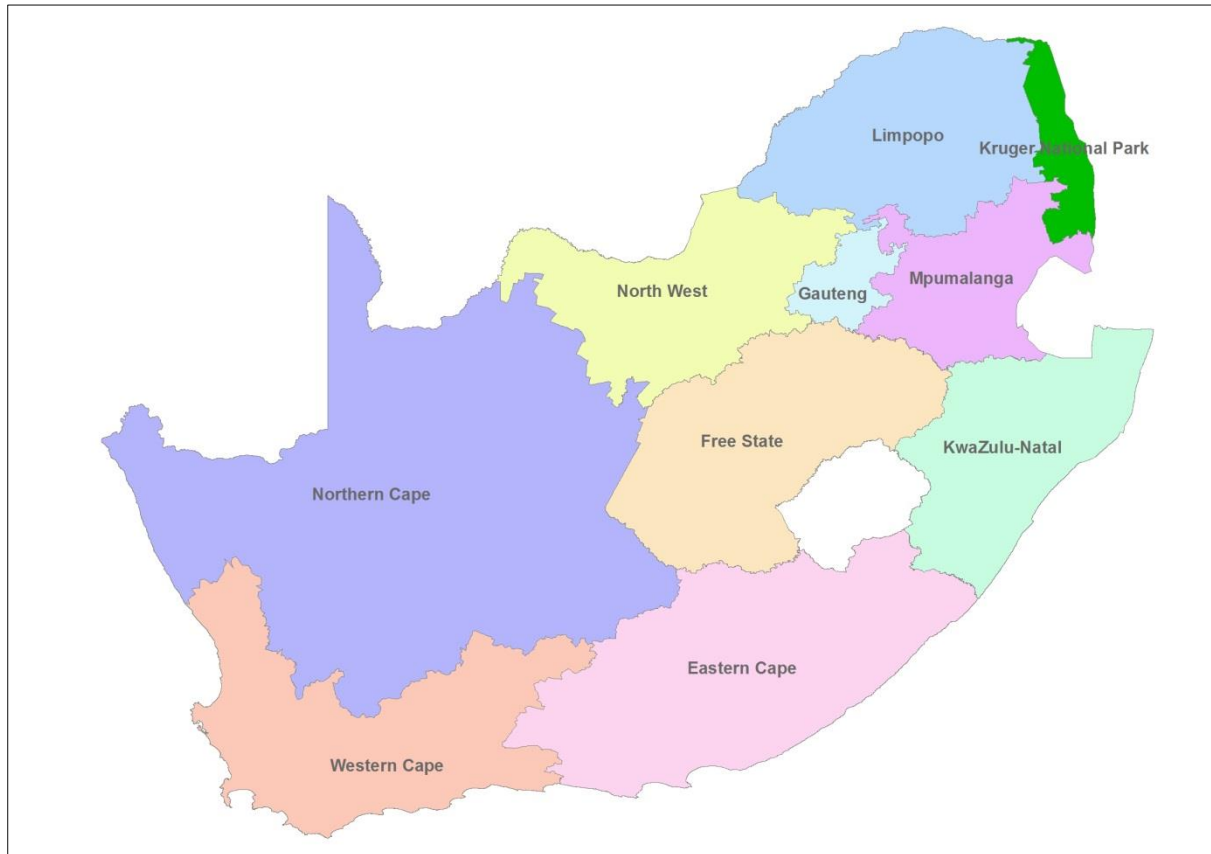


Animal Disease Reporting for the month January 2025



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Introduction

According to the Animal Diseases Act, 1984 (Act 35 of 1984) Controlled and Notifiable Diseases must be reported to the local State Veterinarian. The local State Veterinarian compiles a monthly report on diseases that occurred in his/her State Vet Area and submits this report to the Provincial Director of Veterinary Services. At a Provincial level, all these reports are combined to compile a disease report for the province and this report is submitted to the Sub-Directorate Epidemiology in the Directorate Animal Health at the Department of Agriculture. All the provincial reports are combined to compile a national disease report.

