

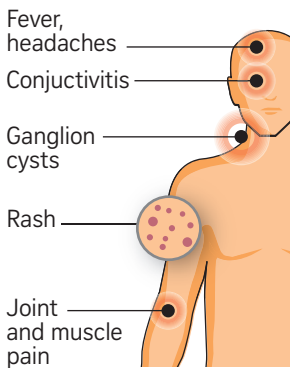
Areas affected



Zika landed in Latin America last year and has spread across virtually the whole region via *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes. Some countries have warned women to avoid getting pregnant as the virus has been blamed for causing birth defects.



Symptoms



Currently, no vaccine is available for the virus, only the symptoms can be treated.

Several areas in the Caribbean have also reported active transmissions. Taiwan had its first reported case of the virus last week, while the virus has also been detected previously in Africa and South-east Asia, including Cambodia, Indonesia, the Philippines, East Malaysia and Thailand.