UK

FLU FATALITIES

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Introduction

As of Thursday, 23 July 2009 09:19 UK:

The government says up to 12,000 people die every year [in the UK] from seasonal flu.

In 1957-8, between 25% and 30% of the population contracted Asian flu and 33,000 people died - a fatality rate of 0.25%. Ten years later, 25 to 30% of the population caught Hong Kong flu. It claimed 30,000 lives, a fatality rate of 0.2%

The worst flu pandemic occurred in 1918, when Spanish flu is estimated to have killed up to 50 million people worldwide.

UK Swine Flu Projections (as of 23 July 2009) (http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/8159488.stm)

- 30% of population might catch swine flu = 18.3 million people
- 15% of those might suffer complications = 2.74 million people
- 2% might need hospital treatment = 366,000
- 0.1-0.35% fatality rate = 18,300-64,050

Swine Flu - Euro Stats

As of 23 July 2009:

(http://www.nhs.uk/news/2009/04April/Pages/Swineflulatest.aspx)

Country Confirmed cases Fatalities

UK 110,649 31

As of 19 July 2009:

(http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/8083179.stm)

Country	Confirmed cases	Fatalities
Ireland	153	0
France	475	0
Belgium	126	0
Holland	179	0
Germany	834	0
Italy	258	0
Greece	323	0
Switzerland	220	0
Finland	133	0
Norway	120	0
Sweden	274	0
Denmark	98	0
Russia	9	0
Mexico	13,646	125

What is the global situation?

(http://www.nhs.uk/news/2009/04April/Pages/Swineflulatest.aspx)

There are now more than 125,000 laboratory confirmed cases, though the actual number of infections is probably much higher.

More than 700 deaths have been confirmed worldwide.

What is the current swine flu situation? http://www.nhs.uk/news/2009/04April/Pages/Swineflulatest.aspx

In August 2010, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared that the swine flu (H1N1) pandemic was over. H1N1 has not "gone away" however. As predicted by the WHO, the H1N1 virus has taken on the behaviour of a seasonal flu virus and is likely to continue to circulate for some years.

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