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ICC SUMMARY

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REPORT SUMMARY

This article summarises international disease outbreaks during the third quarter of 2026. Additional summary reports received with further information on disease occurrence for a country that had not been reported in previous real-time ICC reports are also presented. This additional information is identified by **#** in the tables and text, where relevant, throughout this report.

The data presented in this report must be interpreted with caution. There is likely to be some bias in the way samples are submitted for laboratory testing and subsequently reported. Consequently, these data do not necessarily reflect true infectious disease frequency within the international equine population.

A country with no reported outbreaks of a disease does not necessarily mean the disease is absent from that country. Each table summarises the number of disease outbreaks reported by a country, and each reported outbreak may involve more than one animal.

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REPRODUCTIVE DISEASES

Country	CEM	EHV-1	EHV-3
France	-	-	1
Germany	5	-	-
South Africa	-	#2	-
Sweden	1	-	-

#some cases reported after the quarter end

CONTAGIOUS EQUINE METRITIS (CEM)



GERMANY

Five individual cases of CEM were reported on separate premises in: Bavaria and Lower Saxony. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on genital swabs.



SWEDEN

One case of CEM was reported on a premises in Norrtälje Municipality, Stockholm County.

EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-1 (EHV-1) ABORTION



#SOUTH AFRICA

Two individual cases of EHV-1 abortion were reported on premises in Western Cape Province after the quarter end.

EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-3 (EHV-3) COITAL EXANTHEMA



FRANCE

One case of EHV-3 coital exanthema was reported on a premises in Manche. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by PCR on a swab.

RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS

Country	EHV-1	EHV-4	EHV-5	ERV	Flu	R. equi	Strangles	Strangles/ EHV-1
Canada	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
France	2	18	-	-	1	4	12	-
Germany	-	2	-	-	-	-	4	-
Ireland	-	#16	-	-	#18	#16	-	-
Italy	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	-	15	-	-	7	29	22	-
Sweden	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
Switzerland	-	1	1	-	-	-	3	-
South Africa	#1	#4	-	-	-	-	-	-
United Kingdom	-	4	-	-	12	-	*	-
USA	1	2	-	1	6	-	44	1

#some cases reported after the quarter end |* see www.equinesurveillance.org/ses for UK reports

EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-1 (EHV-1) RESPIRATORY



FRANCE

Two individual cases of EHV-1 respiratory infection were reported on premises in: Eure and Seine-et-Marne. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on nasopharyngeal swabs.



#SOUTH AFRICA

One case of EHV-1 respiratoroy infection was reported on a premises in the Western Cape Province after the quarter end.



SWEDEN

One case of EHV-1 respiratory infection was reported on a premises in Uppsala Municipality, Uppsala County.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

One case of EHV-1 respiratory infection was reported on a premises in Baltimore County, Maryland.

EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-4 (EHV-4) RESPIRATORY



FRANCE

Eighteen outbreaks of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported. Twelve involved single cases, including one case co-infected with equine rhinitis B virus (ERBV), on premises in: Aude, Calvados, Finistere, Gironde, Ille-et-Vilaine, Mayenne, Seine-Maritime and Yvelines. Three involving two cases on premises in Calvados. Two involving three cases on premises in: Calvados and Gironde and one involving eight cases on a premises in Calvados. Clinical signs included: lymphadenopathy and nasal discharge. Positive diagnoses were reported by PCR on nasopharyngeal swabs.



GERMANY

Two individual cases of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported on separate premises in Lower Saxony. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on nasal swabs.



#IRELAND

Sixteen individual cases of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported on premises in Leinster (13 cases) and Munster (three cases), with some of these reported after the quarter end.



NETHERLANDS

Fifteen individual cases of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported on separate premises in: Drenthe, Friesland, Limburg, North Brabant, North Holland, Overijssel, South Holland, Utrecht, and Zeeland. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.



#SOUTH AFRICA

Four individual cases of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported on premises in Gauteng Province after the quarter end.



