

Afghanistan Polio Snapshot

January 2025



A subnational vaccination campaign was held from 27–29 January. A total of 6.2 million children under 5 years of age were vaccinated with bOPV.

Permanent transit teams vaccinated 529,782 children against polio and cross-border teams vaccinated 87,643 children this month.

4,479 returnees and refugees were vaccinated with bOPV, including 3,174 returnees from Pakistan.

One new WPV1 case was reported from Badghis in the West this month. Nine WPV1 positive environmental samples were reported in January: five from Kandahar and three from Hilmand in the South and one from Laghman in the East.

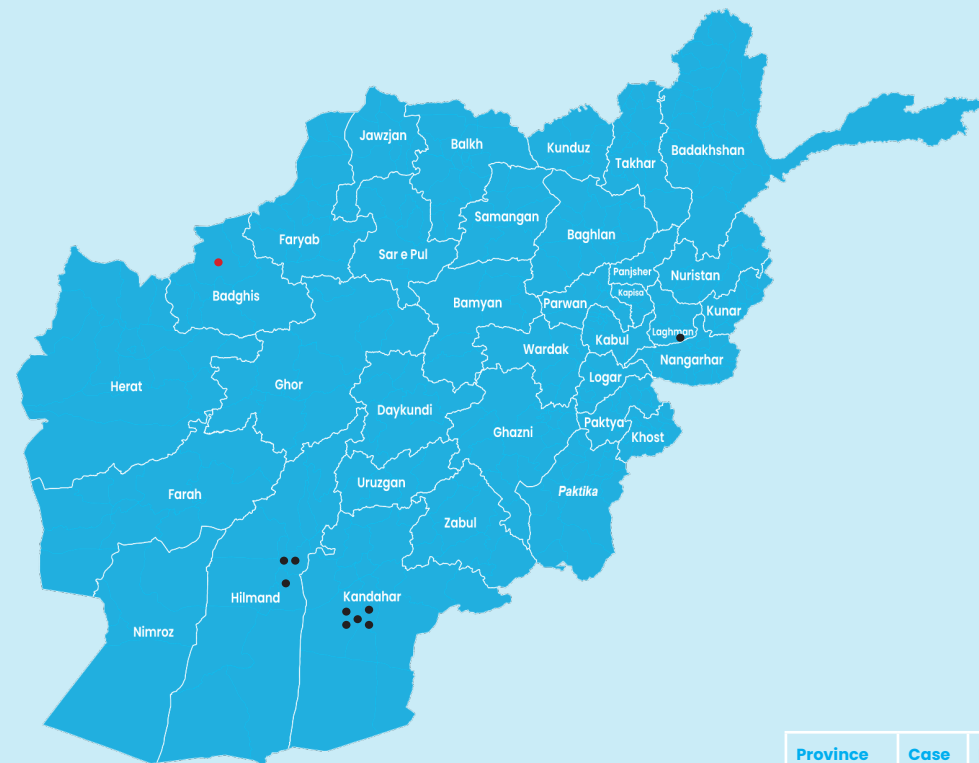
456 children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported in January: 202 girls and 254 boys. A total of 459 AFP cases have been reported since the beginning of 2025. Of these, 199 cases have been

discarded as non-polio AFP and 260 cases are pending final classification.

The non-polio AFP rate is 24%, stool adequacy is 95% and the national non-polio enterovirus rate is 15%. In all regions, the non-polio AFP rate is above 16%, stool adequacy above 92%, and the non-polio enterovirus rate is ranging from 10–17%.

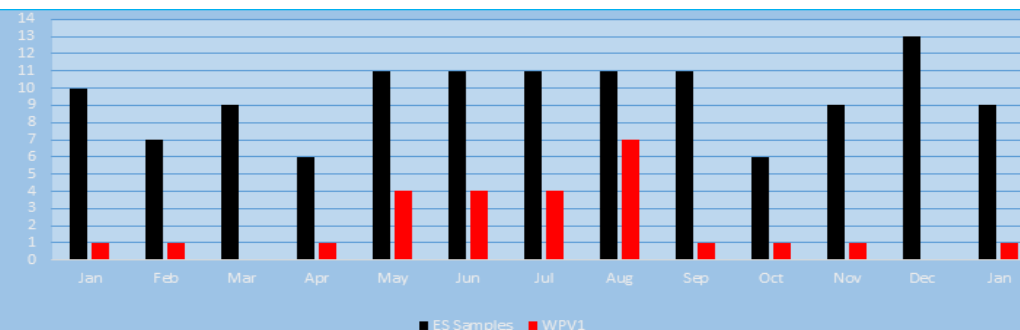
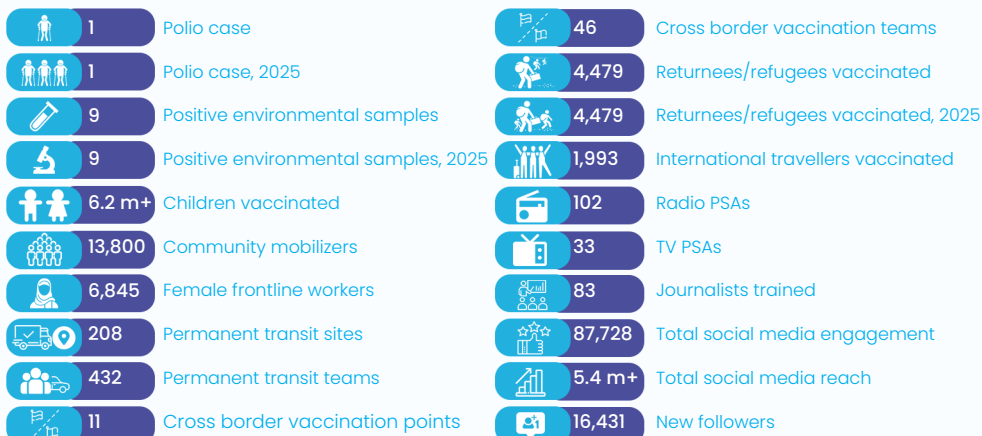
951,164 caregivers, including 944,245 women, engaged in polio, routine immunization, maternal and child health and COVID 19 awareness raising in the South, East, South-East, North and West. 8,350 community influencers facilitated sessions on polio awareness across the country. 2,735 women in the South were reached with polio awareness messaging by Female Communication Engagement Officers.

217,287 soaps and 71,005 diapers were distributed to caregivers in Kandahar in the South region.



● 9 ES+ SAMPLES
● 1 WPV1 CASE

Province	Case	ES+
Badghis	1	
Kandahar		5
Hilmand		3
Laghman		1



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