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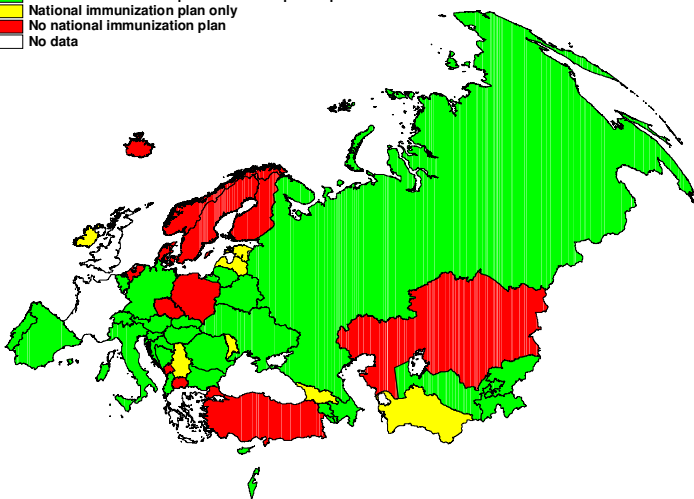
National plans for eliminating measles and rubella and preventing congenital rubella infections (CRI).

Eliminating measles and rubella and preventing congenital rubella infection, WHO European Region strategic plan 2005-2010 (2005) strongly encourages Member States to have approved national immunization plans for routine childhood immunization and disease-specific plans for measles, rubella and CRI. The development and regular review of these plans is consistent with Resolution EUR/RC55/R7 of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe, fifty-fifth session, 2005.

The following information for 2005 was obtained from data submitted to WHO Regional Office for Europe in 2006 by Member States using the *WHO/UNICEF Joint Reporting Form*. While 34 (61%) of 52 countries reported they had national immunization plans, 27 (52%) also had national plans for measles; however, fewer countries had plans for rubella and CRI.

WHO European Region Member States reporting national immunization and disease-specific plans in 2005

■ National immunization plan + disease-specific plans
■ National immunization plan only
■ No national immunization plan
■ No data



This information provides a useful benchmark by which Member States commitment and progress to achieving the 2010 targets can be measured. The WHO Regional Office for Europe is aware that since 2005, a number of Member States have published or are in the process of developing these plans.

Disease-specific plans reported by WHO European Region Member States in 2005

Country	National plans		
	measles	rubella	CRI
Albania	yes	yes	no data
Andorra	yes	yes	yes
Armenia	yes	yes	yes
Austria	yes	yes	yes
Azerbaijan	yes	yes	yes
Belarus	yes	yes	yes
Belgium	yes	no	no
Bosnia and Herzegovina	yes	yes	yes
Bulgaria	yes	yes	yes
Croatia	yes	yes	yes
Cyprus	yes	yes	yes
Czech Republic	no	no	no
Denmark	no	no	no
Estonia	no	no	no
Finland	no	no	no
France	no data	no data	no data
Georgia	no	no	under development
Germany	yes	no	no
Greece	no data	no data	no data
Hungary	yes	yes	yes
Iceland	no	no	no
Ireland	no	no	no
Israel	no	no	yes
Italy	yes	no data	yes
Kazakhstan	no data	no data	no data
Kyrgyzstan	yes	yes	yes
Latvia	no data	no data	no data
Lithuania	yes	no	yes
Luxembourg	no data	no data	no data
Malta	no data	no data	no data
Monaco	no data	no data	no data
Montenegro	no	no	no
Netherlands	no data	no data	no data
Norway	no data	no data	no data
Poland	no data	no data	no data
Portugal	yes	no	no
Republic of Moldova	no data	no data	no data
Romania	yes	no	yes
Russian Federation	yes	no	no data
San Marino	no data	no data	no data
Serbia	no data	no data	no data
Slovakia	yes	yes	yes
Slovenia	yes	yes	yes
Spain	yes	yes	yes
Sweden	no	no	no
Switzerland	yes	yes	yes
Tajikistan	yes	yes	yes
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	no data	no data	no data
Turkey	yes	no	no
Turkmenistan	no	no	no
Ukraine	yes	no data	no data
UK of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	no data	no data	no data
Uzbekistan	yes	yes	yes
Total reporting "yes"	27	18	21

