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Guidance

Ebola and Marburg haemorrhagic fevers: outbreaks and case locations

Information about incidents and outbreaks of Ebola and Marburg, both viral haemorrhagic fevers (VHF).

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Current incidents and outbreaks

A new outbreak of Ebola virus disease (EVD) was declared in Équateur Province (<https://www.who.int/csr/don/03-June-2020-ebola-drc/en/>) of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) on 1 June 2020. Eight epidemiologically-linked cases, of whom 3 are confirmed and 4 have died, have been reported. Investigations and response activities are underway.

As of 3 June 2020, a total of 3,463 cases (3,317 confirmed and 146 probable), including 2,279 deaths, have been reported in the EVD outbreak in North Kivu, Ituri and South Kivu provinces of DRC, since the start of that outbreak in August 2018.

In early April 2020, after a period of 52 days without cases, a resurgence of EVD occurred in DRC's Beni health zone resulting in a cluster of 7 cases.

(https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/331967/SITREP_EVD_DRC_20200505-eng.pdf)

On 14 April 2020, the WHO International Health Regulations Emergency Committee reconvened and declared that the Ebola outbreak in DRC was still a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) (<https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/14-04-2020-emergency-committee-for-ebola-virus-disease-in-the-democratic-republic-of->

the-congo-on-14-april-2020).

On 10 September 2019, [WHO](#) was made aware of unofficial reports of an unexplained death of a person in Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania. It appears probable that this was an Ebola-related death. As of 31 October 2019, PHE believes there is no evidence of ongoing active transmission of Ebola in Tanzania.

Outbreaks in 2017 and 2018

On 8 May 2018, [WHO](#) reported an Ebola virus disease outbreak in [DRC's](#) Equateur Province (<http://www.who.int/news-room/detail/08-05-2018-new-ebola-outbreak-declared-in-democratic-republic-of-the-congo>). There were 54 cases (38 confirmed and 16 probable), and the outbreak was declared over on 24 July 2018 (<https://www.afro.who.int/news/ebola-outbreak-drc-ends-who-calls-international-efforts-stop-other-deadly-outbreaks-country>).

A Marburg virus outbreak in Kween district, eastern Uganda, was confirmed on 17 October 2017 (<http://www.who.int/csr/don/25-october-2017-marburg-uganda/en/>). The 3 cases all died and [WHO](#) declared the outbreak over on 8 December 2017 (<https://www.who.int/en/news-room/detail/08-12-2017-uganda-ends-marburg-virus-disease-outbreak>).

An Ebola virus outbreak in Bas-Uele province, [DRC](#) was detected in early May 2017 (<http://www.who.int/csr/don/13-may-2017-ebola-drc/en/>) but was rapidly contained. There were a total of 8 cases of which 5 were laboratory confirmed. 4 patients died. [WHO](#) declared the outbreak over (<https://www.afro.who.int/media-centre/news>) on 2 July 2017.

West Africa Ebola outbreak, 2014 to 2016

[WHO](#) confirmed an outbreak of Ebola virus disease in southeastern Guinea (http://www.who.int/csr/don/2014_03_23 Ebola/en/) in March 2014. This was the first time an outbreak had been diagnosed in this part of Africa, and the index case was traced back to December 2013 (<http://www.who.int/csr/disease/ebola/ebola-6-months/guinea/en/>).

The outbreak spread to neighbouring and nearby countries, particularly Liberia and Sierra Leone, and became the largest ever known outbreak of this disease. It continued for more than 2 years and a total of 28,616 confirmed, probable and suspected cases were reported in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, with 11,310 deaths.

See final [WHO](#) Ebola situation report June 2016

(http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/208883/ebolasitrep_10Jun2016_eng.pdf;jsessionid=30BDDA2D9EE12BCC6A86265533D53E98?sequence=1)

Linked Ebola outbreaks and cases in other countries (2014 to 2015)

- Mali (<https://www.afro.who.int/media-centre/news>): 2 importations leading to a total of 8 cases
- Nigeria (<http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/statements/2014/nigeria-ends-ebola/en/>): 20 cases in Lagos and Port Harcourt, following an initial importation from Liberia
- Senegal (<http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/statements/2014/senegal-ends-ebola/en/>): a single case imported from Guinea
- Italy (<http://www.who.int/csr/don/13-may-2015-ebola/en/>): one case in a returning healthcare worker
- Spain (<http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/statements/2014/spain-ends-ebola/en/>): one case in a healthcare worker involved in the care of patients repatriated from West Africa

- ## Historic map of outbreaks

The map displays the distribution of Marburg and Ebola cases across Africa from 1966 to 2014. The legend indicates that blue circles represent Marburg cases and red circles represent Ebola cases. The size of the circle corresponds to the number of cases, with a scale of 100, 500, and >1,000. Dashed lines connect the circles to the year of the outbreak. The map includes labels for various African countries and a scale bar in kilometers (0, 1,000, 2,000).

