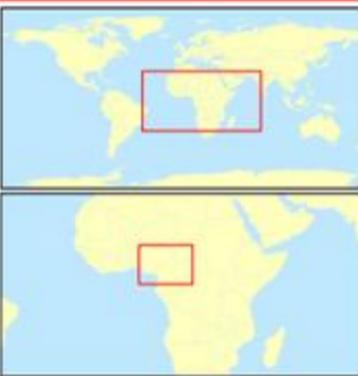
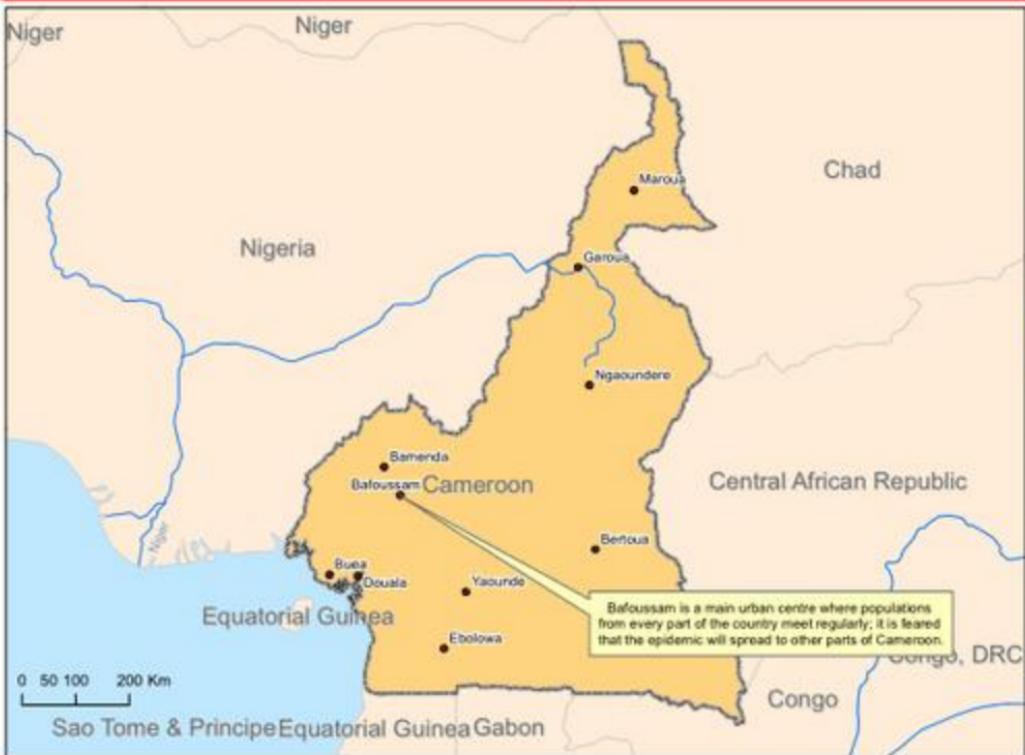




## Cameroon: Cholera in Bafoussam



The first case of cholera-related diarrhoea was identified on 12 March 2006. The government authorities declared the epidemic on 2 April. The disease spread so rapidly that by 24 April, 79 new cases had already been recorded, incl. eight deaths. These figures do not include suspected cases not reported to health centres.

It is feared that given the population density and movements, the epidemic may spread rapidly in urban areas, thereby making it very difficult to control.

In order to contain the epidemic in Bafoussam, it is urgent to efficiently organize and pursue the sensitization campaign that has been launched by the local committee of the national society.