

Congo Ebola outbreak declared over

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(HealthDay)—The Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) is over, according to the country's health officials and the World Health Organization.

The declaration was made after 42 days with no new cases since the [last survivor](#) tested negative and was discharged from an Ebola treatment unit. The outbreak, the 12th in the DRC, was first announced on Feb. 7, 2021, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"CDC commends the DRC Ministry of Health and partners whose work helped bring this outbreak to an end," Rochelle Walensky, M.D., director of the CDC, said in an agency news release. "We are proud to have been part of the effort and remain committed to supporting the DRC's efforts to assist outbreak survivors, prevent future outbreaks, and quickly detect and respond to any new cases of Ebola. Our hearts are with the families who lost loved ones due to this deadly disease."

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