

## Outbreak Report for February 2026 West Virginia

During the month of February 2026, there seventy-six outbreaks reported in West Virginia, all of which were confirmed as outbreaks or clusters of disease. Reported settings included 31 schools, 29 long-term care facilities (LTCFs), 6 assisted living facilities, 4 daycares, 2 multi-state outbreaks, 1 hospital, 1 psychiatric hospital, 1 residential facility, and 1 other healthcare setting.

The rest of this report describes the types and settings of the outbreaks. All data provided is provisional as some outbreaks may still be under investigation.

### Respiratory Outbreaks During February 2026 (n=62)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Testing
<b>Influenza</b>	36	24 Schools 7 LTCF 3 Daycares 1 Assisted Living 1 Residential	(7-104) (2-11) (3-20) 12 8	Rapid Test or Lab Confirmed
<b>COVID-19</b>	16	11 LTCF 2 Assisted Living 1 Hospital 1 Psychiatric Hospital 1 Other Healthcare	(3-20) (3-4) 12 3 3	Rapid Test or Lab Confirmed
<b>Multiple Acute Respiratory Illnesses</b>	3	2 Schools 1 Assisted Living	(65-103) 16	Rapid Test or Lab Confirmed
<b>Respiratory Syncytial Virus</b>	3	2 Schools 1 Daycare	(5-7) 8	Rapid Test or Lab Confirmed
<b>Acute Respiratory Illness</b>	2	2 Schools	79, 18%	No Lab Testing or Negative/Non-Contributory
<b>Human metapneumovirus</b>	1	1 LTCF	7	Lab Confirmed
<b>Enterovirus/Rhinovirus</b>	1	1 LTCF	4	Lab Confirmed

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Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
<b>Acute Gastroenteritis Illness</b>	8	5 LTCF 2 Assisted Living 1 School	(8-68) (5-7) 33	No Lab Testing or Negative/Non-Contributory
<b>Norovirus</b>	1	1 LTCF	4	Lab Confirmed
<b>Salmonellosis</b>	2	2 Multi-state	2	Lab Confirmed

### Rash Outbreaks During February 2026 (n=1)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
<b>Unspecified Rash Illness</b>	1	1 LTCF	3	No Lab Testing

### MDRO Outbreaks During February 2026 (n=1)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
<b>C. difficile</b>	1	1 LTCF	3	Lab Confirmed

### Other Outbreaks During February 2026 (n=1)

Type of Outbreak or Cluster	Number of Outbreaks	Outbreak Setting	# of Cases (Range of Cases)	Laboratory Testing
<b>Conjunctivitis</b>	1	1 LTCF	4	No Lab Testing

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Figure 1 illustrates confirmed outbreaks by type.

