

Measles and rubella elimination country profile

Sweden

Measles elimination status

2015 eliminated
2016 eliminated



Source: European Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination (RVC) meeting report: www.euro.who.int/6thRVC

Rubella elimination status

2015 interrupted
2016 eliminated



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National plan of action

Does the country have a national plan of action?
Yes

Is it updated? No



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2016

Demographic information, 2016

Total population	9 851 852
< 1 year old	118 453
< 5 years old	588 514

Source: World Population Prospects: The 2015 Revision, New York, United Nations

Measles and rubella immunization schedule, 2016

	Vaccine	Schedule	Year of introduction
MCV1	MMR	18 months	MCV2 1982
MCV2	MMR	6-8 years	RCV 1974* 1982**
Measles vaccination in school			Yes

Source: Immunization schedule, WHO, Data and Statistics, Immunization Monitoring and Surveillance (http://www.who.int/immunization/monitoring_surveillance/data/en/)


MMR = measles-mumps-rubella-containing vaccine; MCV1 = first dose measles-containing vaccine;

MCV2 = second dose measles-containing vaccine; RCV = rubella-containing vaccine

* girls only; ** all children

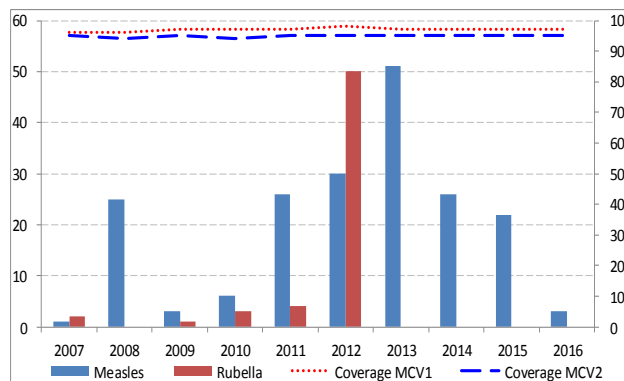
Definition used for an outbreak

2 or more cases which are temporarily related and epidemiologically or virologically linked, or both



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2016

Measles and rubella cases and immunization coverage, 2007–2016



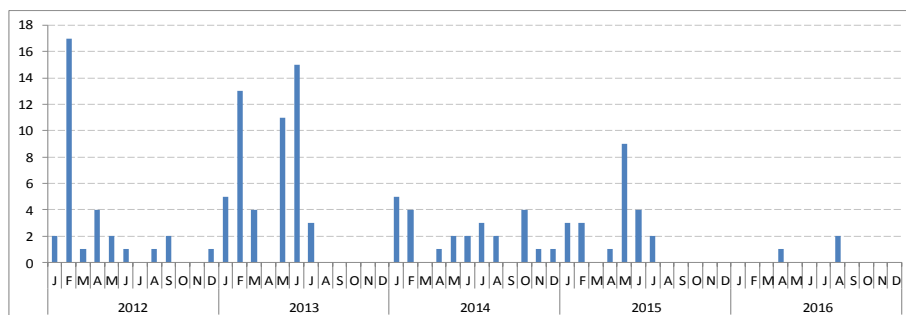
Source: Disease incidence and immunization coverage, WHO, Data and Statistics, Immunization Monitoring and Surveillance

(http://www.who.int/immunization/monitoring_surveillance/data/en/)

MCV1 = first dose of measles-containing vaccine

MCV2 = second dose of measles-containing vaccine

Confirmed measles cases by month of onset, 2012–2016



Source: CISID2 2016



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Measles cases by first subnational level, 2016



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2016

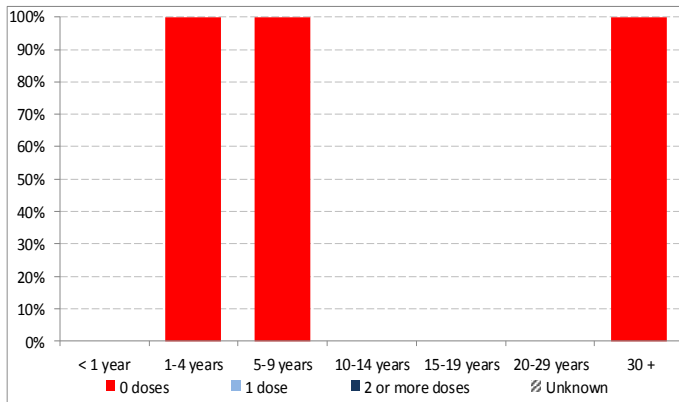
Measles genotypes by first subnational level, 2016



Source: MeaNS 2016

Note: The dots in the maps are placed randomly within the administrative regions.
Map disclaimer: The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on the maps do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the World Health Organization concerning the legal status of any country, territory, city or area or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries. Dotted and dashed lines on maps represent approximate border lines for which there may not yet be full agreement.

