

Notable World Illnesses

Count	Illness	Origin	Patient Zero Date	Transmission	Geographic Spread	Symptoms	Case Count	Death Count	Mortality Rate
1	COVID-19	Wuhan, China	2019	close contact, hands to face	Global	Fever, respiratory pain, cough, shortness of breath	181,377	7,119	3.92%
2	MEASLES	Democratic Republic of Congo	2019	Respiratory droplets	Africa, Southeast Asia	Fever, cough, red eyes, rash	233,000	4,723	2.03%
3	TYPHOID FEVER	Southeast Asia	2015	Contaminated food/water	Global	Fever, bloody nose, abdominal pain	12,500,000	149,000	1.19%
4	WHOPPING COUGH	California, US	2015	Respiratory droplets	Africa, Southeast Asia	Inspiratory whoop, fainting, vomiting, coughing	16,300,000	58,700	0.36%
5	DIPHTHERIA (2015)	Spain	2015	Airborne, infected fluids, infected objects	Global	Fever, chills, fatigue, bluish skin discoloration	4,500	2,100	46.67%
6	SCARLET FEVER (2014-2016)	US/UK	2014	Respiratory droplets	Global	Sore throat, fever, swollen lymph nodes, tongue rash	15,000	1,500	10.00%
7	BIRD FLU	Hong Kong, China	2013	diseased meat, respiratory droplets	Southeast Asia, China	Fever, respiratory pain, cough, shortness of breath	1,622	619	38.16%
8	MERS	Saudi Arabia	2012	Respiratory droplets	Global	Fever, cough, shortness of breath	2,494	858	34.40%
9	H1N1	Veracruz, Mexico	2009	diseased meat, respiratory droplets	Global	Fever, pains, cough, congestion	1,400,000,000	575,000	0.04%
10	SARS	China	2002	Respiratory droplets	Global	Fever, muscle pain, lethargy, sore throat	8,098	774	9.56%
11	EBOLA	Democratic Republic of Congo	1976	Direct contact of body fluids, waste	Africa	Fever, pains, weakness, fatigue, Diarrhea, vomiting, hemorrhaging	31,125	12,761	41.00%
12	CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS	Developing Countries	1976	Contaminated water/food	Global	Diarrhea, cough	750,000	0	0.00%
13	H2N2	East Asia	1957	Respiratory droplets	Asia, Americas	Fever, respiratory pain, cough, shortness of breath	NA	2,000,000	
14	SPANISH FLU	Étaples, France	1917	Respiratory droplets	Global	Cough, loss of appetite, excessive sweating	500,000,000	50,000,000	10.00%
15	POLIO	Africa	1916	Contaminated food/water	Global	Fever, sore throat	57,628	3,145	5.46%
16	HIV & AIDS	Central Africa	1900	Sexual fluids	Global	Fever, tender lymph nodes, inflammation, rash, genital sores	1,700,000	770,000	45.29%
17	THIRD PLAGUE	China	1855	NA	Mediterranean	Fever, cough, vomiting, thirst	Many	12,000,000	
18	CHOLERA	India	1846	Bacteria housed in meat	Global	Diarrhea, vomiting	NA	1,735,838	50.00%
19	YELLOW FEVER (2013-2015)	Central Africa	1647	Mosquito bite	Africa, South America, Asia	Fever, chills, nausea, back pain, head pain	127,000	5,100	4.02%
20	EURO SMALLPOX	New England, America	1633	Airborne, infected fluids, infected objects	Global	Fever, pain, vomiting, rash, lesions	NA	500,000,000	30.00%
21	ITALIAN PLAGUE	Italy	1629	NA	Mediterranean	Fever, cough, vomiting, thirst	462,000	163,000	35.28%
22	BLACK DEATH	Sicily, Italy	1347	Insect bite	Europe, Asia	Buboes, fever, vomiting of blood	Many	200,000,000	
23	PLAGUE OF JUSTINIAN	Central Asia	514	NA	Mediterranean	Fever, cough, vomiting, thirst	Many	3,650,000	
24	ANTONINE PLAGUE	China	165	NA	Mediterranean	Fever, cough, vomiting, thirst	Many	70,000,000	
25	INFLUENZA	China	-6000	Respiratory droplets	Global	Fever, cough, congestion, fatigue	5,000,000	650,000	13.00%