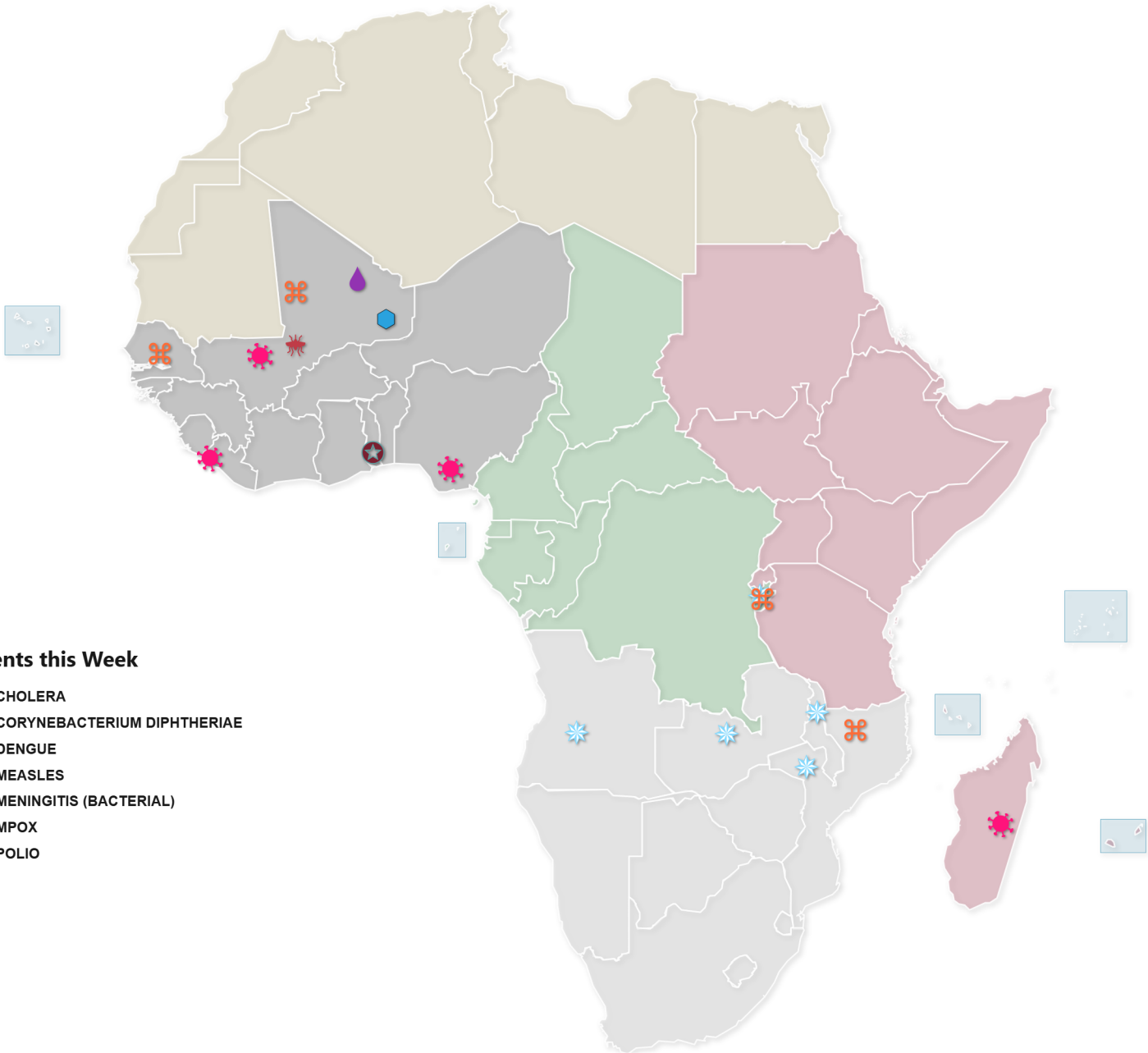









# Africa CDC Epidemic Intelligence Report


Date of Issue: 30 Mar 2026

Active Events	New Events reported in 2026	Events highlighted this week	New events since last issue
93	20	17	0



