



## Emerging and Reemerging Infectious Diseases, Region of the Americas

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### Update on Yellow Fever in Latin America

Since 10 September 2003 to date, 25 new laboratory-confirmed cases have been reported to the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). The cumulative number of cases this year is 209, with 96 deaths. This is the highest number of cases reported in the Region since 1998.

The countries that have reported new cases are Peru (7), Colombia (3) and Venezuela (15). The outbreak on the Colombian-Venezuelan border is still active despite the mass vaccination efforts being carried out in affected areas.

*Source:* Ministry of Health of the respective countries.

<b>Table 1: Jungle Yellow Fever, Reported Cases and Deaths</b> (by country, Region of the Americas, as of 9 October 2003)		
<b>Country</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>Deaths</b>
Bolivia	6	4
Brazil	62	23
Colombia	91	42
Peru	22	13
Venezuela	28	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>96</b>
<i>Source:</i> Reports to PAHO from the Ministry of Health of the respective countries.		