



Disease Surveillance Express

Weekly Data of Notifiable Infectious Diseases

Classification	Case diagnosis week Disease Diagnosed ¹	Week 1		Week 1-1	
		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	2	1	2	1
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type A	0	3	0	3
	Amoebiasis	4	3	4	3
	Chikungunya Fever	0	0	0	0
	Cholera	0	0	0	0
	Dengue Fever	26	9	26	9
	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	0	0	0	0
	Measles	0	0	0	0
	Meningococcal Meningitis	0	0	0	0
	Paratyphoid Fever	0	0	0	0
	Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0
	Rubella	0	1	0	1
Shigellosis	4	2	4	2	
Typhoid fever	0	0	0	0	
West Nile Fever	0	0	0	0	
Category III	Acute Viral Hepatitis type B	1	0	1	0
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type C	1	1	1	1
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type D	0	0	0	0
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type E	0	0	0	0
	Acute Viral Hepatitis untype	0	0	0	0
	Congenital Rubella Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	Enteroviruses Infection with Severe Complications	3	0	3	0
	Haemophilus Influenza type b Infection	1	2	1	2
	Japanese Encephalitis	0	0	0	0
	Legionellosis	6	1	6	1
	Mumps ²	7	9	7	9
	Neonatal Tetanus	0	0	0	0
	Pertussis	0	0	0	0
	Tetanus	0	0	0	0
Category IV	Botulism	0	0	0	0
	Cat-scratch Fever	1	1	1	1
	Complicated Influenza	141	22	141	22
	Endemic Typhus Fever	0	0	0	0
	Herpesvirus B Infection	0	0	0	0
	Invasive Pneumococcal Disease	27	18	27	18
	Leptospirosis	2	1	2	1
	Lyme Disease	0	0	0	0
	Melioidosis	0	0	0	0
	New Delhi metallo-β-lactamase -1 Enterobacteriaceae	0	0	0	0
	Q Fever	0	1	0	1
	Scrub Typhus	6	11	6	11
	Toxoplasmosis	0	0	0	0
	Tularremia	0	0	0	0
Varicella ²	168	262	168	262	
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, 9 outbreak events were reported, including 6 influenza-like illness clusters in the Taipei Area, Central Area and East Area, 1 upper respiratory infection cluster in the Central Area, 1 diarrhea cluster in the Kao-Ping Area, and 1 dengue fever cluster in the South Area.

Imported Infectious Diseases

- 7 confirmed infectious cases^{**} were imported from 3 countries during week 1 of 2012.

Disease/Country	Indonesia	Vietnam	Malaysia	Total
Dengue Fever	2	2	1	5
Shigellosis	1			1
Amoebiasis	1			1
Total	4	2	1	7

Note: ^{**}Cases were diagnosed or based on imported case data in the last week. The following cumulative number was statistical by the week of onset.

- A total of 1 infectious case was imported from 1 country in 2012.

Summary of This Week

- **Influenza** : The overall level of influenza activity has peaked, and influenza type B virus is currently the dominant influenza virus strain circulating in the community. The influenza activity may reach the highest level around the Lunar New Year. Taiwan CDC continues to closely monitor the development of the influenza epidemic.
- **Enterovirus** : The enterovirus 71 infection epidemic has been on the rise. The ER consultation rate for hand-foot-and-mouth disease has remained high, and the threat of enterovirus 71 still persists as mild cases of enterovirus 71 and cases of enterovirus infection with severe complications have still been detected. 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:
http://www.cdc.gov.tw/sp.asp?xdurl=disease/disease_content.asp&id=1662&mp=1&ct



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- **Dengue Fever** : The dengue fever epidemic has been slowing down overall. Sporadic cases have still been reported in Kaohsiung.
- **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: <http://www.cdc.gov.tw/sp.asp?xdurl=travel/travel00.asp&mp=1&ctNode=1448>.

