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## THIS WEEK

### Polio this week as of 28 June 2017

- WHO Director-General [Dr Margaret Chan retirement](#): GPEI offers sincere thanks for her ten-year leadership, which brought the world to the threshold of being polio-free.
- Containment update: progress towards containment of poliovirus type 2 [published](#).
- “Coffee with Polio Experts”: a [short video-chat](#) with Dr Ousmane Diop, Coordinator of the Global Polio Laboratory Network, on the increasingly important role of environmental surveillance to help track down every last poliovirus strain.
- Summary of newly-reported viruses this week: Syria – 5 new circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2)

isolated from acute flaccid paralysis (AFP) cases.  
Pakistan – 1 new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) positive  
environmental sample. See country-specific section  
below, for more details.

# Wild poliovirus type 1 and Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus cases

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## —In Endemic Countries

6

0

18

0

37

2

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## —In Non-Endemic Countries

0

26

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3

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# Case breakdown by country

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## Democratic Republic Of The Congo

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4

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NA

17-Apr-2017

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## Lao People's Democratic Republic

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3

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3

NA

10-Jan-2016

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## Nigeria

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4

1

20-Aug-2016

27-Oct-2016

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## Pakistan

2

0

12

0

20

1

12-Feb-2017

16-Dec-2016

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## Syrian Arab Republic

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22

0

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0

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NA

24-May-2017

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NA: onset of paralysis in most recent case is prior to 2016. Figures exclude non-AFP sources. Lao PDR cVDPV1, all others cVDPV2. cVDPV definition: see document “Reporting and classification of vaccine-derived polioviruses” at [\[pdf\]](#)

## Weekly country updates as of 28 June 2017

- + Afghanistan**
- + Pakistan**
- + Nigeria**
- + Lake Chad Basin**
- + Central Africa**
- + Syrian Arab Republic**

