

# World Health Organization Wild Polio Virus Update

## Week ending 17 June

Total cases	Year-to-date 2015		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	27	0	94	17	359	55
- in endemic countries	27	0	82	17	340	52
- in non-endemic countries	0	0	12	0	19	3

### Headlines:

An Independent Outbreak Response Assessment in Equatorial Guinea took place last week with over a year since the most recent case of polio on the 3 May 2014. They concluded that there is no evidence that wild poliovirus continues to circulate in the country and that there has been a significant improvement in surveillance. Strengthening routine immunization was identified as the highest priority for sustaining the gains of the outbreak response.

Expert groups in polio-infected areas are actively evaluating progress. Last week, the Technical Advisory Group for Afghanistan and Pakistan met to review the latest epidemiology, while this week an international outbreak assessment team is evaluating the situation in the Horn of Africa. Similar expert bodies will convene in other infected areas/countries over the coming months.

**Afghanistan:** **No new polio cases were reported in the past week.** The most recent case was from Gulestan district, Farah province, with onset of paralysis on 05 May. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 remains three.

**Nigeria:** **No new case of WPV1 was reported in the past week.** Nigeria's total case count for 2014 remains 6. The most recent case had onset of paralysis on 24 July in Sumaila Local Government Area (LGA), southern Kano state.

**Pakistan:** **One new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) case was reported this week** in South Waziristan in the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), with onset of paralysis on the 24 May. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 is now 25.

Countries	Year-to-date 2015		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014		Onset of paralysis of most recent case	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Pakistan	24	0	75	10	306	22	06-May-15	13-Dec-14
Afghanistan	3	0	4	0	28	0	5-May-15	N/A
Nigeria	0	0	3	7	6	30	24-Jul-14	16-Nov-14