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National Mpox Situation Report

1 Summary

Total Cases	New Last 24h	Number of Deaths	Case Fatality Rate (%)
6,172	0	41	0.66

Key Points:

- 1. Epidemic remains active. Despite an apparent decline in weekly incident cases, transmission is ongoing and widespread, with 79% (115/146) of districts affected and 48%(70/146) reporting new cases in the past 21 days.
- 2. **Testing rates have reduced.** The observed drop in reported cases coincides with reduced testing, making it unclear whether the decline reflects true epidemiological improvement or under-detection.
- 3. High-risk mortality observed. A total of 41 deaths have occurred among confirmed cases, over half (56.1%) of whom were co-infected with HIV.
- 4. Young adults are disproportionately affected. Attack rates are highest among females aged 25–29 (3.8/100,000) and males aged 35–39 (5.0/100,000). This represents a marginal increase in attack rates in these population subgroups in two consecutive epiweeks.
- 5. **Urban and fishing communities remain epicenters.** The highest transmission has been recorded in Kampala, Mbarara, Hoima, Masaka, and the fishing communities of Kalangala, Nakasongola, Buvuma, and Kyotera. A new hotspot has emerged in **Lyantonde District**.
- 6. **Key populations drive transmission.** Transmission continues to be concentrated among key populations, particularly sex workers. Investigations are ongoing in Masaka and Mbarara to assess evolving dynamics.

	Weekly and Cumulative Confirmed Mpox Cases ¹						
Year	Epi Week	Weekly Confirmed Cases	Cumulative Confirmed Cases	Percent Change (%)			
2025	10	273	4043	7.24			
2025	11	402	4445	9.94			
2025	12	190	4635	4.27			
2025	13	247	4882	5.33			
2025	14	271	5153	5.55			
2025	15	235	5388	4.56			
2025	16	177	5565	3.29			
2025	17	160	5725	2.88			
2025	18	217	5942	3.79			
2025	19	230	6172	3.87			

¹ This is data for the last 10 Epiweeks. % Week-on-Week Change

2 Surveillance and Epidemiology

2.1 Summary Table of Incident Cases by Age and Sex

Cases by Age Group and Gender						
	Distribution across demographics					
Age Group	Total Cases	% of Cases ¹	Males	% of All Males ²	Females	% of All Females ²
0-4	265	4.5%	150	4.3%	115	4.7%
5-9	243	4.1%	140	4.0%	103	4.2%
10-14	173	2.9%	94	2.7%	79	3.2%
15-19	577	9.8%	284	8.2%	293	12.0%
20-24	998	16.9%	470	13.6%	528	21.6%
25-29	1,241	21.0%	704	20.3%	537	22.0%
30-34	925	15.6%	570	16.4%	355	14.5%
35-39	706	11.9%	478	13.8%	228	9.3%
40-44	403	6.8%	284	8.2%	119	4.9%
45-49	227	3.8%	169	4.9%	58	2.4%
50+	156	2.6%	125	3.6%	31	1.3%

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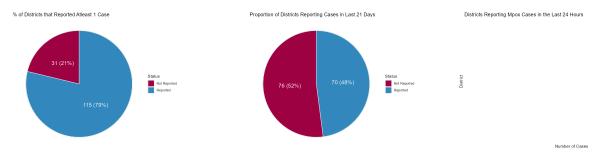
2.2 Summary Table of Incident Cases by the Top 10 Districts

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Top 10 Districts Summary						
District	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Cases Last Epiweek	Deaths Last Epiweek	% Change in Cases	
Kampala District	2,535	16	10	0	-54.5%	
Wakiso District	749	7	2	0	0.0%	
Mbarara City	518	2	4	0	-81.0%	
Mukono District	220	2	2	0	-50.0%	
Masaka City	215	3	2	0	-60.0%	
Nakasongola District	122	1	0	0	-100.0%	
Hoima City	117	2	0	0	-100.0%	
Lyantonde District	107	0	4	0	-55.6%	
Luwero District	104	0	0	0	-100.0%	
Kyotera District	70	0	0	0	NA	

¹ The percentage change in cases is calculated by comparing the number of cases in the most recent epidemiological week to the previous epidemiological week.