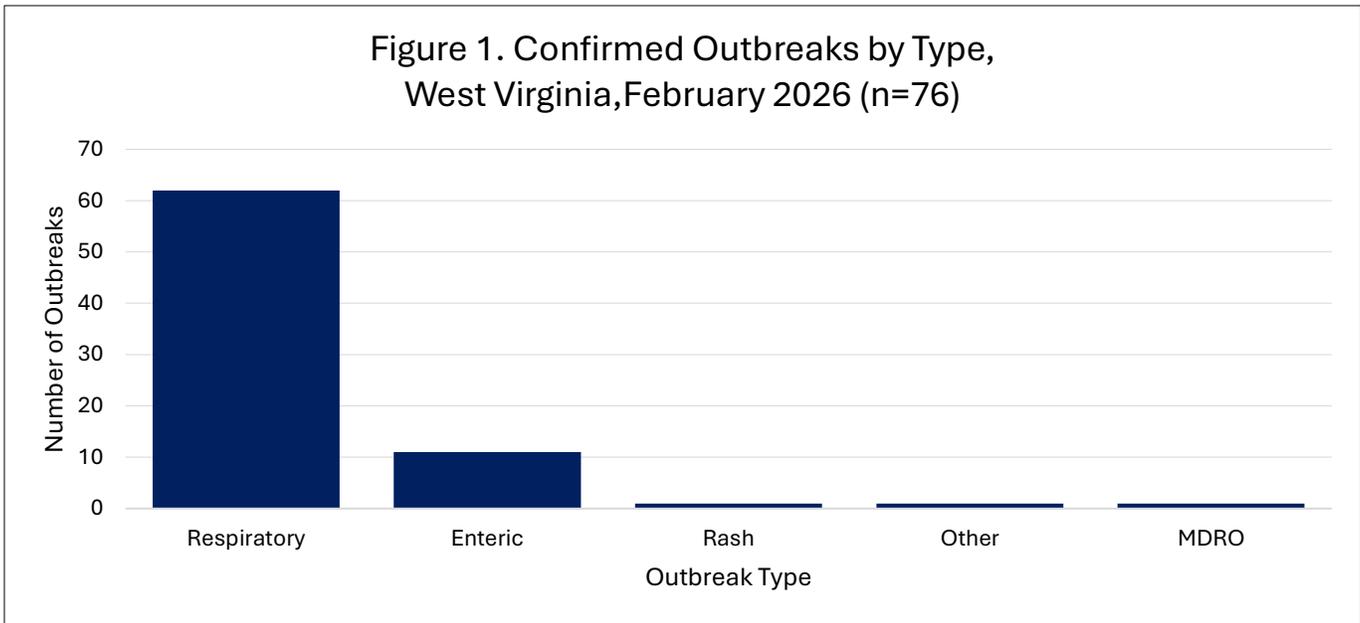
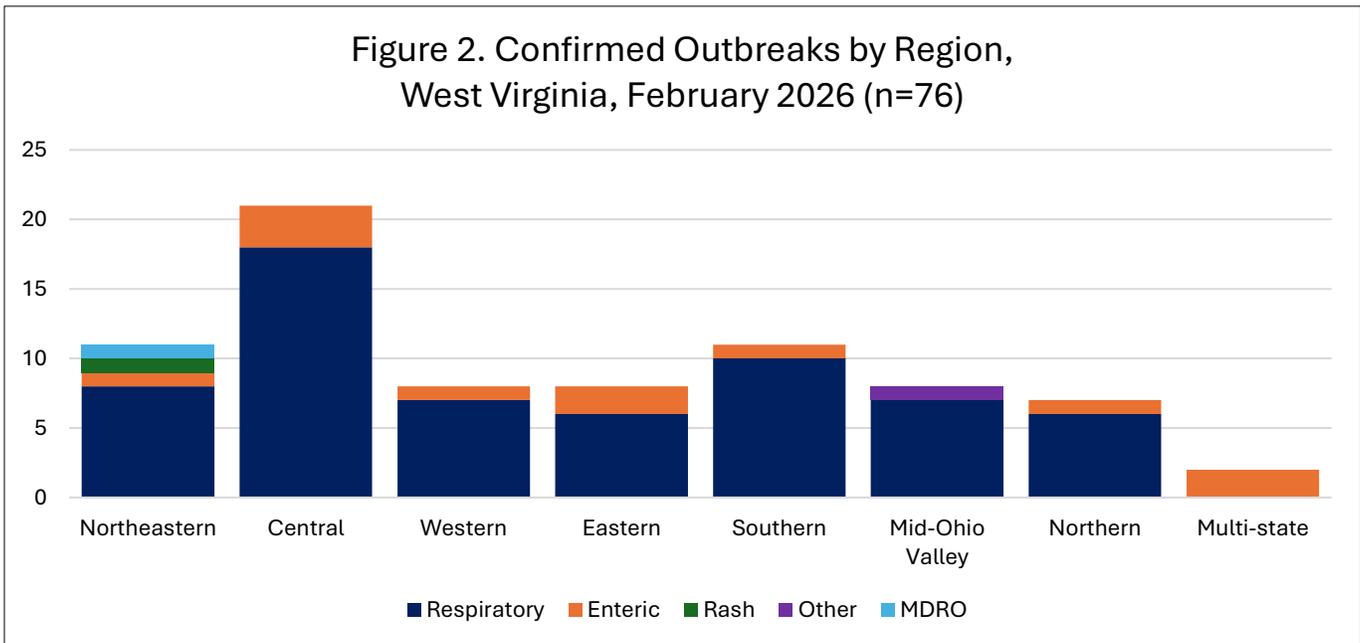
