

Weekly Epidemiological Report

Week 10: 2nd – 8th March, 2026

Highlight of the week

Strengthening State-Level Response to Lassa Fever and Protecting Healthcare Workers



The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention convened State Epidemiologists and Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) focal persons to strengthen the ongoing Lassa fever outbreak response and enhance the protection of healthcare workers.

The meeting, chaired by Dr Jide Idris, reviewed the current Lassa fever situation and identified key operational gaps affecting response activities across states.

Discussions focused on strengthening IPC systems in health facilities, improving coordination with state response teams, and enhancing early detection, reporting, and response mechanisms.

NCDC also highlighted ongoing support to states through the deployment of IPC toolkits and operational guidance, as well as rapid training and capacity building for healthcare workers to strengthen outbreak preparedness and response.

Summary of Incidents

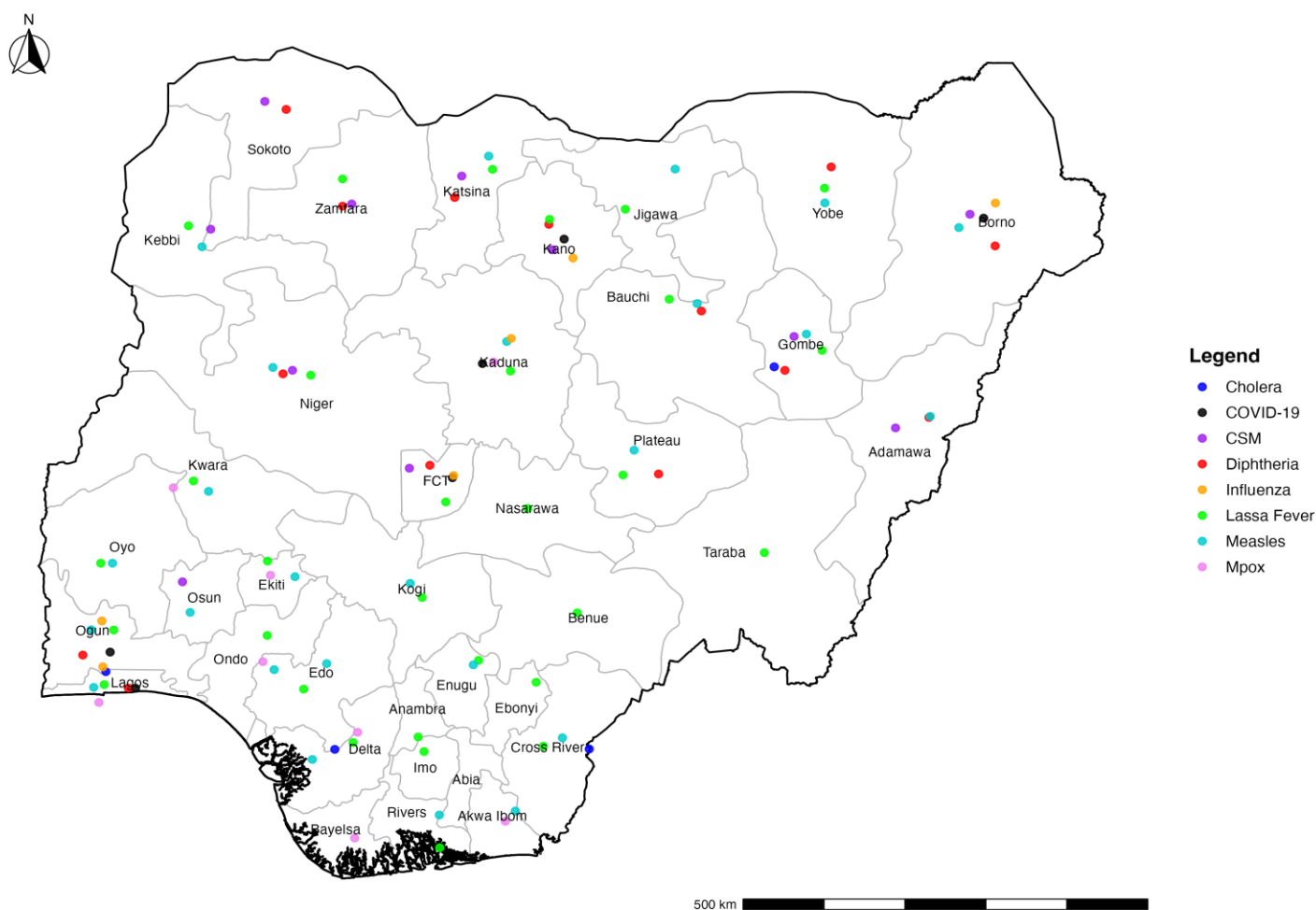
Ongoing Incidents

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The Ongoing incidents within the reporting week are Lassa fever, Cholera, Mpox 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 10, 2026