SWITZERLAND

One case of EHV-4 infection was reported on a premises in the canton of Neuchatel. Clinical signs included pyrexia. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by PCR.



UNITED KINGDOM

Four individual cases of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported on premises in: Cornwall, Dorset, Oxfordshire, and Warwickshire. Clinical signs included: cough, nasal discharge, pyrexia and lymphadenopathy. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on nasopharyngeal swabs.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Two individual cases of EHV-4 respiratory infection were reported on separate premises in Wisconsin. Clinical signs included pyrexia.

EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-5 (EHV-5) RESPIRATORY



ITALY

One case of EHV-5 respiratory infection was reported on a premises in the Province of Grosseto. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by PCR on lung tissue.



SWITZERLAND

One case of EHV-5 respiratory infection was reported on a premises in Thurgau. Clinical signs included: respiratory tract signs, colic and lethargy.

EQUINE RHINITIS VIRUS



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

One case of equine rhinitis virus was reported on a premises in Oregon.

EQUINE INFLUENZA



FRANCE

One case of equine influenza was reported on a premises in Sarthe. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by PCR on a nasopharyngeal swab.



#IRELAND

Eighteen cases of equine influenza were reported as follows: Leinster (15 cases) and Munster (three cases), with some of these reported after the quarter end.



NETHERLANDS

Seven individual cases of equine influenza were reported on premises in: Drenthe, Friesland, North Brabant and Overijssel. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.



SWEDEN

One case of equine influenza was reported on a premises in Söderhamn Municipality, Gavlelborg County.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Six individual cases of equine influenza were reported on premises in: Michigan, Nebraska, Oregon, and Wisconsin. Clinical signs included: cough, lethargy, nasal and ocular discharge.

UNITED KINGDOM

Twelve outbreaks of equine influenza were reported with 10 involving single cases on premises in: Anglesey, Buckinghamshire, Carmarthenshire, Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire and West Midlands, one outbreak involving two cases on a premises in Somerset and one outbreak involving eight fallen stock in Hampshire. Clinical signs included: cough, nasal discharge, pyrexia and lethargy. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by a combination of tests including PCR and LAMP and samples included nasopharyngeal swabs and nasal swabs.

RHODOCOCCUS EQUI

FRANCE

Four outbreaks of *Rhodococcus equi* were reported with three involving single cases on premises in: Calvados, Manche and Orne and one involving three cases on a premises in Orne.

#IRELAND

Sixteen individual cases of *Rhodococcus equi* were reported in Leinster (15 cases with three confirmed by PCR and 12 confirmed by culture) and in Munster (one case confirmed by PCR).

NETHERLANDS

Twenty-nine individual cases of *Rhodococcus equi* were reported on separate premises in: Friesland, Gelderland, Limburg, North Brabant, Overijssel and Utrecht. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.

STRANGLES

CANADA

Six outbreaks of strangles were reported with five involving single cases on premises in: Alberta and Ontario and one involving two cases on a premises in Alberta. Clinical signs included: abscessation, lethargy, pyrexia, and respiratory signs.

FRANCE

Twelve outbreaks of strangles were reported with 11 involving single cases on premises in: Aude, Essonne, Hautes-Alpes, Hautes-Pyrenees, Herault, Indre, Indre-et-Loire, Loire, Maine-et-Loire, and Mayenne and one involving two cases on a premises in Moselle. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on nasopharyngeal swabs.



GERMANY

Four individual cases of strangles were reported on separate premises in: Bavaria, Lower Saxony and North Rhine-Westphalia. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by a combination of tests including PCR and culture; samples included guttural pouch lavage and general swab.



NETHERLANDS

Twenty-two outbreaks of strangles were reported with 21 involving single cases on premises in: Deventer, Drenthe, Friesland, Gelderland, Gorredijk, Groningen, Limburg, North Brabant, Overijssel, South Holland, and Utrecht and one outbreak involving two cases on a premises in Gorredijk. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.



