



Disease Surveillance Express

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

Case diagnosis week		Week 38		Week 1-38	
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	49
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type A	1	3	119	71
	Amoebiasis	5	7	197	201
	Anthrax	0	0	0	0
	Chikungunya Fever	0	0	18	2
	Cholera	0	0	4	2
	Dengue Fever	18	124	344	640
	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever/Dengue Shock Syndrome	0	0	4	11
	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	1	10	8
	Measles	0	0	8	9
	Meningococcal Meningitis	0	0	2	3
	Paratyphoid Fever	0	0	8	8
	Poliomyelitis	0	0	0	0
	Rubella	0	1	4	11
Shigellosis	0	2	122	103	
Typhoid fever	1	0	19	18	
West Nile Fever	0	0	0	0	
Category III	Acute Viral Hepatitis type B	4	1	72	67
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type C	0	0	11	31
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type D	0	0	0	0
	Acute Viral Hepatitis type E	0	1	4	6
	Acute Viral Hepatitis untype	0	0	3	8
	Congenital Rubella Syndrome	0	0	0	0
	Enteroviruses Infection with Severe Complications	0	1	8	152
	Haemophilus Influenza type b Infection	0	0	8	3
	Japanese Encephalitis	0	0	16	29
	Legionellosis	6	2	81	63
	Mumps ²	17	28	849	806
	Neonatal Tetanus	0	0	0	0
	Pertussis	0	1	43	43
	Tetanus ²	0	1	20	12
Category IV	Botulism	0	0	1	0
	Brucellosis	0	0	0	0
	Complicated Influenza	3	3	816	1675
	Endemic Typhus Fever	1	0	23	24
	Herpesvirus B Infection	0	0	0	0
	Invasive Pneumococcal Disease	7	9	483	553
	Leptospirosis	0	5	50	58
	Lyme Disease	0	0	0	1
	Melioidosis	2	0	16	21
	Q Fever	0	0	37	39
	Scrub Typhus	2	7	360	311
	Toxoplasmosis	0	1	11	11
	Tularremia	0	0	0	0
	Varicella ²	186	138	7435	5508
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 dengue fever clusters, 1 upper respiratory tract infection cluster, and 1 typhoid fever cluster.

Imported Infectious Diseases

- 7 confirmed infectious cases were imported from 5 countries during week 38 of 2013.

Disease \ Country	Country					Total
	Indonesia	Thailand	India	Vietnam	Philippines	
Dengue Fever		1	1		1	3
Amoebiasis	1	1				2
Typhoid fever	1					1
Hepatitis B				1		1
Total	2	2	1	1	1	7

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

- A total of 547 infectious cases were imported from 29 countries in 2013.
- Top 3 imported diseases : Dengue fever (198), Amoebiasis (132), Shigellosis (102).
- Top 3 countries responsible for most imported cases : Indonesia (274), Thailand (62), Philippines (45).

Summary of This Week

- **Dengue fever** : New indigenous dengue cases continued to occur in Pingtung County. Due to recent heavy downpours caused by typhoon, the public is reminded to clean and remove any indoor and outdoor water containers and vector breeding sources, as well as conduct regular inspections. In addition, doctors are advised to stay vigilant for and notify any suspected cases to the health authority promptly to prevent the further spread of the disease.
- **Diarrhea** : According to the surveillance data, the ER consultation rate and the number of medical visits to physician offices and hospital outpatient and emergency departments for diarrhea had increased significantly during the Mid-Autumn Festival holidays. As we are about to enter the viral gastroenteritis season, the public is urged to pay attention to food hygiene and safety to prevent gastroenteritis outbreak.



- **Enterovirus** : During the Mid-Autumn Festival holidays, the ER consultation rate for enterovirus infection rose slightly compared with that during the previous week and it is still above the epidemic threshold. Taiwan CDC will continue to closely monitor enterovirus activity. For more detailed reports, please visit Enterovirus Weekly Reports: [Weekly Report of Enterovirus Infection](#)
- **Influenza** : As of now, the influenza activity remains low and stable. According to the virus surveillance data, influenza A (H3N2) virus is currently the dominant virus strain circulating in the community. However, thus far only a small quantity of virus isolates has been detected. Taiwan CDC will continue to closely monitor the influenza activity.