Summary of Diseases

Table 1: Week 10, 2nd – 8th March 2026

Lassa Fever_{1,4}	Cerebrospinal Meningitis (CSM)_{2,4}	Yellow Fever_{2,4}
351 Suspected case(s)	48 Suspected case(s)	0 Suspected case(s)
42 Confirmed case(s)	0 Confirmed case(s)	0 Confirmed case(s)
7 Death(s)	10 Death(s)	0 Death(s)
Cholera_{2,4}	Measles_{2,4}	Mpox_{2,4}
5 Suspected case(s)	137 Suspected case(s)	14 Suspected case(s)
0 Confirmed case(s)	132 Confirmed case(s)	0 Confirmed case(s)
0 Death(s)	0 Death(s)	0 Death(s)
Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)_{2,4}	COVID-19_{2,4}	Diphtheria_{2,4}
0 Suspected case(s)	42 Suspected case(s)	681 Suspected case(s)
0 Confirmed case(s)	0 Confirmed case(s)	594 Confirmed case(s)
0 Death(s)	0 Death(s)	5 Death(s)
National Sentinel influenza surveillance₃		
42 Suspected case(s)		
0 Confirmed case(s)		

Information for all the diseases was retrieved from the Technical Working Group and Situation Reports of the 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.
4. The data published in 2025 WER may vary with the data of 2025 in this WER due to data harmonisation and updates.

Lassa Fever

Table 2: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
351	42	7	State: 30 + FCT LGA: 99

Table 3: Lassa Fever Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	2958	564	0	0%
2026	2878	520	115	22.1%

Figure 2: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Lassa Fever by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

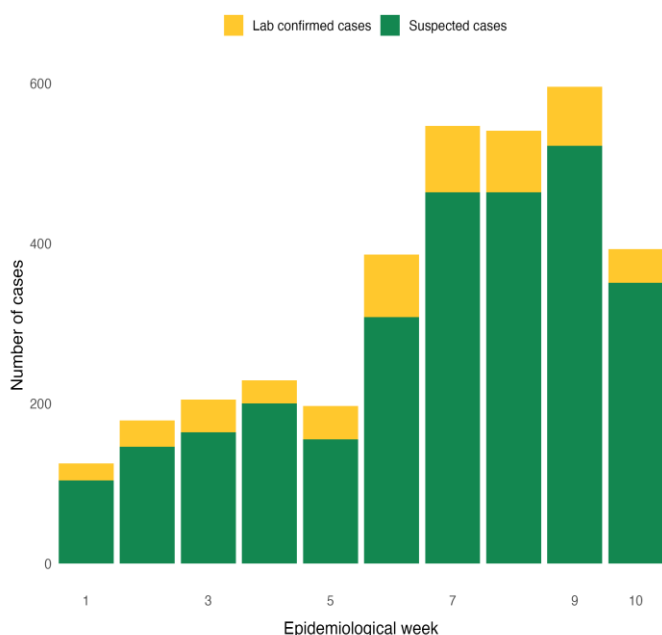
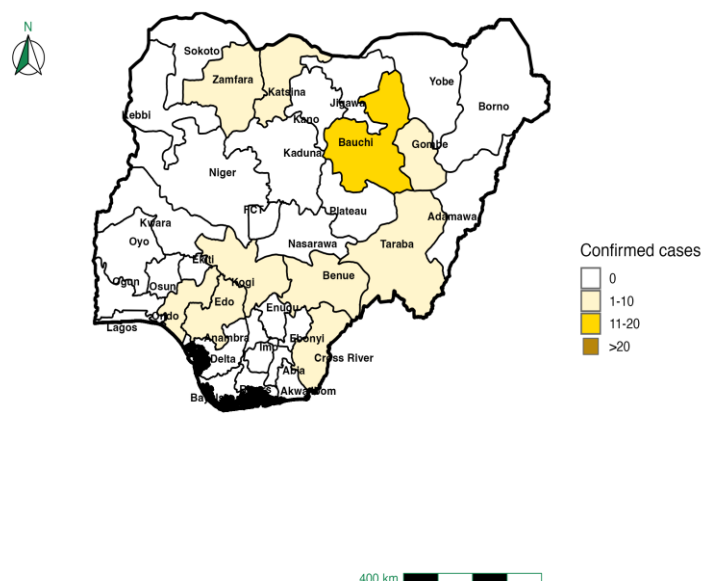


Figure 3: Confirmed cases of Lassa Fever by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 351 suspected cases of Lassa Fever reported from 99 LGAs in 30 states and FCT.
- There were 42 laboratory confirmed cases and seven deaths were recorded.
- No new healthcare worker was affected in the reporting week.

Actions

- National Lassa fever multi-partner, multi-sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate the preparedness and response activities at all levels.
- Active case search and contact tracing was conducted in high burden states in collaboration with the Research Triangle Institute (RTI) International through US CDC funding.