### Events this Week

-  CHOLERA
-  CORYNEBACTERIUM DIPHTHERIAE
-  DENGUE
-  MEASLES
-  MENINGITIS (BACTERIAL)
-  MPOX
-  POLIO

























\*  represent AU Member States that are islands

Note: The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the African Union

Event Type	Risk Level		
	Very High (New)	High (New)	Moderate (New)
Human	0	8	9
Animal	0	0	0
Environment	0	0	0

# Event Summary

## Events Highlighted this week

Agent/Syndrome	Country	Risk Human	Risk Animal	Type	Suspected (New)	Probable (New)	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)
 Cholera	Angola	High	N/A		483 (82)	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (3)
	Burundi	Moderate	N/A		551 (8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (0)
	Malawi	High	N/A		1,185 (71)	0 (0)	146 (10)	4 (0)
	Mozambique	Moderate	N/A		0 (0)	0 (0)	6,379 (281)	58 (1)
	Zambia	Moderate	N/A		663 (26)	0 (0)	5 (0)	11 (0)
 Corynebacterium diphtheriae	Mali	Moderate	N/A		74 (3)	0 (0)	12 (0)	0 (0)
 Dengue	Mali	Moderate	N/A		528 (3)	0 (0)	163 (6)	1 (0)
 Measles	Burundi	Moderate	N/A		552 (27)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (0)
	Mali	High	N/A		160 (26)	0 (0)	67 (10)	0 (0)
	Mozambique	Moderate	N/A		0 (0)	0 (0)	227 (95)	0 (0)
	Senegal	High	N/A		0 (0)	0 (0)	57 (17)	0 (0)
 Meningitis (Bacterial)	Mali	Moderate	N/A		90 (9)	0 (0)	25 (1)	0 (0)
 mpox	Liberia	High	N/A		497 (44)	0 (0)	132 (4)	0 (0)
	Madagascar	High	N/A		1,110 (78)	0 (0)	583 (57)	1 (0)
	Mali	High	N/A		61 (4)	0 (0)	20 (2)	2 (0)
	Nigeria	High	N/A		231 (27)	0 (0)	22 (4)	0 (0)
 Polio	Togo	Moderate	N/A		0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (1)	0 (0)

## High Risk Events

Human Event
AC98595

### Corynebacterium diphtheriae in Africa

350 confirmed human case(s)  
1,044 suspected human case(s)  
9 human deaths (**CFR: 2.57%**)

Agent/Pathogen	<b>Corynebacterium diphtheriae</b>	First Reported	<b>1-Jan-2026</b>	Previous Report Update	<b>26-Mar-2026</b>
First Occurred	<b>1-Jan-2026</b>	Country	<b>Multiple Countries</b>	Location	<b>7 MS</b>
Source	<b>Ministry of Health</b>	GeoScope	<b>MODERATE</b>	Human Risk Assessment	<b>HIGH</b>
		Animal Risk Assessment	<b>N/A</b>		

### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of the year, a total of 1,394 cases (350 confirmed; 1,044 suspected) and 44 deaths, with nine deaths reported among confirmed cases [case fatality rate (CFR): 2.57%] of toxigenic respiratory diphtheria, have been reported from seven African Union (AU) Member States (MS): Guinea (28 cases; 3 deaths), Mali (86; 4), Mauritania (71; 1), Niger (78; 6), Nigeria\* (360; 8), Somalia (758; 21), and South Africa\*\* (13; 1). The deaths among confirmed cases are reported from Nigeria and South Africa.

In epidemiological week 12, a total of three new cases and no new deaths of toxigenic respiratory diphtheria were reported from Mali.

**Mali:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the MoH reported three new suspected cases and no new deaths of diphtheria from Sikasso (1) and Gao (2) regions. This is a 48% average decrease in the number of new cases in the last four weeks. This year, a total of 86 cases (12 confirmed; 74 suspected) and four deaths (CFR: 4.65%) of diphtheria was reported in Mali. Since the beginning of this outbreak (2025), a cumulative of 718 cases (70 confirmed; 648 suspected) and 37 deaths (CFR: 5.2%) were reported from eight regions in Mali.

