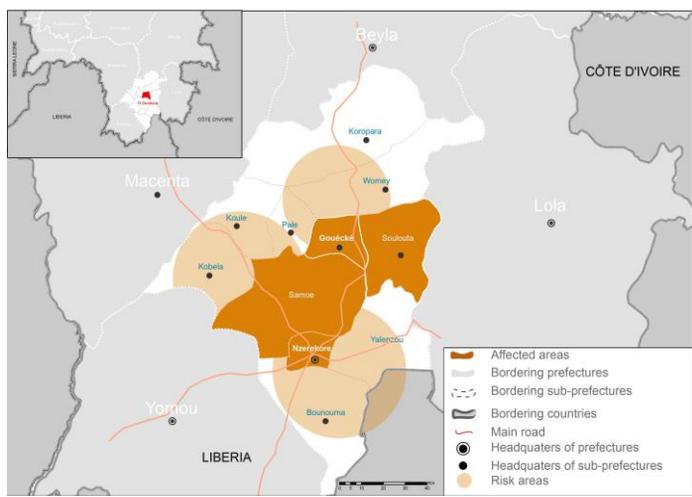


This situation report presents the latest updates on the reappearance of the Ebola virus Disease (EVD) notified since February 2021 in Guinea. The document contains the latest epidemiological data, the actions put in place by the national authorities and the humanitarian community actors to fight the spread of the EVD outbreak and provides recommendations on the way forward. Finally, the report describes the actions carried out by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in response to this epidemic. These epidemiological data are updated as of 7th May, 2021.

AFFECTED AREAS



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CONTEXT

Since February 2021, Guinea has been facing the reappearance of the Ebola epidemic. For the first time since 2016, cases of haemorrhagic fever caused by the virus have been recorded in the county of N'Zérékoré, located in the south-east part of the country, leading to several deaths. The first victim, identified in the sub-county of Gouécké, was a nurse who died at the end of January 2021. All other cases are from people who attended the funeral on February 1, 2021. On 14th February 2021, the Guinean Ministry of Health (MoH) officially declared an outbreak of EVD.

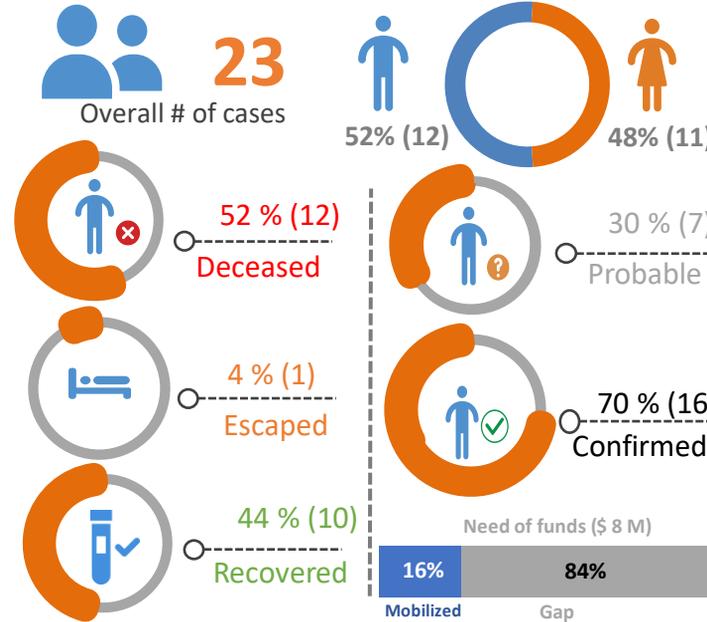


Meeting between the One Health County Platform, ANSS and IOM in the context of community engagement, N'Zérékoré © OIM 2021

IOM'S CROSS-BORDER PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

- ### Liberia
- Carrying out a rapid assessment of PCI in the districts of Grand Bassa, Rivercess, Grand Gedeh and in parts of Montserrado;
 - Active case finding in high-risk communities and border health structures;
 - Continuation of community engagement with community leaders in high-risk districts;
 - Training of health control agents in 54 PoEs in neighboring counties.

KEY FIGURES



HIGHLIGHTS

- Epidemiological situation as of May 07, 2021**
 - Cumulatively, 23 cases of EVD had been notified, including 16 confirmed and 7 probable cases; 4 people (all are suspected cases) are currently hospitalized at the ETCs of N'Zérékoré (2) and Gouécké (2).
 - To date, 2 new suspected cases have been notified in N'Zérékoré county.
 - There are 12 EVD deaths recorded in total, including 5 confirmed and 7 probable cases; overall, 5 healthcare workers (HCWs) have been infected by the Ebola virus leading to 2 deaths (1 confirmed and 1 probable cases), and 10 people have recovered from the EVD; there are currently no EVD contacts to be followed up with in N'Zérékoré and 9,431 people have been vaccinated. The new countdown to declare the end of the EVD epidemic started on May 08, 2021.
- EVD Response activities**
 - Training of IOM staff and beneficiaries of its interventions in the context of Ebola response on the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA);
 - Continuation of shelter construction activities at the 12 health control points (PoCs) installed at the main exits of the epicentres of the epidemic (Gouécké and Soulouta sub-counties, and the urban municipality of N'Zérékoré);
 - Identification of 09 alerts of which 08 have been validated at the 12 PoCs installed in Gouécké, N'Zérékoré and Soulouta, and at the 10 PoEs.

