Magwi and Bor. Jebel Boma in Pibor County reported 96 measles cases with 11 community deaths. On 22 January 2020, Uganda confirmed two cases of yellow fever in Moyo District. Both were South Sudanese refugees who were trading between Uganda and Kajo-Keji in South Sudan.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS

- Mobile health outreaches are being conducted in flood-affected areas of greater Pibor, Mayom and Nassir County and EMMT is in Akobo to assess health consequences of floods and deliver seven emergency health kits, plus anti-venom and tents; vector control activities will be informed by vector assessment by the WHO entomologist in Pibor County.
- An oral cholera vaccination campaign is scheduled to start on 26 February 2020 and a cold chain has been installed in Pibor county.
- Emergency medical mobile outreaches have been deployed in Kajo-Keji County and 147 women and children have been vaccinated against vaccine preventable diseases; 21 health workers have been trained in case management in Kajo-Keji and Raja and infection prevention and control, and medical supplies have been delivered to cover gaps in delivery in these areas for the next three months.
- Coronavirus preparedness measures continue, with public media briefings and health alerts to inform state Ministries of Health, County Health Departments and health facility workers, as well as travel alerts; a COVID-19 Incident Management Structure has been established in the Public Health Emergency Operations Centre.
- Yellow fever outbreak investigations are being conducted in Kajo-Keji County.
- On 4 February 2020, a countrywide vaccination campaign against measles was launched, targeting over 2.5 million children aged 6-59 months, in cooperation between the Ministry of Health, GAVI, the Vaccine Alliance, WHO and UNICEF. In addition, the children will receive vitamin A supplements and deworming tablets.

Map of Internally Displaced Persons in South Sudan, as of January 2020.

7.5M
PEOPLE IN NEED

7→1.67M
INTERNALLY
DISPLACED PEOPLE

₩190K

IDPS IN PROTECTION
OF CIVILIANS SITES

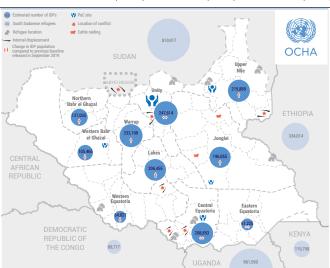
3 2.22M SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES

REFUGEES IN SOUTH SUDAN

5.5M SEVERELY FOOD INSECURE (JAN-APR) ★ 597K

MALNOURISHED

WOMEN (JAN-DEC)



WHO and the Ministry of Health conducted post campaign evaluation for reactive measles campaigns in Ikotos (69%), Budi (85%) and Aweil East (92%) counties.

#### SITUATION INTERPRETATION

The complex humanitarian emergency in South Sudan continues. The challenges of limited resources to cover all affected counties, weak coordination at sub-national level, inadequate human resources for health and insecurity in conflict-affected counties continue, as does the problem of massive operational costs measured against available donor funds. These challenges need urgently to be addressed by national authorities and partners, the international community and donors. The formation of ToGNU should create an environment conducive to the provision of aid assistance to the people in need, as well as preparation for repatriation and resettlement.

# Summary of major issues, challenges and proposed actions

## Major issues and challenges

- The humanitarian crisis in South Sudan remains serious, with multiple security incidents and several operational challenges being reported. The formation of the new unity government is being viewed as a defining moment to mitigate and alleviate the prevailing situation. The aid actors should aim to work closely with this new initiative in order to mitigate the continuing operational challenges in the country.
- The measles outbreak in Democratic Republic of the Congo has been improving in the past weeks although the overall situation remains serious, with over 2 000 cases being reported weekly. Large numbers of children have been vaccinated and preparation for more supplemental immunization activities are ongoing. Given the large scale of the operations, the ongoing response is facing several operational challenges, calling for continuous support in various forms. There is a need for the national authorities and partners to sustain the ongoing response to the measles outbreak to avoid further escalation of the situation. It is particularly important to step up implementation of supplemental immunization activities alongside strengthening routine immunization coverage.