**\*In epidemiological week 11, a backlog of one laboratory-confirmed toxigenic respiratory diphtheria case and no deaths were reported from South Africa.**

**\*\*In epidemiological week 2, a backlog of seven deaths among confirmed cases of toxigenic respiratory diphtheria were reported from Nigeria.**

**Note:** In 2025, a total of 24,838 cases (7,016 confirmed; 2 probable; 19,075 suspected) and 1,176 deaths among confirmed cases (CFR: 4.36%) of toxigenic respiratory diphtheria have been reported from 10 AU MS: Algeria (837 cases; 93 deaths), Chad (6,506; 52), Guinea (604; 206), Mali (632; 9), Mauritania (1,299; 48), Niger (2,194; 149), Nigeria (10,166; 561), Somalia (3,655; 143), Sudan (112; 0) and South Africa (88; 18).

### Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:

**Mali:** The MoH continues to enhance surveillance, ensure adherence to infection prevention and control measures, support isolation and risk communication, and community engagement. In addition, the MoH is conducting ring vaccination campaigns.

## Meningitis (Bacterial) in Africa

**28** confirmed human case(s). **111** suspected human case(s)  
**9** human deaths (CFR: **8.74%**)

Agent/Pathogen	Meningitis (Bacterial)	First Reported	2-Jan-2026	Previous Report Update	26-Mar-2026
First Occurred	1-Jan-2026	Country	Multiple Countries	Location	2 MS
Source	Ministry of Health	GeoScope	MODERATE	Human Risk Assessment	HIGH
		Animal Risk Assessment	N/A		

### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 139 cases (28 confirmed; 111 suspected) and nine deaths (CFR: 8.74%) of bacterial meningitis have been reported from two AU MS: DRC (24 cases; 9 deaths), and Mali (115; 0). The reported deaths are among suspected cases.

In epidemiological week 12, a total of 10 new cases and no new deaths of bacterial meningitis were reported from Mali.

**Mali:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the MoH reported 10 new cases (1 confirmed; 9 suspected) and no new deaths of bacterial meningitis from five regions. This is a 2% average increase in the number of new cases in the last four weeks. This year, a total of 115 cases (25 confirmed; 90 suspected) and no deaths of bacterial meningitis were reported from Mali. Since the start of the outbreak (January 2025), a cumulative of 887 cases (156 confirmed; 731 suspected) and no deaths of bacterial meningitis have been reported from all 11 regions in Mali. In 2023, the national meningitis vaccination coverage among children <5 years in Mali was 94%.

**Note:** In 2025, a total of 24,838 cases (7,016 confirmed; 2 probable; 19,075 suspected) and 1,176 deaths among confirmed cases (CFR: 4.36%) of toxigenic respiratory diphtheria have been reported from 10 AU MS: Algeria (837 cases; 93 deaths), Chad (6,506; 52), Guinea (604; 206), Mali (632; 9), Mauritania (1,299; 48), Niger (2,194; 149), Nigeria (10,166; 561), Somalia (3,655; 143), Sudan (112; 0) and South Africa (88; 18)

### Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:

**Mali:** The MoH continues to coordinate the response activities, including enhanced surveillance, case management, and vaccination

## Moderate Risk Events

Human Event
AC53748

### Mpox in Africa

**2,066** confirmed case(s) **13,549** Total case(s)  
**16** Total deaths (**CFR: 0.12%**)

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### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 13,549 mpox cases, of which 2,066 (15%) were laboratory-confirmed, have been reported from 22 African Union (AU) Member States (MS). In addition, a total of 110 deaths (CFR: 0.12%) among all cases and 16 deaths (CFR: 0.81%) among confirmed cases have been reported. The distribution of confirmed cases and deaths by MS is as follows: Burundi (57 confirmed cases; 0 deaths), Cameroon (20; 0), Central Africa Republic (CAR) (5; 0), Comoros (28; 0), Congo (35; 0), Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) (641; 1), Ghana (26; 0), Guinea (119; 1), Kenya (141; 7), Liberia (132; 0), Malawi (8; 0), Mali (20; 2), Madagascar (667; 1), Mozambique (2; 0), Nigeria\* (22; 0), Rwanda (3; 0) Senegal (1; 0), South Africa (3; 0), South Sudan (12; 1), Tanzania (36; 1), Uganda (67; 1) and Zambia (21; 0).

