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WPV1
POLIO CASE IN OCTOBER 2023

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POLIO CASES IN 2023

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WPV1 POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL
SAMPLE IN OCTOBER 2023

8 mil+

CHILDREN VACCINATED IN
OCTOBER 2023

3,267

COMMUNITY MOBILIZERS
IN OCTOBER 2023

6,044

FEMALE FRONTLINE WORKERS IN
OCTOBER 2023

298

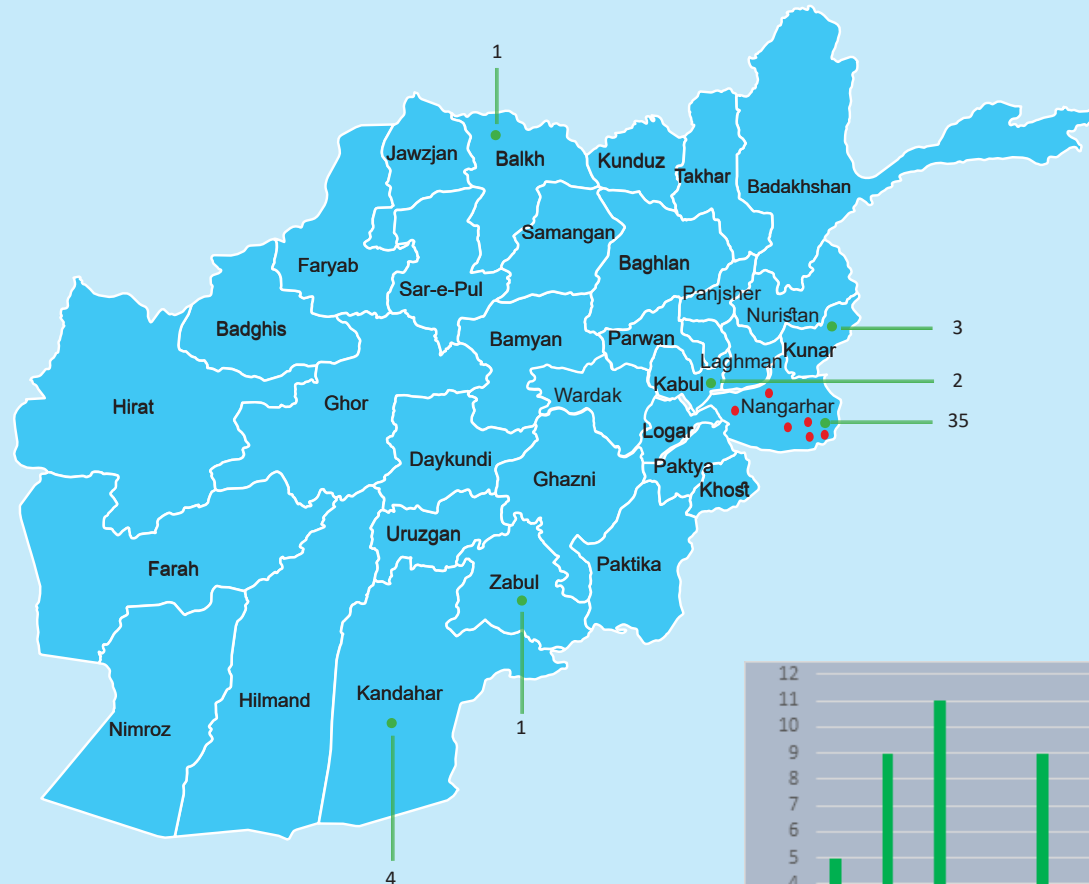
PERMANENT TRANSIT SITES IN
OCTOBER 2023

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CROSS-BORDER VACCINATION
POINTS IN OCTOBER 2023

POLIO SNAPSHOT AFGHANISTAN

October 2023

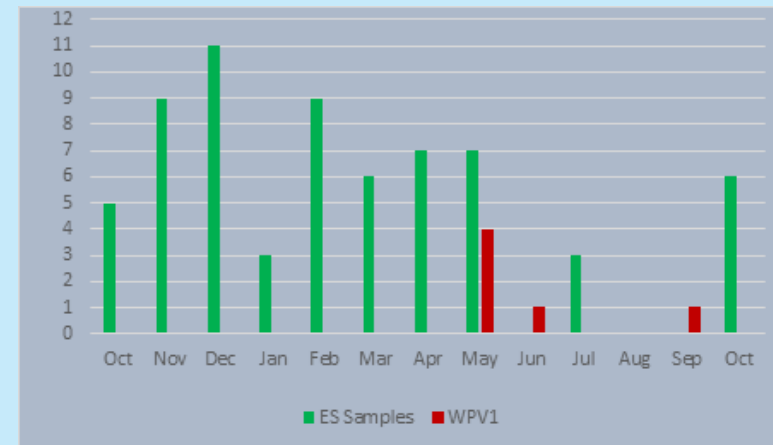


WPV1 and Environmental Samples cases in October 2023

- 0 WPV1 case
- 0 Environmental Samples

Total WPV1 and cVDPV2 cases in 2023

- 6 WPV1 cases in 2023
- 46 Environmental Samples





POLIO TRANSMISSION

- No new WPV1 case was reported this month.
- Six WPV1 positive environmental samples were reported this month: three from Nangarhar in the East, two from Kandahar in the South and one from Kabul in the Central.



AFP / ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEILLANCE

- 311 children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported in October: 127 girls and 184 boys. A total of 4,751 AFP cases have been reported since the beginning of 2023. Of these, 4,467 cases have been discarded as non-polio, 278 cases are pending final classification.
- The non-polio AFP rate is 23, stool adequacy is 94%, 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 12-14% in 2023.



SUPPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- A sub national vaccination campaign was held in the East, North-East, South, South-East and some high risk districts of the Central and West regions in which 7,055,184 children under five were vaccinated with bOPV. An additional 1,166,500 children, aged from five to ten, were also vaccinated during this campaign in the East region.



COMPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- 12 cross-border vaccination points, 48 cross-border teams and 298 permanent transit sites were operational in October.
- Permanent transit teams vaccinated 826,169 children, and cross-border teams vaccinated 127,762 children against polio this month.
- 109,256 children under 10 were given OPV in UNHCR repatriation centres and IOM sites receiving returnees and refugees from Pakistan and Iran in October. Of these, 108,260 were returnees from Pakistan.
- From January 1st 2023 to date, 145,865 returnee children were vaccinated with OPV.
- 2,586 international travelers were vaccinated this month in compliance with International Health Regulations.

Cross-border meeting in Islamabad enhances eradication effort

Teams from Afghanistan and Pakistan polio programmes came together in Islamabad from 11-12 October to discuss the opportunities, achievements, and programmatic challenges in their joint effort to eradicate poliovirus transmission in the two remaining endemics.

During the two day meeting, teams identified factors affecting poliovirus transmission along the Northern, Southern and Central corridors. Priorities and opportunities for cross-border collaboration in the coming six months were also discussed and joint strategies on key programmatic areas formulated at national level.



Key communication activities

- 910,442 caregivers, including 895,989 women, engaged on polio, routine immunization, maternal and child health and COVID 19 in the South, East, South-East, North and West regions.
- 20,106 community influencers facilitated sessions on polio awareness across the country.
- 1,596 women in the South region were reached with polio awareness messaging by Female Communication Engagement Officers
- 11,225 soap bars and 1,000 polio branded baby blankets provided to households in the South and West regions to promote hygiene and polio eradication efforts.

Radio PSAs	74	Journalists trained	98	Total social media reach	34,905,683
TV PSAs	5	Total social media engagement	753,595	New followers	94,034



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