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- A(H5N1) Avian influenza none
- A(H5N1) Human influenza Egypt
- "INSIDE" events:
 - Measles Jordan
- "OUTSIDE" events: none

Location: World Event: A(H5N1) - Epizootic Comments

No new event has been reported this week.

Event: A(H5N1) - Human Location: Egypt Comments

- On April 12th 2012, the Egyptian Ministry of health reported to WHO one new human case of A(H5N1) infection in Giza governorate (cf. map 1).
- The case is:
 - a 36 year-old female; 0
 - Onset of symptoms on 1st April 2012;
 - Hospitalised on 7th April;
 She died on 7th April too;

 - Exposure to dead poultry was documented.
- To date, 167 A(H5N1) human cases have been reported in Egypt, including 60 deaths.
- The last A(H5N1) human case in Egypt was reported in April 2012 in Damietta governorate (cf. eWEB n°210).

Map 1. Giza governorate, Egypt.



REPORT OF NEW HEALTH EVENTS OCCURRING <u>INSIDE</u> THE EPISOUTH AREA (Occurring in one or several EpiSouth countries)

Location: Jordan Event: Measles <u>Comments</u>

- On 8th April 2012, the Ministry of Health in Jordan reported 3 confirmed cases of measles (cf. map 2).
- The cases were a family cluster in Wadi Assir, a suburb of Amman, consisting of:
 - two children (twins) aged 2 months and a half, hospitalised on 25th March 2012
 - And their mother, with onset of symptoms one week earlier
- All cases were IgM positive for measles. The mother was not vaccinated. All cases recovered.
- Epidemiological investigation showed there were no cases in their neighbourhood or other regions of the country.
- The last measles outbreak in the country occurred in 2007 when 17 measles cases were diagnosed in Zarqa region.

- In Jordan, currently, children receive 3 doses of measles vaccine: 1st dose at the age of 9 months, 2nd and 3rd are given as part of the MMR at the age of 12 and 18 months respectively.
- In Jordan, the measles vaccine coverage is about 97% for the 1st dose and 95% for the 3rd dose.
- In April last year, a large measles outbreak was already reported within several EpiSouth countries (cf. eWEB n°161).

Map 2. Amman, Jordan

