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## **Weekly Epidemiological Report**

**Week 13: 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

### **Highlight of the week**

#### **NCDC DEPLOYS RAPID RESPONSE TEAMS TO CONTAIN CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS OUTBREAK**



The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (NCDC) has deployed National Rapid Response Teams (NRRTs) to Kebbi, Sokoto, and Katsina States following reports of increasing suspected cases and deaths from Cerebrospinal Meningitis (CSM).

The multidisciplinary teams are supporting case management and infection prevention and control (IPC), strengthening surveillance and laboratory confirmation, and conducting risk communication to promote early care-seeking. Epidemiological investigations, including outbreak description and environmental assessments, are ongoing to identify risk factors and guide interventions.

The NRRTs are working with state health authorities and partners to coordinate response efforts and will debrief stakeholders at the end of their 14-day deployment to inform future preparedness.

## Summary of Incidents

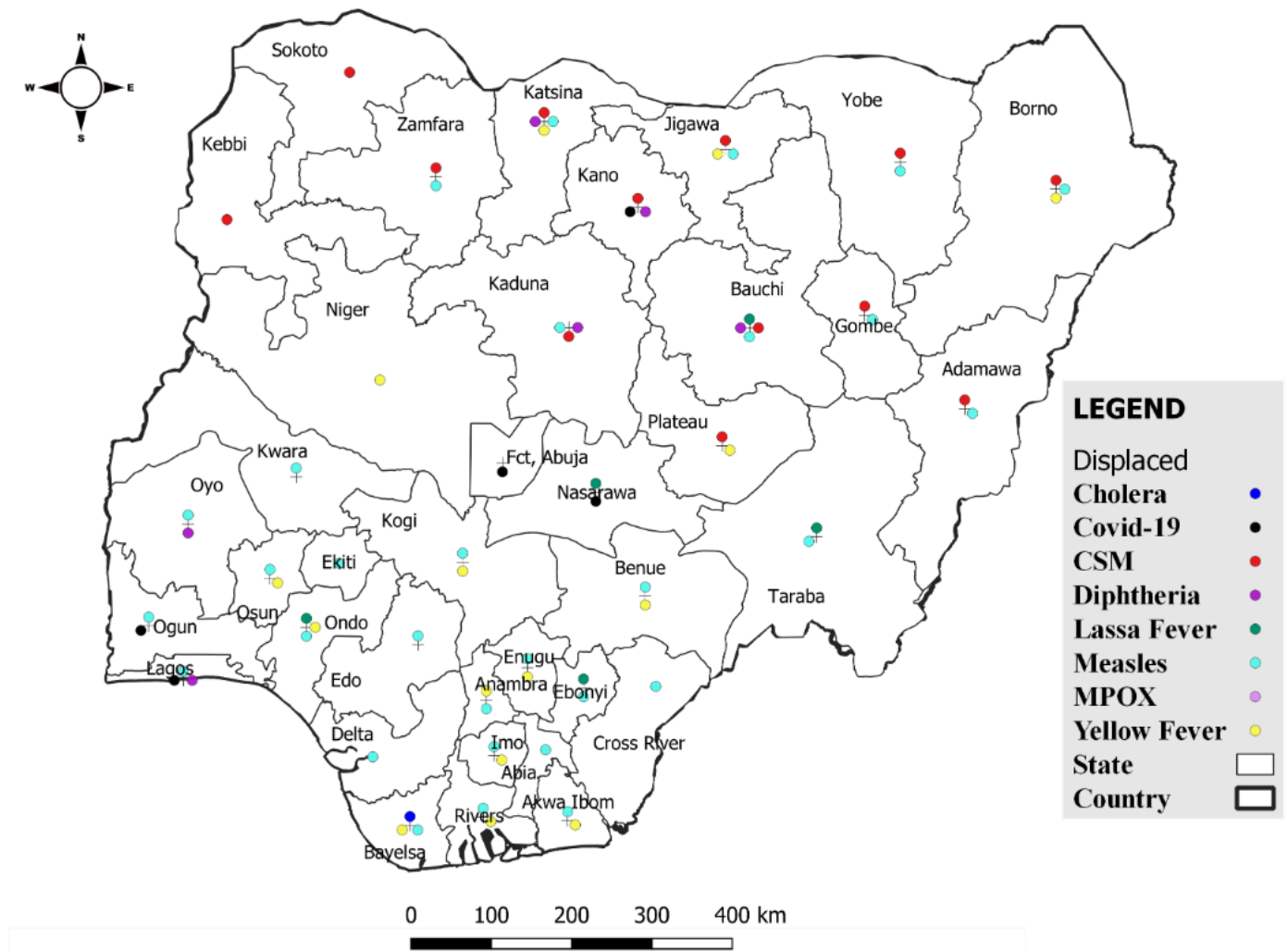
**Ongoing incidents**

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The Ongoing incidents within the reporting week are Lassa Fever, Cholera, Mpox, CSM and Diphtheria.

\*Ongoing incidents are defined as confirmed cases where a national EOC or equivalent has been activated.

Figure 1: Priority Diseases under surveillance in Nigeria, week 13, 2025.



