

Afghanistan Polio Snapshot

March 2026

Epidemiology



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No polio case reported in March.



3

Polio cases reported since the beginning of 2026.



6

Environmental samples were reported in March: two from Kandahar, two from Hilmand and one from Zabul in the South, and one from Nangarhar in the East.



23

Environmental samples reported since the beginning of 2026.

Mobile Population



528,179

Children vaccinated by permanent transite teams in March.



6,788

Children vaccinated by cross border vaccination teams in March.



22,557

Returns/refugees vaccinated in March.



1,945

International travellers vaccinated in March.

Campaign



453,073

Children under 5 years of age were vaccinated during case response vaccination in March.



1,924

Vaccinators were involved in March case response vaccination.

AFP Surveillance



484

Children with Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported in March: 238 girls and 246 boys.

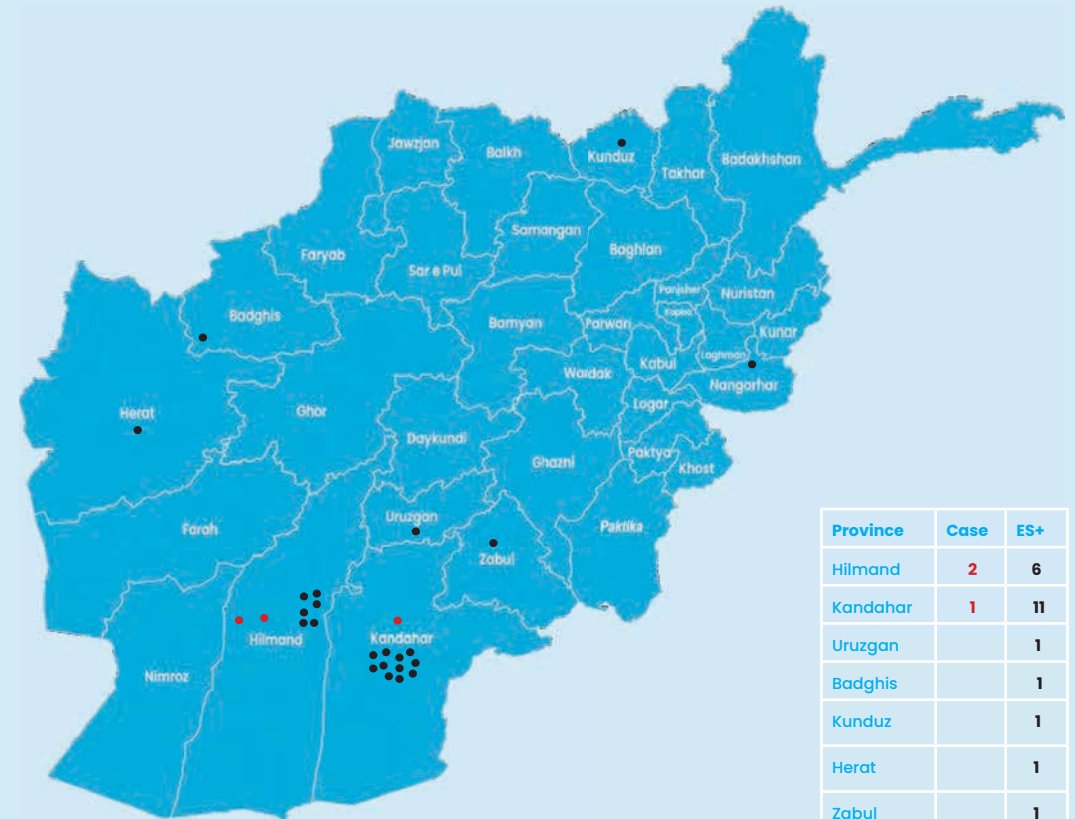


1,590

AFP cases reported since the beginning of 2026. Of these, 823 discarded as non AFP and 766 pending for final classification.

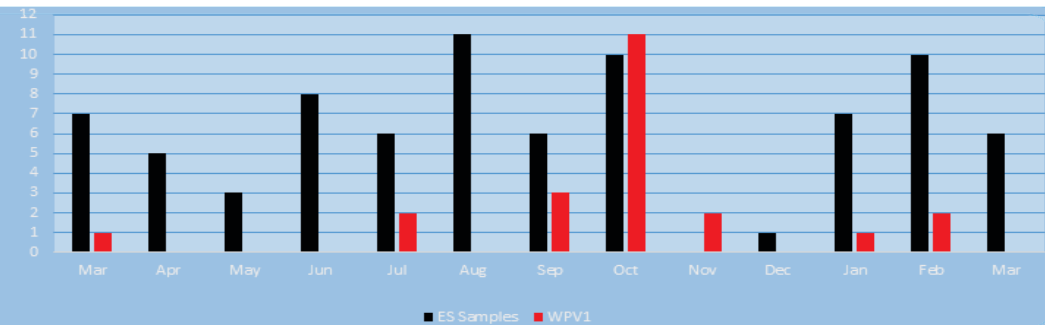
- 898 Community mobilizers
- 208 Permanent transit sites
- 403 Permanent transit teams
- 8 Cross border vaccination points
- 10 Cross border vaccination teams
- 3,858 Influencers facilitated polio awareness

- 0 Radio PSA
- 0 TV PSA
- 0 Journalist trained
- 19,105 Total social media engagement
- 7.9 m+ Total social media reach
- 3.1 m+ New social media followers



Province	Case	ES+
Hilmand	2	6
Kandahar	1	11
Uruzgan		1
Badghis		1
Kunduz		1
Herat		1
Zabul		1
Nangarhar		1

- 3 WPV1 CASES
- 23 ES+ SAMPLES



WILD POLIOVIRUS CASES AND ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES 2025-2026