### **Proposed actions**

- The national authorities and partners in South Sudan need to continue provision of urgent life-saving interventions while preparing for a coordinated repatriation and resettlement of refugees and internally displaced persons. The donor community need to increase the funding for the provision of aid assistance and well as for early recovery, reconstruction and development.
- The national authorities and partners in Democratic Republic of the Congo need to sustain the implementation of measles control activities, including supplemental immunization campaigns and related interventions. The national authorities and partners also need to focus on improving routine immunisation coverage as a longer-term measure to addressing the multiple vaccine-preventable diseases. The donor communities and development partners are also urged to continue providing the required inputs (especially funding) in the face of the multiples health emergencies in the country.

# All events currently being monitored by WHO AFRO

Country	Event	Grade	Date notified to WCO	Start of reporting period	End of reporting period	Total cases	Cases Confirmed	Deaths	CFR
Ongoing Events									
Angola	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	8-May-19	1-Jan-19	12-Feb-20	117	117	0	0.00%
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Benin	Dengue fever	Ungraded	13-May-19	10-May-19	29-Nov-19	26	14	2	7.70%
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Benin	Meningitis	Ungraded	6-Jan-20	9-Dec-19	22-Jan-20	83	24	13	15.70%
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Burkina Faso	Humanitarian crisis	Grade 2	1-Jan-19	1-Jan-19	27-Jan-20	-	-	-	-
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forces. Between 9 and 15 December 2019, an estimated 5 475 people (782 households) were forced to flee their villages following a series of military operations and community clashes throughout the North West region. Military operations in the Momo, Mezam, Boyo, Ngo Ketunjia, Donga Mantung and Bui Divisions have led to the displacement of 2 775 people, while community clashes in the Boyo division has led 2 700 people to flee their homes. This unrest continues to affect access to basic services including healthcare, education, shelter, food security and WASH.

Cameroon Cholera Ungraded 1-Mar-19 1-Mar-19 6-Feb-20 1 364 285 62 4.50%

The Cholera outbreak continues to improve in the 3 affected regions of cameroon (North, Far North, South West) reporting cases in 2019. An additional region (Littoral) notified cases of cholera since the beginning of the year 2020. Since 1 January 2020 to date, cholera cases are reported in South Ouest and littoral regions only. A total of 24 new cholera cases, with two deaths were reported in the littoral region in epidemiological week 5 (week ending 6 February 2020). Though the epidemiological situation in the South west region is relatively calm, it is important to note that the insecurity prevailing in that area is hindering community active search of cholera cases. No new cases of cholera were reported in North and Far North regions since epidemiological weeks 51 and 48 respectively. From January 2019 to date, a total of 1364 cases of cholera, with 62 deaths were reported from the four affected regions.