## Summary of Diseases

Table 1: Week 13 (24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025)

Lassa Fever <sub>1</sub>	Cerebrospinal Meningitis (CSM) <sub>2</sub>	Yellow Fever <sub>2</sub>
315 Suspected case(s)	372 Suspected case(s)	31 Suspected case(s)
14 Confirmed case(s)	30 Confirmed case(s)	0 Confirmed case(s)
3 Death(s)	27 Death(s)	0 Death(s)
Cholera <sub>2</sub>	Measles <sub>2</sub>	Mpox <sub>2</sub>
2 Suspected case(s)	218 Suspected case(s)	41 Suspected case(s)
0 Confirmed case(s)	39 Confirmed case(s)	3 Confirmed case(s)
0 Death(s)	0 Death(s)	1 Death(s)
Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) <sub>2</sub>	Covid-19 <sub>2</sub>	Diphtheria <sub>2</sub>
33 Suspected case(s)	30 Suspected case(s)	71 Suspected case(s)
0 Confirmed case(s)	0 Confirmed case(s)	33 Confirmed case(s)
0 Death(s)	0 Death(s)	5 Death(s)
National Sentinel influenza surveillance <sub>3</sub>		
36 Suspected case(s)		
3 Confirmed case(s)		

Information for this disease was retrieved from the Technical Working Group and Situation Reports of Nigerian Centre for Disease Control and Prevention

1. Case Fatality Rate (CFR) for this disease is reported for confirmed cases only.
2. CFR for this disease is reported for total cases i.e. suspected + confirmed.
3. Information for sentinel influenza was retrieved from the laboratory.

## Lassa Fever

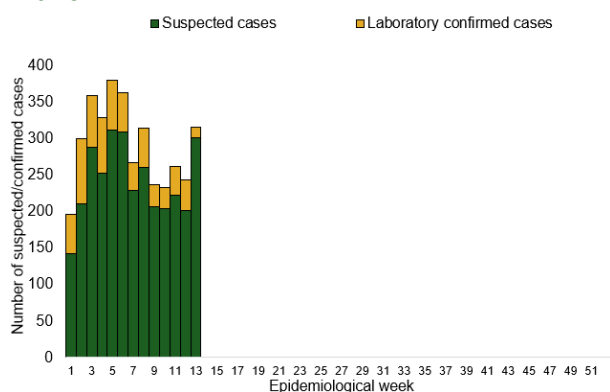
**Table 1: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
315	14	3	State: 12 LGA: 18