SWEDEN

Two individual cases of strangles were reported on premises in: Skane County and Stockholm County.



SWITZERLAND

Three individual cases of strangles were reported on premises in the cantons of Aargau, Neuchatel and Thurgau. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Forty-four outbreaks of strangles were reported with forty involving single cases on premises in: California, Florida, Idaho, Kansas, Michigan, Montana, New York, Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin, two outbreaks involving two cases on premises in: Oregon and Florida, one outbreak involving four cases on a premises in Wisconsin and one outbreak involving 20 cases on a premises in Washington. Clinical signs included: abscessation, cough, nasal discharge and pyrexia.

STRANGLES/EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-1 (EHV-1)



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

One individual case of strangles with a co-infection of EHV-1 was reported on a premises in North Dakota.

GASTROINTESTINAL DISEASES

Country	Lawsonia intracellularis	Salmonellosis
Germany	-	I
Ireland	I	-
Netherlands	-	II
Switzerland	-	2

#some cases reported after the quarter end

LAWSONIA INTRACELLULARIS



IRELAND

One case of *Lawsonia intracellularis* was reported on a premises in Leinster. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by serology.

SALMONELLOSIS



GERMANY

One case of *Salmonella* was reported on a premises in Hesse. Clinical signs included diarrhoea. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by both PCR and culture on faeces.



NETHERLANDS

Eleven individual cases of *Salmonella enterica* were reported on separate premises in: Flevoland, Friesland, Gelderland, Overijssel and Utrecht. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.



SWITZERLAND

Two individual cases of *Salmonella* were reported on premises in the cantons of Zurich and Thurgau. Clinical signs included: colic, diarrhoea, inappetence and pyrexia. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by culture.

NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES

Country	EEE	EEV	EHV-1	EPM	Shamonda virus	TEV	WNV
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Canada	-	-	2	-	-	-	3
Cyprus	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	379
Germany	-	-	-	-	3	-	4
Hungary	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	150
South Africa	-	#1	#1	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	-	-	-	-	2	1	1
USA	9	-	-	1	-	-	87

#some cases reported after the quarter end

EASTERN EQUINE ENCEPHALITIS (EEE)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Nine individual cases of EEE were reported on premises in: Florida, Georgia, Michigan and Wisconsin. Clinical signs included: pyrexia, ataxia, muscle fasciculations, seizures and recumbency.

EQUINE ENCEPHALOSIS VIRUS (EEV)

#SOUTH AFRICA

One case of Equine Encephalosis Virus (EEV) infection was reported on a premises in the Western Cape Province after the quarter end.

EQUINE HERPES VIRUS-1 (EHV-1) NEUROLOGICAL

CANADA

Two individual cases of EHV-1 neurological disease were reported on separate premises in Ontario. Clinical signs included: ataxia and urine dribbling.



#SOUTH AFRICA

One case of EHV-1 neurological disease was reported on a premises in the Free State Province after the quarter end.

EQUINE PROTOZOAL MYELOENCEPHALOPATHY



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

One case of equine protozoal myeloencephalopathy was confirmed on a premises in Idaho.

SHAMONDA VIRUS



GERMANY

Three individual cases of Shamonda virus were reported on separate premises in Baden-Württemberg. Clinical signs included: ataxia, lethargy, hyperexcitability and recumbency. Positive diagnoses were made with detection of SHAV in brain tissue using qPCR.



SWITZERLAND

Two individual cases of Shamonda virus were reported on separate premises in Switzerland. Positive diagnoses were made either by untargeted metagenomic next-generation sequencing (NGS) or by using a pan-Simbu PCR.

TICK-BORNE ENCEPHALITIS VIRUS



SWITZERLAND

One case of tick-borne encephalitis virus was confirmed on a premises in the canton of Zurich. Clinical signs included incoordination. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by IgM capture ELISA.

