WEEKLY CHOLERA/AWD SITUATION REPORT - SOMALIA

Epidemiological Week 25 (19-25 June 2023)

World Health Organization Somalia

Highlights

- Somalia has had uninterrupted cholera transmission in 28 drought- affected districts since 2022 and in Banadir region since the drought period of 2017.
- During week 25, 367 new suspected cases with no associated death were reported from 28 drought-affected districts. The number of cholera cases reported in all districts increased by 18% and by two-fold in Dolow over the past two weeks. (Table 1).
- Since epidemiological week 1 of 2023, a total of 10446 suspected cases of cholera including 29 associated deaths (CFR 0.3%) were reported from 28 districts of Somalia.
- The overall case fatality rate (CFR) of 0.3% reported from 28 drought-affected districts is below the emergency threshold of ≥1%.
- Since epidemiological week 1, 2023 a cumulative attack rate (CAR) of 245 cases per 100 000 population was reported. Belethawa (2605 cases per 100,000), Afmadow (1036 cases per 100,000, Dolow (1142 cases per 100,000) and Luuq (494 cases per 100,000) have reported the highest CAR amongst all the affected districts (Table 2).
- Of the 1191 stool samples collected since epidemiological week 1 of 2023, 26 (2.2%) stool samples were tested positive for Vibrio cholerae 01 serotype Ogawa.
- WHO and health partners have scaled up implementation of cholera response interventions in drought affected districts focussing on Jubaland state which is the current epicentre of the current outbreak.

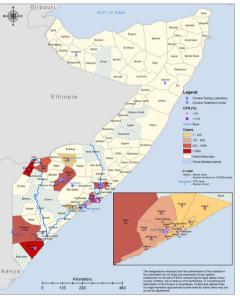
Table 1: suspected cholera cases, deaths and case fatality rate reported in week 24-25 and cumulative cases from week 1-25,2023

District/ Region	Outbreak start date	Week 24			Week 25			Cumulative (wk1-25) 2023		
		Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
Banadir	October, 2017	48	0	0.0	46	0	0.0	1852	0	0.0
Afgoye	October, 2022	40	1	2.5	38	0	0.0	944	3	0.3
Baidoa	January, 2022	48	0	0.0	46	0	0.0	771	3	0.4
Kurtunwarey	June, 2022	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	30	0	0.0
Merka	March, 2022	12	0	0.0	11	0	0.0	311	0	0.0
Hudur	May, 2022	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	66	0	0.0
Jowhar	April, 2022	28	0	0.0	32	0	0.0	575	0	0.0
Kismayo	September,2022	34	0	0.0	50	0	0.0	1392	2	0.1
Afmadow	December,2022	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	899	7	0.8
Belethawo	February,2023	83	0	0.0	86	0	0.0	2466	10	0.4
Luq	April,2023	3	0	0.0	10	0	0.0	629	2	0.3
Dolow	April,2023	15	0	0.0	48	0	0.0	511	2	0.4
Total		311	1	0.3	367	0	0.0	10446	29	0.3

Figure 1: Epidemiological curve for cholera cases and deaths in Somalia 2022-2023



Map 1. Number of reported cholera cases and case fatality rate by district, epidemiological week 1-25 2023



Summary Statistics

New cases in Week 25 (19-25 June 2023)

367 new cases

178 (48.5%) are children below 5 years

178 (48.5%) are female

Cumulative cases Week 1-25 (2 January to 25 June 2023)

10 446 cumulative cases

5712 (54.7%) are children below 5 years

5361 (51.3%) are female

4879 (46.7%) are severe cases

29 cholera-associated deaths (CFR 0.3%)

20 (68.9%) deaths are children under 5 years

Table 2: Reported cholera cases, deaths, Case Fatality Rates (CFR) and Cumulative attack rates by districts (week 1-25)(2 January to 25th June 2023)

State/region	Number	District	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)	Population	Attack Rate (per 100 000 population)
Banadir	1	Abdul Aziz	6	0	0	51 040	12
	2	Bondere	18	0	0	140 872	13
	3	Danyile	457	0	0	75 499	605
	4	Dharkenly	278	0	0	62 968	441
	5	Hamar Jabjab	68	0	0	83 706	81
	6	Hamar Weyn	7	0	0	99 783	7
	7	Hawl Wadag	47	0	0	90 118	52
	8	Heliwa	28	0	0	100 038	28
	9	Hodan	284	0	0	164 941	172
	10	Kahda	130	0	0	31 455	413
	11	Karan	67	0	0	283 781	24
	12	Shangani	6	0	0	56 143	11
	13	Shibis	8	0	0	183 743	4
	14	Waberi	33	0	0	117 189	28
	15	Wadajir	271	0	0	115 451	235
	16	Wardegley	55	0	0	123 536	45
	17	Yaqshid	43	0	0	296 031	15
SouthWest	18	Afgoye	906	3	0.3	228 291	397
	19	Baidoa	725	3	0.4	385 120	188
	20	Kurtunwarey	30	0	0	110 661	27
	21	Hudur	66	0	0	157 336	42
	22	Merka	300	0	0	326 240	92
Hirshabelle	23	Jowhar	543	0	0	368 661	147
Jubaland	24	Kismayo	1342	2	0.1	281 817	476
	25	Afmadow	899	7	0.8	86 800	1036
	26	Belethawo	2380	10	0.4	94 672	2514
	27	Luq	619	2	0.3	105 921	584
	28	Dolow	463	2	0.4	44 757	1034
Total			10 079	29	0.3	4 266 569	236

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