Country	Event	Grade	Date notified to WCO	Start of reporting period	End of reporting period	Total cases	Cases Confirmed	Deaths	CFR		
Cameroon	Measles	Ungraded	2-Apr-19	1-Jan-19	17-Nov-19	1 170	382	14	0%		
IgM-positive. Ngong , Mora verte, Djoung	A measles outbreak is ongoing in Cameroon. Since the beginning of 2019, a total of 1 170 suspected cases have been reported. Of these, 382 were confirmed as gM-positive. The outbreak is currently affecting 43 districts, namely, Kousseri, Mada, Goulfey, Makary, Kolofata, Koza, Ngaoundéré rural, Bangué, Guider, Figuil, Igong, Mora, Maroua 3, Vélé, Pitoa, Maroua 1, Bourha, Touboro, Mogodé, Bibémi, Garoua 1, Garoua 2, Lagdo, Tcholliré, Guidiguis, Moutourwa, Mokolo, Cité rerte, Djoungolo, Nkolndongo, Limbé, Garoua Boulai, Ngaoundéré Urbain, Ekondo Titi, Gazawa, Meiganga, New Bell, Deido, Bertoua, Biyem assi, Cité des palmiers, Logbaba, and Nylon district.										
Cameroon	Monkeypox	Ungraded	14-Jan-20	8-Jan-20	17-Jan-20	2	1	1	50.00%		
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Cameroon	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	23-May-19	23-May-19	12-Feb-20	-	-	-	-		
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Central African Republic	Humanitarian crisis	Protracted 2	11-Dec-13	11-Dec-13	2-Feb-20	-	-	-	-		
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Central African Republic	Measles	Grade 2	15-Mar-19	1-Jan-19	9-Feb-20	5 724	220	83	1.50%		
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Central African Republic	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	24-May-19	24-May-19	12-Feb-20	19	19	0	0.00%		
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Chad	Measles	Ungraded	24-May-18	1-Jan-19	9-Feb-20	1 276	31	14	1.10%		
					ted. 26 districts we ed from Beboto, Ky			ek 6. Since the begi	nning of the year, a		
Chad	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	18-Oct-19	9-Sep-19	12-Feb-20	3	3	0	0.00%		
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Comoros	Measles	Ungraded	26-May-19	20-May-19	22-Dec-19	218	59	0	0.00%		
have been co	nfirmed (40 labo	ratory-confire	ned and 19 by e	pidemiological li		cases were repo	rted in five distr	Comore Island. Of tricts of Grande Com	hese, 59 cases ore, namely, Moroni		
Congo	Floods	Ungraded	22-Nov-19	3-0ct-19	10-Dec-19	-	-	-	-		
Niari, Brazzav conditions ar threat to food	ville and Pointe-N nd with limited ac	loire. As a res cess to healtl November 20	ult of the floods ncare. Furthermo	, homes and pub ore, the floods ha	olic infrastructure h ave caused signific	nave been destro ant damage to t	yed leaving the he agricultural a	and farming sectors	in precarious living		

