

Polio this week as of 17 April 2019

Wild poliovirus type 1 and Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus cases

Total cases	Year-to-date 2019		Year-to-date 2018		Total in 2018	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	9	6	9	5	33	104
—In Endemic Countries	9	5	9	1	33	34
—In Non-Endemic Countries	0	1	0	4	0	70

Headlines:

- Co-chairs of Immunization Management Group (IMG) announced that the global goal set out in 2013 of 126-OPV using countries to introduce 1 dose of IPV in their immunization programme has been achieved.
- Eminent Islamic religious scholars from Afghanistan and Pakistan came together in Muscat, Oman for the first ever joint Ulama Conference, under the aegis of the [Islamic Advisory Group](#) (IAG). for polio eradication The IAG convened religious scholars in a bid to appreciate their value as community leaders and secure bilateral support for polio eradication efforts across the joint poliovirus transmission corridors. At the end of the two-day conference, the scholars issued a joint declaration in support of the polio efforts. Watch the Opening Session [here](#). Read the declaration [here](#).
- In keeping with the [recommendations](#) of the Emergency Committee under the International Health Regulations (IHR), Afghanistan and Pakistan have introduced an all-age polio vaccination for travelers crossing international borders to increase general population immunity the common wild poliovirus transmission corridor. Read [more](#).

Afghanistan:

- **No wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases have been reported in the past week.** There are three WPV1 cases reported in 2019 from Afghanistan. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2018 remains 21.

- Three WPV1-positive environmental samples were reported in the past week: two from Jalalabad in Nangarhar province and one from Lashkargah in Hilmand province. The samples were collected between 23 February-23 March 2019.

Pakistan:

- **No cases of wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) were reported in the past week.** There are six WPV1 cases reported in 2019. The total number of WPV1 cases in 2018 remains 12.
- Three WPV1-positive environmental samples were reported in the past week: one from Quetta in Balochistan province; one from South Waziristan in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Tribal Districts, and one from Kambar in Sindh province. The samples were collected between 7-21 March 2019. So far in 2019, a total of 78 environmental positive samples have been reported. Full year 2018 total remains 140.

Nigeria:

- One case of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 has been reported in the past week in Imeko Afon LGA, Ogun State. The onset of paralysis was on 9 March 2019. There are five cVDPV2 cases reported in 2019 so far. The total number of cVDPV2 cases in 2018 remains 34.
- Seven cVDPV2-positive environmental samples have been reported this week: two in Madaiguri, Borno state; one in Tarauni, Kano state; three in Lagos mainland and one in Mushin in Lagos. The samples were collected between 14 December 2018 to 19 March 2019.
- **No cases of wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) has been reported in the country since the one detected from Borno State with a date of onset of paralysis on 21 August 2016.**

Case breakdown by country

Countries	Year-to-date 2019		Year-to-date 2018		Total in 2018		Onset of paralysis of most recent case	
	WPV	eVDPV	WPV	eVDPV	WPV	eVDPV	WPV	eVDPV
Afghanistan	3	0	7	0	21	0	25-Feb-2019	NA
Democratic Republic Of The Congo	0	1	0	4	0	20	NA	8-Feb-2019
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	1	NA	27-Nov-2018
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	1	NA	21-Oct-2018
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	10	NA	5-Dec-2018
Nigeria	0	5	0	1	0	34	NA	9-Mar-2019
Pakistan	6	0	2	0	12	0	25-Feb-2019	NA
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	26	NA	18-Oct-2018
Somalia	0	0	0	0	0	12	NA	7-Sep-2018