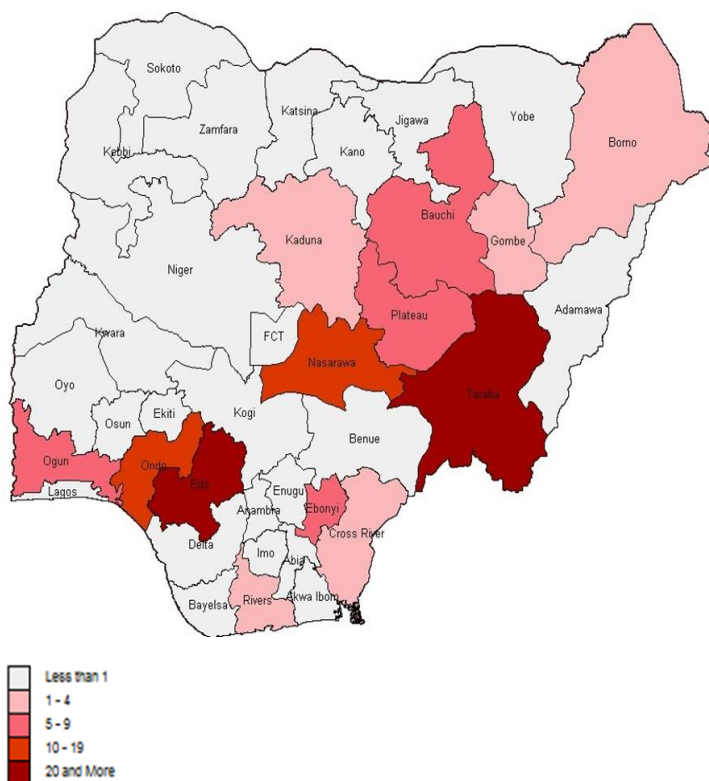


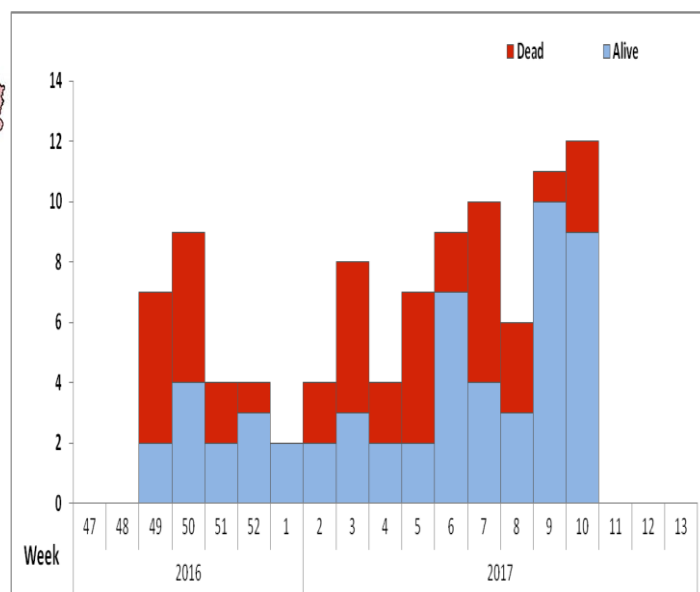


### Highlights

- The Lassa fever (LF) outbreak is active<sup>i</sup> in **thirteen** (13) states (Ogun, Bauchi, Plateau, Ebonyi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa, Rivers, Kaduna, Gombe, Cross-River and Borno)
- Since the onset of LF outbreak in Dec. 2016 (Week 49), **a total of 97 cases have been classified as: confirmed<sup>ii</sup> (91) and probable<sup>iii</sup> (6) with 46 deaths (40 deaths in confirmed and 6 in probable) recorded.**
- Case Fatality Rate for confirmed/probable cases is 47.4%
- In the reporting Week 10 (March 4-10, 2017), seven (7) suspected cases and 18 laboratory confirmed were reported. Edo State reported a total of 13 confirmed cases in the reporting week which was a backlog of cases which have been identified in the last 2 weeks but were not reported. Taraba reported 2 confirmed cases from 2 old suspected cases with pending laboratory results.



**Figure 1. States with confirmed cases as at Mar. 10, 2017**



**Figure 2. Cases of Lassa fever by epidemiological week in Nigeria - Dec. 2016 to Mar. 2017 (updated as at Mar.10 2017), N = 97**

<sup>i</sup> "Active" means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure

<sup>ii</sup> Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation).

<sup>iii</sup> Any suspected case (see definition above) but who died without collection of specimen for laboratory testing