In week 52 (from 23 to 29 December 2019), a total of 10 new chikungunya cases were reported across the country against 14 cases in week 51. The cases reported in week 52 came from four departments namely: Kouilou (4), Lekoumou (4), Bouenza (1) and Plateaux (1). Since the beginning of the outbreak, a total of 11 600 cases have been reported in 44 out of the 52 health districts in 10 out of 12 departments. The departments of Bouenza (3102 cases), Kouilou (2844 cases) and Niari (2589) were the most affected by the outbreak accounting for 74% of cases reported since the beginning of the outbreak.

29-Dec-19

11 600

148

22-Jan-19

Grade 1

7-Jan-19

0.00%

Chikungunya

Country	Event	Grade	Date notified to WCO	Start of reporting period	End of reporting period	Total cases	Cases Confirmed	Deaths	CFR	
Côte d'Ivoire	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Ungraded	29-0ct-19	29-0ct-19	12-Feb-20	-	-	-	-	
Three cVDPV outbreak in N		nmental sam	ples were report	ed: one from Abi	idjan 2 province an	d two from Abio	ljan 1 Grands P	onts province, all lin	ked to the Jigawa	
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Humanitarian crisis	Grade 3	20-Dec-16	17-Apr-17	9-Feb-20	-	-	-	-	
The Democratic Republic of the Congo continues to experience a complex humanitarian crisis involving armed conflicts and inter-community tension resulting in large number of people in need of humanitarian assistance. Populations movement due to armed clashes and inter-community fighting continue to be reported in North-Kivu, Tanganyika, Ituri, Kasai central and South-Kivu provinces. In Ituri, Irumu and Mambasa territories armed group attacks which resulted in 60 civilian victims and kidnapping of around 20 persons were reported. In Tanganyika province, a new confrontation between Twa militias and FARDC resulted in several cases of wounds and some cases of rape. A total of 45 000 internally displaced persons registered in the Nyunzu Center (Nyunzu territory) continue to suffer from a lack of health humanitarian assistance. Due to insecurity caused by Twa-Bantou conflicts, nine health centres of Nyunzu Health Zone remain unfunctional.										
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Cholera	Grade 3	16-Jan-15	1-Jan-20	26-Jan-20	2 651	-	43	1.60%	
in the country incidence has (CFR 0.8%) o	During week 4 (week ending 26 January 2020), a total of 529 suspected cases of cholera and 7 deaths (CFR 1.3%) were notified from 8 out of the 26 provinces in the country. The majority (99%) reported in week 4 came from five provinces: North-Kivu, South-Kivu, Tanganyika, Tshopo and Haut-Katanga. The weekly case incidence has been on a decreasing trend since week 1 of 2020; a similar trend was observed in previous years. The case fatality ratio decreased during week 4 (CFR 0.8%) compared to week 3 (CFR 1.8%) of 2020. The province of Katanga continues to report high mortality rates which are above 5%. Between week 1 and week 52 of 2019, a total of 30 304 cases including 514 deaths (CFR 1.7%) were notified from 23 out of 26 provinces.									
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Ebola virus disease	Grade 3	31-Jul-18	11-May-18	22-Feb-19	3 444	3 310	2 264	66.00%	
Detailed upda	te given above.			1						
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Measles	Grade 2	10-Jan-17	1-Jan-20	9-Feb-20	331 883	-	6 283	1.90%	
Detailed upda	te given above.						,			
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Monkeypox	Ungraded	n/a	1-Jan-20	26-Jan-20	222	-	4	1.80%	
cases and no a total of 222 (31%), Bas-U	deaths in the pre suspected cases lele (18%), Equat	evious week. s with 4 death teur (15%) ai	The majority of one (CFR 1.8%) with the majority of the majori	cases in week 4, ere notified in th (9%). There has	were reported from e country, with the been an increase i	n Sankuru provi majority of case n the weekly cas	nce (78%). In the es being reporte se incidence sin	ountry, compared to ne past 4 weeks (we ed from the province ce week 2 of 2020. zones in 19 provinc	eks 1 to 4 of 2020) es of Sankuru Between weeks 1	
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	15-Feb-18	1-Jan-18	19-Feb-20	105	105	0	0.00%	
No new cases	of cVDPV2 were	e reported thi	s week. There w	ere 85 cVDPV2 (	cases reported in 2	019 and 20 in 2	018.			
Ethiopia	Cholera	Ungraded	14-May-19	12-May-19	16-Feb-20	2 549	-		0.00%	
Detailed upda	te given above.				v					
						1 251 es of dengue fev	er were reporte	0 d from Afar region.	0.00% The peak of the	
	observed in wee	:		·		1.070				
Ethiopia In week 5 (we	Measles eek ending 2 Febi	Ungraded	14-Jan-17 the measles out	1-Jan-19 oreak is still ong	2-Feb-20 oing in Oromia, SN	1 873	li regions. A tota	al of 1 873 suspecte	d cases with were	
					rom Oromia regior					
Ethiopia	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Ungraded	24-Jun-19	20-May-19	12-Feb-20	12	12	0	0.00%	
Nationalities a	and Peoples' Reg	ional State (S	SNNPR), one of	them being the f				d 3 from the Southe orted in Ethiopia so		
Ghana	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	9-Jul-19	8-Jul-19	12-Feb-20	12	12	0	0.00%	
No new cases 2019.	of circulating va	ccine-derived	l poliovirus type	2 (cVDPV2) hav	e been reported sir	nce the beginnin	g of 2012. Ther	e are 12 cVDPV2 ca	ses reported in	