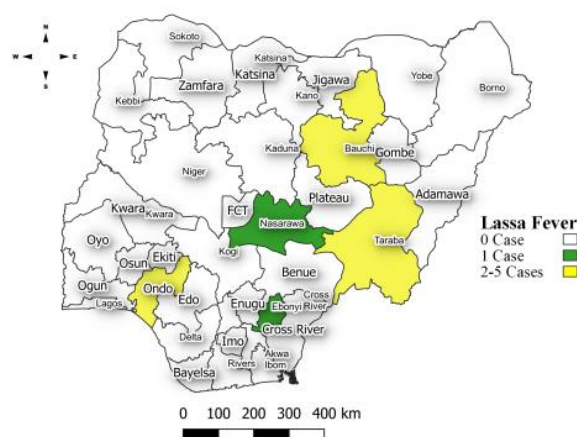
**Table 2: Lassa Fever Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
5295	3779	806	659	151	122	18.7%	18.5%

*Figure 2: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Lassa Fever by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 3: **Confirmed** cases of Lassa Fever by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



## Key points

- There were 315 suspected cases of Lassa Fever reported from 18 LGAs in 12 states. There were 14 laboratory confirmed cases and three deaths were recorded.

## Actions

### To date:

- National Lassa fever multi-partner, multi-sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate the response activities at all levels.
- Active case search supported by IHVN is currently ongoing in Ondo state's Health facilities and communities.
- Multi-sectoral health promotion, communication, and disease prevention capacity building workshop on risk communication and community engagement in Cross River state supported by Nigeria Health Watch was conducted.
- Workplan development workshop supported by UNICEF was conducted.

## Cerebrospinal Meningitis (CSM)

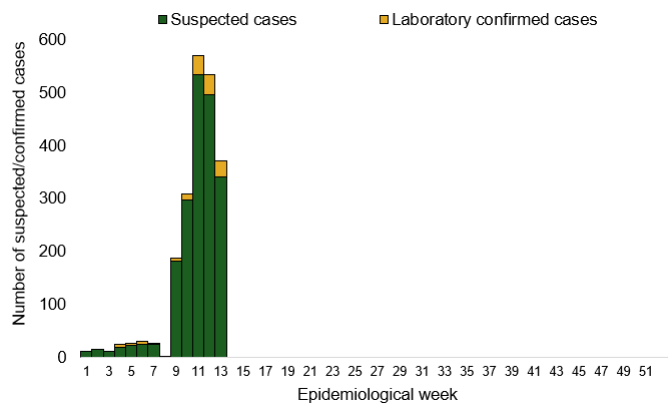
**Table 4: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
372	30	27	State: 13 LGA: 33

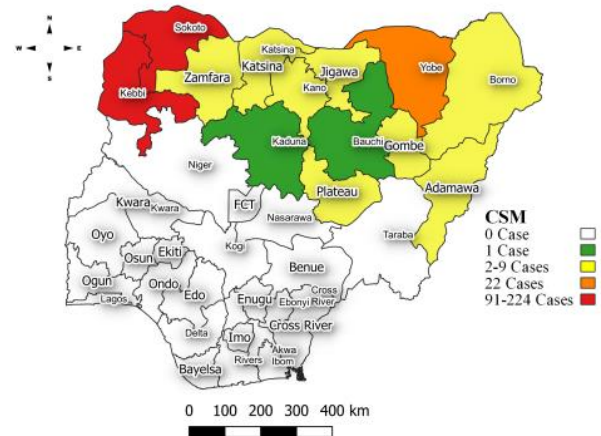
**Table 5: CSM Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
2154	2124	2154	2124	47	139	5.4%	8.3%

*Figure 4: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of CSM by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 5: Suspected cases of CSM by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were 372 suspected cases of Cerebrospinal meningitis (CSM) reported from 33 LGAs in 13 states. There were 30 laboratory confirmed cases and 27 deaths were recorded.

### Actions

#### To date:

- National CSM multi-partner Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate activities across states.
- Implementation of targeted risk communication activities across high-risk states.
- CSM advisory developed and circulated across high-risk states.
- National Rapid Response Team deployed to Sokoto, Kebbi and Katsina states.