Purpose of disease reporting

Reasons for disease reporting are:

- Proof of freedom
- Detection of outbreaks of important diseases
 - Prevent the spread of the disease
 - Institute control programs
 - Eradication of a disease
 - Warn neighbouring farmers/trade partners/neighbouring countries
 - Prevent the spread/occurrence of a disease in humans, e.g. rabies
 - Decrease the economic impact of a disease
 - Prevent spread of diseases to trading partners
- Disease control

Summary Statistics of the January 2025 report

Total number of outbreak and vaccination reports (data lines)	2022
Total number of outbreaks	127
Total number of animals involved (cases)	8725
Total number of diseases involved in outbreaks	41
Total number of State Vet Areas that reported	113
Total number of Local Municipalities reported from	144
Total number of species involved in outbreaks	13

Reported Disease Outbreaks

The following tables indicate the disease outbreaks reported by the Provincial Veterinary Services.

Controlled Diseases

The following table indicates the reports of Controlled Diseases

	Eastern Cape Province	Free State	Gauteng	Kruger National Park	KwaZulu-Natal	Limpopo	Mpumalanga	North West Province	Northern Cape Province	Western Cape Province	Total
African Horse Sickness	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
African Swine Fever	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Avian Influenza: Low Pathogenic: H5 or H7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Bovine Brucellosis (Brucella abortus)	0	9	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	16
Corridor Disease	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
FMD - Virus SAT 2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Newcastle Disease	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Rabies	1	1	0	0	23	0	0	1	0	3	29
Salmonella enteritidis	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
Sheep Scab	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	2	12	1	0	28	0	6	4	0	7	60

Notifiable diseases

The following table indicates the reports of Notifiable diseases

	Eastern Cape Province	Free State	Gauteng	Kruger National Park	KwaZulu-Natal	Limpopo	Mpumalanga	North West Province	Northern Cape Province	Western Cape Province	Total
Bluetongue	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
Bovine Malignant Catarrhal fever	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lumpy Skin Disease	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	4
Total	1	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	9

Other diseases

The following table indicates the reports of diseases that are not Controlled or Notifiable. Reporting of these diseases are not compulsory.

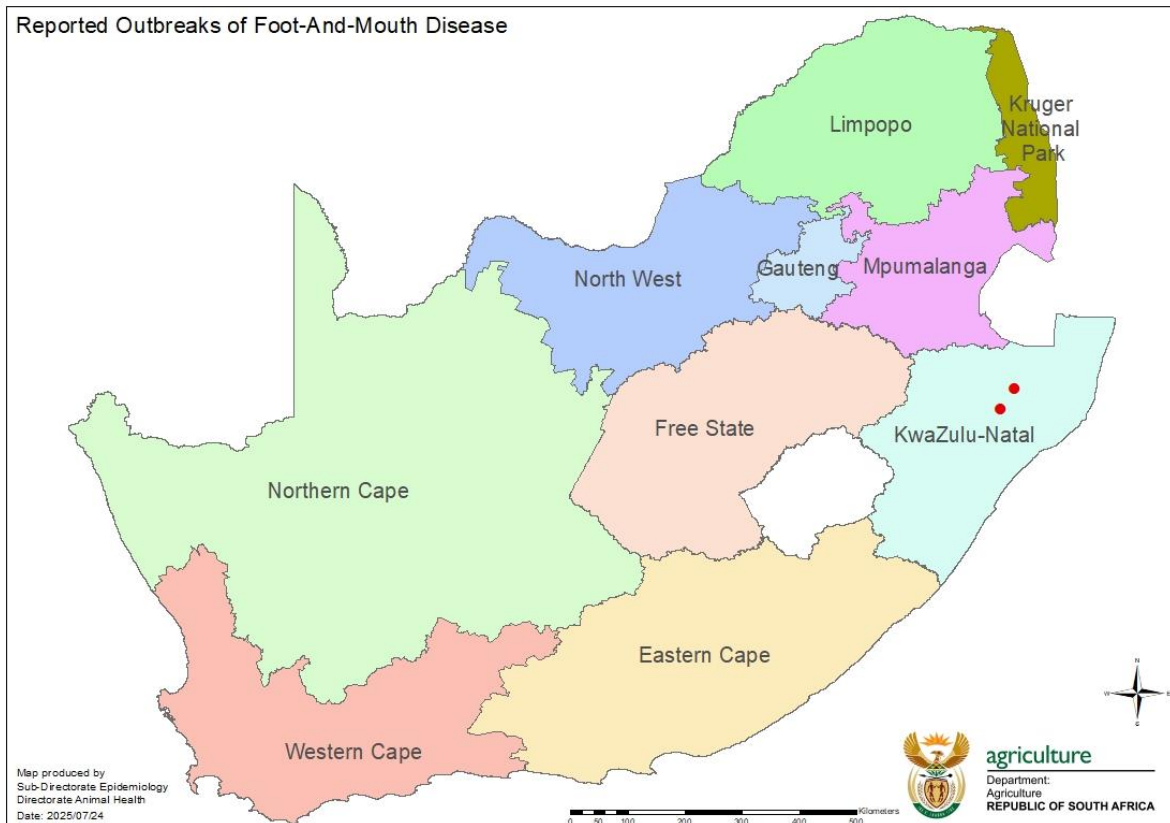
	Eastern Cape Province	Free State	Gauteng	Kruger National Park	KwaZulu-Natal	Limpopo	Mpumalanga	North West Province	Northern Cape Province	Western Cape Province	Total
Anaplasmosis	2	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	8
Babesiosis (Redwater)	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Besnoitiosis / Elephant skin disease	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Bovine Papilloma Virus	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Canine Babesioses	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Canine Distemper	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Canine Ehrlichia	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Canine Parvo Virus	4	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
Contagious Ophthalmia	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Cysticercosis (Cysticercus bovis)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
Foot-Rot	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
Haemorrhagic Septicaemia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Heartwater	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	8
Mastitis	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Other Clostridial Infections	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Sarcoptic Mange	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
West Nile Fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Total	15	11	0	0	0	18	10	3	0	1	58

