

PANDEMIC (H1N1) 2009 UPDATE BULLETIN

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1200 AEST on 17 July 2009

Change in name of infection

The World Health Organization (WHO) is now referring to the current pandemic as “pandemic (H1N1) 2009”.

National case update

At noon today Australia has 11 962 confirmed cases of Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 virus, an increase of 768 cases since noon yesterday.

The total number of Australian deaths associated with Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 is currently 31, with 14 reported in Victoria, 10 in NSW, 2 in the NT, 2 in SA, and 1 each in Queensland, Tasmania and WA.

The national breakdown of cases is: ACT 383, NSW 2673, NT 827, Qld 3428, SA 1223, Tas 266, Vic 2402, WA 742.

Hospitalisations

There are currently 202 people in hospital around Australia with Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 and 83 of these are in Intensive Care Units.

There are 75 patients in hospital in NSW, 37 in Victoria, 35 in Queensland, 22 in South Australia, 19 in the Northern Territory, 7 in Tasmania, 5 in Western Australia and 2 in the ACT.

ICU admissions: Of the 83 people currently in Intensive Care Units, 40 are in NSW, 19 in Victoria, 13 in Queensland, 4 in South Australia, 3 in Western Australia, 2 in the NT and 2 in the ACT.

The total number of hospitalisations in Australia since Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 was identified is 1332.