2.3 Proprotion of Affected Districts

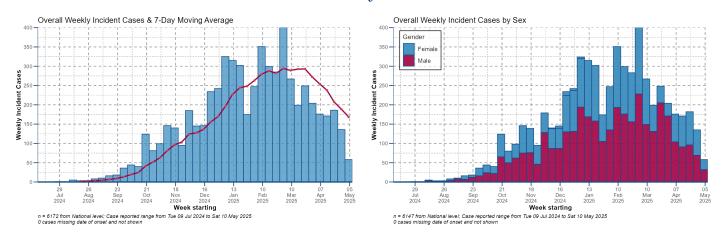


¹ Percentage of all cases within each age group

² Percentage of all cases within each gender category

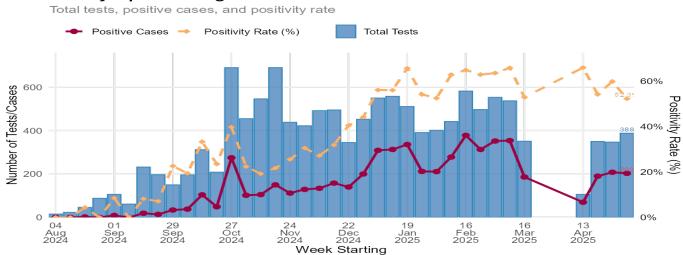
³ Total cases less due to some missing age information

2.4 Overall Distribution of Incident Cases by Time

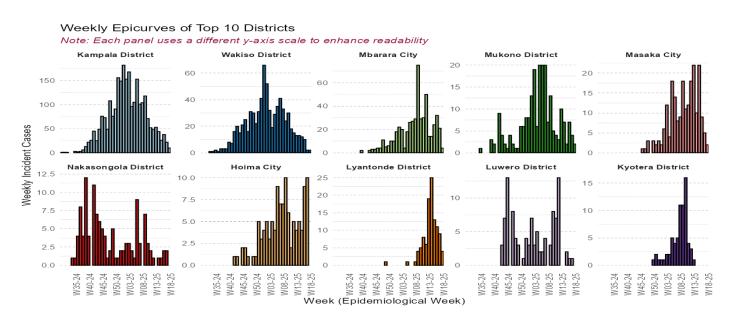


2.5 Testing Rates

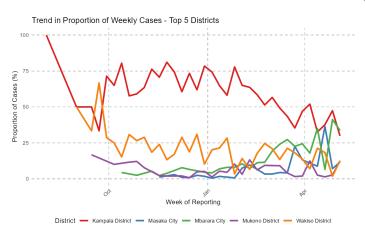
Weekly Mpox Testing Results

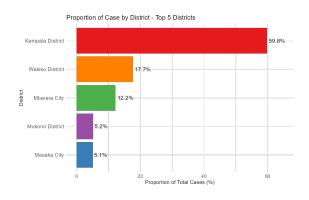


2.6 Epicurves of the Top 10 Districts

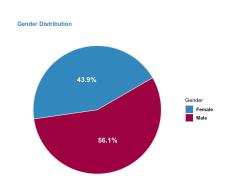


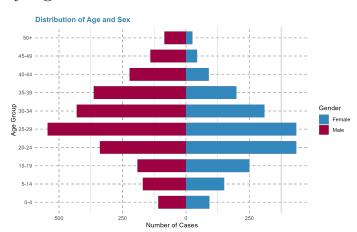
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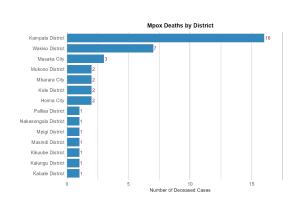


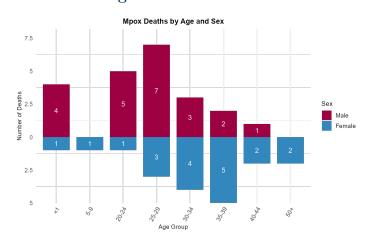
2.8 Overall Distribution of Incident Cases by Age and Sex





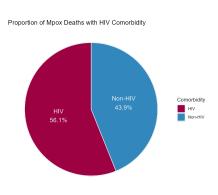
2.9 Overall Distribution of Deaths by Place and Sex - Age