Country	Event	Grade	Date notified to WCO	Start of reporting period	End of reporting period	Total cases	Cases Confirmed	Deaths	CFR
Guinea	Measles	Ungraded	9-May-18	1-Jan-19	3-Nov-19	4 690	1 091	18	0.30%
4 690 suspec measles by s	ted cases includi	ing 18 deaths calities in thre	(CFR 0.4%) hav	e been reported.	. Of the 4 690 susp	ected cases, 1 7	'73 were sampl	ary – 3 November 2 ed, of which 1 091 t district, Dounet in M	ested positive for
Kenya	Chikungunya	Ungraded	24-Jan-20	31-Dec-19	16-Feb-20	202	17	0	0.00%
	a outbreak was r sitives have been					ssa County. As o	f the reporting	date, a total of 163 o	cases with 17
Kenya	Cholera	Ungraded	21-Jan-19	1-Jan-20	16-Feb-20	253	3	1	0.40%
in three coun	ties namely: Gari ave from 2019. T	ssa, Wajir and The transmiss	d Turkana. Cumu sion is active in a	llatively, a total o all the affected co	of 253 cases with no cunties.	o deaths have b	een reported. T	20, cholera outbreak he outbreak in all the	e three counties is a
Kenya	Leishmaniasis	Ungraded	31-Mar-19	3-Jan-20	16-Feb-20	38	15	0	0.00%
	eek ending 16 Fel d from Mandera,		jir and Garissa c					onfirmed cases of lei	
Kenya	Measles	Ungraded	6-May-19	20-Mar-19	16-Feb-20	637	15	1	0.20%
2019. The las	t measles cases	were reported	d in Kajiado Coui	nty, Kajiado Wes		September 2019	9 (425 suspecte	county, Alale location ed cases, 4 confirme lay 2019.	
Liberia	Lassa fever	Ungraded	23-Jan-19	1-Jan-20	16-Feb-20	31	30	14	45.20%
	ted cases reporte 45.2%) have bee					ere confirmed, 4	2 discarded, ar	nd 1 pending test res	sult. A total of 14
Liberia	Measles	Ungraded	24-Sep-17	1-Jan-19	2-Feb-20	84	13	0	0.00%
In week 5 (we have been rep	eek ending on 2 F ported across the	ebruary 2020 country, of v	0), 25 suspected vhich 13 are labo	cases were repo pratory-confirme	orted from 9 out of d, 0 are epi-linked,	15 counties acr and 27 are clini	oss the country cally confirmed	v. Since the beginnin I.	g of 2020, 84 cases
Malawi	Cholera	Ungraded	9-Jan-20	9-Jan-20	24-Jan-20	3	3	0	0.00%
cases with ze	ro deaths was re	ported from L	imbe health faci	ility. Blantyre is t		cial city in Malay	wi, and is in th	January 2020, a tot e southern part of th	
Mali	Humanitarian crisis	Protracted 1	n/a	n/a	7-Dec-19	-	-	-	-
displaced per zones in the r	sons is increasin neighbourhood of	g, and it was f Burkina Faso	estimated at 199 o border. The co	9 385 in October untry is also faci	2019. This increas	se is associated ses outbreaks v	with repeated v which include ye	ountry. The number of piolences in Mopti, G ellow fever, measles, rted.	ao, Menaka and
Mali	Crimean- Congo haemorrhagic fever (CCHF)	Ungraded	2-Feb-20	5-Jan-20	7-Feb-20	14	3	7	50.00%
Mopti Health		health area,	Kera village. Thr	ee out of nine lal	boratory samples t			ary 2020. All notified Ith institute turned p	
Mali	Dengue	Ungraded		1-Jan-19	7-Dec-19	20	9	0	0.00%
								eek 1 to week 48, a ented in affected co	
Mali	Measles	Ungraded	20-Feb-18	1-Jan-19	9-Feb-20	91	17	0	0.00%
								ntry. Of these, 8 wer ave been reported s	
Mali	Yellow fever	Ungraded	3-Dec-19	3-Nov-19	22-Dec-19	41	5	7	17.10%
	ember 2019, a to ve deaths have be					, 3 probable cas	es and 5 confir	med from two regio	ns: Sikasso and
Namibia	Hepatitis E	Protracted 1	18-Dec-17	8-Sep-17	29-Dec-19	7 063	1 731	59	0.80%
was an increaconfirmed, 4 (CFR 0.8%),	ise in the number 345 epidemiolog of which 24 (41%	r of cases rep ically linked, a boccurred ir	orted in weeks 5 and 987 suspect n pregnant or po	51 and 52 compa ted have been re st-partum wome	ared to weeks 49 ar ported countrywide	nd 50. As of 29 l e. A cumulative i n reported from	December 2019 number of 59 d 12 out of 14 re	(49 cases) from Kho d, a cumulative total eaths have been rep gions of Namibia, na	of 1 731 laboratory- orted nationally

