

Epidemiology Alert

3 March 2026

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ECDC weekly communicable disease threats report (CDTR): [27 feb 2026: week 9](#)

Reporting on:

- Global cholera epidemiology
- EU respiratory virus epidemiology
- Human cases of influenza A (H1N1) variant of swine origin

Chikungunya,

- Ex-Seychelles: ECDC-alert: [High number of cases reported among travellers returning from Seychelles: local transmission in Europe currently unlikely](#)
- Suriname, update: [Cases increase to 1150, geographic expansion - BEACON](#)
- Bolivia, update: [Cases in Santa Cruz, increase to 3938, five deaths - BEACON](#)

Classical vaccine preventable diseases

- Measles, global updates
 - USA (national): [Measles Cases and Outbreaks | Measles \(Rubeola\) | CDC](#)
 - Indonesia: [Measles in Indonesia: 2025 and early in 2026 - Outbreaknewstoday](#)
 - D.R. Congo: [Measles spreading alarmingly in Kasai-Oriental province, DRC](#)
- Yellow fever, Venezuela: [36 cases in Venezuela across 14 states from June 2025 to January 2026, amid regional surge - BEACON](#)
- Tick-borne encephalitis (TBE), Germany: [Robert Koch Institute: Two new TBE risk districts designated; record-high cases continued in 2025 - BEACON](#)
- Rabies, Romania: [Animal rabies resurgence in Romania linked to lapses in fox vaccination near the northern border - BEACON](#)

Europe

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North America

- Shigellosis, USA (New York): [Broome County Health Department in New York, USA, investigating an increase in autochthonous shigellosis cases - BEACON](#)

Latin America & Caribbean

- Hantavirus
 - Argentina (Rio Negro Province): [Fatal case, likely linked to hiking near the Dora and Santa Ana waterfalls in Neuquén Province - BEACON](#)
 - Chile (Valparaiso region): [Fatal case reported in Limache, Chile - BEACON](#)

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Asia

- **Streptococcus suis** infection, Thailand: [Streptococcus suis infections in Thailand rise to 49 human cases and three deaths across 28 provinces - BEACON](#)
- **Leprosy**, India (Karnataka): [439 cases in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts, over the last six years, with most diagnosed at the multibacillary stage - BEACON](#)
- **Anthrax**, Kazakhstan: [Human case confirmed in a 75-year-old in Shymkent, Turkestan Region, Kazakhstan - BEACON](#)

Africa

- **Lassa virus**, Nigeria, update: [Cases in Benue State, increase to 45, with 10 deaths; 12 healthcare workers infected, highlighting nosocomial transmission risks - BEACON](#)

Oceania

- **Gonorrhoea**, multi-drug and extensive drug resistance (MDR and XDR), Australia (New South Wales), update: [11 cases of MDR in 2026, XDR cases since 2025 - BEACON](#)
- **Alpha-gal syndrome** (mammalian meat allergy), Australia, increased incidence: [First confirmed fatal case, amid rising incidence along the East Coast - BEACON](#)

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