WEST NILE VIRUS (WNV)



BELGIUM

Three individual cases of WNV were reported on separate premises in: Antwerp, Brussels and Namur. Clinical signs included ataxia progressing to quadriplegia, muscle tremors, stiff neck and progression to blindness and agitation. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by serology.



CANADA

Three individual cases of WNV were reported on separate premises in Ontario. Clinical signs included: ataxia, muscle fasciculations and recumbency. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by serology or PCR on brain tissue.



CYPRUS

One case of WNV was reported on a premises in Famagusta District. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by IgM ELISA.



FRANCE

Three hundred and seventy-nine cases of WNV were reported on premises in: Ariege, Aude, Bouches-du-Rhone, Charente-Maritime, Corse-du-Sud, Dordogne, Drome, Essonne, Gard, Gers, Gironde, Haut-Rhin, Haute-Corse, Haute-Garonne, Herault, Ille-et-Vilaine, Landes, Loire-Atlantique, Lot-et-Garonne, Maine-et-Loire, Oise, Pyrenees-Orientales, Seine-et-Marne, Tarn-et-Garonne, Val-d'Oise, Val-de-Marne, Var, Vaucluse, and Vendee. Clinical signs included: ataxia, paresis, pyrexia and tremors.



GERMANY

Four individual cases of WNV were reported on premises in: Baden-Württemberg, Hesse, Rhineland-Palatinate and Saxony. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by IgM ELISA.



HUNGARY

One case of WNV was reported on a premises in Szentes.



ITALY

Eighteen outbreaks of WNV were reported with 16 involving single cases on premises in the Provinces of Frosinone, Latina and Rome and two outbreaks involving two cases on premises in Rome. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by ELISA on serum.



NETHERLANDS

One hundred and fifty cases of WNV were reported during Q3 2026.



SWITZERLAND

One case of WNV was reported on a premises in the canton of Aargau.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Eighty-seven individual cases of WNV were reported on premises in: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Clinical signs included: ataxia, hypersensitivity, muscle fasciculations and pyrexia.

MISCELLANEOUS DISEASES

Country	AHS	Anaplasmosis	Coronavirus	EIA	EGS
Belgium	-	-	-	2	-
Canada	-	-	-	3	-
Germany	-	2	-	1	-
Kenya	4	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	-	2	3	-	-
South Africa	#3	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	-	1	-	-	-
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	27
USA	-	-	-	10	-

Country	EVA	New World Screwworm	Pigeon Fever	Piroplasmosis	Potomac Horse Fever	Vesicular stomatitis
Canada	-	-	-	-	1	-
France	4	-	-	-	-	-
Italy	-	-	-	99	-	-
Netherlands	-	-	-	1	-	-
South Africa	-	-	-	#146	-	-
USA	-	2	16	-	5	17

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AFRICAN HORSE SICKNESS (AHS)



KENYA

Four individual cases of AHS were reported on premises across Nairobi County and neighbouring Machakos area, with all the animals since dying. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by RT-PCR.



#SOUTH AFRICA

Three individual cases of AHS were reported on premises in Gauteng Province and Limpopo Province after the quarter end.

ANAPLASMOSIS



GERMANY

Two individual cases of Anaplasmosis were reported on separate premises in: Bavaria and Lower Saxony. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on EDTA blood.



NETHERLANDS

Two individual cases of Anaplasmosis were reported on separate premises in Gelderland. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.



SWITZERLAND

One case of Anaplasmosis/Ehrlichiosis was confirmed on a premises in Graubünden. Clinical signs included: anaemia and pigmenturia. Positive diagnosis was confirmed by PCR.

CORONAVIRUS



NETHERLANDS

Three individual cases of coronavirus were reported on premises in Overijssel and Utrecht. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR.

EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANAEMIA (EIA)



BELGIUM

Two individual cases of EIA were reported on separate premises in East Flanders. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by Coggin's.



CANADA

Three cases of EIA were reported on premises in: Alberta, British Columbia and Ontario. No cases exhibited any clinical signs.



