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Highlights

- In the current Lassa Fever outbreak, sixteen (16) States (Ogun, Bauchi, Plateau, Ebonyi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa, Rivers, Kaduna, Gombe, Cross-River, Borno, Kano, Kogi and Enugu) have reported at least one confirmed case – Figure 1.

- As at week 15 (April 8-14, 2017), the outbreak is active in 13 states (Bauchi, Plateau, Ebonyi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa, Kaduna, Gombe, Borno, Kano, Kogi and Enugu). Cross River State has completed 42 days (two incubation periods) with no new confirmed case reported and the outbreak is over in the State.

- Since the onset of LF outbreak in Dec. 2016 (Week 49), a total of 159 cases have been classified as: confirmed (144) and probable (15) with 66 deaths (51 deaths in confirmed and 15 in probable) recorded.

- Case Fatality Rate in confirmed and probable cases is 41.5% and 18.3% for all cases (including probable, confirmed and suspected).

- In the reporting Week 15 (April 8-14, 2017), three (3) new suspected cases were reported in Kano (1) and Bauchi (2) States with nine (9) new laboratory confirmed cases reported in 7 States-Nasarawa (1), Edo (2), Ondo (1), Bauchi (1), Kaduna (1), Kano (2) and Enugu (1).

Figure 1. States with Confirmed and Probable cases as at April 14, 2017

Figure 2. Confirmed and Probable cases of Lassa fever by epidemiological week in Nigeria - Dec. 2016 to April. 2017 (updated as at April.14 2017), N = 159

1 “Active” means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure
2 Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation).
3 Any suspected case (see definition above) but who died without collection of specimen for laboratory testing

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