In epidemiological week 12, a total of 94 laboratory-confirmed cases and no new deaths among confirmed cases of mpox were reported from three AU MS: Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, and Nigeria.

**Liberia:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the Liberia Public Health Institute reported 44 cases (four laboratory-confirmed) and no deaths of mpox from three counties. This is a 3% average decrease in new confirmed cases over the last four weeks. This year, a total of 497 cases (132 laboratory confirmed) and no deaths of mpox were reported from Liberia. Since the start of the outbreak (March 2024), a cumulative of 3,327 cases (1,646 laboratory-confirmed), and eight deaths (CFR: 0.49%) of mpox have been reported from all 15 counties in Liberia. A total of 3,091 samples were tested, resulting in a 93% testing rate and a 50% positivity rate. Clade IIb was isolated from sequenced samples.

**Madagascar:** Since the last update (26 March 2026), the MoH reported 84 new laboratory-confirmed mpox cases and no new deaths from multiple regions. There is a 6% average increase in new cases reported over the last four weeks. This year, 667 laboratory-confirmed mpox cases and one death (CFR: 0.15%) have been reported from multiple regions. Since the start of this outbreak (December 2025), a total of 680 laboratory-confirmed mpox cases and one death (CFR: 0.15%) have been reported from 27/114 health districts in Madagascar. Clade Ib was isolated from the sequenced samples

**Mali:** Since the last update (23 March 2025), the MoH reported four new cases, (two laboratory confirmed) and no deaths of mpox from Bamako region. This year, a total of 61 cases (20 confirmed) cases and two deaths (CFR: 11.1%) of mpox were reported from Mali. Since the beginning of this outbreak (November 2025), a total of 92 cases, of which 31 were laboratory-confirmed cases and two deaths (CFR: 6.9%) have been reported from six of twelve regions Mali. A total of 92 samples were tested, resulting in a 100% testing rate and 33% positivity rate. Clade IIb was isolated from the confirmed cases.

**Nigeria:** Since the last update (26 March 2025), the Nigeria CDC reported 27 new cases (four laboratory-confirmed) and no deaths of mpox from 15 states. This is a 300% average increase in new confirmed cases compared to the last report. This year, a total of 231 cases (22 laboratory confirmed) and no deaths of mpox were reported in Nigeria. Nigeria is endemic for mpox, since 2017, a cumulative of 7,771 cases, of which 1,732 were laboratory confirmed and 23 deaths (CFR: 1.32%) of mpox were reported in Nigeria.

**\*Between epidemiological week 3 - 11, a backlog of 18 cases (four confirmed) and no deaths of mpox were reported from Nigeria**

**Note:** In 2025, a total of 141,999 cases of mpox, of which 43,041 were laboratory-confirmed, were reported from 29 AU MS. In addition, a total of 825 deaths (CFR: 0.58%) among all cases and 254 deaths (CFR: 0.60%) among confirmed cases have been reported. The distribution of confirmed cases and deaths by MS is as follows: Angola (8 confirmed cases; 0 deaths), Burundi (1,662; 0), Cameroon (12; 0), Central African Republic (CAR) (72; 6), Congo (104; 1), Côte d'Ivoire (79; 1), Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) (21,629; 99), Ethiopia (48; 1), Gambia (1; 0), Ghana (973; 7), Guinea (2,038; 6), Kenya (915; 11), Liberia (1,451; 8), Madagascar (13; 0), Malawi (147; 1), Mali (11; 0), Morocco (2; 0), Mozambique (91; 0), Namibia (2; 0), Nigeria (435; 6), Rwanda (47; 0), Senegal (9; 0), Sierra Leone (5,442; 60), South Africa (14; 0), South Sudan (38; 0), Tanzania (265; 0), Togo (90; 0), Uganda (7,073; 44), and Zambia (370; 3).

#### **Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:**

The ministries of health in the affected MS continue to intensify surveillance, risk communication, mpox vaccination campaigns and community engagement activities in the affected communities.

