

Afghanistan Polio Snapshot

November 2024



A subnational vaccination campaign was held from 25–27 November. A total of 5.7 million children under 5 years of age were vaccinated with bOPV.

Permanent transit teams vaccinated 616,565 children against polio and cross-border teams vaccinated 90,239 children this month.

7,804 returnees and refugees were vaccinated with bOPV, including 6,596 returnees from Pakistan.

One new WPV1 case was reported from Hilmand in the South this month. Nine WPV1 positive environmental samples were reported in November: four from Kandahar, two from Hilmand and one from Uruzgan in the South, and one each from Nangarhar and Laghman in the East.

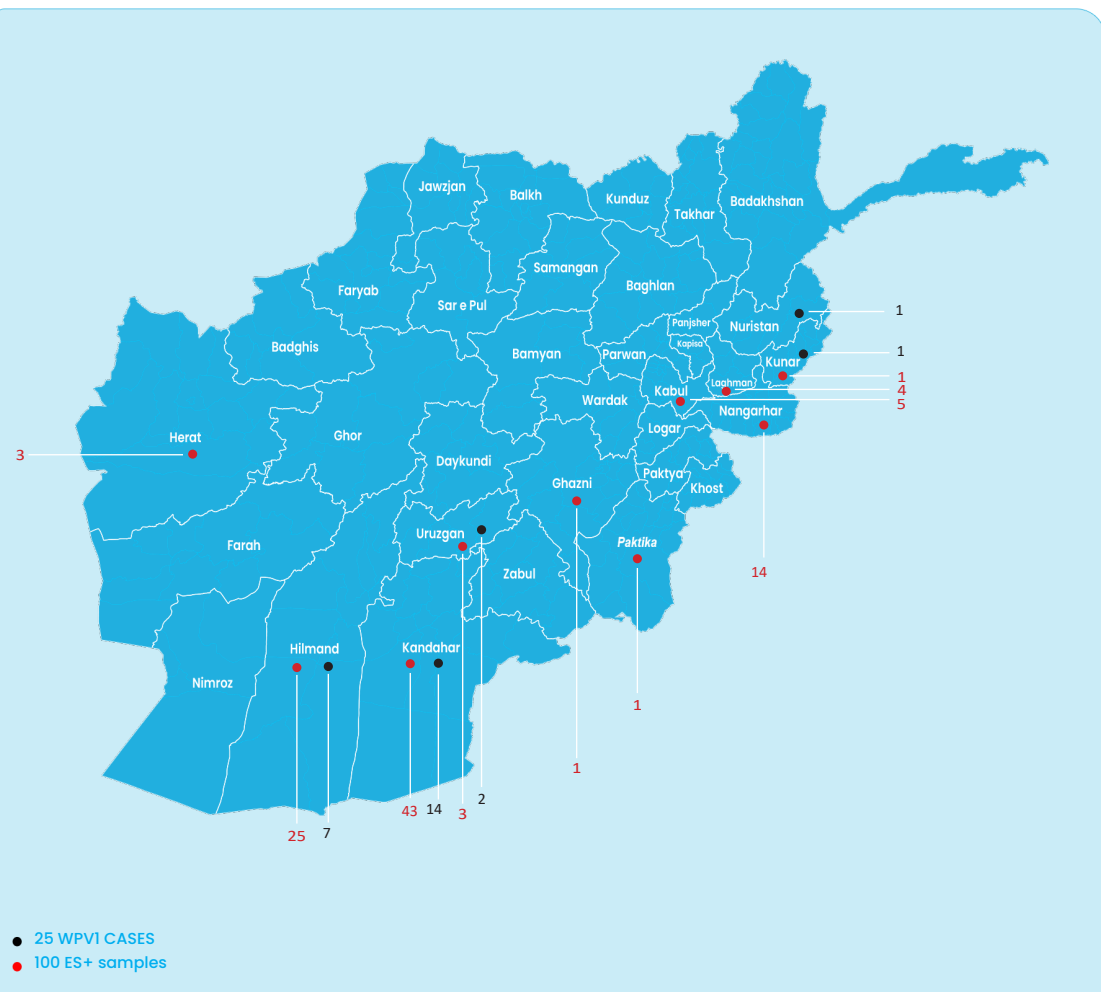
502 children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported in November: 223 girls and 279 boys. A total of 5,357 AFP cases have been reported since the beginning of 2024.

Of these, 5,082 cases have been discarded as non-polio AFP and 250 cases are pending final classification.

The non-polio AFP rate is 24%, stool adequacy is 95% and the national non-polio enterovirus rate is 14%. In all regions, the non-polio AFP rate is above 15%, stool adequacy above 92%, and the non-polio enterovirus rate is ranging from 9–17%.

953,365 caregivers, including 938,251 women, engaged in polio, routine immunization, maternal and child health and COVID 19 awareness raising in the South, East, South-East, North and West. 9,703 community influencers facilitated sessions on polio awareness across the country. 2,584 women in the South were reached with polio awareness messaging by Female Communication Engagement Officers.

221,986 soaps and 70,084 diapers were distributed to caregivers in the South region.



1 Polio case	46 Cross border vaccination teams
25 Polio cases, 2024	7,804 Returnees/refugees vaccinated
9 Positive environmental samples	165,645 Returnees/refugees vaccinated, 2024
100 Positive environmental samples, 2024	1,725 International travellers vaccinated
5.7 m+ Children vaccinated	88 Radio PSAs
11,335 Community mobilizers	21 TV PSAs
7,065 Female frontline workers	40 Journalists trained
247 Permanent transit sites	29,841 Total social media engagement
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7 Cross border vaccination points	14,405 New followers

