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| Communicable Diseases Network Australia logo | PlagueAustralian national notifiable diseases case definition |

This document contains the surveillance case definition for plague, which is nationally notifiable within Australia. State and territory health departments use this definition to decide whether to notify the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care of a case.

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Reporting

Only**confirmed cases** should be notified.

Confirmed case

A confirmed case requires **Laboratory definitive evidence** only.

Laboratory definitive evidence

Isolation of *Yersinia pestis*.