

**0** | **1**  
 WPV1 | cVDPV2  
 POLIO CASE IN JULY 2021

**1** | **43**  
 WPV1 | cVDPV2  
 POLIO CASES IN 2021

**0**  
 WPV1 POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT  
 SAMPLES IN JULY 2021

**617,290**  
 CHILDREN VACCINATED IN JULY 2021

**2,378**  
 COMMUNITY MOBILIZERS  
 IN JULY 2021

**442**  
 FEMALE MOBILIZERS/VACCINATORS  
 IN JULY 2021

**222**  
 PERMANENT TRANSIT SITES IN  
 JULY 2021

**13**  
 CROSS-BORDER VACCINATION  
 POINTS IN JULY 2021

# POLIO SNAPSHOT AFGHANISTAN

JULY 2021

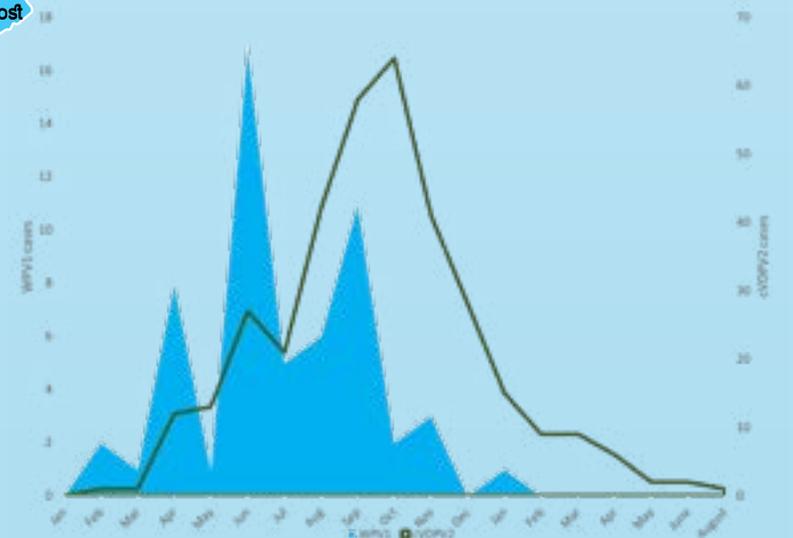


**WPV1 and cVDPV2 cases in July 2021**

- 1 cVDPV2 case
- 0 WPV1 case

**Total WPV1 and cVDPV2 case in 2021**

- 43 cVDPV2 cases in 2021
- 1 WPV1 case in 2021





## POLIO TRANSMISSION

- No new Wild Poliovirus (WPV1) cases and 1 new cVDPV2 case confirmed in July 2021



## AFP / ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEILLANCE

- 207 children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) - 96 females and 111 males - were reported in July 2021. A total of 2,308 AFP cases have been reported since the beginning of 2021. Of these, 2,101 cases have been discarded as non-polio. About 160 cases are pending final classification
- The non-polio AFP rate remained above 8, stool adequacy stood above 89%, and non-polio enterovirus rate was 13 in all regions
- No new WPV1 and 1 new cVDPV2 positive environmental samples were confirmed in July 2021



## COMPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- 13 cross-border vaccination points, 47 cross-border teams and 222 permanent transit teams (PTTs) were operational in July 2021
- Permanent transit teams vaccinated 547,773 children, and cross-border teams vaccinated 69,517 children against polio in July 2021
- 190 children under 10 were given OPV in UNHCR repatriation centre and IOM sites receiving returnees and refugees from Pakistan and Iran in July 2021
- Between Jan to end of July, 3,602 returnee children were vaccinated with OPV and 187 children with IPV, respectively
- 3,569 international travelers were vaccinated in July 2021 in compliance with IHR

## PEI support to COVID-19 till end of July 2021

- 121,484 suspected cases of COVID-19 were reported by polio surveillance team
- 155,247 health professionals, paramedics and nurses were trained on COVID-19 prevention
- 279,878 community and religious influencers were reached for support and training

## Nomadic children are at high risk of polio

Southeast, Afghanistan, July 2021 – In the vast plains of Paktia province, nomadic families have settled in Dawlat Zai camp, which can hardly be seen from horizon due to the gleaming hot sun. Since the beginning of summer, the drought has worsened in these areas and with increased insecurity fears, the communities have been forced to settle into the camps, which are a distant way from health services. Poor sanitation and access to clean drinking water is scarce, exposing the nomadic children to the risk of contracting polio virus.

[read more](#)



## Key communication activities

- 113,128 caregivers including 73,378 women were engaged on issues related to polio, routine immunization, maternal and child health promotion, and COVID-19 preventative measures across south and southeast regions
- 201,734 children under five were given polio vaccine drops, 55,676 children under two were given routine immunization and 31,114 women and girls received tetanus vaccine across the target health facilities
- 785 residents (621 women) were provided health education training on polio, routine immunization, and hygiene in the southeast region
- 214 elderly female household members who have influence in decision making in families, were reached with health education messages on polio vaccination, routine immunization and ways to fight the poliovirus in the south region
- 361,663 females were reached with polio and mother and child health awareness by the female mobilizers/vaccinators (FMs) through 107,160 face-to-face sessions in east, west, south and southeast regions
- 2,040 individuals, including religious influencers, local authorities and community influencers were reached with awareness messages in south, southeast, east, and west regions
- 427 hygiene kits and 35,832 soap bars were distributed to 139 health centres in west and east regions
- 30,106 children and adults received referrals by ICN (19,922 specifically made for routine immunization) in south and northeast regions. 49% of the referrals were utilized until end of July 2021

Radio round tables	36	News reports		Social media posts engagement	321,051
TV round tables	5	Total social media reach	7,898,313	New followers	49,243

