



# ZAMBIA HEALTH FACT SHEET

# FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY ACTIVITY FACTSHEET

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Food and Agriculture Organization's (FAO) Global Health Security activity strengthens Zambia's ability to prevent, detect, and respond to zoonotic diseases.

The USAID-funded FAO Global Health Security activity works with the Zambian Ministries of Health, Fisheries and Livestock, Agriculture, and the Zambia National Public Health Institute to strengthen animal health systems through a multi-sectoral One Health approach. A One Health approach recognizes that the health of people, animals, and the environment are interconnected. USAID's FAO global health security activity is playing a vital role in keeping Zambians safe from zoonotic disease outbreaks through a wide range of

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programming including strengthening the veterinary laboratory and surveillance systems, training frontline animal health workers, and addressing the rising threat of antimicrobial resistance.

## **GOALS**

### **GOAL ONE**

Improve national capacities for preparedness, early detection, reporting and response to zoonoses and antimicrobial resistance threats.

#### **GOAL TWO**

Improve strategies to reduce risks from zoonoses and antimicrobial resistance by strengthening One Health platforms and the capacity of animal health professionals, the private sector, and communities.

#### **GOAL THREE**

Create a policy environment that facilitates national and local commitment and allocation of resources for improved detection, prevention and control of zoonoses and antimicrobial resistance.

#### **KEY RESULTS FOR 2023**

- Provided technical support during 14 zoonotic disease outbreaks.
- Trained I08 GRZ staff in strategies to address antimicrobial resistance, strengthen laboratory systems, and zoonotic disease surveillance.
- Launched the first In-Service Applied Veterinary Epidemiology Training program. The graduates of this program are the first line of defense against zoonotic disease outbreaks.

Life of Project: August I, 2022 - September 30, 2027

Geographic Focus: National

Partner: Food and Agriculture Organization

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