- ### Sierra Leone
- IOM has supplied Infection Prevention materials and PPEs to three major PoEs: Freetown international Airport and two ground-crossing PoEs (Gbalamuya border with Guinea and Jendema bordering with Liberia);
 - IOM supported the planning of national SIMEX for EVD.
 - IOM always participates in the Incident Management coordination meetings for EVD preparedness/response and co-chairs the PoEs pillar with WHO.

IOM'S ROLE IN THE EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE RESPONSE

Coordination and cross-border collaboration **24**

- Holding of the fortnightly meeting between IOM and the regional EVD coordination ;
- Participation in 24 daily coordination meetings of the EVD response at the national level (ANSS) and in the 2 affected regions (Conakry and N'Zérékoré) to adapt and harmonise field interventions;
- Participation in the weekly epidemiological information meeting held at ANSS and support for the county coordination of N'Zérékoré for remote participation through video-conference.

Case Management **4**

- Participation in facilitating the management of 04 patients (all suspected cases of EVD) at the Epidemic Treatments Centres (ETCs) of N'Zérékoré and Gouécké ;
- Support for maintaining security at the ETC of N'Zérékoré by 12 "USAGE" agents.

Surveillance and Contact tracing **09**

- Identification of 09 alerts at the 12 PoCs installed in Gouécké, Soulouta and N'Zérékoré, and at the 10 PoEs activated in the N'Zérékoré region, of which 08 have been validated.
- Daily dissemination of the list of Ebola contacts to the PoEs for active finding of mobile and migrant EVD contacts ;
- Support the elaboration of 7 regional SitReps on EVD in N'Zérékoré.

Points of Entry **141 917**

- Continuation of construction activities of shelters at the 12 health control points (PoCs) installed at the main exits of the epicentres of the epidemic (Gouécké and Soulouta sub-counties, and the urban municipality of N'Zérékoré);
- Holding of the PoEs and cross-border collaboration committee meeting ;
- Screening of 141,917 travellers, including 48,252 women, at the 12 PoCs installed at the main exits of Gouécké, Soulouta and N'Zérékoré, and at the 10 active border PoEs.

Communication **141 917**

- Participation in the extraordinary sensitisation meeting of the One Health Community Platform (OHCP) of Soulouta with the community leaders of N'Zérékoré prefecture ;
- Sensitization of 141,917 travellers (48,252 women) at the 12 PoCs installed at the main exits of Gouécké, Soulouta and N'Zérékoré Centre, and at the 10 cross-border active PoEs on EVD preventive measures.

PCI, WASH and others **12**
LI Agents deployed

- Provision and installation of 1,000-litre tanks at the PoCs of Boma, Nakoyakpala, Gbangana, Bellevue, Vakamota and Keayebe followed by their supply of water for handwashing;
- Training of IOM staff and beneficiaries of its interventions in the context of Ebola response on the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA).

Awareness-raising meeting of the OHCP of Soulouta with community leaders of the Prefecture

N'Zérékoré on May 06, 2021: *To sensitise communities through their leaders on the acceptance of the EVD response interventions was the objective of an extraordinary meeting convened by the members of the platform.*

The meeting was attended by all administrative district leads, youth and women leads, elders from all districts of Soulouta sub-county and other partners, including IOM. The meeting was an opportunity to share information on the support provided by institutions and NGOs involved in the response, in particular the reactivation of the OHCP, the support to its functioning and the health control activities at the main exits of the sub-county, which IOM has been instrumental in. At the end of the meeting, the district leads were asked to sensitise the communities and identify potential volunteers for vaccination.