GERMANY

One individual case of EIA was reported on a premises in Lower Saxony.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Ten outbreaks of EIA were reported with eight involving single cases on premises in: California, Florida, Minnesota, Texas and Washington, one involving two cases on premises in Washington and one involving three cases on a premises in Nevada.

EQUINE GRASS SICKNESS



UNITED KINGDOM

Twenty-seven outbreaks of EGS were reported with 26 involving single cases on premises in: Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Cardiff, Cumbria, Dundee, East Sussex, Highland, Lancashire, Northamptonshire, Northumberland, Perth and Kinross, Scottish Borders, Suffolk, West Lothian, Wiltshire and West Yorkshire and one outbreak involving five cases on a premises in Dumfries and Galloway.

EQUINE VIRAL ARTERITIS (EVA)



FRANCE

Four outbreaks of EVA were reported with three outbreaks involving single cases on premises in: Ariege, Drome and Mayenne and one outbreak involving two cases on a premises in Vaucluse. Clinical signs included abortion. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on a nasopharyngeal swabs and on placental material.

NEW WORLD SCREWWORM



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Two individual cases of New World Screwworm were reported on separate premises in: New Mexico and Texas.

PIROPLASMOSIS



ITALY

Ten outbreaks of *Babesia caballi* infection were reported with eight involving single cases on premises in: Lazio and Tuscany and two involving two cases on premises in Basilicata and Lazio. Eighty-nine outbreaks of *Theileria equi* infection were reported in Italy, including 64 involving single cases on premises in Basilicata, Lazio, Lombardia, Toscana and Umbria; nine involving two cases on premises in Lazio and Toscana; three involving three cases on premises in Basilicata and Lazio; two involving four cases on premises in Lazio and Tuscany; and one involving five cases on a premises in Lazio. The number of affected animals was not specified for the remaining 10 outbreaks. Positive diagnoses were confirmed by PCR on EDTA blood.



NETHERLANDS

One outbreak of *Theileria equi* was reported on a premises in Utrecht.



#SOUTH AFRICA

During Q3 2026, piroplasmosis cases were reported from from eight of the nine provinces of South Africa, after the quarter end, as follows: *Babesia Caballi* cases: Gauteng (three cases) and Western Cape (one case). *Theileria equi* cases: Eastern Cape (11 cases), Free state (three cases), Gauteng (50 cases), Kwa-Zulu Natal (13 cases), Limpopo (15 cases), Mpumalanga (eight cases), Northern Cape (four cases) and Western Cape (33 cases). *Theileria haneyi* cases: Western Cape (five cases).

PIGEON FEVER



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Sixteen outbreaks of Pigeon Fever were reported with 11 involving single cases on premises in: Montana, Oregon and Wyoming, three involving two cases on premises in: Oregon and Wyoming, one outbreak involving three cases on a premises in Wyoming and one outbreak involving four cases on a premises in Montana.

POTOMAC HORSE FEVER



CANADA

One outbreak of Potomac Horse Fever was reported on a premises in Alberta.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Five outbreaks of Potomac Horse Fever were reported with three involving single cases on separate premises in Tennessee and two outbreaks involving two cases on premises in: Tennessee and Wisconsin. Clinical signs included: dehydration, diarrhoea, lethargy and pyrexia.

VESICULAR STOMATITIS



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Seventeen outbreaks of vesicular stomatitis were reported on equine premises in Colorado and New Mexico during Q3 2026, up to 18 September. These included three presumptive positive premises identified in September in Montezuma County (two premises) and Delta County (one premises), Colorado. All confirmed outbreaks were associated with vesicular stomatitis New Jersey virus (VSNJV).

ICC QUARTERLY REPORT - END

The ICC gathers information from various sources, including country-based reporting systems where reported outbreaks typically involve at least one case with a confirmed diagnosis through laboratory testing. These outbreaks may be reported by the testing diagnostic laboratory or by vets voluntarily reporting them to disease reporting sources.



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