

## PEDv cases in Colombia resolved, OIE reports

Colombian farms affected by PEDv, in contrast to those in the US, have been able to return to regular production levels within two weeks

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Outbreaks of porcine epidemic diarrhea (PED) virus reported in Colombia between March and May have been resolved, the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) reported. The PED virus cases in Colombia differed from the PED virus cases observed in North America, according to the OIE, with lower mortality rates and infected farms returning to normal production levels in less than two weeks.

A total of 45 outbreaks had been reported in Colombia, with the majority of them occurring at farms in the Colombian departments of Cundinamarca and Huila. A total of 18,552 pigs were susceptible to PED virus, with 3,328 cases. Of those cases, 1,054 were fatal.

Samples from susceptible animals were sent to the Plum Island Animal Disease Center in the U.S. The USDA confirmed in a preliminary report that the samples submitted were similar to the PED virus reported in the United States, but different from the virus observed in Asia.

Animal health officials applied the following control measures in the affected Colombian herds: quarantine, movement control inside the country, disinfection of infected premises and symptomatic treatment of the animals.

The OIE stated that since the outbreaks are resolved, no further reports will be submitted.

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