Awareness-raising meeting of the OHCP of Soulouta, N'Zérékoré © IOM 2021

Thank you for viewing the below video and documents :

[Dashboard of Health Points of Control \(PoC\) in the health district of N'Zérékoré](#)

[IOM responds to the new Ebola Virus Disease outbreak in N'Zérékoré, Guinea](#)

[Document of the IOM Flash Appeal to raise funds for supporting the EVD response activities in Guinea](#)

BACKGROUND

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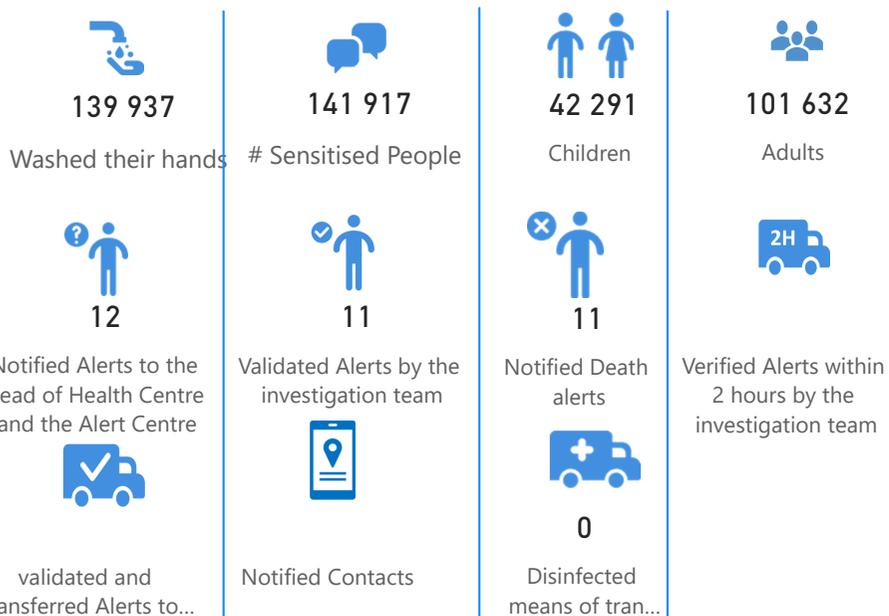
Key Terms:

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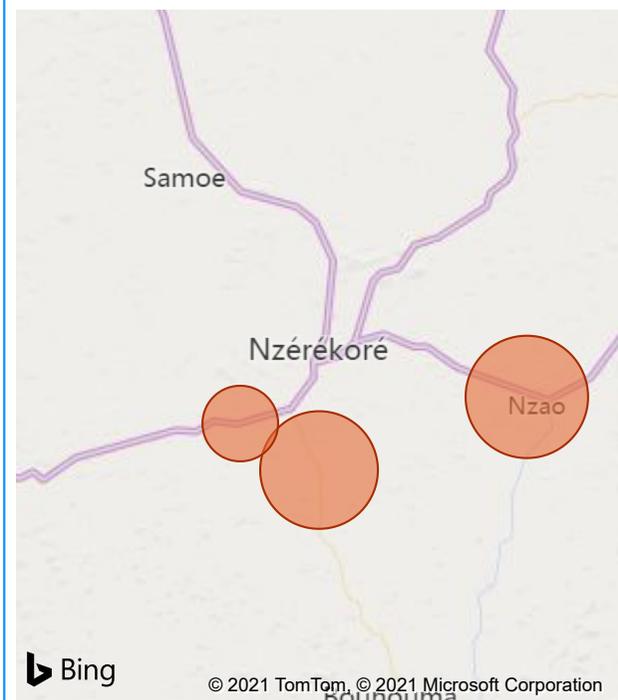
Death Alerts: All dead bodies identified at the Health PoCs.



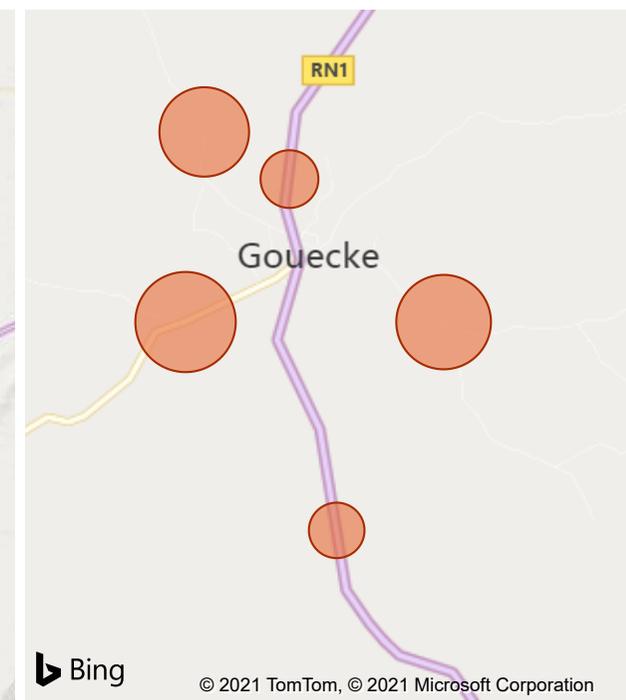
KEY FIGURES AT PoCs



Localisation of the PoCs in N'Zérékoré Centre



Localisation of the PoCs Gouecke Centre



DAILY TREND OF TRAVELLING AT PoCs

