

This report is based on media monitoring of infectious and emerging diseases globally and within ASEAN Member States, to enhance pandemic and epidemic preparedness and response in the ASEAN Region. We publish this report three times a week.

Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** As of March 2026, Probolinggo Municipality, East Java Province has reported 39 dengue cases (Probolinggo Kota, 2026). Previously, 326 cases with four deaths were recorded in 2025, with Kanigaran (103 cases, two deaths) reported most cases. Authorities are promoting control measures with lavender planting to improve vector control, emphasizing cross-sector coordination and community participation. [[Full article](#)]

From January to February 2026, **Ciamis District**, West Java Province, reported 91 dengue cases and three deaths (one male, two females) (Reportasee, 2026). Despite a decline in overall cases compared to the same period in 2025, the fatality rate has increased. Cases affected all age groups, with the majority in productive ages (15–44 years), deaths were reported in individuals aged 45 and older. Health authorities urge intensified mosquito control, environmental cleanup, and community participation in preventive measures. [[Full article](#)]

As of February 2026, **East Kalimantan Province** reported 600 dengue cases with no deaths (ProPublika, 2026). The Provincial Health Office distributed 6,170 doses of vaccine, including 4,470 doses to Kutai Timur, to strengthen protection in endemic areas. Authorities emphasize early detection, rapid response, and community participation in vector control and environmental hygiene. [[Full article](#)]

- The **Philippines:** Palawan Province has reported 643 dengue cases and seven deaths, according to DOH MIMAROPA (DZIP 864 Radyo Palaweno, 2026). Fatalities included two in Puerto Princesa City and one each in Narra, Roxas, Bataraza, Culion, and Dumaran. Puerto Princesa recorded the highest case count (189), followed by Narra (79) and Bataraza (57). Twenty-four barangays showed clustering of cases. Health authorities urge environmental clean-up to eliminate mosquito breeding sites and reduce transmission. [[Full article](#)]



- **Timor-Leste** reported 3,501 dengue cases and 22 deaths from Januari to March 3, 2026 (Executive Digest, 2026). The highest burden was recorded in Dili with 2,041 cases and 12 deaths, followed by Baucau with two deaths; other municipalities each reported one fatality. The Ministry of Health is conducting fumigation, health education, and promotion activities to curb transmission and prevent further escalation of the outbreak across affected areas. [[Full article](#)]
- **Viet Nam:** In epi-week 9 of 2026 (February 23 – March 1), Ho Chi Minh City recorded 773 dengue cases, a 9% decrease compared to the four-week average (Giao Duc, 2026). This brings a total of 10,835 cases since the beginning of the year. Districts with higher incidence rates are An Nhon Tay, Tay Thanh, and Binh Hung Hoa. Health authorities urge continued mosquito control, environmental hygiene, and early detection to limit community transmission. [[Full article](#)]

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **Viet Nam:** In epi-week 9 of 2026 (23 February–1 March), Ho Chi Minh City reported 317 HFMD cases, a 37.8% decrease compared with the four-week average (Giao Duc, 2026). A cumulative total of 5,821 cases has been reported since the beginning of the year. Higher incidence was noted in Nha Be, Long Huong, and Tan Hai. Health authorities highlight the decline as a positive signal but continue urging hygiene practices and early detection to limit transmission. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **Malaysia:** On March 5, 2026, a 23-year-old man died from leptospirosis after consuming a canned drink without cleaning the surface, highlighting risks of contamination from rodent urine (News.mydrivers.com, 2026). The illness progressed rapidly, leading to multiorgan failure within four days of onset. Health officials emphasize hygiene practices, such as wiping cans or pouring drinks into cups, to prevent infection. [[Full article](#)]

Malaria

- **Indonesia:** From January to early March 2026, Nabire District, Papua Province, recorded 776 malaria cases (Nabire.net, 2026). In response, the local government issued a circular mandating cross-sector involvement in malaria elimination, including district offices, village leaders, and health facilities. Measures focus on environmental interventions, community education, and strengthened health services, with village funds encouraged to support priority programs. [[Full article](#)]

Measles

- **Indonesia's** Ministry of Health reported 8,224 suspected measles cases, 572 laboratory-confirmed cases, and four deaths nationwide as of epi-week 7 of 2026 (Berita Satu, 2026). In 2025, there were 63,769 suspected cases, 11,094 confirmed cases, and 69 deaths recorded. [[Full article](#)]