Country	Year	Case Type	Approximate Number of Cases
Senegal	2014	Marburg	100
Gambia	2014	Marburg	100
Guinea Bissau	2014	Marburg	100
Sierra Leone	2014	Marburg	100
Liberia	2014	Marburg	100
Guinea	2014	Marburg	>1,000
Mali	2014	Marburg	100
Burkina Faso	2014	Marburg	100
Benin	2014	Marburg	100
Togo	2014	Marburg	100
Nigeria	2014	Marburg	100
Equatorial Guinea	2003	Marburg	100
Gabon	2001	Marburg	100
Congo	1996	Marburg	100
Central African Republic	1977	Marburg	100
Democratic Republic of Congo	2001	Marburg	100
Angola	2005	Marburg	100
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Angola	2080	Marburg	100
Angola	2081	Marburg	100
Angola	2082	Marburg	100
Angola	2083	Marburg	100
Angola	2084	Marburg	100

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Update on EVD case numbers in DRC.

4. 6 January 2020

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

5. 9 December 2019

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

6. 31 October 2019

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and updated information on the probable Ebola case in Tanzania.

7. 1 October 2019

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and added information on a probable Ebola case in Tanzania.

8. 2 September 2019

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

9. 6 August 2019

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

10. 18 July 2019

Updated as Ebola outbreak declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

11. 5 July 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Uganda.

12. 12 June 2019

Added news of a confirmed Ebola case in Uganda, and updated case numbers for the Democratic Republic of Congo.

13. 10 June 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

14. 8 May 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

15. 12 April 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

16. 19 March 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

17. 18 February 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

18. 29 January 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

19. 10 January 2019

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

20. 19 December 2018

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

21. 30 November 2018

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

22. 19 November 2018

Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

23. 26 October 2018

Updated page with case numbers for Ebola outbreak in North-Kivu Province, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

24. 2 October 2018

Updated case numbers for the Ebola outbreak in DRC.

25. 5 September 2018
Updated Ebola case numbers in DRC.
26. 30 August 2018
Updated Ebola case numbers in DRC.
27. 22 August 2018
Updated Ebola case numbers in DRC.
28. 6 August 2018
Updated with new Ebola outbreak information.
29. 20 June 2018
Updated Ebola case numbers in DRC.
30. 14 June 2018
Updated Ebola case numbers in DRC.
31. 6 June 2018
Updated case numbers for Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo.
32. 29 May 2018
Update on Ebola virus outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo.
33. 21 May 2018
Update on Ebola virus outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo.
34. 9 May 2018
Added details of new Ebola virus disease outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo.
35. 15 December 2017
Updated because the Marburg outbreak has been declared over.
36. 23 October 2017
Updated with Marburg virus outbreak in Uganda.
37. 4 July 2017
Updated 'current incidents and outbreaks' section as Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo declared over.
38. 12 May 2017
Updated with newly confirmed outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo.
39. 19 August 2016
Updated to reflect the current situation, and content reorganised.
40. 4 April 2016
Update with new situations in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.
41. 14 March 2016
Updated, and summarised text describing the West Africa outbreaks.
42. 18 January 2016
Updated with information on Liberia.
43. 29 December 2015
Updated with latest information.
44. 18 December 2015
Updated with current information.
45. 13 November 2015
Updated with latest information.
46. 4 September 2015
Updated with current information on the Ebola outbreak in West Africa.
47. 7 July 2015
Updated with current information on the Ebola outbreak in West Africa, including the new cases in Liberia.

48. 7 May 2015

This page was updated with current information on the Ebola outbreak in West Africa.

49. 25 March 2015

Updated information on recent incidents and outbreaks.

50. 15 December 2014

Updated information on outbreaks and case locations.

51. 24 November 2014

Updated information on outbreaks and case locations.

52. 24 October 2014

Updated with cases reported in the past week.

53. 16 October 2014

Updated information on outbreaks and case locations.

54. 15 October 2014

Updated information on outbreaks and case locations.

55. 7 October 2014

Updated outbreaks and case locations.

56. 5 September 2014

Updated map link and links to additional disease guides.

57. 3 September 2014

Updated with current figures and situation

58. 23 March 2014

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- Ebola: overview, history, origins and transmission (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ebola-origins-reservoirs-transmission-and-guidelines>)
- Marburg virus disease: origins, reservoirs, transmission and guidelines (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/marburg-virus-disease-origins-reservoirs-transmission-and-guidelines>)
- Ebola: returning workers scheme (RWS) (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ebola-returning-workers-scheme>)

Detailed guidance

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- Lassa fever: origins, reservoirs, transmission and guidelines (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/lassa-fever-origins-reservoirs-transmission-and-guidelines>)
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- Marburg virus disease: origins, reservoirs, transmission and guidelines (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/marburg-virus-disease-origins-reservoirs-transmission-and-guidelines>)

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