

Question for written answer E-003106/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Rapid increase in cases of mosquito-borne viruses in Europe

In 2024, 1 436 domestic cases of West Nile virus were recorded in the EU, with 125 deaths. Greece recorded 220 cases and 35 deaths, of which 157 were neuroinvasive cases (meningitis, encephalitis, etc.). At the same time, dengue fever cases reached 304 (compared to 130 in 2023), while imported cases also appeared.

The spread continues in 2025. France has already reported six instances of local transmission of the Chikungunya virus in May (well ahead of the usual seasonal period). The vector mosquitoes *Aedes albopictus*, *Aedes aegypti* and *Culex pipiens* have established themselves in dozens of areas of the EU, including Greece, making the spread of endemic and tropical diseases a constant threat.

Given these developments, can the Commission say:

1. What EU guidelines and prevention protocols are envisaged for mosquito-borne diseases, and is their implementation mandatory for Member States?
2. Does the EU have a single, mandatory early warning and recording system for such incidents, with specific provision for high-risk tourist and agricultural areas?
3. Which financial instruments (Horizon Europe, ECDC, Cohesion Policy Funds, NSRF) can be activated to strengthen prevention programmes, epidemiological surveillance, compensation for victims and support for local economies?

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