

# U.S. response to West Africa's Ebola crisis

President Barack Obama is ramping up the U.S. response to West Africa's deadly Ebola outbreak, warning that the virus is spiralling out of control and poses a threat to hundreds of thousands of people

## U.S. INITIATIVES TO FIGHT EBOLA

**Troops:** 3,000 U.S. personnel to provide aid. Many assigned to staging base in Senegal, others deployed to locations in Liberia

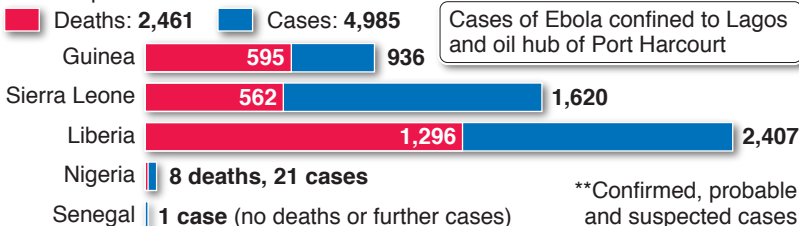
**Treatment centres**  
U.S. engineers to help build 17 new facilities in region, with 100 beds each. Provision of 25-bed hospital with 65 U.S. staff in Monrovia to treat infected foreign aid workers

**Healthcare providers**  
Creation of educational facility to train up to 500 local staff per week, to safely treat Ebola patients

**Home treatment**  
Plans to send 400,000 kits, including information and disinfectant, to families in worst-hit areas of Liberia

## EBOLA VIRUS CASES AND DEATHS\*\*

As of September 13



\*\*Confirmed, probable and suspected cases

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