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Highlights

- In the current Lassa Fever outbreak, seventeen (17) States (Ogun, Bauchi, Plateau, Ebonyi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa, Rivers, Kaduna, Gombe, Cross-River, Borno, Kano, Kogi, Enugu and Anambra) have reported at least one confirmed case – Figure 1.
- As at week 27 (July 1-7, 2017), the outbreak is active\(^1\) in 5 states (Anambra, Rivers, Ondo, Edo and Plateau). Taraba and Bauchi states have completed 42 days follow-up (two incubation periods) with no new confirmed case reported and the outbreak is over in these states.
- Since the onset of LF outbreak in Dec. 2016 (Week 49), a total of 210 cases have been classified as: confirmed\(^{ii}\) (196) and probable\(^{iii}\) (14) with 77 deaths (63 deaths in confirmed and 14 in probable) recorded.
- Case Fatality Rate in confirmed and probable cases is 36.7% and 19.9% for all cases (including probable, confirmed and suspected).
- In the reporting Week 27 (July 1-7, 2017), 13 new suspected cases were reported in Plateau (5) and Ondo (8) states. Five (5) new confirmed cases were reported in Ondo (2) and Plateau (3) states. Two (2) confirmed deaths were recorded in Ondo (1) and Plateau (1) states. Results of three (3) pending samples from Bauchi (2) and Plateau (1) states came out negative.
- There are seven (7) pending results for suspected cases in Ondo state.

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\(^{i}\) “Active” means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure

\(^{ii}\) Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation).

\(^{iii}\) Any suspected case (see definition above) but who died without collection of specimen for laboratory testing

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**Figure 1.** States with Confirmed and Probable cases as at July 1, 2017

**Figure 2.** Confirmed and Probable cases of Lassa fever by epidemiological week in Nigeria - Dec. 2016 to July 2017 (updated as at July 7, 2017), N = 210

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