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**China: Confirmed 18 H7N9 human cases since November 2014**

There were a total of 18 confirmed H7N9 human cases with 5 deaths were reported from:

- Fujian
  - A 27-year-old man from Fuzhou City, Fujian Province who developed symptoms on 26 November. He was admitted to hospital on 1 December and is in severe condition. [read more](#)
- Guangdong
  - A 31-year-old woman from Dongguan City, Guangdong Province who developed symptoms on 22 November. She was admitted to hospital on 25 November and is now in severe condition.
  - A 66-year-old man from Meizhou City, Guangdong Province who developed symptoms on 25 November. He was admitted to hospital on 27 November but died on 3 December. [read more](#)
  - A 35-year-old woman from Longhua New District, Shenzhen was hospitalised and is in critical condition. This is the first case in the city. [read more](#)
- Hong Kong
  - A 68-year-old woman from Hong Kong with travel history who developed symptoms on 19 December and is in critical condition. [read more](#)
- Jiangsu
  - A 75-year-old man from Yancheng City, Jiangsu Province who developed symptoms on 11 November. He was admitted to hospital on 14 November but died on 25. [read more](#)
- Shanghai
  - A 38-year-old man from Minghang District, Shanghai City who developed symptoms on 28 November. He was admitted to hospital on 1 December and in severe condition. [read more](#)
- Xinjiang
  - A 68-year-old man from Urumqi City, Xinjiang who developed symptoms on 14 November. He was admitted to hospital on 21 November but died on 24 November.
  - A 45-year-old man from Shihezi City, Xinjiang who developed symptoms on 15 November. He was admitted to hospital on 19 November but died on 27 November.
  - An 81-year-old woman from Urumqi City, Xinjiang who developed symptoms on 24 November. She was admitted to hospital on 27 November but died on 1 December.
  - A 65-year-old man from Changji Hui Prefecture, Xinjiang who developed symptoms on 1 December. He was admitted to hospital on 1 December and is now in severe condition. [read more](#)
- Zhejiang

- A 59-year-old woman from Jiaxing City, Zhejiang Province who developed symptoms on 17 November. She was admitted to hospital on 22 November and is now in severe condition.
- A 36-year-old man from Jinhua City, Zhejiang Province who developed symptoms on 26 November. He did not require hospitalization and is now in mild condition. [read more](#)
- A 20-year-old woman from Anchang, Keqiao, Shaoxing, Zhejiang is in critical condition. [read more](#)
- A 57-year-old man from Shizhu, Yongkang, Zhejiang in hospital for treatment. [read more](#)
- A 75-year-old man from Zhoushan, Yongkang, Zhejiang in hospital for treatment. [read more](#)
- A 33-year-old woman from Dongcheng, Taizhou, Zhejiang in hospital for treatment. [read more](#)

### **China: Confirmed H5N6 in a human**

The National Health and Family Planning Commission (NHFPC) of China notified WHO on 23 December 2014 of 1 laboratory-confirmed case of human infection with avian influenza A(H5N6) virus. The patient was a 58-year-old male from Guangzhou city, Guangdong Province who developed symptoms on 4 December. He was admitted to hospital on 9 and is now in critical condition. The patient has history of exposure to live poultry. [read more](#)

### **China: Civet dies from rabies in Pingtung, Taiwan**

A masked palm civet which died in an animal hospital in Pingtung County Dec. 24 was confirmed to have contracted rabies Monday. It was the first case that a local civet was found to have the lethal disease. The wild civet was sent to the hospital after it was found to be sick Dec. 23. [read more](#)

### **China: Hong Kong reports Streptococcus suis infection case**

On December 17, 2014, the Hong Kong CHP recorded a case of Streptococcus suis infection affecting a 79-year-old woman with underlying illnesses. She presented with joint pain, abdominal pain and vomiting since December 7. She was admitted to a public hospital on December 10. Blood culture taken on December 11 grew Streptococcus suis. She was treated with intravenous antibiotics. Her condition was stable. She had handled raw pork for cooking at home. She had no recent travel history and her home contact was asymptomatic. [read more](#)

