

**0** WPV1 | **0** cVDPV2  
**POLIO CASES IN AUGUST 2023**

**5** WPV1 | **0** cVDPV2  
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**0** WPV1 POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLE IN AUGUST 2023

**10,771,023** CHILDREN VACCINATED IN AUGUST 2023

**8,328** COMMUNITY MOBILIZERS IN AUGUST 2023

**13,907** FEMALE FRONTLINE WORKERS IN AUGUST 2023

**243** PERMANENT TRANSIT SITES IN AUGUST 2023

**12** CROSS-BORDER VACCINATION POINTS IN AUGUST 2023

# POLIO SNAPSHOT AFGHANISTAN

August 2023

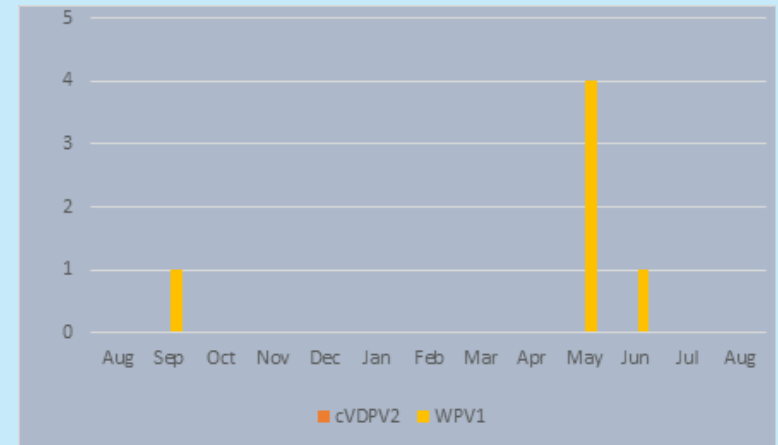


**WPV1 and cVDPV2 cases in August 2023**

- 0 cVDPV2 cases
- 0 WPV1 cases

**Total WPV1 and cVDPV2 cases in 2023**

- 0 cVDPV2 cases in 2023
- 5 WPV1 cases in 2023



WILD POLIOVIRUS AND cVDPV2 CASE COUNT 2022-2023

Data as of 31 August 2023



## POLIO TRANSMISSION

- No new WPV1 case was reported this month.
- One WPV1 positive environmental sample was reported from Nangarhar province in the East in this month.



## AFP / ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEILLANCE

- 400 children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported in August: 164 girls and 236 boys. A total of 3,821 AFP cases have been reported since the beginning of 2023. Of these, 3,525 cases have been discarded as non-polio, 291 cases are pending final classification.
- The non-polio AFP rate is 23, stool adequacy is 93%, and national non-polio enterovirus rate is 14%.
- In all regions, non-polio AFP rate is above 16, stool adequacy above 91%, and non polio enterovirus rate is ranging from 11-17% in 2023.



## SUPPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- A National Immunization Day (NID) vaccination campaign was held from 21-24 August. 10,771,023 children were vaccinated with bOPV.



## COMPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- 12 cross-border vaccination points, 46 cross-border teams and 243 permanent transit sites were operational in August.
- Permanent transit teams vaccinated 738,504 children, and cross-border teams vaccinated 142,141 children against polio this month.
- 4,637 children under 10 were given OPV in UNHCR repatriation centres and IOM sites receiving returnees and refugees from Pakistan and Iran in August.
- From January 1st 2023 to date, 30,703 returnee children were vaccinated with OPV.
- 2,040 international travelers were vaccinated this month in compliance with International Health Regulations.

## Polio and gender workshop at WHO Afghanistan

Forty participants from WHO Afghanistan's polio eradication programme took part in a workshop in August aimed at further enhancing the role of gender in their day to day work.

Topics covered included gender and health, as well as gender related barriers to immunization and the role of gender within the context of polio eradication.

Participants included staff from the programme's country and regional teams and included group work, discussions and role play.

This was the first of a series of workshops aimed at ensuring an inclusive approach to polio eradication.



### Key communication activities

- 749,904 caregivers, including 738,858 women, engaged on polio, routine immunization, maternal and child health and COVID 19 in the South, East, South-East, North and West regions.
- 12,203 community influencers facilitated sessions on polio awareness across the country.
- 311 women in the South region were reached with polio awareness messaging by Female Communication Engagement Officers
- 178,754 soap bars provided to households in the South region to promote hygiene and polio eradication efforts.

Radio PSAs	101	Journalists trained	108	Total social media reach	61,377,096
TV PSAs	6	Total social media engagement	3,919,326	New followers	153,097



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