

WHO: Deaths linked to Ebola pass 3,000

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(AP)—The World Health Organization says the number of deaths linked to an Ebola outbreak in West Africa has passed 3,000.



The new tolls published Friday showed that there were more than 150 deaths in Liberia alone in just two days. The outbreak has also touched Guinea, Sierra Leone, Nigeria and Senegal—but it is the worst in Liberia.

WHO has said that even the heavy toll in this outbreak—the largest ever—may be an underestimate. Cases are going unrecorded because people are afraid to go to hospitals, or, worse, are turned away from them because they're overflowing.

The latest figures said more than 6,500 people are believed to have contracted Ebola.



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