

《WHO：寨卡病毒通过奥运会传播的风险‘十分小’》

导读:世界卫生组织说Zika病毒通过巴西举办的奥运会向全世界传播的风险十分小。



The World Health Organization (WHO) says there is a "very low risk" of Zika virus spreading globally as a result of holding the Olympics in Brazil.

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There is no need to move the Olympics from Rio de Janeiro, or to postpone or cancel them, WHO experts said.

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The WHO reaffirmed earlier advice against imposing any travel or trade restrictions on areas affected by the virus, which is spread by mosquitoes.

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Zika has been linked to birth defects. The Olympics will be held in August.

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The WHO has already declared Zika a global public health emergency. It has advised pregnant women to avoid travelling to the Games, and visitors to take precautions to avoid mosquito bites.

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But despite the concern voiced by some scientists, the WHO said mosquito activity was relatively low in Brazil in August.

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Brazilian officials expect about 380,000 foreign visitors to come for the Rio Olympics.

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Millions of travellers already visit Brazil every year, so not holding the Olympics there would not reduce the numbers significantly, the WHO added.

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The outbreak began in Brazil a year ago, but now more than 60 countries and territories have continuing transmission.

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More than 1,400 cases of microcephaly in babies have been linked to Zika in Brazil. The babies were born with abnormally small heads, a condition threatening their brain development.

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The virus has also been linked to a rare nervous system disorder, Guillain-Barre syndrome.

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Last month 150 doctors, scientists and bioethicists from more than a dozen countries signed an open letter urging the WHO to consider postponing or moving the Rio Olympics because of the spread of Zika.

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