

# Reported swine flu deaths in China triple in two weeks, H1N1 Influenza virus causes 178 fatalities

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The number of deaths caused by the swine flu in China have increased sharply over the past few weeks. There is conjecture that this is due to a warning to local officials about covering up the effect of swine flu on China.

## **Chinese swine flu fatalities increase**

Very recently, China's Health Ministry was reporting a total of 53 fatalities from the swine flu virus. On Tuesday, December 2, the total number of deaths from the H1N1 influenza virus jumped to 178.

## **Better swine flu reporting ordered by Ministry of Health**

On November 19th, the Chinese Ministry of Health ordered better and more accurate reporting of H1N1 illness and fatalities due to concerns of widespread cover-ups.

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