## Yellow Fever

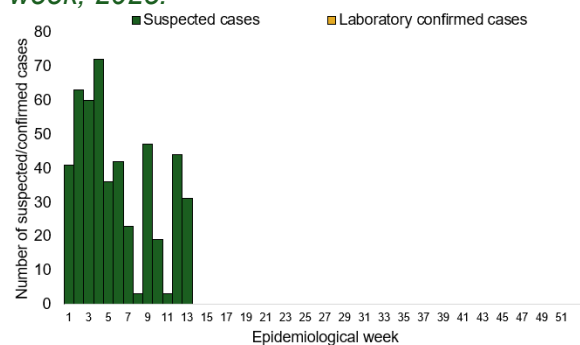
**Table 6: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
31	0	0	State: 16 LGA: 27

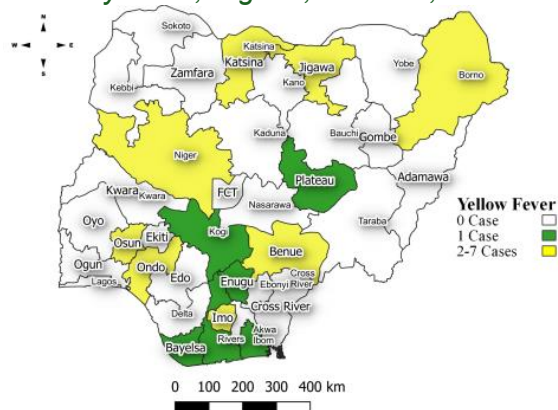
**Table 7: Yellow Fever Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
846	763	2	2	1	0	0.12%	0%

*Figure 6: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Yellow Fever by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 7: Suspected cases of Yellow Fever by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were 31 suspected cases of Yellow Fever (YF) reported from 27 LGAs in 16 states. There was no laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

### Actions

#### To date:

- National YF multi-partner Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate activities across states.
- Harmonizing surveillance and laboratory data.
- Provision of off-site surveillance support to affected States.

## Cholera

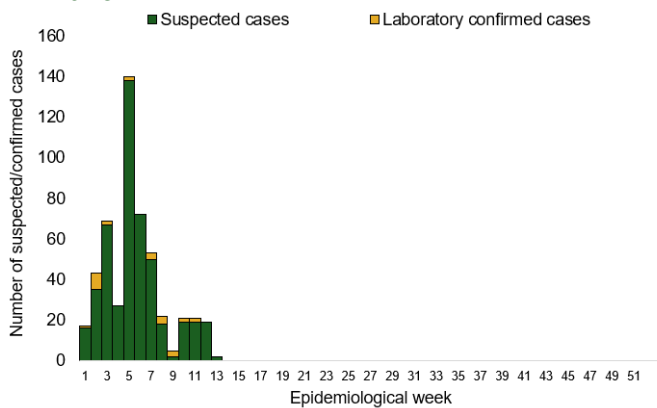
**Table 8: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
2	0	0	State: 2 LGA: 2

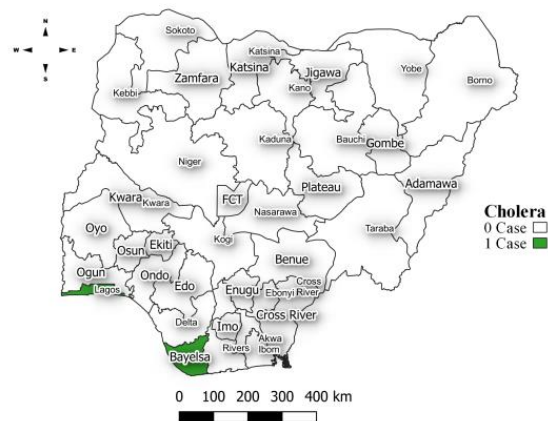
**Table 9: Cholera Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
1538	1500	3	38	18	45	1.2%	3%

*Figure 8: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Cholera by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 9: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Cholera, weeks 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were two suspected cases of Cholera reported from two LGAs in two states. There was no laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

### Actions

#### To date:

- National Cholera Multi-Sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) is monitoring all states and supporting affected states.
- Community social mobilisation, media interviews, distribution of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials and awareness campaigns ongoing in affected communities.
- Weekly data harmonisation