Country	Event	Grade	Date notified to WCO	Start of reporting period	End of reporting period	Total cases	Cases Confirmed	Deaths	CFR
Niger	Humanitarian crisis	Protracted 1	1-Feb-15	1-Feb-15	23-Jan-20	-	-	-	-
Sinegodar sit killed. The nu to basic healt	uated in the healt mber of displace h and social serv	h district of E d people is in ices. A total c	Banibangou, Tilla creasing in Tilab of 46 health posts	bery region was eri, Maradi, Diffa s and 10 health (	attacked on 9 Janu a. This security situ	uary 2020. A tot uation is hamper d due to insecur	al of 89 governn ing the humanit ity. According to	ks in the region. The nents defence and s arian access and aff OCHA statistics, 2.	ecurity forces was ecting the access
Niger	Measles	Ungraded	10-May-19	1-Jan-20	19-Jan-20	84	-	0	0.00%
								n weeks 1 and 3 of a d from 8 regions in	
Nigeria	Humanitarian crisis	Protracted 3	10-0ct-16	n/a	31-Jan-20	-	-	-	-
overcrowding assistance as	in many camps access challenge	in the region. es are impact	Due to shrinking ing movement of	g humanitarian s f mobile medical	space health partne	ers are facing cha es, immunizatior	allenges in delivers and medical staff and medical staff and medical staff and medical staff.	npromised areas lea ery of timely and urg cal cargo in many lo nward trend.	gent life-saving
Nigeria	Cholera	Ungraded	19-Jun-19	15-May-19	15-Dec-19	895	207	15	1.70%
Areas. From with two deat and analysed	15 May to 6 Dece hs), Girei (200 ca at the state speci	mber 2019, a uses with one alist hospital	cumulative tota death), Yola Sou , 206 cultured <i>Vi</i>	l of 839 suspect uth (125 cases w <i>ibrio cholerae</i> as	ed cases with four vith one death), and the causative ager	deaths have been deaths have been deaths have been deaths and sale and deaths deaths deaths and deaths death deaths death	en reported from with zero deaths of cholera has al	Yola South (1) Loca of four LGAs: Yola No of 539 stool spec so been reported in n 15 communities in	orth (513 cases imens collected Andoni Local
Nigeria	Lassa fever	Ungraded	24-Mar-15	1-Jan-20	16-Feb-20	593	586	110	18.50%
February 202	0). From 1 Janua	ry to 16 Febr	uary 2020, a tota	al of 593 cases (		l 7 probable) wit	h 110 deaths (C	geria in week 7 (wee FR-18.5%) have bee	
Nigeria	Measles	Ungraded	25-Sep-17	1-Jan-19	31-Jan-20	1 618	303	5	0.30%
	Sokoto (324), Bo							states including 5 de ne 720 samples test	
Nigeria	Monkeypox	Ungraded	26-Sep-17	24-Sep-17	30-Nov-19	336	181	7	2.10%
								ember from 5 states 9, 44 of which were	
Nigeria	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	1-Jun-18	1-Jan-18	12-Feb-20	53	53	0	0.00%
	irculating vaccine d in 2019 and 34		ovirus type 2 (c\	/DPV2) was rep	orted from Anambr	ra province maki	ing it the first ca	se in 2020. There w	ere 18 cVDPV2
Nigeria	Yellow fever	Ungraded	14-Sep-17	1-Jan-20	31-Jan-20	139	0	0	0.00%
in Nigerian ne	etwork laboratorie	es. In 2019, a	total of 4288 su	spected cases w	vere reported in 618	8 (83.1%) LGAs	from all states i	39 samples collecte in the country. Four 31 deaths were repo	States: Katsina,
Seychelles	Measles	Ungraded	21-Jan-20	13-Jan-20	10-Feb-20	79	20	0	0.00%
	uary 2020 a total Nahe island. All a				ns were reported. A	all confirmed cas	ses reported are	from Praslin Island,	although two were
Sierra Leone	Lassa fever	Ungraded	22-Nov-19	30-0ct-19	6-Dec-19	7	5	4	57.10%
and two prob still being foll	able) with three d	leaths have b ate cluster, tv	een reported in 1 vo-laboratory cor	Tonkolili district.	Of the total 71 con	ntacts identified,	38 have comple	a total of five cases eted 21 days of mon om 27 to 28 Novem	itoring while 33 are
South Sudan	Flood	Ungraded	28-Oct-19	29-Oct-19	14-Feb-20	-	-	-	-
	veeks, most of th that were initially		ed by floods did	not experience	rains at all, and as	a result, the wat	er levels are rec	eding, improving ac	cess to
	I I	<b>.</b>							
South Sudan	Humanitarian crisis	Protracted 3	15-Aug-16	n/a	30-Jan-20	-	-	-	-

