

Afghanistan Polio Snapshot

May 2024



The last campaign was implemented from 29 April to 2 May 2024 (see April snapshot).

Permanent transit teams vaccinated 669,277 children against polio and cross-border teams vaccinated 71,414 children this month.

22,511 returnees and refugees were vaccinated with OPV, including 20,183 returnees from Pakistan.

Three new WPV1 cases were reported this month: one from Kandahar and two from Hilmand in the South. Eleven WPV1 positive environmental samples were reported in May: one from Laghman in the East, four from Kandahar, four from Hilmand and one from Uruzgan in the South, and one from Herat in the West.

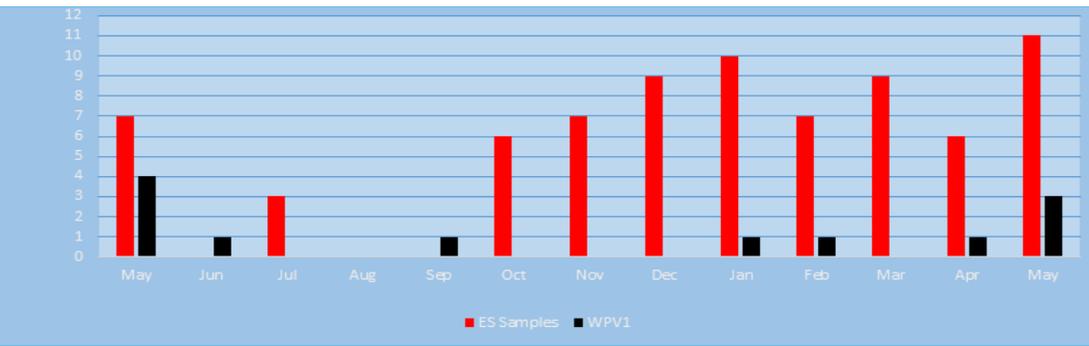
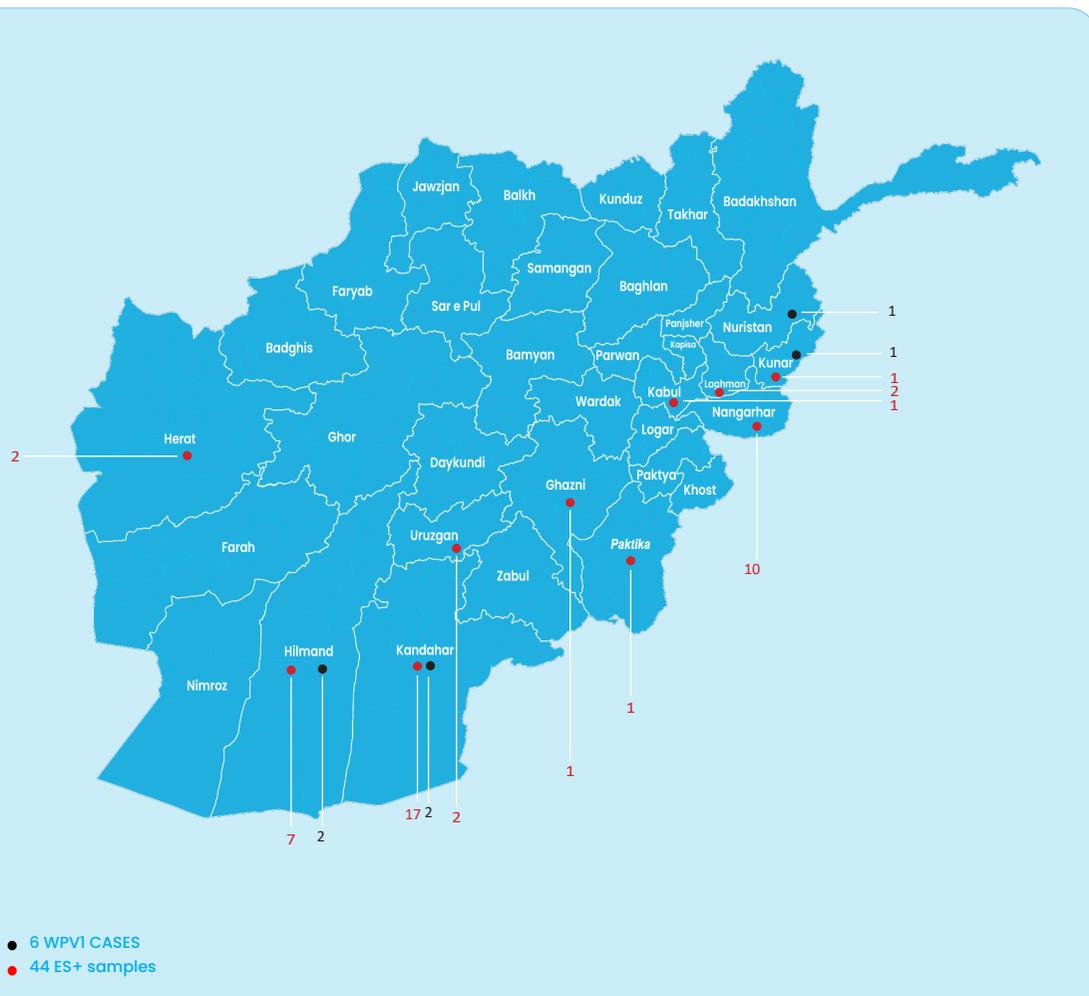
490 children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported in May: 228 girls and 262 boys. A total of 2,336 AFP cases have been reported since the beginning of 2024. Of these, 2,073 cases have been

discarded as non-polio AFP and 259 cases are pending final classification.

The non-polio AFP rate is 20, stool adequacy is 95% and the national non-polio enterovirus rate is 11%. In all regions, the non-polio AFP rate is above 13, stool adequacy above 94%, and the non-polio enterovirus rate is ranging from 8-14%.

996,350 caregivers, including 919,880 women, engaged in polio, routine immunization, maternal and child health and COVID 19 awareness raising in the South, East, South-East, North and West. 14,021 community influencers facilitated sessions on polio awareness across the country. 2,846 women in the South were reached with polio awareness messaging by Female Communication Engagement Officers.

214,186 soap bars were provided to households in the South to promote hygiene and polio eradication efforts.



3 Polio case	65 Cross border vaccination teams
6 Polio cases, 2024	22,511 Returnees/refugees vaccinated
11 Positive environmental samples	75,766 Returnees/refugees vaccinated, 2024
44 Positive environmental samples, 2024	2,576 International travellers vaccinated
0.7m+ Children vaccinated	29 Radio PSAs
8,116 Community mobilizers	4 TV PSAs
633 Female frontline workers	26 Journalists trained
308 Permanent transit sites	79,141 Total social media engagement
404 Permanent transit teams	1.8 m+ Total social media reach
12 Cross border vaccination points	7,179 New followers