## Measles

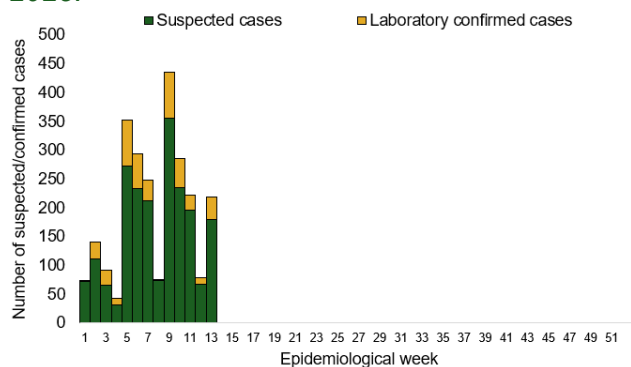
**Table 10: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
218	39	0	State: 30 LGA:138

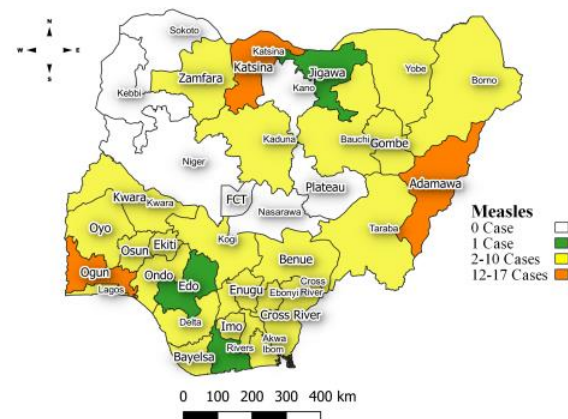
**Table 11: Measles Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
9783	5257	5683	1617	71	0	0.7%	0%

*Figure 10: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Measles by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 11: Suspected cases of Measles by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were 218 suspected cases of Measles reported from 138 LGAs in 30 states. There were 39 laboratory confirmed cases and no death was recorded.

### Actions

#### To date:

- National Measles Multi-Sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) is closely monitoring measles surveillance data and providing feedback to relevant agencies and development partners.
- Testing of samples ongoing in the eight Reference Laboratories across the country.
- Weekly harmonisation of laboratory results from across the laboratories ongoing.
- Weekly feedback of key performance indicators to measles laboratories.

## Mpox

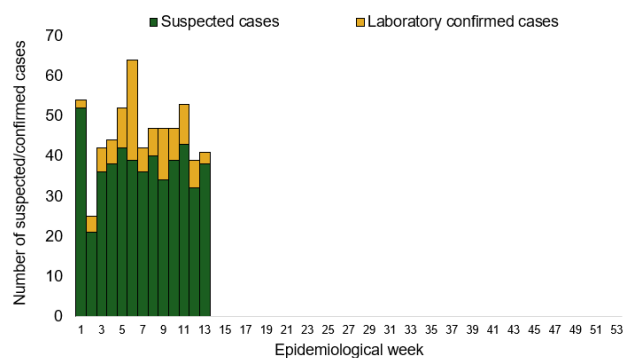
**Table 12: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
41	3	1	State: 15 + FCT LGA: 28

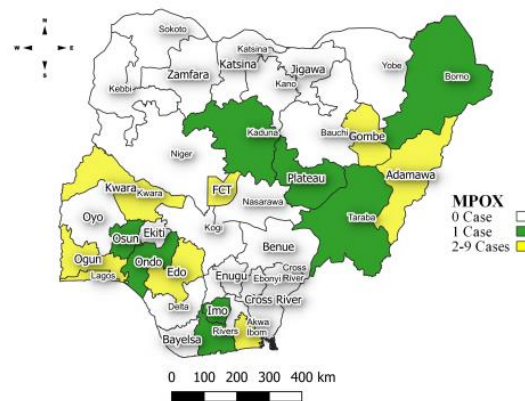
**Table 13: Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
343	598	18	108	0	3	0%	0.5%

*Figure 12: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Mpox by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 13: Suspected cases of Mpox by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



## Key points

- There were 41 suspected cases of Mpox reported from 28 LGAs in 15 states and FCT. There were three laboratory confirmed cases and one death was recorded.

