Measles and rubella elimination country profile **Finland**



Measles elimination status

2016 eliminated 2017 eliminated

Source: European Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination (RVC) meeting report: www.euro.who.int/7thrvo

Measles and rubella surveillance

National case-based surveillance for Lab confirmation for diagnosis of

Source: WHO/UNICEF Joint Reporting Form on Immunization, 2017

Measles and rubella immunization schedule, 2017

	Vaccine	Schedule	Year of introduction	
MCV1	MMR	12-18 months	MCV2	1982
MCV2	MMR	6 years	RCV	1975
N	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 vaccine; MCV1 = first dose measles-containing vaccine;

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

Definition used for an outbreak

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



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2017

Rubella elimination status

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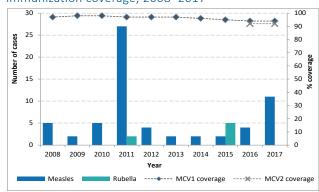
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Demographic information, 2017

Total population	5 523 231			
< 1 year old	58 732			
< 5 years old	297 473			

Source: World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision, New York, United Nations

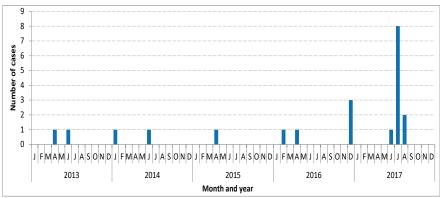
Measles and rubella cases and immunization coverage, 2008-2017



Source: Disease incidence and immunization coverage (WUENIC), WHO, Data and Statistics, Immunization Monitoring and Surveillance and communication with the country (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, 2013-2017



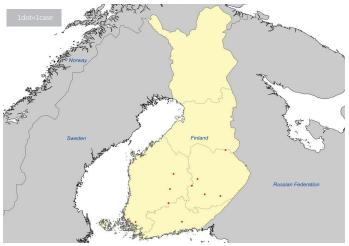
Source: CISID 2017 and communication with the country



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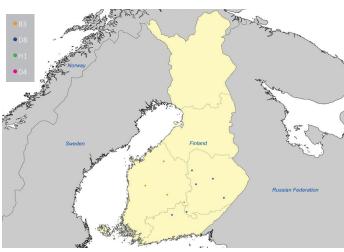


Measles cases by first subnational level, 2017



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2017

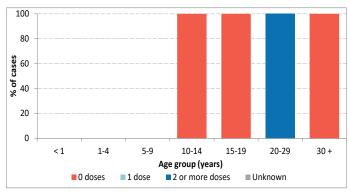
Measles genotypes by first subnational level, 2017



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, 2017



Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2017

Information on CRS, 2017

CRS = congenital rubella syndrome



Sources of infection, 2017

	Measles	Rubella
Imported	6	0
Import-related	3	0
Unknown/ Not reported	1	0
Endemic	1	0

Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2017

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Measles incidence, epidemiologic and virologic characteristics, 2013-2017

	Suspected measles		Confirmed m	neasles cases		Discarded as	Measles	Genotypes	
	cases	Laboratory	poratory Epi- linked Clinically	Total	non- measles	incidence	detected		
2013	32	2	0	0	2	30	0.2	D8	
2014	31	2	0	0	2	29	0	B3, D8	
2015	32	2	0	0	2	30	0.2	D8	
2016	41	4	0	0	4	37	0.9	B3, D8	
2017	82	10	1	0	11	71	0.9	B3,D8	

ncidence calculated per 1 million population ND = Data not available: NA= Not applicable

Rubella incidence, epidemiologic and virologic characteristics, 2013-2017

	Suspected rubella		Confirmed r	ubella cases	Discarded as	Rubella	Genotypes	
	cases	Laboratory	Epi- linked	Clinically	Total	non- rubella	incidence	detected
2013	10	2	0	0	2	11	0	ND
2014	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	NA
2015	14	4	0	0	5	9	0.7	ND
2016	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	NA
2017	82*	0	0	0	0	82	0	NA

Source: Measles and rubella elimination Annual Status Update report, 2013-2017 and communication with the country Incidence calculated per 1 million population

Measles surveillance and laboratory performance indicators, 2013-2017

	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
2013	6.6	ND	100%	100%	ND	ND	100%	ND
2014	5.7	ND	100%	100%	2	100%	ND	ND
2015	0.5	ND	100%	50%	2	100%	ND	100%
2016	0.7	ND	100%	100%	41	9.8%	100%	100%
2017	1.3	ND	98.8%	100%	81	61.7%	100%	100%

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2013	12.8	ND	100%	100%	ND	ND	100%	ND
2014	13.4	NA	100%	NA	ND	ND	NA	ND
2015	ND	ND	100%	10%	4	100%	0%	100%
2016	0.1	ND	100%	NA	4	0%	NA	100%
2017	1.5	ND	98.8%	NA	81	0%	NA	100%

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RVC comments, based on 2017 reporting

The Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination (RVC) concluded that endemic transmission of both measles and rubella remained interrupted in Finland in 2017 and confirmed that measles and rubella elimination has been sustained. The RVC notes the high political commitment to measles elimination and the new Communicable Disease Act requiring employers to protect their health care workers.

Source:European Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination (RVC) meeting report: www.euro.who.int/7thrvc

Surveillance performance indicators and targets

- a. Rate of discarded cases: at least 2 discarded measles or rubella cases per 100 000 population
- b. % cases with adequate laboratory investigation: ≥ 80%
- c. % origin of infection known: ≥ 80%
- d. Rate of viral detection: ≥ 80%



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*All suspected measles cases are tested for rubella