



Disease Surveillance Express

Weekly Data of Notifiable Infectious Diseases (by week of diagnosis)

Classification	Case diagnosis week Disease Diagnosed ¹	Week 31		Week 1-31	
		2013	2012	2013	2012
Category I	H5N1 Influenza	0	0	0	0
	Plague	0	0	0	0
	Rabies	0	0	1	1
	SARS	0	0	0	0
	Smallpox	0	0	0	0
Category II	Acute Flaccid Paralysis	0	2	17	44
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type A	0	6	92	55
	Amoebiasis	6	5	153	151
	Anthrax	0	0	0	0
	Chikungunya Fever	1	0	11	1
	Cholera	0	0	2	0
	Dengue Fever	10	23	234	216
	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever/Dengue Shock Syndrome	0	0	4	1
	Diphtheria	0	0	0	0
	Enterohemorrhagic E. coli Infection	0	0	0	0
	Epidemic Typhus Fever	0	0	0	0
	Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	Hemorrhagic Fever with Renal Syndrome	0	0	0	1
	Malaria	1	0	9	6
	Measles	1	0	5	8
	Meningococcal Meningitis	0	0	2	3
	Paratyphoid Fever	0	0	6	6
	Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0
	Rubella	0	1	4	10
Shigellosis	9	2	101	85	
Typhoid fever	0	1	13	17	
West Nile Fever	0	0	0	0	
Category III	Acute Viral Hepatitis type B	1	0	57	61
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type C	0	1	9	30
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type D	0	0	0	0
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type E	0	0	4	5
	Acute Viral Hepatitis untype	0	1	3	4
	Congenital Rubella Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	Enteroviruses Infection with Severe Complications	1	6	7	128
	Haemophilus Influenza type b Infection	0	0	7	3
	Japanese Encephalitis	0	1	15	27
	Legionellosis	2	2	63	45
	Mumps ²	30	22	665	642
	Neonatal Tetanus	0	0	0	0
	Pertussis	0	3	41	33
	Tetanus ²	0	1	18	10
Category IV	Botulism	0	0	0	0
	Brucellosis	0	0	0	0
	Complicated Influenza	13	22	746	1605
	Endemic Typhus Fever	4	2	19	22
	Herpesvirus B Infection	0	0	0	0
	Invasive Pneumococcal Disease	3	13	431	490
	Leptospirosis	3	5	40	40
	Lyme Disease	0	0	0	1
	Melioidosis	0	1	8	14
	Q Fever	1	1	31	31
	Scrub Typhus	33	15	249	230
	Toxoplasmosis	1	1	9	8
	Tularremia	0	0	0	0
Varicella ²	168	75	6170	4658	
Category V	Ebola Hemorrhagic Fever	0	0	0	0
	Ebola-Marburg Hemorrhagic Fever	0	0	0	0
	H7N9 Influenza	0	0	1	0
	Lassa Fever	0	0	0	0
	Rift Valley Fever	0	0	0	0
	Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus	0	0	0	0
Yellow Fever	0	0	0	0	

1. The following 8 chronic diseases are excluded from the table: MDR-TB, Tuberculosis, Syphilis, Gonorrhea, HIV Infection, AIDS, Hansen Disease and Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease.

2. Reported cases.

3. The epidemiological week calendar established by the World Health Organization is adopted for calculating each week's cumulative total.



Suspected Clusters

- In regard to disease clusters, 3 outbreak events were reported, including 2 shigellosis clusters and 1 upper respiratory tract infection cluster.

Imported Infectious Diseases

- 27 confirmed infectious cases were imported from 9 countries during week 31 of 2013.

Country Disease	Indonesia	Cambodia	Malaysia	China	Thailand	Myanmar	Singapore	Burkina Faso	Vietnam	Total
Dengue Fever	3	2	3		2	1			1	12
Shigellosis	3	3								6
Amoebiasis	5									5
Q Fever				1						1
Malaria								1		1
Chikungunya Fever							1			1
Legionellosis				1						1
Total	11	5	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	27

Note: The statistics listed in this table include imported cases that were either confirmed or updated* in the previous week.

- A total of 411 infectious cases were imported from 27 countries in 2013.
- Top 3 imported diseases : Dengue fever (139), Amoebiasis (102), Shigellosis (84).
- Top 3 countries responsible for most imported cases : Indonesia (225), Thailand (40), China (29).

Summary of This Week

- **Shigellosis** : Five shigellosis clusters occurred in people who recently returned from traveling to Cambodia. The local health authority will monitor the health of the cases and the close contacts. Travelers planning to visit Cambodia and other Southeast Asian countries are urged to pay attention to food safety and personal hygiene.
- **Enterovirus** : During week 31, no case of enterovirus infection with severe complications was confirmed. Thus far this year, 7 cases of enterovirus infection with severe complications have been confirmed, including 1 death. The ER consultation rate for enterovirus infection remained stable. Coxsackie A virus remains the dominant virus strain circulating in the community, and coxsackie-virus A6 was detected in the



majority of the cases. As the epidemic has reached its peak, Taiwan CDC continues to closely monitor enterovirus activity. For more detailed reports, please visit Enterovirus Weekly Reports: [Weekly Report of Enterovirus Infection](#)

- **Dengue fever** : A cluster of dengue cases occurred in a family who recently returned from traveling to Indonesia. As the countries in Southeast Asia are popular travel destinations and the ongoing outbreaks in several Southeast Asian countries have been more severe than those in the previous years, the public is reminded to take personal precautions against mosquitoes while traveling in Southeast Asia. In addition, if suspected symptoms develop after returning home from visiting Southeast Asia, please seek medical attention as soon as possible. On the other hand, Taiwan CDC continues to closely monitor the ongoing dengue epidemic in Pingtung County and Kaohsiung City.
- **Japanese Encephalitis** : The Japanese encephalitis epidemic season has approached. Thus far this year, 15 cases of Japanese encephalitis have been confirmed. Three cases have been respectively reported in Kaohsiung City and Tainan City, two cases have been respectively reported in Taoyuan County and Taichung City, and one case has been respectively reported in Hsinchu, Changhua, Yunlin and Pingtung County. As summer and the peak of mosquito activity have approached, the public is urged to avoid activities nearby the piggery, other animal barn or mosquito breeding sites, and take precautionary measures to reduce the risk of infection.

