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DIRECTION GENERALE DE LUTTE CONTRE LA MALADIE

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION

EVOLUTION OF THE EBOLA EPIDEMIC IN THE PROVINCES OF NORTH KIVU AND ITURI

Wednesday, July 17, 2019

The epidemiological situation of the Ebola Virus Disease dated 16 July 2019 :

- Since the beginning of the epidemic, the cumulative number of cases is **2,522, 2,428 confirmed and 94 probable. In total, there were 1,698 deaths (1,604 confirmed and 94 probable) and 717 people cured.**
- 374 suspected cases under investigation;
- 10 new confirmed cases, including 6 in Beni, 2 in Mabalako, 1 in Katwa and 1 in Mangurujipa;
- 10 new confirmed cases deaths:
 - 5 community deaths, including 3 in Beni, 1 in Mabalako and 1 in Mangurujipa;
 - 5 deaths at CTE / CT including 4 in Beni and 1 in Katwa;
- 7 people cured out of CTE Mabalako;
- No health workers are among the newly confirmed cases. The cumulative number of confirmed / probable cases among health workers is 136 (5% of all confirmed /

Deaths and cures data recorded in CTEs for the period 9-11 July 2019 are now available and have been added to the summary table.

- In total, 12 deaths were recorded in CTEs during this period:
 - 7 deaths at the CTE de Beni
 - 3 deaths at Butembo CTE
 - 2 deaths at Katwa CTE
- In total, 7 cures were discharged from CTE during this period:
 - 5 cured at Butembo CTE
 - 1 cured at the CTE of Beni
 - 1 cured at Katwa CTE

SITUATION EPIDEMIOLOGIQUE MALADIE A VIRUS EBOLA (16/07/2019)							
PROVINCES	ZONES DE SANTE	Cumul des cas			Décès		Cas suspects
		Cas confirmés	Cas probables	TOTAL	Cas confirmés	TOTAL	
Nord-Kivu	Alimbongo	4	0	4	2	2	1
	Beni	481	9	490	307	316	61
	Biena	15	1	16	12	13	17
	Butembo	255	0	255	293	293	33
	Goma	1	0	1	1	1	18
	Kalunguta	128	15	143	54	69	21
	Katwa	621	16	637	428	444	36
	Kayna	9	0	9	5	5	4
	Kyondo	22	2	24	13	15	18
	Lubero	28	2	30	4	6	15
	Mabalako	349	16	365	241	257	24
	Mangurujipa	20	0	20	12	12	15
	Masereka	47	6	53	15	21	3
	Musienene	71	1	72	29	30	33
	Mutwanga	11	0	11	6	6	16
	Oicha	45	0	45	24	24	13
	Vuhovi	91	13	104	33	46	4
Ituri	Ariwara	1	0	1	1	1	1
	Bunia	4	0	4	4	4	13
	Komanda	32	9	41	13	22	10
	Mambasa	1	0	1	1	1	6
	Mandima	181	4	185	100	104	9
	Nyankunde	1	0	1	1	1	0
	Rwampara	8	0	8	3	3	3
	Tchomia	2	0	2	2	2	0
TOTAL		2428	94	2522	1604	1698	374

!! \ The data presented in this table are subject to change later, after extensive investigations and after redistribution of cases and deaths in their health areas .