Table 4: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
48	0	10	State: 10 + FCT LGA: 21

Table 5: CSM Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	1076	34	133	12.4%
2026	303	0	33	10.9%

Figure 4: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of CSM by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

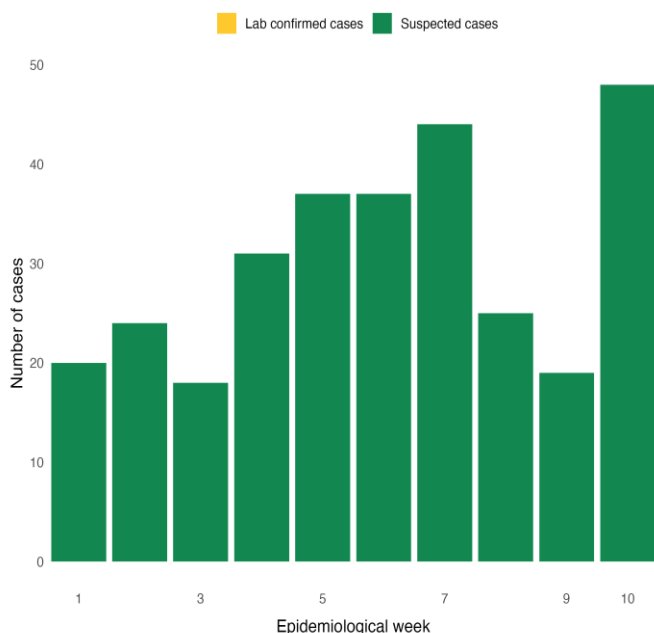
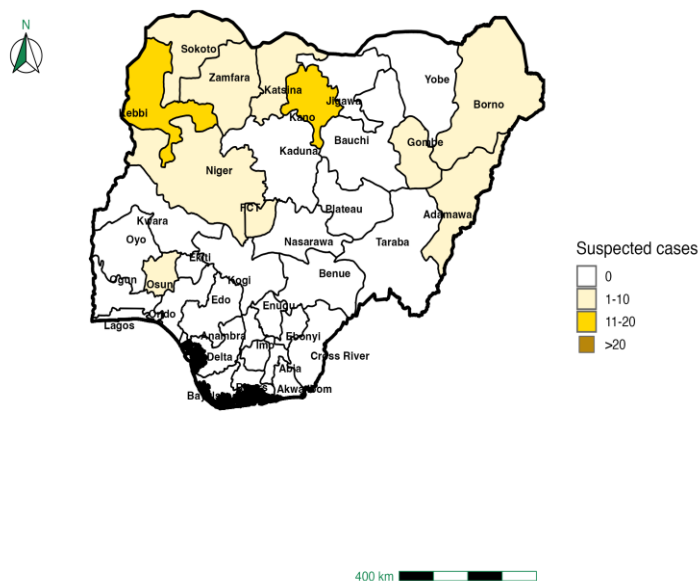


Figure 5: Suspected cases of CSM by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 48 suspected cases of Cerebrospinal Meningitis (CSM) reported from 21 LGAs in 10 states and FCT.
- There was no laboratory confirmed case and four deaths were recorded.

Actions

- National CSM multi-partner, multi-sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate the preparedness and response activities at all levels.
- Providing offsite/onsite support to states.

Yellow Fever

Table 6: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
35	1	0	State: 14 LGA: 26

Table 7: Yellow Fever Year to date (Week 1 – Week 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	567	0	5	0.9%
2026	303	4	0	0%

Figure 6: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Yellow Fever by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

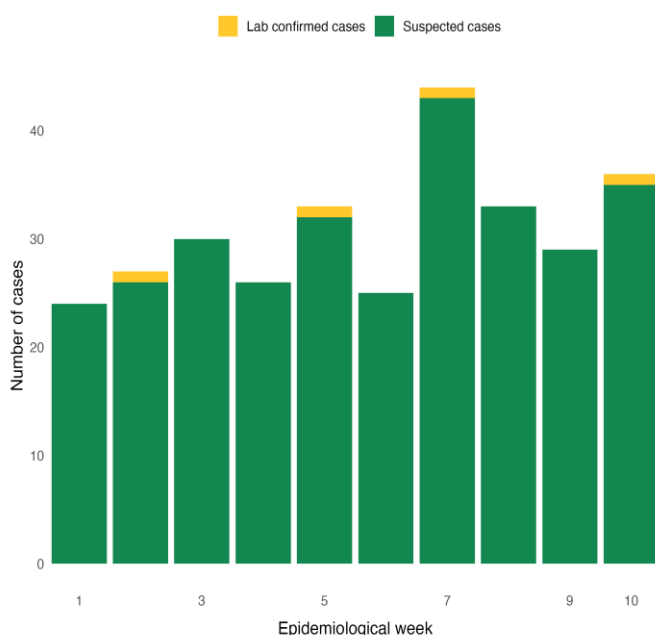
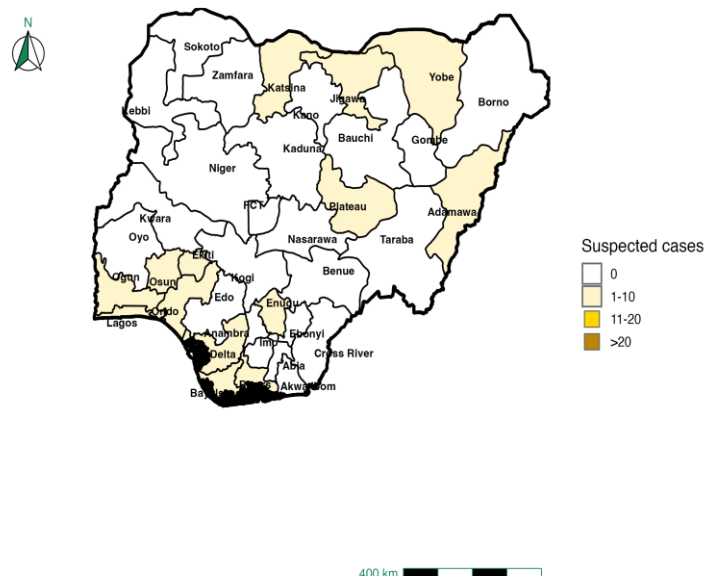