## Actions

### To date:

- National Monkeypox Technical Working Group (TWG) is monitoring activities in all states.
- Harmonisation of surveillance and laboratory data from across states and laboratories.
- Provision of off-site surveillance support to affected States.
- Weekly EOC meetings.

## Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)

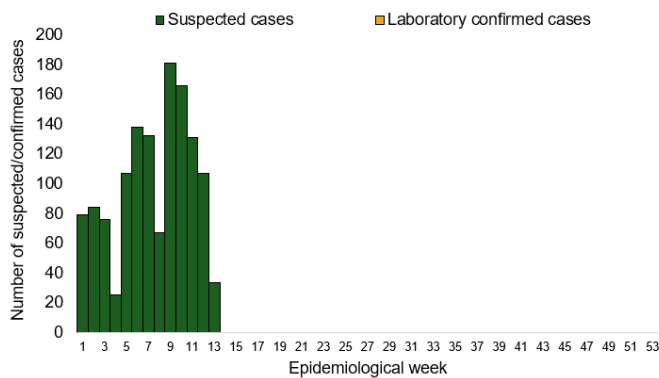
**Table 14: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
33	0	0	State: 17 LGA: 33

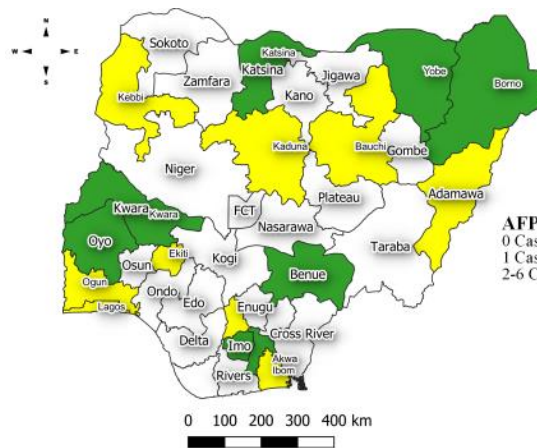
**Table 15: AFP Year to date (week 1 – 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
2149	1578	0	0	0	0	0%	0%

*Figure 14: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of AFP by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 15: Suspected cases of AFP by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were 33 suspected cases of AFP reported from 33 LGAs in 17 states. There was no laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

## COVID-19

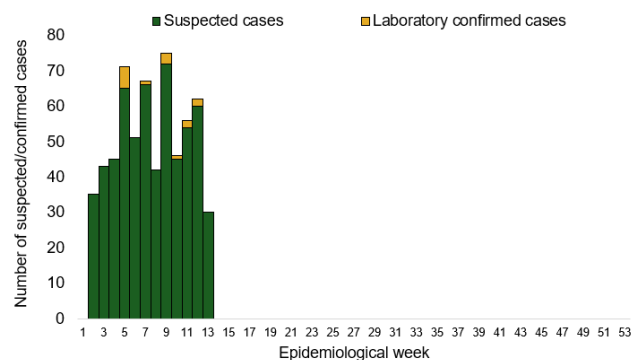
**Table 16: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
30	0	0	State: 4 + FCT LGA: 15

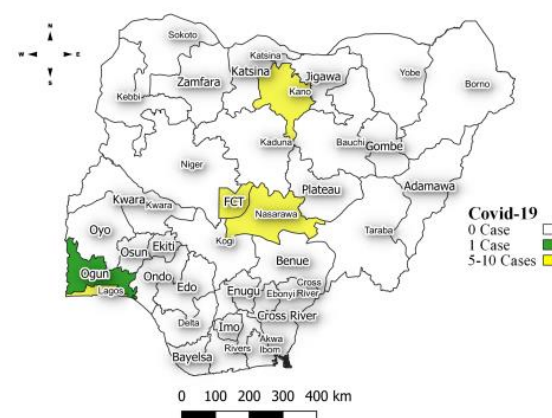
**Table 17: Covid 19 Year to date (Week 1- 13, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
736	685	736	20	0	0	0%	0%

*Figure 16: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Covid 19 by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 17: Suspected cases of Covid 19 by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were 30 suspected cases of Covid 19 reported from 15 LGAs in four states and FCT. There was no laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

### Actions

#### To date:

- National Covid 19 Technical Working Group (TWG) is monitoring activities in all states.
- Harmonisation of surveillance and laboratory data from across states and laboratories.
- Provision of off-site surveillance support to affected States.