Country	Measles cases in 2007				Last measles case (month/year)	Rubella cases in 2007				Last rubella case (month/year)
	Lab	E-Link	Clinical	Total		Lab	E-Link	Clinical	Total	
Albania	3			3	Jan-07				0	
Andorra				0					0	
Armenia				0	Jun-06				0	
Austria*				0	Aug-06				0	
Azerbaijan				0	Dec-06				0	
Belarus				0	Dec-06				0	
Belgium*				0	Dec-06				0	
Bosnia and Herzegovina				0	Mar-06				0	
Bulgaria				0	Aug-06				0	
Croatia*				0	Aug-06	5		1	6	Jan-07
Cyprus				0	Jun-05				0	
Czech Republic				0	Sep-06				0	
Denmark*				0	Aug-06				0	
Estonia				0	Jun-06				0	
Finland*				0	May-05				0	
France*				0	Dec-06				0	
Georgia			29	29	Jan-07				0	
Germany*				0	Jan-07				0	
Greece				0	Sep-06				0	
Hungary				0	Dec-06				0	
Iceland				0					0	
Ireland*			8	8	Jan-07			2	2	Jan-07
Israel			1	1	Jan-07				0	
Italy*				0	Jul-06				0	
Kazakhstan				0	Sep-06				0	
Kyrgyzstan				0	Aug-06				0	
Latvia				0	Aug-06			1	1	Jan-07
Lithuania				0	Aug-06			3	3	Jan-07
Luxembourg*				0	Apr-06				0	
Malta*				0	May-05				0	
Monaco				0					0	
Montenegro				0					0	
Netherlands*				0	Aug-06				0	
Norway*				0	Apr-04				0	
Poland	1			1	Jan-07			597	597	Jan-07
Portugal*				0	Sep-06				0	
Republic of Moldova				0	Jul-06				0	
Romania	52			52	Jan-07				0	
Russian Federation	28		2	30	Jan-07				0	
San Marino				0					0	
Serbia				0	Sep-05				0	
Slovakia				0	Dec-06				0	
Slovenia				0					0	
Spain*	98	18	1	117	Jan-07				0	
Sweden*				0	Nov-06				0	
Switzerland*				0	Jul-06				0	
Tajikistan	9		4	13	May-06				0	
TFYRMacedonia				0	Mar-06				0	
Turkey				0	Oct-06				0	
Turkmenistan				0	Jul-04				0	
Ukraine	32		147	179	Jan-07				0	
United Kingdom*	5			5	Jan-07				0	
Uzbekistan				0	Dec-06				0	
TOTAL	228	18	192	438		5	0	604	609	

*Data reported to WHO by EUVAC.net

Suspected cases reported but not yet classified are shown in the column "Clinical"

Green cells: timely reporting (before 25th of February).
Orange cells: late reporting (after 25th of February).
Red cells: no report received for February.

Country	Source				Country	Source			
	Imported	Import related	Unknown	Indigenous		Imported	Import related	Unknown	Indigenous
Albania					Lithuania				
Andorra		3			Luxembourg				
Armenia					Malta				
Austria					Montenegro				
Azerbaijan					Monaco				
Belarus					Netherlands				
Belgium					Norway				
Bosnia and Herzegovina					Poland				1
Bulgaria					Portugal				
Croatia					Republic of Moldova				
Cyprus					Romania				52
Czech Republic					Russian Federation				30
Denmark					San Marino				
Estonia					Serbia				
Finland					Slovakia				
France					Slovenia				
Georgia				29	Spain				117
Germany					Sweden				
Greece					Switzerland				
Hungary					Tajikistan				13
Iceland					TFYRMacedonia				
Ireland				8	Turkey				
Israel				1	Turkmenistan				
Italy					Ukraine				179
Kazakhstan					United Kingdom				5
Kyrgyzstan					Uzbekistan				
Latvia									

Data source: reports sent to WHO monthly

Cases not specifically reported as "imported", "import related" or "unknown" are categorized as indigenous in the table.

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