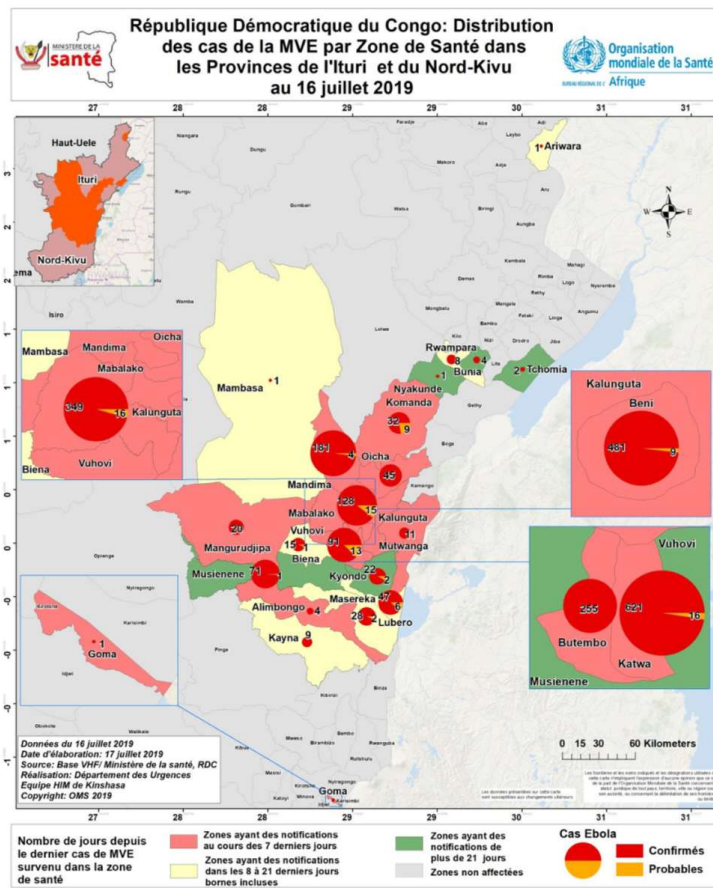
Remarks:

- In order to prevent the total number of cases from going up or down daily, the suspect cases have been placed in a separate category. For example, suspect cases with positive laboratory tests will be added to the confirmed category, while negative ones (non-cases) will be removed from the table.
- Deaths occurring at the level of the CTEs are provisionally recorded in the health zones of CTE implantation pending reclassification in the health zone of case notification.

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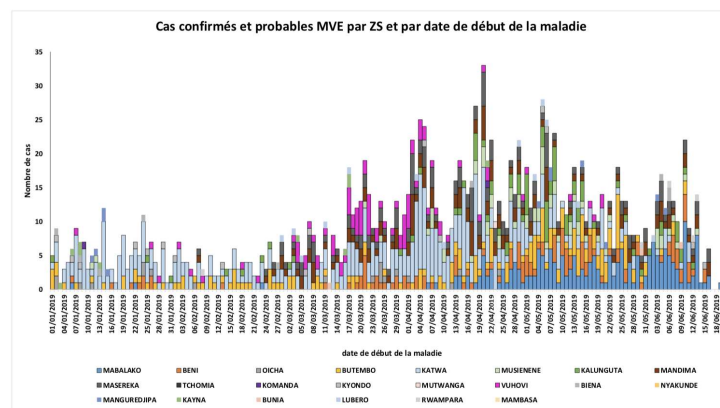
revealed an epidemiological link with a confirmed or probable case.

- A **community death** is any death occurring outside of an Ebola Treatment Center.



Distribution of Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Cases by Health Zone in the Provinces of Ituri and North Kivu as of 16 July 2019

Epidemiological curve since January 2019

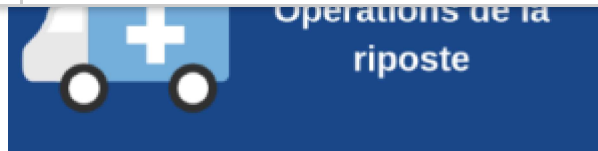


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Statement Ebola outbreak in DRC as a health emergency of international concern

- Following the recommendations of the international expert committee, WHO declared on Wednesday, July 17, 2019, that the Ebola epidemic in the DRC was a health emergency of international concern.
- The Ministry of Health accepts the evaluation of the expert committee. The ministry hopes that this decision is not the result of the many pressures from different stakeholder groups who wanted to use this statement as an opportunity to raise funds for humanitarian actors despite the potentially harmful and unforeseen consequences for the affected communities that depend on them. greatly from cross-border trade for their survival.
- While the Government continues to openly share with partners and donors how it uses the funds received, we hope that there will be greater transparency and accountability of humanitarian actors in their use of funds to respond. to this Ebola outbreak.
- The Ebola epidemic is above all a public health crisis that requires a response by actors with real technical expertise. However, the main difficulty is that this epidemic occurs in an environment characterized by problems of development and shortcomings of the health system.
- Furthermore, we regret that after spending almost a year in this epidemic, certain groups of people in the community continue to adopt irresponsible behavior that causes the geographical spread of the virus. It is important to remember that in the cases of Goma and Uganda, the patients knew that they were at risk but refused to respect the health recommendations and deliberately traveled to another area. The Government will consider what steps need to be taken to prevent these high-risk groups from continuing to spread the epidemic in the region.

