Highlights of New Wild Poliovirus and cVDPV Positives Reported Globally this Week

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COUNTRY	WPV1			cVDPV1			cVDPV2			cVDPV3			LOCATION STATE/PROVINCE/GOVERNORATE
	AFP	ENV	other[1]	AFP	ENV	other[1]	AFP	ENV	other[1]	AFP	ENV	other[1]	
AFGHANISTAN	6	1											NANGARHAR, KABUL, KANDAHAR
CHAD							1	1					LOGONE ORIENTAL, N'DJAMENA
DR CONGO							6						LUALABA, HAUT LOMAMI
MADAGASCAR					1	9							ATSIMO ANDREFANA, ANDROY
NIGERIA										1	2		ZAMFARA, NIGER, BORNO
SOUTH SUDAN				2									UNITY, JONGLEI
TOGO							1						CENTRALE

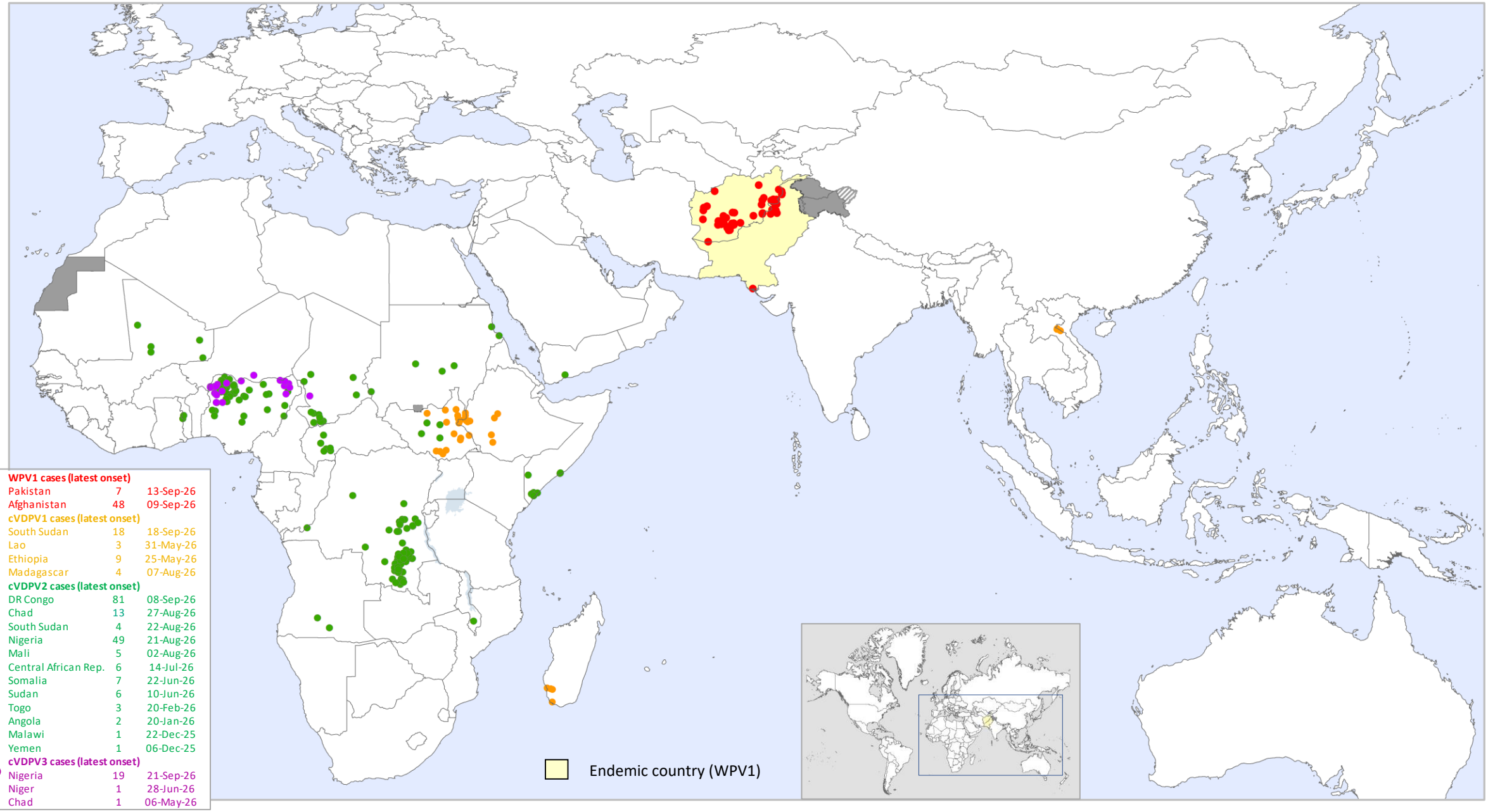
[1]contacts of positive AFP cases, community, healthy children

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Global WPV1 & cVDPV Cases[1], Previous 12 Months[2]

