

World Health Organization Wild Polio Virus Update

Week ending 7 January

Total cases	Year-to-date 2015		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	70	24	341	51	359	56
- in endemic countries	70	3	322	48	340	52
- in non-endemic countries	0	21	19	3	19	4

Headlines:

The year 2015 has had fewer cases in fewer places than ever before. It is more important than ever that the momentum gained thus far is maintained in 2016. In order to stop wild poliovirus in 2016, the program's focus is now on strengthening surveillance, keeping Africa polio-free and ending transmission in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

There are four months to go until the globally synchronized switch from the trivalent to bivalent oral polio vaccine. This will be an important milestone in achieving a polio-free world.

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.

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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
Afghanistan	19	0	26	0	28	0	19-Nov-15	NA
Pakistan	51	2	290	20	306	22	21-Nov-15	09-Feb-15