

# World Health Organization Wild Polio Virus Update

## Week ending 27 January

Total cases	Year-to-date 2016		Year-to-date 2015		Total in 2015	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	0	0	3	0	72	28
- in endemic countries	0	0	3	0	72	3
- in non-endemic countries	0	0	0	0	0	25

### Headlines:

There are eleven weeks to go until the globally synchronized switch from the trivalent to bivalent oral polio vaccine, an important milestone in achieving a polio-free world.

The WHO Executive Board is meeting this week, reviewing the report on polio eradication.

On 21 January, Syria passed two years without a reported case of polio despite the conflict which has affected the delivery of health services, including childhood vaccinations.

### Afghanistan **No new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases were reported in the past week.**

The most recent case had onset of paralysis in Kunar on 19 November. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 remains 19, compared to 28 reported in the country in 2014.

**Pakistan: One new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) case was reported in the past week,** with onset of paralysis on 22 December 2015 in Peshawar. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 is now 53, compared to 303 reported for 2014 by this time last year. A total of 306 cases occurred in Pakistan in 2014.

Countries	Year-to-date 2016		Year-to-date 2015		Total in 2015		Onset of paralysis of most recent case	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
	Afghanistan	0	0	0	0	19	0	19-Nov-15
Pakistan	0	0	3	0	53	2	22-Dec-15	09-Feb-15