Measles cases by age group and vaccination status, 2016



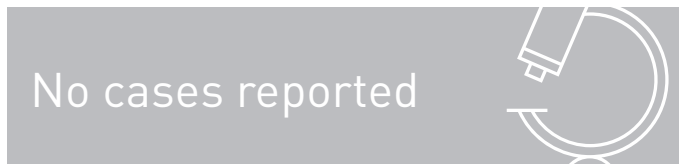
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Sources of infection, 2016

	Measles	Rubella
Imported	3	0
Import-related	0	0
Unknown/ Not reported	0	0
Endemic	0	0

Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2016

Information on CRS, 2016



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2016
CRS = congenital rubella syndrome

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Measles incidence, epidemiologic and virologic characteristics, 2012-2016

	Suspected measles cases	Confirmed measles cases				Discarded as non-measles	Measles incidence	Genotypes detected
		Laboratory	Epi-linked	Clinically	Total			
2012	ND	18	12	0	30	ND	3.1	B3,D4,D8,H1
2013	ND	50	1	0	51	ND	5.3	B3, D8
2014	ND	26	0	0	26	ND	2.7	B3, D8
2015	ND	21	1	0	22	ND	2.2	D8
2016	ND	3	0	0	3	ND	0.3	B3, D8

Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2012-2016, and internal communication from country
Incidence calculated per 1 million population
ND = Data not available; NA= Not applicable

Measles surveillance and laboratory performance indicators, 2012-2016

	Discarded non-measles rate	% 1st sub-national unit with > 2 discarded cases	% cases with adequate laboratory investigation	% origin of infection known	# specimen tested for measles	% positive for measles	Rate of viral detection	% WHO and proficient labs
2012	ND	0%	ND	93%	ND	ND	100%	100%
2013	ND	0%	98%	90%	ND	ND	ND	100%
2014	ND	0%	100%	73%	ND	ND	100%	100%
2015	ND	0%	ND	86.4%	ND	ND	100%	100%
2016	ND	0%	ND	100%	ND	ND	ND	100%

Source: ASU 2012-2016, MeaNS 2012-2016 and laboratory accreditation results 2012-2016, and internal communication from country ND = Data not available; NA= Not applicable
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Rubella incidence, epidemiologic and virologic characteristics, 2012-2016

	Suspected rubella cases	Confirmed measles cases				Discarded as non-rubella	Rubella incidence	Genotypes detected
		Laboratory	Epi-linked	Clinically	Total			
2012	ND	39	11	0	50	ND	5.2	ND
2013	ND	0	0	0	0	ND	0	NA
2014	ND	0	0	0	0	ND	0	NA
2015	ND	0	0	0	0	ND	0	NA
2016	ND	0	0	0	0	ND	0	NA

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Rubella surveillance and laboratory performance indicators, 2012-2016

	Discarded non-rubella rate	% 1st sub-national unit with > 2 discarded cases	% cases with adequate laboratory investigation	% origin of infection known	# specimen tested for rubella	% positive for rubella	Rate of viral detection	% WHO and proficient labs
2012	ND	0%	ND	100%	ND	ND	100%	ND
2013	ND	0%	ND	NA	ND	ND	NA	ND
2014	ND	0%	ND	NA	ND	ND	NA	ND
2015	ND	0%	ND	NA	ND	ND	NA	ND
2016	ND	0%	ND	NA	ND	ND	NA	100%

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RVC comments, based on 2016 reporting

The Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination (RVC) concluded that endemic transmission of both measles and rubella remained interrupted in Sweden in 2016. The RVC confirmed that measles elimination has been sustained and, considering its conclusions about the interrupted status of rubella transmission in the country in 2014 and 2015, the RVC is pleased to declare that Sweden has achieved elimination of rubella. The RVC commends the SVC on this achievement, and anticipates that Sweden's national public health system will maintain a high level of performance in the coming years.

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Surveillance performance indicators and targets

- Rate of discarded cases: at least 2 discarded measles or rubella cases per 100 000 population
- % cases with adequate laboratory investigation: > 80%
- % origin of infection known: > 80%
- Rate of viral detection: > 80%