## Polio (Vaccine-derived) in Africa

**18** confirmed human case(s)  
**0** human deaths (**CFR: 0%**)

Agent/Pathogen	Polio (Vaccine-derived)	First Reported	1-Mar-2026	Previous Report Update	23-Mar-2026
First Occurred	1-Jan-2026	Country	Multiple Countries	Location	5 MS
Source	Ministry of Health	GeoScope	MODERATE	Human Risk Assessment	MODERATE
		Animal Risk Assessment	N/A		

### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of this year, 16 confirmed cases and no deaths of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) have been reported from four AU MS: Angola [1 case(s); 0 death(s)], DRC (2; 0), Nigeria (9; 0), Somalia (2; 0), and Togo (1; 0). Two confirmed cases of cVDPV3 were reported from Nigeria.

In epidemiological week 12, a total of one laboratory-confirmed case of cVDPV2 was reported from Togo.

**Togo:** Since the last update (13 March 2026), the Global Polio Eradication Initiative reported one new confirmed case of cVDPV2 from Centrale region. This year, a total of two confirmed cases and no deaths of cVDPV2 were reported from Centrale and Mo regions in Togo.

**Note:** In 2025, three confirmed cases and no deaths of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 1 (cVDPV1) were reported from Algeria (1; 0), DRC (1; 0), and Niger (1; 0). A total of 184 confirmed cases and no deaths of cVDPV2 were reported from 11 AU MS: Angola (19 cases; 0 deaths), Benin (3; 0), Burkina Faso (1; 0), CAR (2; 0), Chad (31; 0), Djibouti (1; 0), DRC (6; 0), Ethiopia (42; 0), Mali (1; 0), Niger (3; 0), Nigeria (66; 0), Somalia (2; 0), and Sudan (7; 0). Twelve confirmed cases and no deaths of cVDPV3 have been reported from Cameroon (1; 0), Chad (4; 0), and Guinea (2; 0). Nigeria (5; 0).

### Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:

The ministries of health of the affected MS continue to conduct enhanced surveillance and enhanced routine vaccination activities.

## Cholera in Africa

**6,778** confirmed human case(s), **20,740** suspected human case(s)  
**524** human deaths (CFR: **1.90%**)

Agent/Pathogen	Cholera	First Reported	1-Jan-2026	Previous Report Update	26-Mar-2026
First Occurred	1-Jan-2026	Country	Multiple Countries	Location	14 MS
Source	Ministry of Health	GeoScope	HIGH	Human Risk Assessment	MODERATE
		Animal Risk Assessment	N/A		

### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 27,518 cases (6,778 confirmed; 20,740 suspected) and 524 deaths (CFR: 1.9%) of cholera have been reported from 14 AU MS: Angola (483 cases; 12 deaths), Burundi (551; 2), DRC (16,460; 428), Ethiopia (15; 0), Malawi\* (1,331; 4), Mozambique (6,379; 57), Namibia (49; 0), Nigeria (251; 3), Rwanda (18; 0), Somalia (709; 0), South Sudan (455; 6), Tanzania (113; 2), Zambia (668; 9), and Zimbabwe (36; 2).

In epidemiological week 12, a total of 397 new cases and four new deaths of cholera were reported from six AU MS: Angola, Burundi, DRC, Malawi, Mozambique, and Zambia.

**Angola:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the MoH reported 82 new suspected cases and three new deaths (CFR: 3.66%) of cholera from five provinces. This is a 156% average increase in the number of new cases in the last four weeks. This year, a total of 483 suspected cases and 12 deaths (CFR: 2.48%) were reported from Angola. Since the beginning of this outbreak (January 2025), a total of 36,776 cases (937 confirmed; 35,839 suspected) and 907 deaths (CFR: 2.47%) of cholera have been reported from 18 of 21 provinces in Angola. Males accounted for 54% of all cases and 63% of all deaths. Children <15 years accounted for 37% of all cases and 32% of all deaths. Additionally, 55% of all deaths occurred at the health facilities. Compared with the same period in 2025 (epidemiological week 1 to 12), 8,543 cases and 330 deaths (CFR: 3.86%) were reported from Angola, representing a 94% decrease in cases and a 96% decrease in deaths due to cholera.