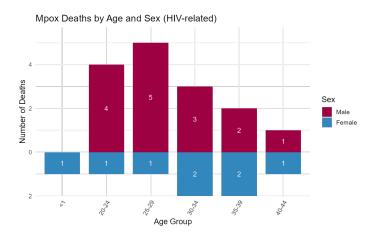




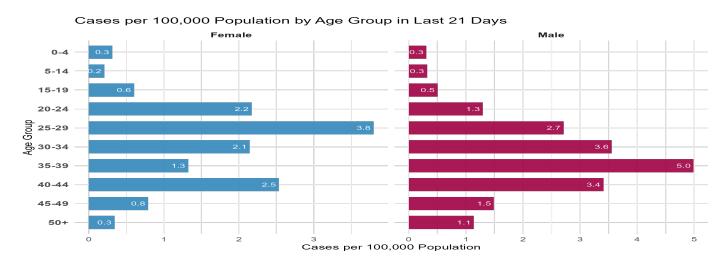
Change in ages: The change in agegroups among the reported deaths is as a result of a data cleaning exercise that eliminated data entry errors on ages.

2.10 Distribution of Deaths by HIV Status

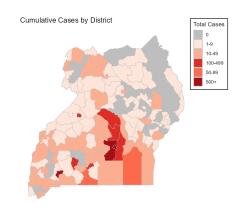


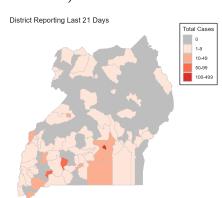


2.11 Overall Attack Rates by Age

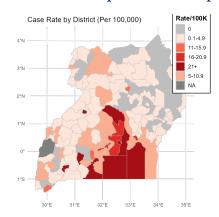


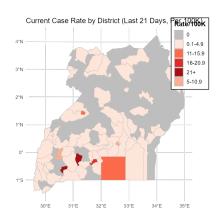
2.12 Distribution of Incident Cases by Place(Absolute Numbers)



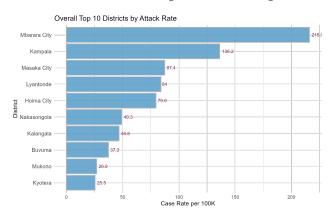


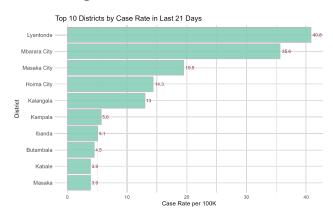
2.13 Attack Rates per 100K Population by Place





2.14 Attack Rates per 100K Population by Place and Top 10 Districts





3 Laboratory Testing

Tests:

The average weekly number of tests conducted was 550 between October 2024 and March 2025. However, there has been a marked decline in testing since March 10, 2025 (refer to chart in Section 2.5). This decline in testing coincides with a reduction in weekly incident cases (refer to epicurves in Section 2.4).

Positivity:

Despite the reduction in testing, the test positivity rate has remained stable at 60% from January 19, 2025 to date.

Epidemiological Situation Analysis

1. **Epidemic remains uncontrolled.** The epidemic is not yet contained despite an apparent decline in the number of incident cases reported. To date, 79% (146) of administrative units, including districts, have been affected, with 48% reporting incident cases in the last 21 days.

- 2. **Testing rates have declined.** The apparent drop in case numbers coincides with a decline in the number of tests conducted. This may indicate either a true decrease in incidence or a reduction in case detection due to lower testing volumes.
- 3. **High HIV co-infection among deaths.** Cumulatively, 41 deaths have been reported among confirmed cases, with 56.1% of these being co-infected with HIV.
- 4. Young adults are the most affected. The most affected age group overall is 20–40 years. Among females, the 25–29 age group has the highest attack rate at 3.8 per 100,000 population. Among males, the 35–39 age group is most affected, with an attack rate of 5.0 per 100,000 population in the past 21 days. There has been a marginal increase in the attack rates among the most affected agegroups in the last 2 consecutive epiweeks indicating increased transmission.
- 5. **Urban centers and fishing communities are hotspots.** Transmission has been most intense in the cities of Kampala, Mbarara, Hoima, and Masaka, as well as in the fishing communities of Kalangala, Nakasongola, Buvuma, and Kyotera. In the past 21 days, Lyantonde has emerged as a new epicenter.
- 6. **Key populations drive transmission.** Earlier investigations revealed that transmission was predominantly driven by key populations, particularly sex workers in cities and fishing communities. An epidemiological investigation is currently ongoing in Masaka and Mbarara to understand recent changes in transmission dynamics.

End of Situation Report

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