### **China: Hong Kong suspected MERS case in a human**

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health (DH) is today (December 27) investigating a suspected case of Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) affecting a 32-year-old woman. The patient, with good past health, developed fever, sore throat, runny nose, cough and blood-stained sputum since December 17. She attended the Accident and Emergency Department of North Lantau Hospital today for management and was subsequently transferred to Princess Margaret Hospital for isolation and treatment. She has been in stable condition. [read more](#)

### **China: Confirmed FMD serotype A in Tibet**

The China Animal Disease Control Centre, Veterinary Bureau reported an outbreak caused by

FMDV serotype A in backyard cattle in Qushui village, Qushui, Lasa, Tibet to OIE on 25 December 2014. There were 17 cattle affected, which led to destroy a total of 86 cattle. [read more](#)

#### **China: Confirmed LPAI H5 in Taiwan**

Animal Technology Institute Taiwan reported an outbreak of LPAI H5 in a duck breeder farm in Jiaoxi Township, Yilan County, Taiwan to OIE on 26 December 2014. [read more](#)

#### **Japan: Confirmed 3 H5N8 outbreaks in domestic and wild birds**

The Animal Health Division reported 3 outbreaks of H5N8 to OIE:

- An outbreak in a broiler farm in Miyazaki-shi, Takaoka-cho, Miyazaki, which led to destroy 42,000 poultry. [read more](#)
- An outbreak in mandarin duck in Kani-shi, Gifu. A dead mandarin duck was found and tested positive for H5N8.
- An outbreak in hooded crane in Izumi-shi, Kagoshima. A dead mandarin duck was found and tested positive for H5N8. [read more](#)

#### **Republic of Korea: Reported additional case of FMD**

South Korea reported an additional case of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) Sunday, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to six since the first case was reported earlier in the month. The new case was confirmed at two pig farms in Cheongju, 137 kilometers south of Seoul in North Chungcheong Province, according to the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. [read more](#)

#### **Malaysia: Form Three student with leptospirosis warded in ICU**

A 15-year-old student who went for a bath in Sungai Perik in Kuala Nerang a week ago is now in critical condition after being infected with leptospirosis. Fahmi Abd Razak, a Form Three student from SMK Kuala Nerang, has been warded at the intensive care unit of Sultanah Bahiyah Hospital since Monday. His sister Rahimah Abd Razak, 25, said Fahmi had mild fever a week ago and it became serious last Saturday. [read more](#)

#### **Malaysia: Dengue victim diagnosed as leptospirosis positive**

A 12-year-old boy who died here Monday of dengue fever was also positive for leptospirosis or rat urine disease said Malacca Hospital director Za'aba Baba yesterday. Umar Abd Qayyum Yassir Arafat of Tampin, Negeri Sembilan died in the hospital at 6.12pm after being admitted at 10.15pm Sunday. [read more](#)

#### **Malaysia: Negri bans activities at parks to contain leptospirosis**

Visitors to forest recreational parks in Negeri Sembilan, especially near rivers and waterfalls, will not be allowed to be involved in any kind of activity. State Education and Health committee chairman Shamshulkahar Mohd Deli said the decision to restrict visitors to parks was to control the spread of leptospirosis in Negeri Sembilan. "Visitors can still go for picnics and swim in the pools or rivers but camping is forbidden to avoid rubbish that can attract rats which are known to cause leptospirosis," he told Bernama yesterday. [read more](#)

## **Pakistan: Karachi hit by FMD**

In the city, 954 outbreaks of the disease were recorded out of the total 1,119 and 2,591 outbreaks that have been reported from across Sindh and the rest of the country, respectively. This is the third year in a row with outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease being recorded under a surveillance project, Progressive Control of Food and Mouth Disease in Pakistan, funded by the US agriculture department. The project is being implemented by the provincial and regional livestock departments, national veterinary laboratory and animal husbandry commissioner in collaboration with the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation. [read more](#)