Information and maps of Specific Diseases

Foot and mouth disease (FMD)

The following table indicates the number of reported FMD outbreaks per province

Province	Number of reported outbreaks
KwaZulu-Natal	2



African swine fever (ASF)

The following table indicates the number of reported ASF outbreaks per province

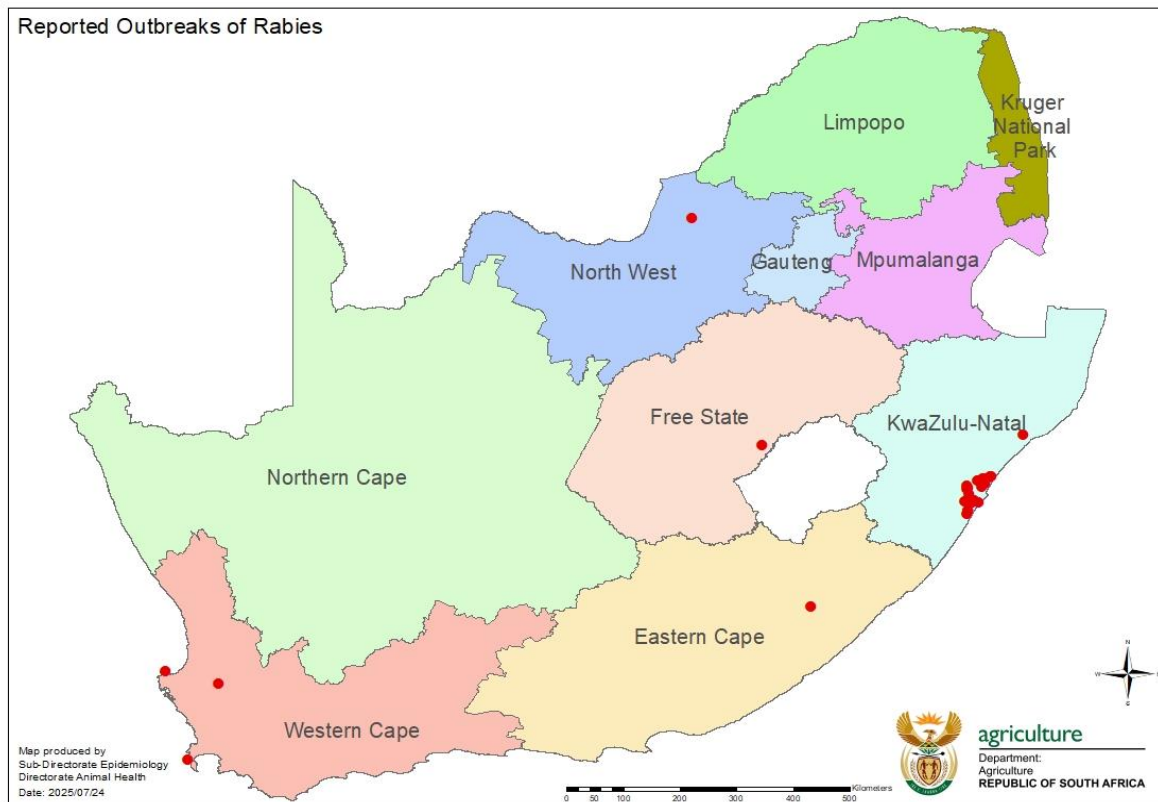
Province	Number of reported outbreaks
Eastern Cape Province	1
Gauteng	1
North West Province	1



