

ECDC Data Protection Notice

(Unit)

Data analysis for epidemiological prevention and control

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I. Introduction

This data protection notice explains how ECDC processes your personal data in the context of data analysis for epidemiological prevention and control.

II. Who is responsible for processing your personal data?

ECDC is the data controller for processing your personal data. You can find ECDC's contact details [here](#).

You can contact the delegated controller at support@ecdc.europa.eu.

III. For which purposes does ECDC process your data? And under which legal basis?

Personal data are processed for the purposes of epidemiological prevention and control, for example:

- investigations of subnational, national or multi-country outbreaks,
- epidemiological analyses in general, and
- assessments of preparedness for, response to and/or surveillance of communicable diseases

The legal bases for processing are the following:

- Articles 5(1)(a) and 10(2)(i) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725
- Articles 3(1) and 3(2) (a) and (b), Article 5b, Article 8(1), Article 10 and Article 11 of Regulation (EC) 851/2004
- Articles 8(1), Article 13(2)(b) and Article 18(2) of Regulation (EU) 2022/2371

Your personal data will not be subject to automated decision-making.

IV. Which data is ECDC processing in this context?

The **categories of personal data** processed include the following:

- Pseudonymized data that might comprise demographic, clinical, epidemiological information (e.g. age, gender, country of residence), including information on exposure (e.g. food exposure, hotel stay, vaccination status), case identification numbers provided by the contributors and laboratory results.

No data that allows direct identification of the data subjects are processed.

The **categories of data subjects** include the following:

- Individuals diagnosed with an infectious diseases
- Contacts of individuals that might have been exposed to someone with a disease

Data is collected from you as a data subject.

V. Who has access to your personal data?

Recipients of the data are:

- Nominated users of surveillance platforms (e.g. REDCap and Go.Data). Such users can be national experts, public health or health care staff from EU/EEA countries, ECDC staff and representatives of other European authorities and international organisations

VI. How long will ECDC process your personal data?

One year after the conclusion of the project.

VII. What are your rights as data subject?

As the individual to whom the personal data relate, you can exercise the following rights:

- access to your personal data under Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725;
- rectify your personal data under Article 18 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725;
- erase your personal data under Article 19 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725;
- restrict the processing concerning yourself under Article 20 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725; or
- exercise the right to data portability under Article 22 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.
- withdraw the consent at any time to process your personal data, for those processing operations whose legal basis has been identified as your consent

Please note that these rights are not absolute rights, which means that some exceptions may apply.

Please also note that, in certain cases, as provided in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, restrictions of data subjects' rights may apply. These restrictions are applied on a case-by-case basis.

VIII. Who can you contact in case of questions or to complain about the processing of your personal data?

In case of questions related to the processing of your personal data, you can contact the data controller at support@ecdc.europa.eu

You can also contact the Data Protection Officer of ECDC at dpo@ecdc.europa.eu

Should you wish to lodge a complaint, you may do so at the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) at edps@edps.europa.eu