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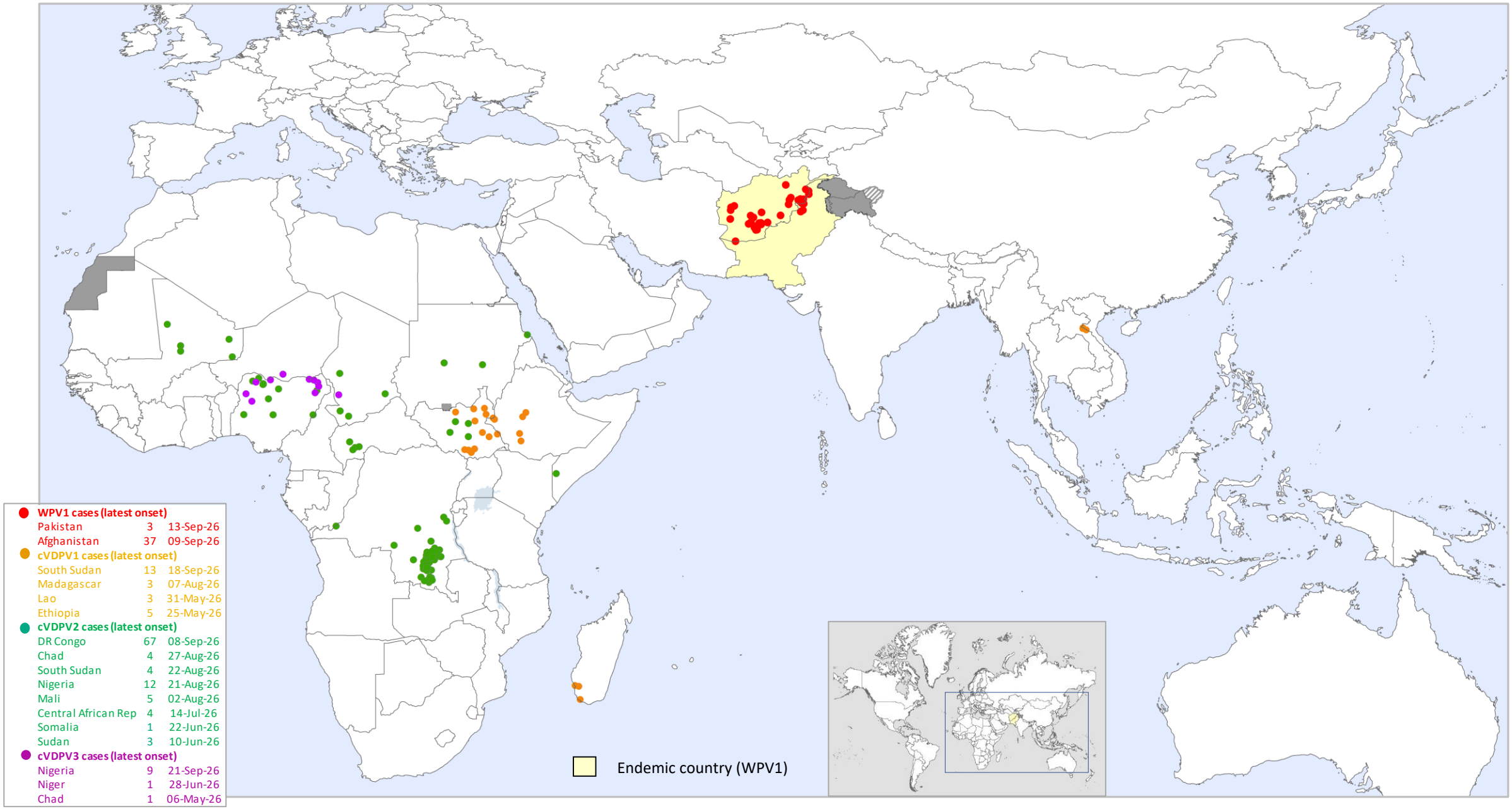


[1]Excludes viruses detected from environmental surveillance; [2]Onset of paralysis: 21 Oct. 2025 to 20 Oct. 2026

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Global WPV1 & cVDPV Cases[1], Previous 6 Months[2]

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[1]Excludes viruses detected from environmental surveillance; [2]Onset of paralysis: 21 Apr. 2026 to 20 Oct. 2026

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Global Wild Poliovirus 2018 - 2026

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Country or territory	Wild virus type 1 confirmed cases											Wild virus type 1 reported from other sources[2]									
	Full year total								01 Jan-20 Oct[1]		Date of most recent case	Full year total								01 Jan-20 Oct[1]	Date of most recent virus
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2025	2026		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	
Afghanistan	21	29	56	4	2	6	25	21	9	42	09-Sep-26	83	60	49	1	22	62	124	94	94	22-Sep-26
Pakistan	12	147	84	1	20	6	74	31	29	6	13-Sep-26	141	405	455	65	41	127	648	663	140	10-Sep-26
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA								3		13-Oct-25
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	10-Aug-22										
Malawi	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	19-Nov-21										
Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA		3								20-May-19
Total (Type 1)	**33**	**176**	**140**	**6**	**30**	**12**	**99**	**52**	**38**	**48**		**224**	**468**	**504**	**66**	**63**	**189**	**772**	**760**	**234**	
Tot. in endemic countries	33	176	140	5	22	12	99	52	38	48											
Tot. in non-end countries	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	0											
No. of countries (infected)	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2											
No. of countries (endemic)	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2											
Total Female	18	72	59	2	10	4	43	30	23	24											
Total Male	15	104	81	4	20	8	56	22	15	24											

Countries in yellow are endemic. [1]Data reported to WHO HQ on week 43 in 2025 and 2026

[2]Wild viruses from environmental samples, selected contacts, healthy children and other sources.

