



Disease Surveillance Express

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

Case diagnosis week		Week 34		Week 1-34	
Classification	Disease Diagnosed ¹	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	0	18	46
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type A	5	1	104	62
	Amoebiasis	8	9	167	172
	Anthrax	0	0	0	0
	Chikungunya Fever	0	0	14	1
	Cholera	0	0	3	0
	Dengue Fever	8	27	270	284
	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever/Dengue Shock Syndrome	0	0	4	3
	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	0	0	10	6
	Measles	1	0	8	8
	Meningococcal Meningitis	0	0	2	3
	Paratyphoid Fever	2	0	8	8
	Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0
	Rubella	0	0	4	10
Shigellosis	2	1	111	87	
Typhoid fever	1	1	15	18	
West Nile Fever	0	0	0	0	
Category III	Acute Viral Hepatitis type B	4	1	62	65
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type C	0	0	11	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	8
	Congenital Rubella Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	Enteroviruses Infection with Severe Complications	0	4	8	144
	Haemophilus Influenza type b Infection	0	0	7	3
	Japanese Encephalitis	0	1	16	29
	Legionellosis	3	3	69	54
	Mumps ²	18	26	738	708
	Neonatal Tetanus	0	0	0	0
	Pertussis	0	1	42	37
	Tetanus ²	0	1	19	11
Category IV	Botulism	0	0	0	0
	Brucellosis	0	0	0	0
	Complicated Influenza	13	8	774	1649
	Endemic Typhus Fever	1	1	21	23
	Herpesvirus B Infection	0	0	0	0
	Invasive Pneumococcal Disease	2	4	455	520
	Leptospirosis	2	3	45	43
	Lyme Disease	0	0	0	1
	Melioidosis	0	2	8	18
	Q Fever	0	0	32	37
	Scrub Typhus	12	8	302	277
	Toxoplasmosis	0	0	10	8
	Tularremia	0	0	0	0
Varicella ²	166	96	6675	5003	
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, 4 outbreak events were reported, including 2 upper respiratory tract infection clusters, 1 influenza-like illness cluster and 1 dengue fever cluster.

Imported Infectious Diseases

- 20 confirmed infectious cases were imported from 6 countries during week 34 of 2013.

Country Disease	Indonesia	Philippines	Malaysia	Thailand	Vietnam	China	Total
Dengue Fever	1	4	2	3			10
Amoebiasis	5						5
Shigellosis					1		1
Hepatitis A			1				1
Measles						1	1
Hepatitis B					1		1
Paratyphoid Fever	1						1
Total	7	4	3	3	2	1	20

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

- A total of 476 infectious cases were imported from 29 countries in 2013.
- Top 3 imported diseases : Dengue fever (171), Amoebiasis (110), Shigellosis (93).
- Top 3 countries responsible for most imported cases : Indonesia (244), Thailand (49), Philippines (35).

Summary of This Week

- **Dengue fever** : New indigenous dengue cases occurred in Pingtung County and Taipei City. Hence, the public is reminded to clean and remove any indoor and outdoor water containers and clear vector breeding sources. So far, this year's number of imported cases is second only to that reported during the same period in 2010. As the ongoing dengue fever 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.

- **Enterovirus** : Although the ER consultation rate for enterovirus infection continued to decline, it is still above the epidemic threshold. During week 34, no new cases of enterovirus infection with severe complications were confirmed. Thus far this year, 8 cases of enterovirus infection with severe complications, including 1 death, have been confirmed. As schools will start this week, several preparedness measures have also been launched for the prevention of possible outbreaks. Taiwan CDC will continue to closely monitor enterovirus activity. For more detailed reports, please visit Enterovirus Weekly Reports: [Weekly Report of Enterovirus Infection](#)
- **MERS-CoV** : Recently, new cases of MERS-CoV have been confirmed in Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar. According to the WHO recommendations, pilgrims with chronic diseases such as diabetes, chronic lung disease, or those who are immunocompromised should be reminded to visit a travel medicine clinic to assess their overall health and physical condition for the Hajj trip prior to departure.