Figure 7: Suspected cases of Yellow Fever by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 35 suspected cases of Yellow Fever reported from 26 LGAs in 14 states.
- There was one laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

Actions

- National Yellow Fever multi-partner, multi-sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate the preparedness and response activities at all levels.
- Providing offsite/onsite support to states.
- Harmonisation of surveillance and laboratory data from across states and laboratories.

Cholera

Table 8: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
5	0	0	State: 4 LGA: 5

Table 9: Cholera Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	332	107	8	2.4%
2026	339	85	0	0%

Figure 8: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Cholera by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

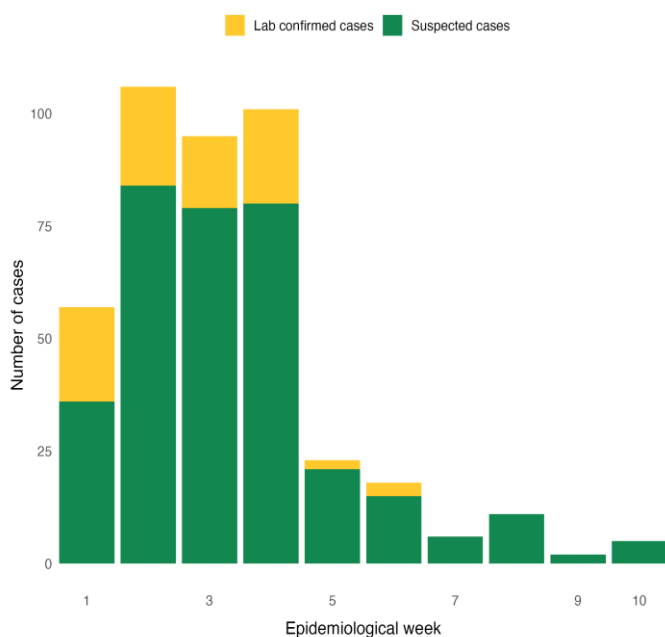
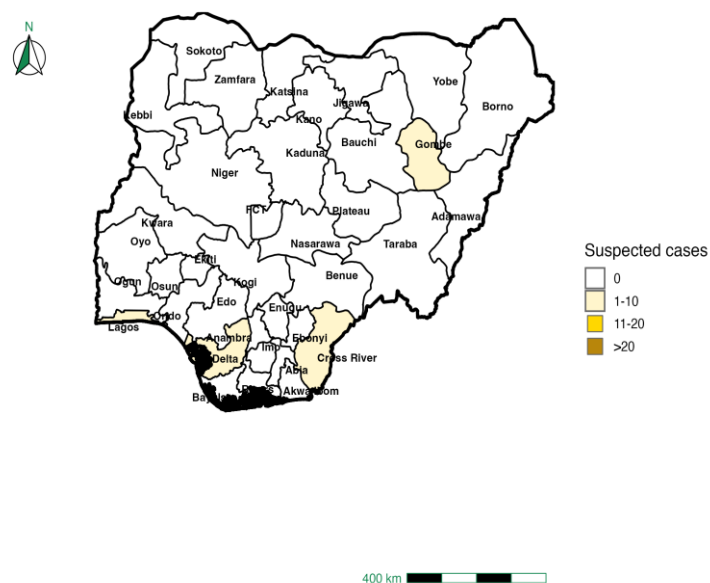


Figure 9: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Cholera, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

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

Actions

- National Cholera multi-partner, multi-sectoral Technical Working Group (TWG) continues to coordinate the preparedness and response activities at all levels.
- Biweekly EOC Meetings.
- Providing offsite/onsite support to states.