Rabies

The following table indicates the number of reported rabies outbreaks per province

Province	Number of reported outbreaks
Eastern Cape Province	1
Free State	1
KwaZulu-Natal	23
North West Province	1
Western Cape Province	3



African Horse Sickness

The following table indicates the number of reported AHS outbreaks per province

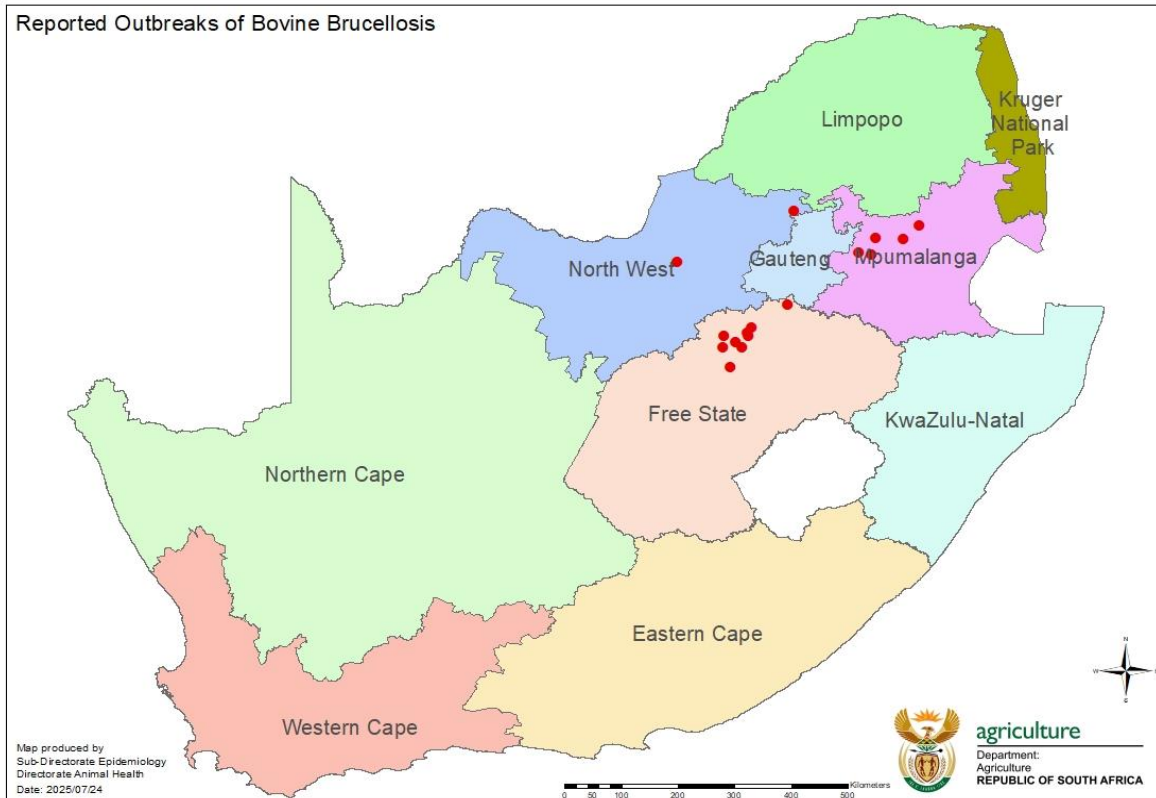
Province	Number of reported outbreaks
KwaZulu-Natal	1
Mpumalanga	1



