



Disease Surveillance Express

Weekly Data of Notifiable Infectious Diseases

Classification	Case diagnosis week Disease Diagnosed ¹	Week 21		Week 1 – 21	
		2012	2011	2012	2011
Category I	Anthrax	0	0	0	0
	H5N1 Influenza	0	0	0	0
	Plague	0	0	0	0
	Rabies	0	0	0	0
	SARS	0	0	0	0
	Smallpox	0	0	0	0
Category II	Acute Flaccid Paralysis	3	1	27	18
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type A	3	1	41	42
	Amoebiasis	5	3	101	110
	Chikungunya Fever	0	0	0	0
	Cholera	0	0	0	1
	Dengue Fever	6	2	117	52
	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever/Dengue Shock Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	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	0
	Malaria	1	0	4	7
	Measles	0	0	5	27
	Meningococcal Meningitis	1	0	3	2
	Paratyphoid Fever	0	0	5	2
	Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0
	Rubella	0	1	6	44
Shigellosis	2	5	54	90	
Typhoid fever	1	0	13	12	
West Nile Fever	0	0	0	0	
Category III	Acute Viral Hepatitis type B	2	2	50	58
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type C	0	0	24	7
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type D	0	0	0	0
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type E	0	0	4	4
	Acute Viral Hepatitis untype	0	1	4	6
	Congenital Rubella Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	Enteroviruses Infection with Severe Complications	8	0	59	0
	Haemophilus Influenza type b Infection	0	0	3	5
	Japanese Encephalitis	1	0	1	0
	Legionellosis	0	1	24	35
	Mumps ²	24	32	370	475
	Neonatal Tetanus	0	0	0	0
	Pertussis	0	3	19	29
	Tetanus ²	0	0	3	3
Category IV	Botulism	0	0	0	2
	Cat-scratch Fever	4	0	18	4
	Complicated Influenza	32	3	1226	1112
	Endemic Typhus Fever	1	1	9	11
	Herpesvirus B Infection	0	0	0	0
	Invasive Pneumococcal Disease	11	14	383	474
	Leptospirosis	0	0	11	9
	Lyme Disease	0	0	1	0
	Melioidosis	0	0	9	7
	New Delhi metallo-β-lactamase -1 Enterobacteriaceae	0	0	0	1
	Q Fever	3	2	15	19
	Scrub Typhus	14	1	95	69
	Toxoplasmosis	0	1	7	3
	Tularremia	0	0	0	0
Varicella ²	146	212	3541	4735	
Category V	Ebola Hemorrhagic Fever	0	0	0	0
	Ebola-Marburg Hemorrhagic Fever	0	0	0	0
	Lassa Fever	0	0	0	0
	Rift Valley Fever	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, 10 outbreak events were reported, including 5 upper respiratory infection clusters in the Taipei Area, the South Area, the Kao-Ping Area and the East Area, 1 varicella cluster in the North Area, 1 influenza-like illness cluster in the Central Area, and 1 fever of unknown origin cluster, 1 dengue fever and 1 scrub typhus cluster in the Koa-Ping Area.

Imported Infectious Diseases

- 12 confirmed infectious cases were imported from 5 countries during week 21 of 2012.

Disease	Country					Total
	Indonesia	India	China	Australia	Thailand	
Amoebiasis	5*					5
Shigellosis	3*					3
Q Fever			1	1		2
Malaria		1				1
Dengue Fever					1	1
Total	8	1	1	1	1	12

Note: *Three amoebiasis and one shigellosis cases were respectively confirmed between Feb. 21 and May 9, but they are excluded from the table on page 1.

- A total of 210 infectious cases were imported from 15 countries in 2012.
- Top 3 imported diseases : Dengue fever (68), Amoebiasis (54), Shigellosis (45).
- Top 3 countries responsible for most imported cases : Indonesia (129), the Philippines (21), Vietnam (14).

Summary of This Week

- **Enterovirus** : The ER consultation rate for hand-foot-and-mouth disease and enterovirus infection with severe complications has increased continuously. Enterovirus 71 remains the dominant virus strain circulating in the community, and the enterovirus epidemic has peaked. Therefore, parents are reminded to pay attention to personal, child and infant hygiene in order to reduce the risk of enterovirus infection. If children develop precursor symptoms of enterovirus infection with severe complications, they should be



immediately sent to a large hospital for medical attention in order to grasp the best treatment timing. For more detailed reports, please visit Enterovirus Weekly Reports: [Weekly Report of Enterovirus Infection](#)

- **Dengue fever** : The number of indigenous dengue cases has been on the rise in Tainan City, and this season's first cluster of indigenous dengue fever cases has occurred in Kaohsiung City. A cumulative total of 15 cases have been reported in Tainan City (13 cases) and Kaohsiung City (2 cases), respectively. In addition, the public is urged to clean and remove indoor and outdoor water containers, and doctors are advised to be vigilant for and notify any suspected cases to the health authority immediately to prevent further spread of the disease.
- **Travel Notification** : Taiwan CDC advises all people traveling abroad to pay attention to the public health status of their chosen destination. Taiwan CDC urges travelers experiencing discomfort during the trip or upon arrival to contact quarantine services at the airport and seek immediate medical attention. Informing doctors of the personal travel history does not only facilitate diagnosis, but also implementation of subsequent measures by the health authority to prevent further spread of diseases. For more information, please visit the health information for international travel website: [Travel Epidemic Information](#)