Table 10: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
137	132	0	State: 25 LGA: 80

Table 11: Measles Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	8965	5893	50	0.6%
2026	1550	1387	0	0%

Figure 10: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Measles by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

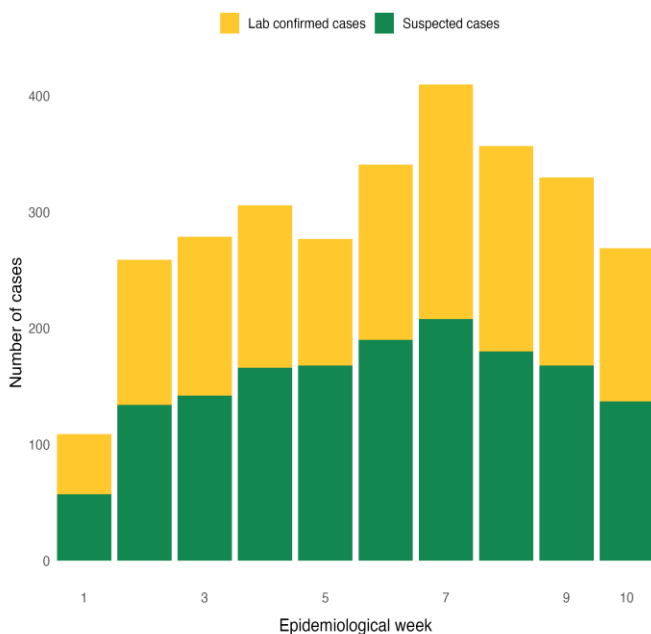
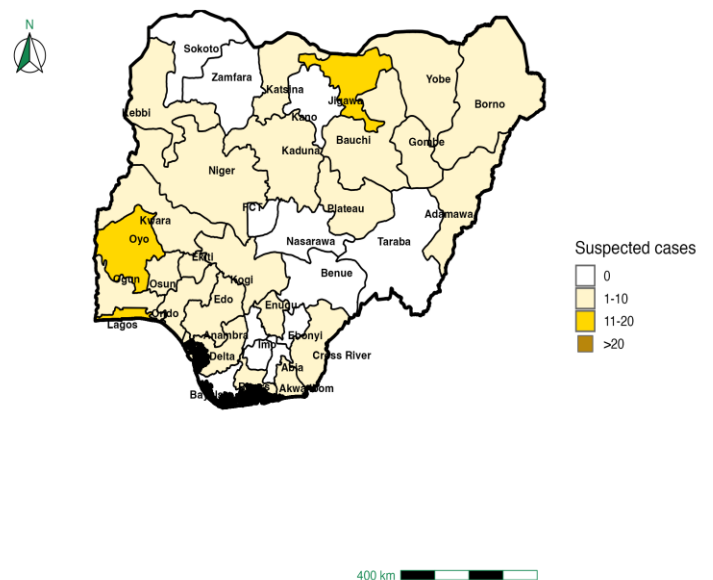


Figure 11: Suspected cases of Measles by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 137 suspected cases of Measles reported from 80 LGAs in 25 states.
- There were 132 confirmed cases and no death was recorded.

Actions

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

Mpox

Table 12: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
14	0	0	State: 8 LGA: 12

Table 13: Mpox Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	494	95	1	0.2%
2026	171	14	0	0%

Figure 12: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Mpox by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

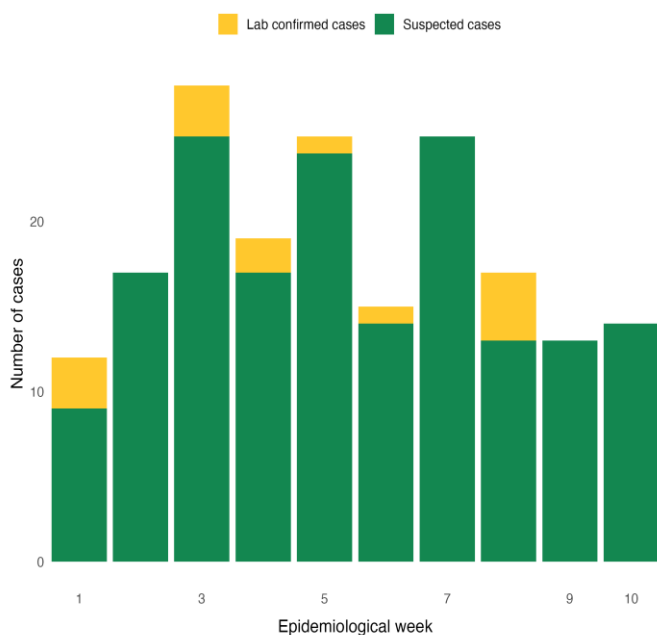
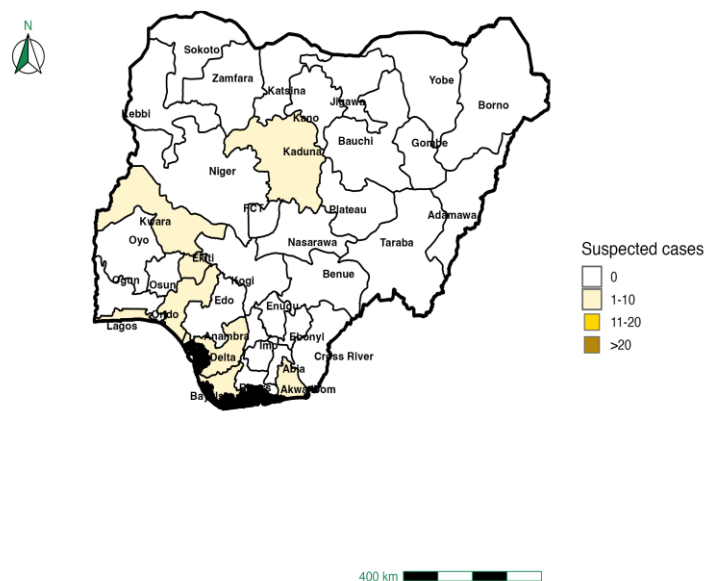


