

Croatia registers first swine flu death this season

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Croatia recorded its first death linked to swine flu this season as a 60-year-old man infected with H1N1 virus died at a Zagreb hospital, the national public health institute said on Tuesday.

By December 24 a total of 22 people had contracted the H1N1 -- swine flu -- virus, it said in a statement.

Two of them developed serious clinical symptoms that led to complications with lethal outcome for one of the patients, the institute said.

The World Health Organisation declared the swine flu pandemic over in August, more than a year after the virus that emerged from Mexico sparked panic and killed thousands of people around the world before fizzling out.

[Swine flu](#) has killed 163 people out of almost 36,000 cases reported in 76 countries, according to the WHO.

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