Global Situation

Measles

- **Australia:** As of early March 2026, Victoria reported 17 confirmed measles cases (AUYX, 2026). Authorities note declining vaccination coverage, now the lowest in a decade, and stress two MMR doses for full protection. Free vaccines are available at clinics, pharmacies, Aboriginal health services, and local government facilities. Exposure sites have been announced; individuals should monitor symptoms for 18 days. [[Full article](#)]
- **Canada:** In epi-week 7 (February 15–21, 2026), 85 new measles cases (75 confirmed, 10 probable) were reported across Alberta, Manitoba, and Ontario (Government of Canada, 2026). Since January 2026, Canada has recorded 339 measles cases (314 confirmed, 25 probable) and no rubella cases, reported by seven jurisdictions. A total of 296 recent cases have been identified in 19 health units. Health authorities continue monitoring and advise travelers to review measles and rubella outbreak notices abroad. [[Full article](#)]
- **Nepal:** In early March 2026, Dhorpatan Municipality, Baglung District reported 47 children were infected with measles across wards 7–9, mostly school-aged (10–18 years), presenting with fever, cough, and body pain (Ekantipur, 2026). Authorities warn of further spread without prompt isolation and treatment. Hospitals are providing care, and intensified testing, case management, and vaccination campaigns are underway. [[Full article](#)]
- **Pakistan:** As of February 2026, Rawalpindi District reported 110 confirmed and 192 suspected measles cases were reported among children, with no fatalities (The Express Tribune, 2026). All affected children received timely treatment and are recovering. Vaccination efforts, including door-to-door campaigns, have been intensified. Parents are urged to seek prompt care for symptoms to prevent complications such as pneumonia or dehydration. [[Full article](#)]
- **Russia:** As of early 2026, Khabarovsk Territory reported 49 measles cases, including 38 among children, primarily in Khabarovsk city and surrounding areas (Rambler News, 2026). Most infections occurred in unvaccinated individuals, with family clusters of two to five cases noted. Health authorities warn of serious complications and stress the importance of immunization for prevention. Quarantine measures and vaccination remain the key strategy to control transmission. [[Full article](#)]
- **Spain:** Between October 2025 and February 2026, the Canary Islands reported 56 confirmed measles cases: 22 in La Palma, four in Tenerife, and 30 in Gran Canaria (Canarias7, 2026). Outbreaks in La Palma and Tenerife have been declared closed, while Gran Canaria remains under surveillance until March 23. More than 2,000 contacts, including passengers on six inter-island flights, were traced and monitored. Public health authorities continue preventive measures. [[Full article](#)]
- **The United Kingdom (UK):** From January to early March 2026, England reported 195 laboratory-confirmed measles cases, 127 (65%) in London and 43 (22%) in the West Midlands (London Now, 2026). Enfield accounted for 71 cases, including 32 after February 2. Most cases (73%) were in children ≤ 10 years. No measles-related deaths have been reported. [[Full article](#)]



- The **United States (US)**: Broomfield, Colorado reported a measles outbreak after three unvaccinated children were diagnosed, linked to Broomfield High School and Broomfield Heights Middle School (IT-Boltwise, 2026). The affected school enhanced disinfection and ventilation and advised parents to monitor symptoms for 21 days. Authorities emphasize vaccination as the primary protection, especially for children <1 year. [[Full article](#)]

Florida reported 10 new measles cases as of February 2026, bringing the total to 124, including 93 in Collier County, mostly among 15–24-year-olds linked to Ave Maria University (TCPalm, 2026). Additional cases occurred in children <5 and adults 55–64. Florida has the third-highest national measles rate. Vaccination remains the primary protection. [[Full article](#)]

On March 3, 2026, **Rockland County** confirmed three measles cases linked to international travel (Daily Voice, 2026). All exposed individuals have been identified and are under monitoring, and no fatalities have been reported. Patients are receiving care. Authorities emphasize vaccination, especially for infants, immunocompromised, and unvaccinated residents, and advise symptomatic individuals to seek care safely. [[Full article](#)]

In March 2026, **Sacramento County** confirmed two measles cases in unvaccinated children, one linked to travel in South Carolina, which is experiencing a large outbreak (CBS News, 2026). Both children are recovering, with one treated at Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Roseville, prompting contact tracing for possible exposures. These cases bring California's total to 26 measles cases in 2026. Health officials emphasize vaccination as essential to prevent further transmission of the highly contagious virus. [[Full article](#)]

Poliomyelitis

- **Pakistan** reported its first wild poliovirus case of 2026 on March 2, in a four-year-old child from Sujawal District, confirmed by the National Institute of Health (NIH) Regional Reference Laboratory (Polio Free Pakistan, 2026). In response, the Polio Eradication Initiative (PEI) is assessing response measures. Nationwide vaccination campaigns have reached over 45 million children, with another round planned in April. Despite declines since 2024, virus circulation persists in high-risk areas. [[Full article](#)]

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