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Summary

The Democratic Republic of the Congo declared its 17th Ebola outbreak following the confirmation of Bundibugyo virus disease in Ituri Province, where 246 suspected cases and 80 deaths have been recorded. Uganda confirmed two imported cases in Kampala, prompting the WHO to declare a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. Globally, eleven cases of Andes virus, including three deaths, occurred among passengers and crew of the MV Hondius cruise ship, with medical evacuations spanning multiple countries. In Australia, an ongoing diphtheria increase across four jurisdictions has resulted in 83 confirmed cases and the country's first related death in nearly a decade. Iraq reported 48 confirmed cases of Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever, including four deaths, since the start of 2026.

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Relevant for travel advice / General

ECDC weekly communicable disease threats report (CDTR): [Communicable disease threats report, 9-13 May 2026, Week 20](#)

Reporting on:

- Avian influenza A(H5N6) - Multi-country - Monitoring human cases
 - Human cases of swine influenza A(H1N2) variant virus infection - Multi-country - 2024
 - Mpox due to monkeypox virus clades I and II - Global outbreak - 2024-2026
 - Hantavirus disease outbreak on cruise ship - South Atlantic - 2026
- › **Ebola virus disease**, Democratic Republic of the Congo: Outbreak of Bundibugyo virus disease (BVD) with 246 suspected cases and 80 deaths Source: [WHO](#)
- › **Hantavirus disease**, International waters: 11 cases and three deaths reported among passengers and crew Source: [WHO](#)

Classical vaccine preventable diseases

- › **Diphtheria**, Australia (Northern Territory): First death in almost a decade Source: [BEACON](#)
- › **Hepatitis A**, Canada (Manitoba): 601 cases and 3 deaths Source: [BEACON](#)

Measles

- Bangladesh: Outbreak exceeds 50,000 suspected cases Source: [BEACON](#)
 - Guatemala: 13,275 cases and 10 deaths Source: [BEACON](#)
 - Japan (Tokyo): 436 cases by week 17 Source: [BEACON](#)
 - Sierra Leone: 41 cases with a 75% test positivity rate. Source: [BEACON](#)
 - USA: Measles report CDC Source: [CDC](#)
- › **Meningococcal disease**, United Kingdom, France (England): 3 cases (serogroup B) with 1 death in new outbreak Source: [BEACON](#)

Europe

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North America

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Latin America & Caribbean

- › **Hantavirus disease**, Chile (Aysén): 41 cases and 14 deaths during 2026 season Source: [BEACON](#)

Asia

- › **Avian influenza**, China (Chongqing): Fatal H5N6 case in Chongqing Source: [BEACON](#)
- › **Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever**, Iraq (Dhi Qar): 48 confirmed cases and 4 deaths Source: [BEACON](#)
- › **Dengue**, Sri Lanka: 28,713 cases and 15 deaths so far in 2026 Source: [H-Radar](#)

- › **Hepatitis E**, Hong Kong: First rat-borne case of 2026 Source: [BEACON](#)
- › **Zika virus disease**, Indonesia (Bali): reported cases in travelers returning from Bali Source: [BEACON](#)

Africa

- › **Malaria**, Mayotte: autochthonous transmission amid rising case counts. Source: [BEACON](#)

Oceania

- › **Ciguatera poisoning**, Vanuatu: 173 cases across 10 islands Source: [BEACON](#)