Figure 13: Suspected cases of Mpox by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 14 suspected cases of Mpox reported from 12 LGAs in eight states.
- There was no laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

Actions

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

Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)

Table 14: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Death(s)	Number of States and LGAs affected
0	0	0	State: 0 LGA: 0

Table 15: AFP Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Death(s)	CFR (%)
2025	2120	5	4	0.2%
2026	280	0	1	0.4%

Figure 14: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of AFP by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

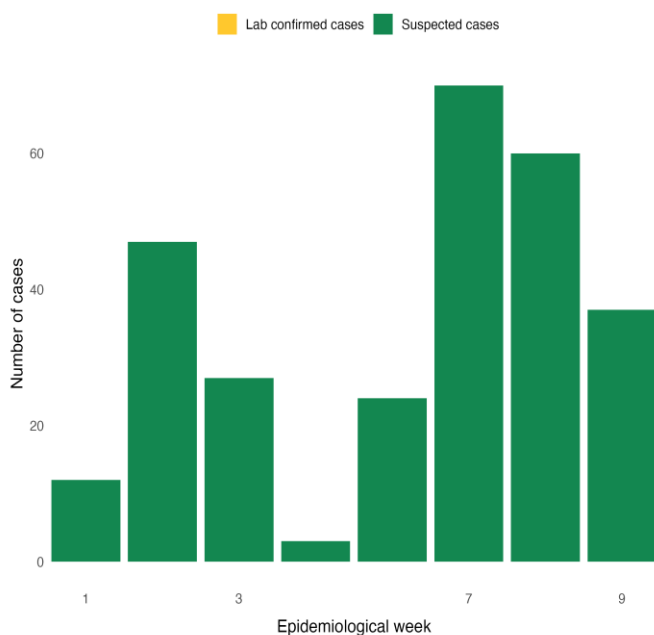
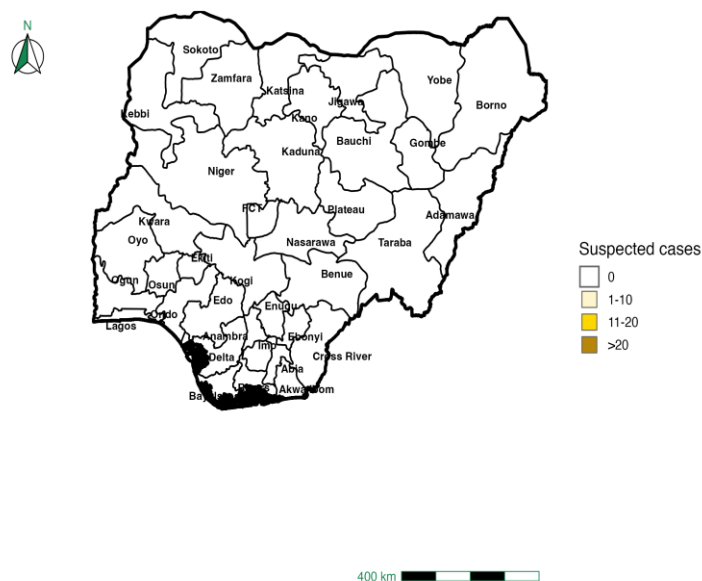


Figure 15: Suspected cases of AFP by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There was no case of Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) reported for the week.

Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Table 16: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
42	0	0	State: 5 + FCT LGA: 24

Table 17: COVID-19 Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	574	20	0	0%
2026	397	7	0	0%

Figure 16: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19 by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

