

World Health Organization Wild Polio Virus Update

Week ending 2 September

Total cases	Year-to-date 2015		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	37	12	148	34	359	55
- in endemic countries	37	1	131	34	340	52
- in non-endemic countries	0	11	17	0	19	3

Headlines:

In Ukraine, a circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 1 (cVDPV1) outbreak has been confirmed. Two cases have been confirmed, with dates of onset of paralysis of 30 June and 7 July. The genetic similarity between the cases indicates active transmission of cVDPV1. Both are from the Zakarpatskaya oblast, in south-western Ukraine, bordering Romania, Hungary, Slovakia and Poland. Ukraine had been at particular risk of emergence of a cVDPV, due to inadequate vaccination coverage. In 2014, only 50% of children were fully immunized against polio and other vaccine-preventable diseases. Discussions are currently ongoing with national health authorities to plan and implement an urgent outbreak response.

Expert Review Committee met in Nigeria last week to review the progress made in Nigeria, identify ways to strengthen the gains of the last few years and identify the major risks to stopping polio across the country.

Afghanistan: No new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases were reported in the past week. The most recent WPV1 case had onset of paralysis on 1 August from Nangarhar. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 remains eight.

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 2014 in Sumaila Local Government Area (LGA), southern Kano state.

Pakistan: No new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases were confirmed this week. The most recent case, reported in Peshawar district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, had onset of paralysis on 30 June. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 remains 29, compared to 117 at this time last year.

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
Ukraine	0	2	0	0	0	0	NA	07-Jul-15
Pakistan	29	0	117	16	306	22	30-Jun-15	13-Dec-14
Afghanistan	8	0	8	0	28	0	01-Aug-15	NA
Nigeria	0	1	6	16	6	30	24-Jul-14	16-May-15