**Burundi:** Since the last update (23 March 2026), the MoH reported eight new suspected cholera cases with no new deaths from two districts. This is a 30% decrease in cases in the last four weeks. This year, a total of 551 confirmed cases and two deaths (CFR: 0.36%) have been reported across 12 of 18 provinces in Burundi. Males account for 50.9% of all cases, while children under five years account for 17.4% of all cases. This outbreak began in December 2022. Cumulatively, 6,483 cases and 27 deaths (CFR: 0.42%) have been reported in 14 of the 18 provinces. In comparison, during the same period in 2025 (weeks 1 to 12), Burundi reported 116 confirmed cases and no deaths, which is a 4-fold increase in cases.

**Malawi:** Since the last update (23 March 2026), the MoH reported 81 new cases (10 confirmed; 71 suspected) and no new deaths of cholera from four districts. This is an 11% average decrease in the number of cases in the past four weeks. This year, 1,331 confirmed cases and four deaths (CFR: 2.74%) of cholera have been reported from 14 of 29 districts in Malawi. Since the beginning of this outbreak (December 2025), a cumulative of 111 confirmed cases and two deaths (CFR: 1.80%) of cholera have been reported from 14 of 29 districts in Malawi. Compared with epidemiological week 1 to 12 of 2025, a total of 91 confirmed cholera cases and 3 deaths (CFR: 3.30%) were reported in Malawi, representing a 1% decrease in cases and a 33% decrease in deaths.

**Mozambique:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the MoH reported 281 new confirmed cases and one new death (CFR: 0.36%) of cholera from nine provinces. This is a 15% average decrease in new cases over the last four weeks. This year, a total of 6,379 cases and 58 deaths (CFR: 0.91%) of cholera were reported from nine provinces. Since the beginning of this outbreak (September 2025), a total of 7,942 confirmed cases and 83 deaths (CFR: 1.05%) of cholera have been reported from nine of the ten provinces in Mozambique. Additionally, 75% of all deaths occurred in communities. Compared with the same period in 2025 (epidemiological week 1 to 12), a total of 1,992 confirmed cholera cases and 28 deaths (CFR: 0.41%) were reported in Mozambique, representing a 3-fold increase in cases and 2-fold increase in deaths.

**Zambia:** Since the last update (19 March 2026), the MoH reported 26 new suspected cases and no new deaths of cholera from multiple provinces. This year, 668 cases (5 confirmed; 663 suspected) and 11 deaths (CFR: 1.65%) of cholera have been reported from nine of the ten provinces in Zambia. This outbreak started in August 2025. Cumulatively, 1,293 cases (205 confirmed; 1,088 suspected) and 21 deaths (CFR: 1.62%) of cholera have been reported from nine of the ten provinces in Zambia. Compared with the same period in 2025 (epidemiological week 1 to 12), a total of 325 cholera cases and 9 deaths (CFR: 2.77%) were reported in Zambia, representing a 65% increase in cases and no change in deaths.

**\*In epidemiological week 11, a backlog of 1,160 (46 confirmed; 1,114 suspected) cases and two deaths of cholera were reported from Malawi.**

**Note:** In 2025, a total of 323,395 cases (12,297 confirmed; 47 probable; 311,051 suspected) and 7,352 deaths (CFR: 2.28%) of cholera have been reported from 24 AU MS: Angola (36,293; 895 deaths), Burundi (3,353; 14), Cameroon (11; 0), Chad (3,091; 167), Comoros (40; 0), Congo (815; 67), Côte d'Ivoire (556; 24), DRC (71,646; 2,028), Ethiopia (8,503; 84), Ghana (2,870; 14), Kenya (686; 26), Malawi (102; 3), Mozambique (5,787; 68), Namibia (75; 1), Nigeria (22,196; 505), Rwanda (325; 0), Somalia (8,915; 9), South Sudan (79,633; 1,277), Sudan (72,057; 2,077), Tanzania (4,063; 45), Togo (165; 4), Uganda (136; 3), Zambia (1,103; 18), and Zimbabwe (601; 23).