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South Sudan	Hepatitis E	Ungraded	-	3-Jan-18	26-Jan-20	167	41	2	1.20%
								deaths have been re ek 25 (week ending	
South Sudan	Measles	Ungraded	24-Nov-18	1-Jan-19	26-Jan-20	4 732	247	26	0.50%
reported. The Renk; Wau;	e outbreak has aff	ected 23 cou ver; Yambio,	nties ( Pibor; Ab	yei; Mayom; Goç	grial West; Aweil So	outh; Melut; Gog	ırial East; Juba;	26 deaths (CFR 0.5 Tonj North; Aweil W Protection of Civilia	lest; Aweil East;
Togo	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	18-0ct-19	13-Sep-19	12-Feb-20	7	7	0	0.00%
No new case 2019.	of circulating vac	cine-derived	poliovirus type 2	2 (cVDPV2) has	been reported sinc	e the beginning	of 2020. There	were seven cVDPV2	cases reported in
Uganda	Humanitarian crisis - refugee	Ungraded	20-Jul-17	n/a	31-Jan-20	-	-	-	-
and Burundi	(441). Uganda ho of refugees are fr	sted 1 394 6	78 asylum seeke	ers as of 31 Janu	ary2019, with 95%	living in settler	ments in 11 of l	the Congo (3 799), S Jganda's 128 distric Nost are women with	ts and in Kampala. Î
Uganda	Crimean- Congo haemorrhagic fever (CCHF)	Ungraded	13-Feb-20	21-Jan-20	10-Feb-20	1	1	0	0.00%
getting in co by bleeding f	ntact with slaught from the nose, vo	ered animal i miting and ur	meat or bush me inating blood. Th	at. He later deve ne bleeding incre	loped generalized leased and he was r	body weakness, ushed to Kagadi	abdominal pair hospital and is	a without improvem ns and on 20 Januar solated. A sample wa is of 10 February 20	y 2020 followed as collected and
Uganda	Rift valley fever	Ungraded	28-Nov-19	15-Nov-19	19-Dec-19	2	2	2	100.00%
of Congo wh on 5 Decemb the same day	o was living and voer 2019, a viral h	working in Kii aemorrhagic tient later die	mara Village, But disease was sus d on 6 December	tungama sub-co spected, and the r 2019. A safe ar	unty in Ntorroko di case was isolated i nd dignified burial v	strict, Uganda. I in an ETC for tre	Following the patment. A samp	old male from the D resentation of haemole was collected and r 2019. As of 19 Dec	orrhagic symptoms d sent to UVRI on
Uganda	Yellow fever	Ungraded	22-Jan-20	31-0ct-19	30-Jan-20	15	5	5	33.30%
cases and 8		There was a						ee confirmed cases, rted. None of the co	
Zambia	Poliomyelitis (cVDPV2)	Grade 2	17-0ct-19	16-Jul-19	12-Feb-20	2	2	0	0.00%
No new case 2019.	e of circulating vac	ccine-derived	poliovirus type	2 (cVDPV2) has	been reported sinc	e the beginning	of 2020. There	were two cVDPV2	cases reported in
Zimbabwe	Anthrax	Ungraded	6-May-19	6-May-19	20-Jan-20	286		1	0.30%
(week starting started appe	ng 6 May 2019) of	f 2019. This o when cases v	outbreak started vere reported in	in week 36, 2019 some other area	9, affecting mainly s. Since 1 January	Buhera and Gok	we North and S	beginning of the outl South districts but a 178 cases were repo	surge in cases
Closed Events									
Nigor			1 lun 10		00.5 10			1	

Niger was affected by heavy rains followed by floods since June to September 2019. A total of 211 366 people was affected, including 57 people who died, and 16 375 houses collapsed during that period. A second wave of flood was reported since October in the Diffa and Tahoua regions. In Diffa region, following an exceptional flood from Komadougou Yobé river around 45 594 people were affected according to the Ministry of Humanitarian Action and Management of Catastrophe (AH / GC). The most affected municipalities are those of Diffa, Gueskerou and Chétimari. In Tahoua, heavy rainfall in the commune of Bombaye affected 249 households. There is an urgent need for basic health and social services such as shelters, food and non-food items, and WASH assistance.

Ungraded 1-Jun-19 1-Jun-19 20-Dec-19 -

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