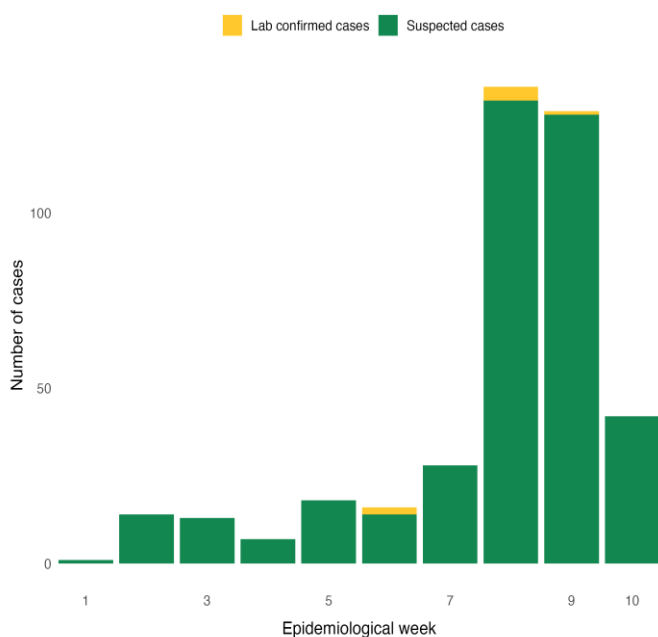
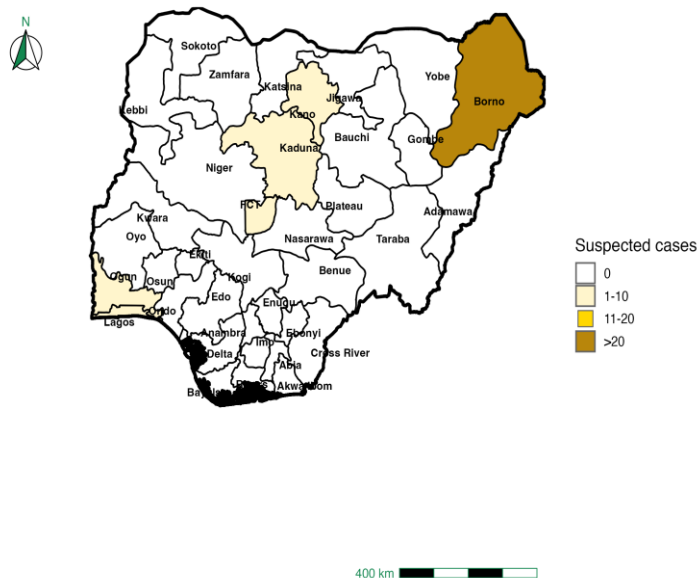


Figure 17: Suspected cases of COVID-19 by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 42 suspected cases of COVID-19 reported from seven LGAs in five states and FCT.
- There was no laboratory confirmed case and no death was recorded.

Actions

- 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 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	Number of States and LGAs affected
681	594	5	State: 13 + FCT LGA: 50

Table 19: Diphtheria Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Year	Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
2025	4147	2954	238	5.7%
2026	6166	5302	154	2.5%

Figure 18: Trend of suspected and confirmed cases of Diphtheria by epidemiological, Week 10, 2026

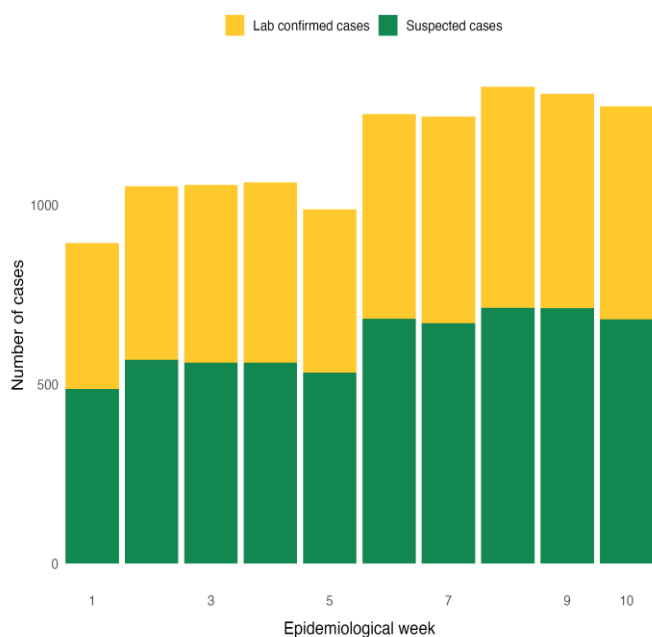
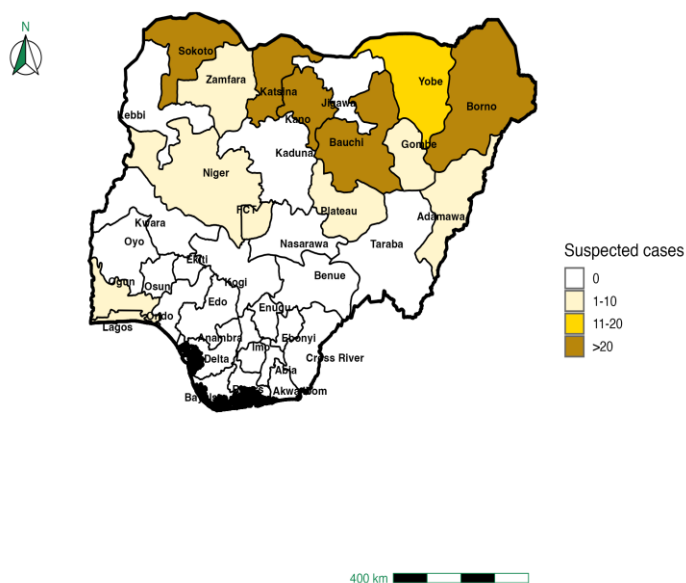


Figure 19: Suspected cases of Diphtheria by State, Nigeria, Week 10, 2026



Key Point

- There were 681 suspected cases of Diphtheria reported from 50 LGAs in 13 states and FCT.
- There were 594 confirmed cases and five deaths were recorded.