#### **Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:**

The ministries of health of the affected MS activated the emergency operation centers and deployed one health rapid response teams to conduct enhanced surveillance, risk communication, and environmental sanitation in the affected communities.

## Measles in Africa

**1,452** confirmed human case(s), **49,613** suspected human case(s)  
**385** human deaths (CFR: **0.75%**)

Agent/Pathogen	Measles	First Reported	1-Jan-2026	Previous Report Update	26-Mar-2026
First Occurred	1-Jan-2026	Country	Multiple Countries	Location	18 AU MS
Source	Ministry of Health	GeoScope	MODERATE	Human Risk Assessment	MODERATE
		Animal Risk Assessment	N/A		

### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 51,065 cases (1,452 confirmed; 49,613 suspected) and 385 deaths (CFR: 0.75%) of measles have been reported from 18 AU MS: Burundi (552 cases; 1 death), Burkina Faso (2,562; 4), Cameroon (105; 1), Chad (1,887; 0), Congo (558; 6), DRC (35,573; 360), Gabon (10; 0), Guinea (71; 0), Kenya (350; 4), Liberia (2,317; 8), Malawi (656; 0), Mali (227; 0), Mozambique (227; 0), Namibia (29; 0), Nigeria(1,229; 0), Senegal (57; 1), Somalia (3,796; 0), South Africa\* (556; 0), and Togo (303; 0).

In epidemiological week 12, a total of 175 new cases and no new deaths of measles have been reported from four AU MS: Burundi, Mali, Mozambique, and Senegal.

**Burundi:** Since the last update (23 March 2026), the MoI reported 27 new suspected cases and no new deaths of measles, from multiple provinces. Cumulatively, 552 suspected cases and one death (CFR: 0.1896) of measles have been reported from four provinces in Burundi this year. In 2023, the national measles vaccination coverage among children <2 years in Burundi was 81%.

**Mali:** Since the last update (20 March 2026), the MoH reported 36 cases (10 confirmed; 26 suspected) and no new deaths of measles from seven regions. This year, 227 cases (67 confirmed; 160 suspected) and no deaths of measles were reported from all 11 regions in Mali. Since the beginning of this outbreak (March 2024), a cumulative of 1,672 cases (672 confirmed; 1000 suspected) and no deaths of measles have been reported from all 11 regions in Mali. In 2023, the national measles vaccination coverage among children <1 year in Mali was 98%.

**Mozambique:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the MoH reported 95 new confirmed cases and no new deaths of measles from six provinces. This is a 348% average decrease in the number of confirmed cases in the last four weeks. This year, a total of 227 confirmed cases and no deaths of measles were reported from six provinces. Since the beginning of this outbreak (July 2025), a total of 798 confirmed cases and one death (CFR: 0.13%) of measles have been reported from six of the ten provinces in Mozambique. In 2024, the national measles vaccination coverage (MCV1) was 44%.

**Senegal:** Since the last update (24 March 2026), the MoH reported 17 new confirmed cases and no new deaths of measles from Tambacounda (10 cases; no deaths), (Kedougou (6; 0) and Diourbel (1; 0) region. This is a 8% average decrease in the number of new cases compared to the last update. This year a total of 57 confirmed cases and one death (CFR: 3%) of measles from five regions in Senegal: Dakar (1 case; 0 deaths), Diourbel (1; 0), Kaolack (1; 0), Kedougou (34; 1), and Tambacounda (20; 1). Of the confirmed cases, females accounted 54% for and the age group 15 - 20 year accounted for 33%. Sixty-seven percent were unvaccinated against measles.

\*In epidemiological week 5, a backlog of 29 cases and no deaths of measles were reported from Namibia.

\*\*From epidemiological week 1 - 8, a backlog of 1,229 cases and no deaths of measles were reported from Nigeria.