Bovine Brucellosis

The following table indicates the number of reported Bovine Brucellosis outbreaks per province

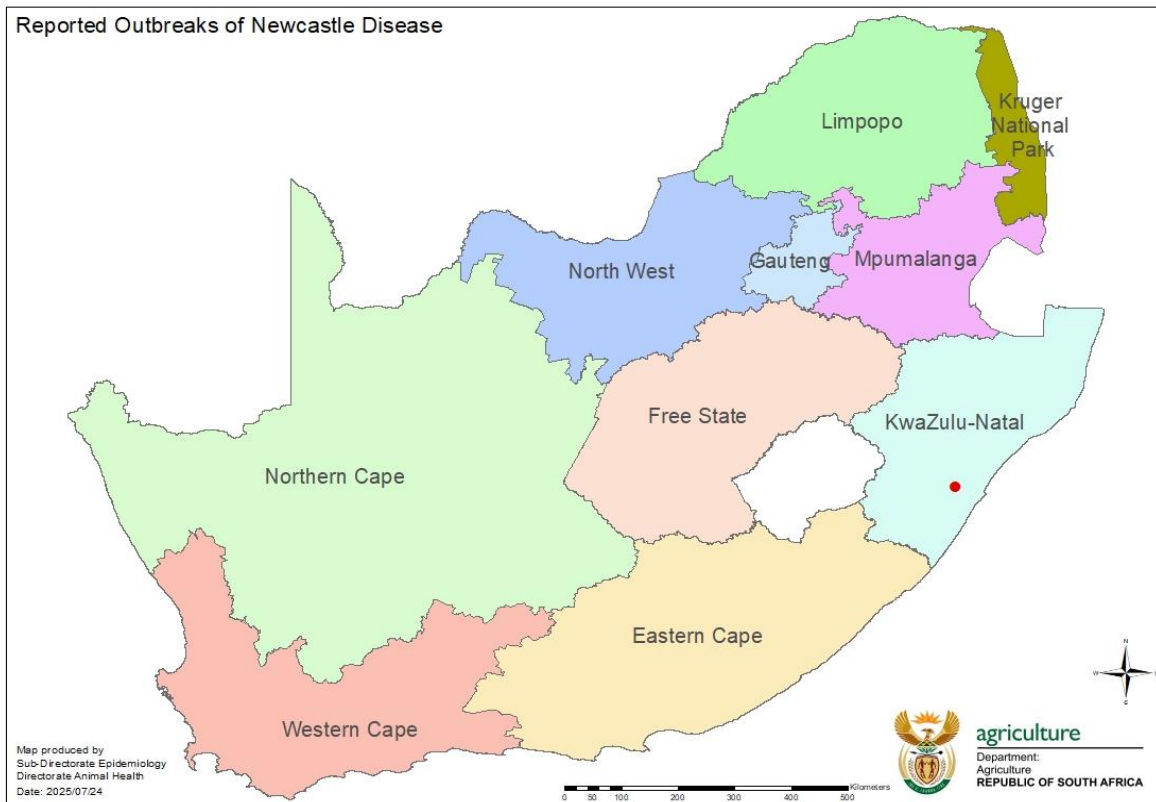
Province	Number of reported outbreaks
Free State	9
Mpumalanga	5
North West Province	2



Newcastle Disease

The following table indicates the number of reported Newcastle outbreaks per province

Province	Number of reported outbreaks
KwaZulu-Natal	1



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