Actions

- National Diphtheria Technical Working Group (TWG) is monitoring activities in all states.
- Weekly EOC meeting.
- Provide technical and off-site support to states on case identification, reporting, and response, especially to non-reporting and low-burden states.

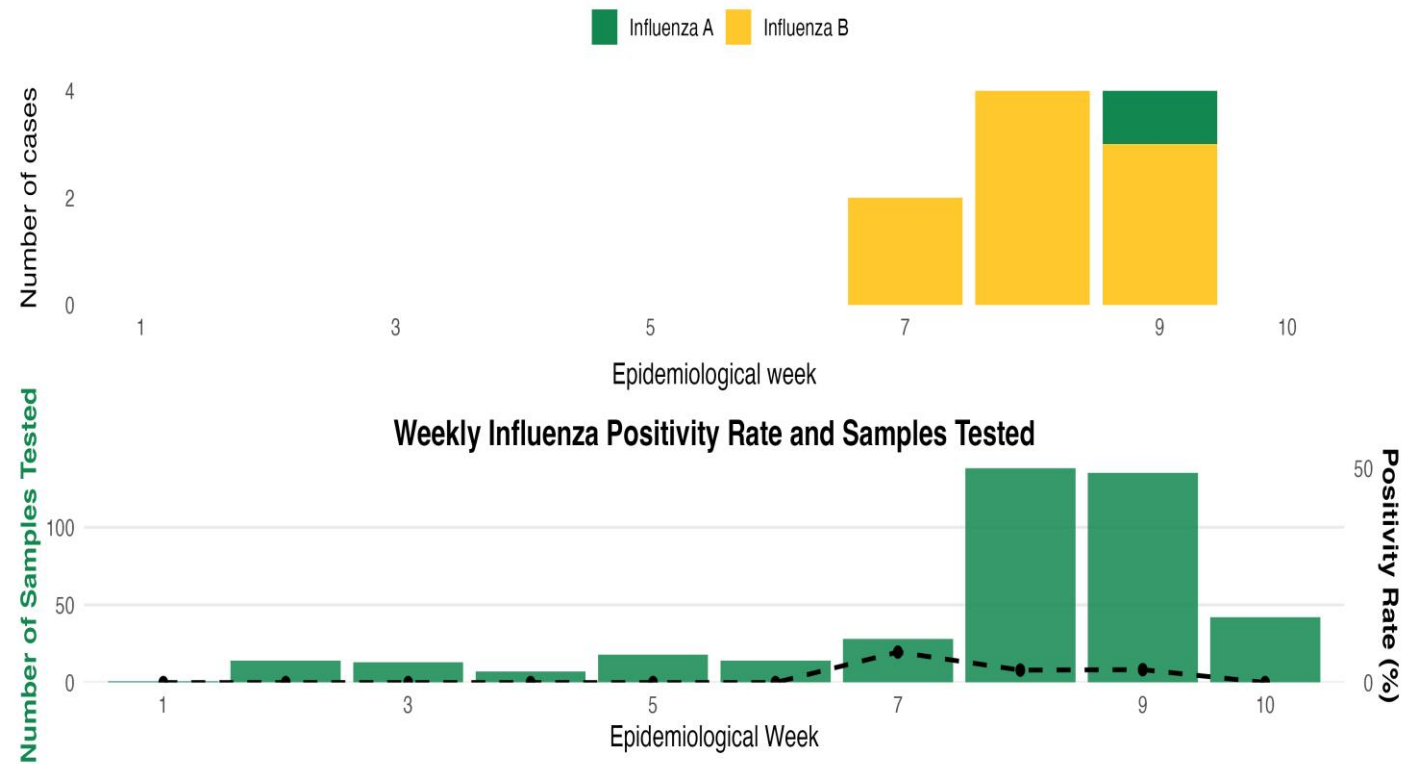
National Influenza Sentinel Surveillance

Table 20: Week 10

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Confirmed Case by type	
		Influenza A	Influenza B
42	0	0	0

Table 21: Year to date (Week 1 – 10, 2025/2026)

Suspected cases	Confirmed cases	Confirmed Case by type	
		Influenza A	Influenza B
410	10	1	9



Event-based Surveillance (EBS)

Key Point

Epi Week 10

- 159 Calls were successfully routed to agents and answered.
- Over 450 articles scanned through Epidemic Intelligence from Open Sources (EIOS) and other manual sources.
- From the calls, EIOS, and other manual sources, six signals were picked.

Cumulatively, Week 1 - 10

- 2,690 calls were successfully routed to agents and answered.
- 38 Signals picked and escalated.

Figure 21: Number of signals/events per week, 2026.

