HIGHLIGHTS

- In the reporting Week 30 (July 23-29, 2018) five new confirmed cases were reported from Edo(4) and Ondo(1), with one new death from Edo.
- From 1st January to 29th July 2018, a total of 2291 suspected cases have been reported from 21 states. Of these, 472 were confirmed positive, 10 are probable, 1809 negative (not a case).
- Since the onset of the 2018 outbreak, there have been 121 deaths in confirmed cases and 10 in probable cases. Case Fatality Rate in confirmed cases is 25.6% - Table 1
- 21 states have recorded at least one confirmed case across 71 Local Government Areas (Edo, Ondo, Bauchi, Nasarawa, Ebonyi, Anambra, Benue, Kogi, Imo, Plateau, Lagos, Taraba, Delta, Osun, Rivers, FCT, Gombe, Ekiti, Kaduna, Abia and Adamawa). Seventeen states have exited the active phase of the outbreak while two - Edo and Ondo States remain active - Table 1/ Figure 1
- In the reporting week 30, no new healthcare worker was infected. Thirty-nine health care workers have been affected since the onset of the outbreak in seven states – Ebonyi (16), Edo (14), Ondo (4), Kogi (2), Nasarawa (1), Taraba (1) and Abia (1) with ten deaths in Ebonyi (6), Kogi (1), Abia (1), Ondo (1) and Edo (1)
- 82% of all confirmed cases are from Edo (44%), Ondo (24%) and Ebonyi (14%) states
- Seven patients are currently being managed at treatment Centres – five at Irrua Specialist Teaching Hospital (ISTH) and two at the Federal Medical Centre Owo treatment Centre - Table 1
- A total of 6262 contacts have been identified from 21 states. Of these 316(5.0%) are currently being followed up, 5848 (93.4%) have completed 21 days follow up while 10(0.2%) were lost to follow up. 88 (1.4%) symptomatic contacts have been identified, of which 30 (34%) have tested positive from five states (Edo-14, Ondo-8, Ebonyi-3, Kogi -3 Bauchi-1 and Adamawa-1) - Table 1
- First Lassa fever international conference Local Organizing committee inaugurated
  - Conference Theme - 50 years of Lassa fever: rising to the challenge
- Lassa fever national multi-partner, multi-agency Technical Working Group(TWG) continues to coordinate response activities at all levels
Figure 1. Distribution of Confirmed Lassa Fever cases in Nigeria as at 29th July, 2018

Figure 2. Distribution of Suspected and Confirmed Lassa Fever cases in Nigeria by LGA
Figure 3. Epicurve of Lassa fever Confirmed (467) and Probable (10) Cases in Nigeria week 1-30, 2018

Figure 4. Weekly trends of Lassa fever Confirmed Cases in Nigeria, 2016-2018/30
Figure 5. Confirmed Lassa fever cases in Nigeria with state specific Case Fatality Rates (CFR) as at 29th July, 2018

**Suspected case describes any individual presenting with one or more of the following: malaise, fever, headache, sore throat, cough, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, myalgia, chest pain, hearing loss and either a. History of contact with excreta or urine of rodents b. History of contact with a probable or confirmed Lassa fever case within a period of 21 days of onset of symptoms OR Any person with inexplicable bleeding/hemorrhagia.**

**Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation)**

**Any suspected case (see definition above) who died without collection of specimen for laboratory testing**

**“Active” means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure**

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