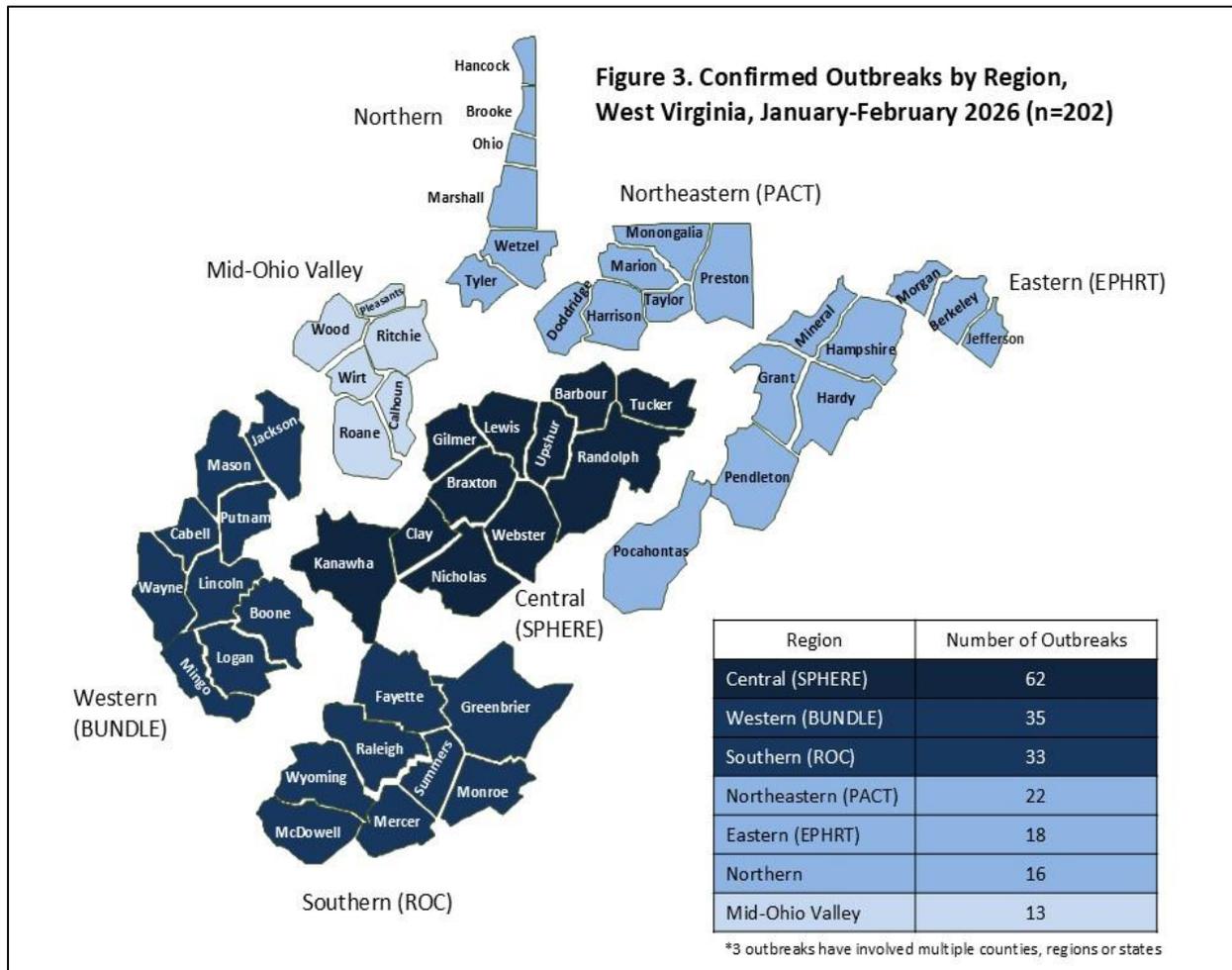