## Diphtheria

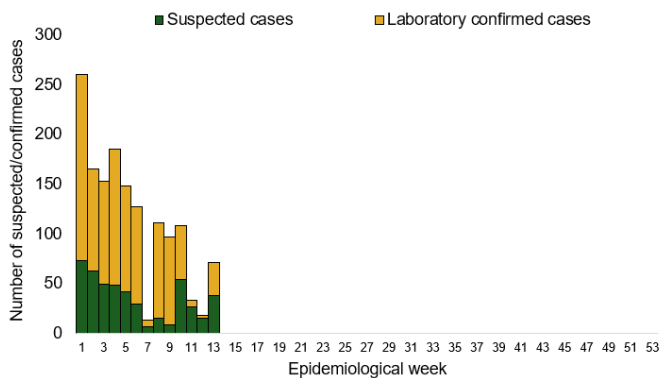
**Table 18: Week 13**

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
71	33	5	State: 6 LGA: 22

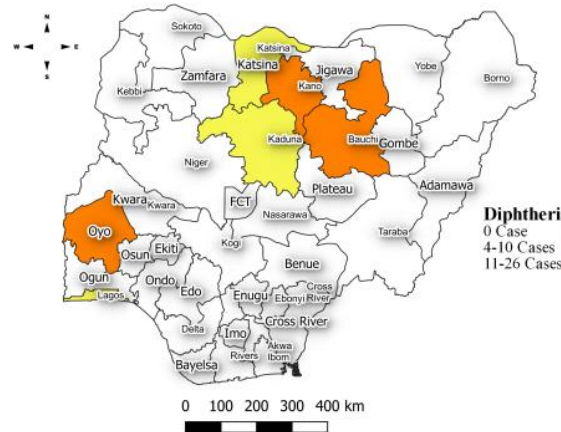
**Table 19: Diphtheria Year to date (week 1 – 12, 2024/2025)**

Suspected cases		Confirmed cases		Deaths		CFR	
2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
7205	1906	4193	1343	90	75	1.2%	3.9%

*Figure 18: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Diphtheria by epidemiological week, 2025.*



*Figure 19: Suspected cases of Diphtheria by State, Nigeria, week 13, 2025.*



### Key points

- There were 71 suspected cases of Diphtheria reported from 22 LGAs in six states. There were 33 confirmed cases and five deaths were recorded.

### Actions

#### To date:

- National Diphtheria Technical Working Group (TWG) is monitoring activities in all states.
- Weekly data harmonisation.
- Provision of off-site surveillance support to affected States.
- Weekly EOC meetings.