**\*\*\*Between epidemiological week 10 - 11, a backlog of 60 cases and no deaths of measles were reported from Togo**

**Note:** In 2025, a total of 195,211 cases (33,036 confirmed; 162,175 suspected) and 1,512 deaths (CFR: 0.77%) of measles have been reported from 21 AU MS: Cameroon (2,883 cases; 4 deaths), Chad (926; 1), DRC (85,210; 1,188), Ethiopia (4,429; 22), Guinea (6,640; 9), Kenya (61; 0), Liberia (1,559; 0), Malawi (167; 0), Mali (666; 0), Mauritania (102; 0), Morocco (44,372; 95), Mozambique (571; 1), Namibia (850; 2), Nigeria (26,866; 153), Rwanda (218; 0), Senegal (123; 0), Somalia (12,378; 14), South Africa (2,448; 0), Sudan (3,275; 22), Uganda (77; 1) and Zambia (1,082; 0).

**Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:**

The MoH in the affected MS continue to strengthen measles surveillance and supplemental immunization activities in the affected communities.

## Dengue in Africa

**232** confirmed human case(s). **528** suspected human case(s)  
**2** human deaths (CFR: **0.26%**)

Agent/Pathogen	Dengue	First Reported	1-Jan-2026	Previous Report Update	26-Mar-2026
First Occurred	1-Jan-2026	Country	Multiple Countries	Location	4 MS
Source	Ministry of Health	GeoScope	MODERATE	Human Risk Assessment	MODERATE
		Animal Risk Assessment	N/A		

### Update to Event:

Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 760 cases (232 confirmed; 528 suspected) and two deaths (CFR: 0.26%) of dengue fever have been reported from four AU MS: CAR (1 case; 1 death), Mali (691; 1), Mauritania (33; 0), and Senegal (35; 0).

In epidemiological week 12, a total of nine new cases and no deaths of dengue fever have been reported from Mali.

Mali: Since the last update (26 March 2026), the MoH reported nine new cases (6 confirmed; 3 suspected) and no new deaths of dengue fever from four Bamako (2 cases; 0 deaths), Mopti (6; 0) and Kayes (1; 0) regions. This is a 388% average decrease in the number of new cases in the last four weeks. This year, a total of 691 cases (163 confirmed; 528 suspected) and one death (CFR: 0.15%) of dengue were reported in Mali. Since the beginning of this outbreak (September 2023), a cumulative of 20,585 cases (2,755 confirmed; 17,830 suspected) and 75 deaths (CFR: 0.36%) of dengue fever have been reported from all 11 regions in Mali.

Note: In 2025, a total of 62,315 cases (12,909 confirmed; 156 probable; 49,250 suspected) and 139 deaths (CFR: 0.22%) of dengue fever have been reported from 11 AU MS: Burkina Faso (866 cases; 0 deaths), Cabo Verde (335; 0), Comoros (1,320; 1), Guinea (2; 0), Kenya (1; 0), Mali (4,344; 0), Mauritania (4,547; 1), Mauritius (59; 0), Nigeria (178; 11), Senegal (6,668; 0), and Sudan (43,995; 126).

### Response by MS/partner/Africa CDC:

Mali: The MoH continues to conduct enhanced surveillance, case management, vector control, and risk communication activities in the affected communities.

- Epidemiological week 12 covers the period from 16 to 22 March 2026.

-Between epidemiological week 10 - 11, a backlog of 776 cases (113 confirmed; 663 suspected) and 37 deaths of Lassa fever were reported from Nigeria.

- The cases in this report include confirmed, probable, and suspected cases.

- Deaths among mpox suspected cases are all reported from DRC.

-CFRs are calculated using confirmed cases and deaths among confirmed cases only, except for bacterial meningitis, cholera, measles, mpox, dengue, and yellow fever, where CFRs are calculated using all cases and deaths.

- The GeoScope level is determined by where the event is currently occurring on the continent. Low: the event is limited to sub-national areas within one MS; Moderate: The event is affecting multiple countries within an AU region or has been imported from/exported to 1-2 countries from another global region; High: The event is affecting several multinational AU regions, or have been imported from/exported to >2 countries from another global region; Very High: Event is considered a pandemic, affecting multiple continents or worldwide. The risk level is determined by evaluating the following criteria: disease morbidity and mortality, the probability of spread within and to other MSs, and the availability of effective treatments, vaccines, or other control measures. An event risk level can be classified as low, moderate, high, or very high based on its score on the above criteria.

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