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Summary

Kansas City is one of 11 U.S. cities hosting FIFA World Cup 2026™ matches, creating opportunity for disease importation from visitors arriving from across the country and world. National teams from Argentina, Algeria, Netherlands, and England are among those competing in Kansas City. The first local match was played on June 16, at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, MO. Both teams are now traveling to their next match; Argentina to Arlington, TX (vs. Austria) and Algeria to Santa Clara, CA (vs. Jordan). Both matches will be played on June 22. The next Kansas City match takes place on June 20, when Ecuador plays Curaçao, both teams coming off opening losses (Ecuador to Ivory Coast in Philadelphia; Curaçao to Germany in Houston).

To provide situational awareness, the newest edition of the Weekly Domestic and International Infectious Disease Report is now available, please access this newly released report:

<https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/1508/Travel-Health>.

United States High Priority: Mpox

Mpox remains a top infectious disease concern. In the last 30 days, cases of clade II continue to be reported in the United States. There are now 11 states reporting cases with New Mexico now reporting one case.

United States Medium Priority: Hepatitis A

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration updated a safety alert on June 8, 2026, for Hepatitis A Virus contamination of La Serranita brand concha negra (black shell) frozen shell meat from Ecuador. The shell meat was distributed to restaurants in Pennsylvania and in other states.

Global High Priority: Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever

As of June 15, 2026, one confirmed case of Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) has been reported in the Salamanca province, Spain in a patient reporting a tick bite.

CCHF cases in Iraq are continuing to increase with 152 confirmed cases and nine deaths as of June 11, 2026. Most cases are concentrated in the Dhi Qar region with many attributing this surge to livestock slaughter during “Eid al-Adha”.

Global High Priority: Ebola

A large Ebola outbreak caused by the Bundibugyo virus continues in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). As of June 15, 2026, the DRC has reported 837 confirmed cases and 196 deaths. That is a one-week increase of 239 confirmed cases, and 81 deaths in one week. Uganda is still reporting 19 confirmed cases, two confirmed deaths and one probable death. There have been no new cases or deaths in Uganda since June 5, 2026, but many people are still being monitored for disease.

Medium Priority: Chikungunya, Dengue, and Yellow Fever in Central and South America

As of the week ending June 6, 2026, Argentina has reported 11,524 chikungunya cases and two deaths. Through May 22, Argentina reported 51 dengue cases for the year (including one new case that week). Ecuador has reported no chikungunya in 2026 but has seen significant dengue activity, with 16,527 cases year-to-date and 1,110 new cases in the week ending June 12, as well as one fatal yellow fever case.

Public Health Actions

Healthcare providers are encouraged to obtain a detailed travel history for any patient presenting with febrile illness, rash, respiratory symptoms, or gastrointestinal illness. For near-real time information on global infectious disease threats, healthcare providers are urged to utilize the [Global Infectious Disease Events \(GIDE\) dashboard](#). This tool allows providers to search by country and retrieve information on infectious disease events, travel alerts, endemic diseases and more.

Diseases and conditions that require reporting to KDHE are listed on the [Kansas Reportable Disease List](#). In addition, any exotic or newly recognized disease among travelers should be reported to the KDHE Epidemiology Hotline at 877-427-7317, option 5, within four hours of suspicion.