Figure 2 illustrates the number of outbreaks per region by type.



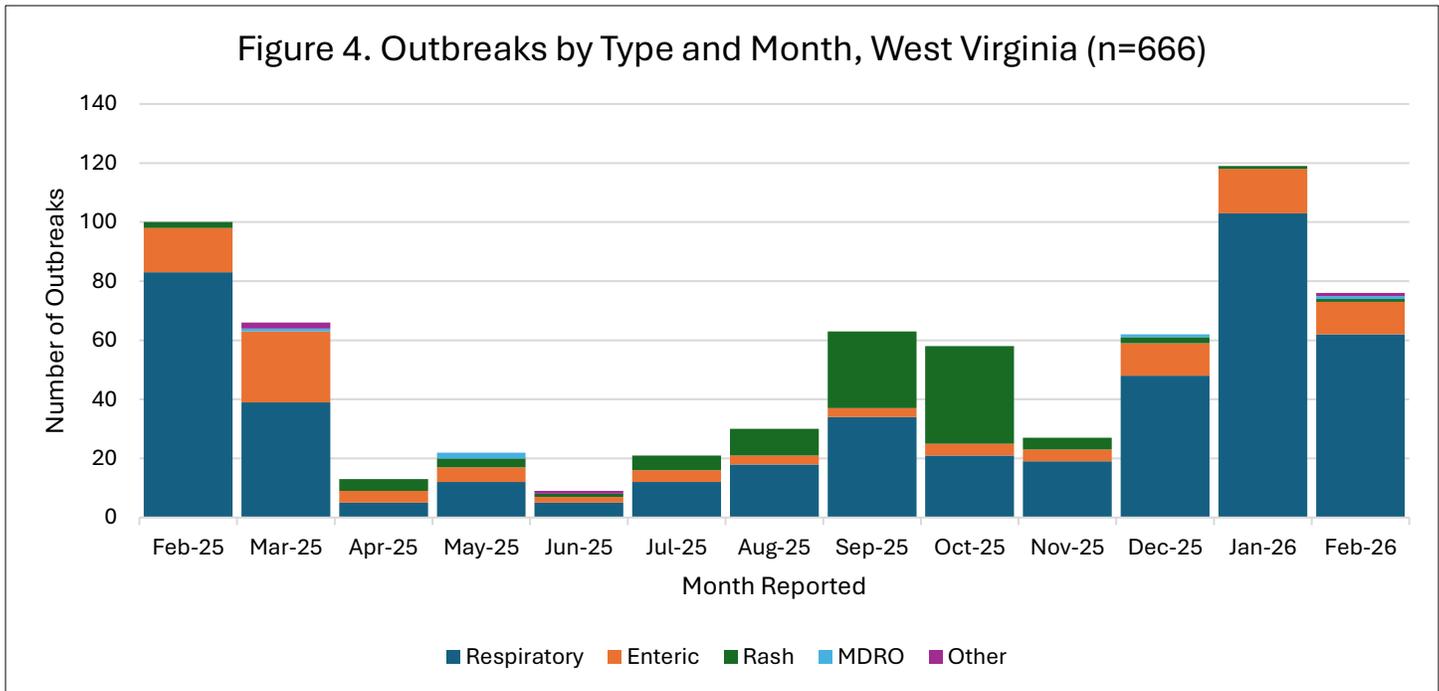
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Figure 3 displays the number of outbreaks by region.



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Figure 4 displays the number of outbreaks by type and month for the period from 2025 to 2026.



For outbreak guidelines or information on any disease or condition, visit the Office of Epidemiology & Prevention Services website at <https://oeps.wv.gov>. For after-hours public health emergencies, disease reporting, or to consult with an epidemiologist, call (304) 558-5358, or toll-free in West Virginia at 1-800-423-1271 (available 24/7/365)

Remember that outbreaks should be reported immediately to the local health department.

This report is sent monthly. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.