## National Influenza Sentinel Surveillance

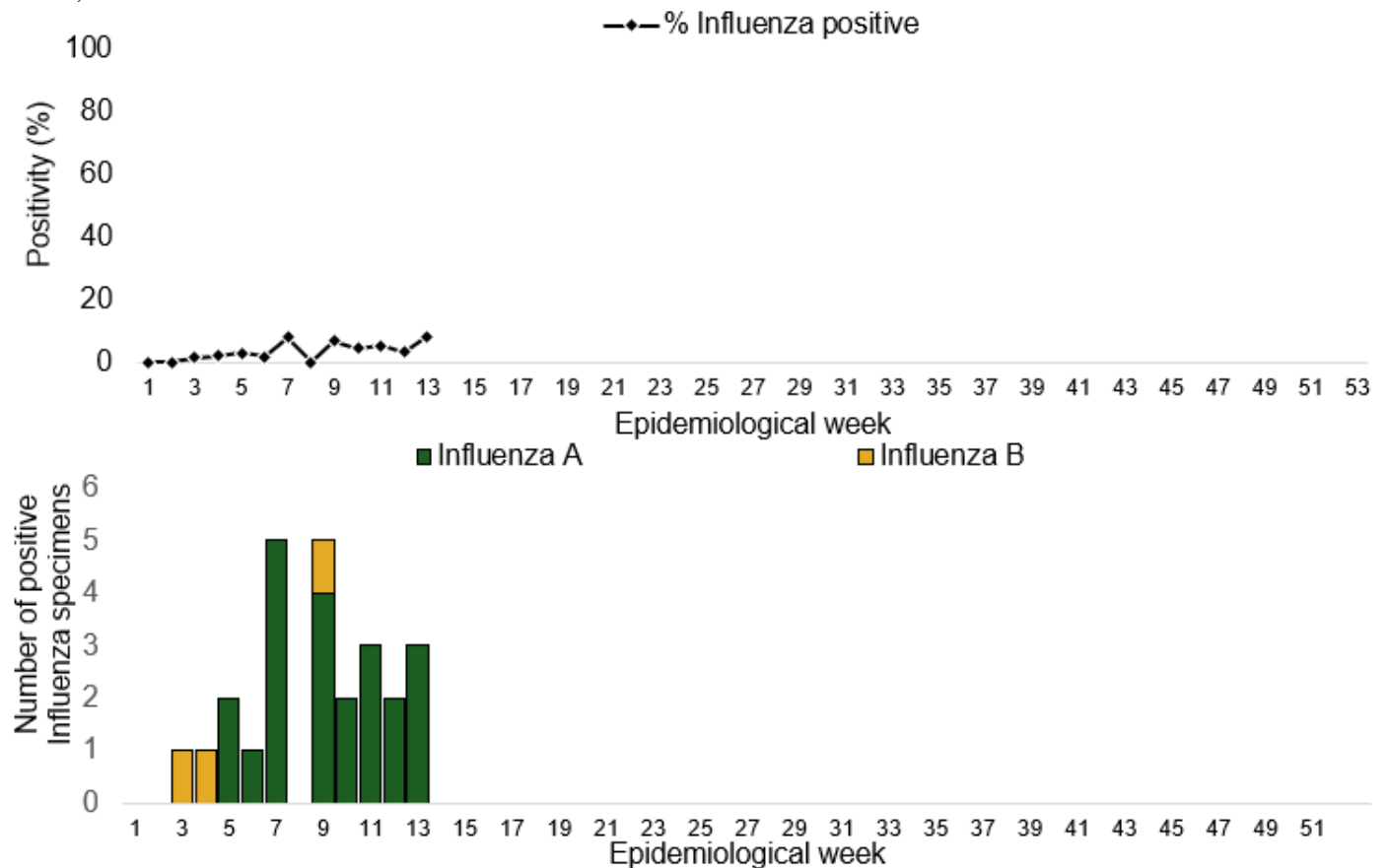
Table 20: Week 13

Suspected Cases	Confirmed Cases	Confirmed Case by type	
		Influenza A	Influenza B
36	3	3	0

Table 21: Year to date (week 1 – 13)

Suspected cases	Total Confirmed Cases	Confirmed cases by type	
		Influenza A	Influenza B
747	50	46	4

Figure 20: Number of influenza positive specimens by type and percentage positive by epidemiological week, 2025.



## Event Based Surveillance (EBS)

### Week 13

#### Key points

##### Epi Week 13

- 155 calls were successfully routed to agents and answered.
- 500 articles scanned through Epidemic Intelligence from Open Sources (EIOS).
- From the calls and EIOS, one signal (Diphtheria case in Lagos state) was picked and escalated to the corresponding TWG.

##### Cumulatively, from week 1 - 13

- 1512 calls were successfully routed to agents and answered.
- 25 Signals were picked and escalated.

Figure 22: Number of signals/events per week, 2025.