Follow-up of the situation of the pastor's contacts who traveled to Goma

- Vaccination around the confirmed Goma case continues at the Afia Himbi Health Center in the Goma Health Zone. All contacts in the city were found in less than 72 hours, including the motorcycle taxi driver that the pastor had used to get to the health center. The response teams from Beni and Butembo continue the investigations to trace the pastor's journey and identify his contacts in these two cities.

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Nothing to report

FIGURES OF THE RESPONSE



**164,757 Vaccinated
persons**

- The only vaccine to be used in this outbreak is the rVSV-ZEBOV vaccine, manufactured by the pharmaceutical group Merck, following approval by the Ethics Committee in its decision of 19 May 2018.



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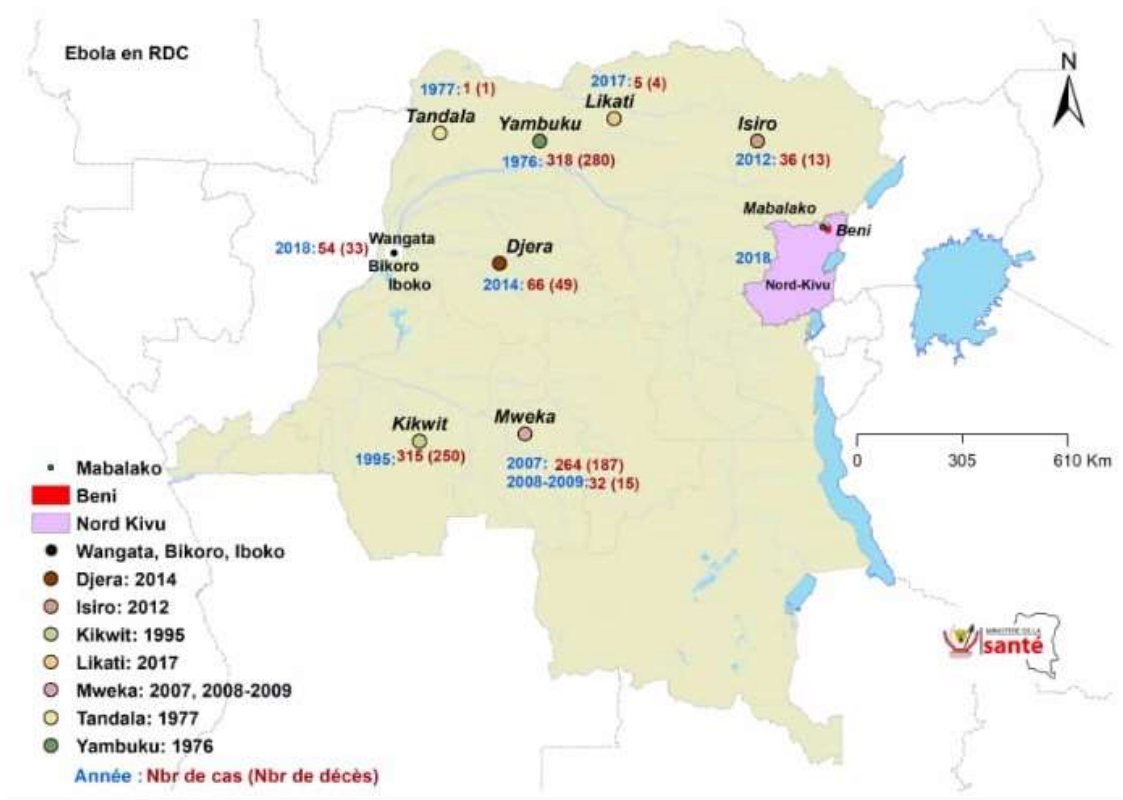


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- 80 entry points (PoE) and operational health checkpoints (PoC).
- The cumulative number of confirmed / probable cases among health workers is 136 (5% of all confirmed / probable cases), including 41 deaths.

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