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Global Circulating Vaccine-derived Poliovirus (cVDPV)[1,2,3]

	Country	AFP cases (Paralysis onset between 2023-2026)					Other sources (Human)[2] (Collection between 2023-2026)					Other sources (Environment) (Collection between 2023-2026)				
		2023	2024	2025	2026	Onset of most recent case	2023	2024	2025	2026	most recent collection date	2023	2024	2025	2026	most recent collection date
cVDPV1[1]	South Sudan				18	18-Sep-26				10	15-May-26				2	14-Jul-26
	Madagascar	24			4	07-Aug-26	7			15	31-Jul-26	92			4	06-Jul-26
	Lao PDR			1	3	31-May-26			2		03-Sep-25					
	Ethiopia				9	25-May-26										
	Israel													11		03-Aug-25
	DR Congo	106[3]	10	1		25-Jun-25		1			23-Jun-24					
	Djibouti													10		18-May-25
	Algeria			1		25-Jan-25								1		17-Mar-25
	Mozambique	4	1			17-May-24										
	Total type 1	134	11	3	34		7	1	2	25		92	0	22	6	
cVDPV2[1]	Chad	55	39	33	9	27-Aug-26	6	1	11		13-Apr-25	3	16	23	3	22-Sep-26
	Somalia	8	7	2	6	22-Jun-26	3	3			12-Mar-24	9	3	13	23	14-Sep-26
	Central African Republic	14		2	5	01-Jul-26	15		1		21-Jun-25	1		1	2	09-Sep-26
	DR Congo	121[3]	15	7	77	08-Sep-26	10	1	3	16	03-Sep-26	37	1		2	31-Aug-26
	South Sudan	3	10		4	22-Aug-26	3	4		1	21-May-26		13		2	12-May-26
	Nigeria	87	98	66	36	21-Aug-26	38	43	37	16	31-Jul-26	80	24	16	9	22-Jul-26
	Mali	15	1	1	5	02-Aug-26						6				24-Oct-23
	Libya														2	21-Jul-26
	Kenya	8				21-Aug-23	6	5		1	10-Jul-26	8	1			15-May-24
	Sudan		1	13	4	10-Jun-26			4		15-Oct-25	5	2	6	3	28-Feb-26
	Malawi			1		22-Dec-25						1		2	9	20-Apr-26
	Australia														1	13-Apr-26
	The United Kingdom												6	2	2	03-Mar-26
	Namibia													2	5	03-Mar-26
	Togo				3	20-Feb-26				3	24-Feb-26					
	Angola		9	19	1	20-Jan-26		2	7		09-Dec-25	1	7	2		26-Jun-25
	Algeria		1			10-Dec-24	3				05-Jan-23	24	11	19	2	11-Jan-26
	Zambia	1				03-Apr-23	4				25-May-23	2		1		29-Dec-25
	Tanzania	2				14-Jul-23	6				12-Aug-23	6	1	8		16-Dec-25
	Yemen	8	187	31		06-Dec-25	1	1			09-Mar-24	16	26	15		30-Nov-25
	Papua New Guinea			5		19-Sep-25			3		11-Apr-25			64		13-Oct-25
	Ethiopia	1	44	40		07-Oct-25		4			05-Nov-24		2			20-Dec-24
	Benin	3	1	3		16-May-25			3		27-Sep-25	4	1	4		07-Oct-25
	Germany												25	17		06-Oct-25
	Djibouti			1		12-Jan-25							9	17		18-May-25
	Côte d'Ivoire	6	1			31-Jul-24	16		1		12-May-25	46	30	2		06-Feb-25
	Niger	3	16	3		18-Apr-25						4	24			12-Nov-24
	Cameroon		3			10-Dec-24		1			02-Aug-24	13	2	2		07-Apr-25
	Burkina Faso	3		1		30-Mar-25						1				12-Dec-23
	Senegal		1			20-Sep-24						1	8	1		05-Mar-25
	occupied Palestinian territory		1			25-Jul-24							21	7		05-Mar-25
	Israel	1				13-Feb-23								2		11-Feb-25
	Poland												2	1		21-Jan-25
	Finland												1			19-Nov-24
	Spain												1			16-Sep-24
	Ghana												1			20-Aug-24
	Egypt											11	2			01-Aug-24
	Indonesia	6	7			27-Jun-24	7	14			10-Jul-24	1				07-Dec-23
	Bahrain												1			30-Jun-24
	Zimbabwe	1				02-Dec-23	2				12-Nov-23	17	10			25-Jun-24
	Guinea	47	5			12-Jun-24	10	1			17-Mar-24	29	5			28-Mar-24
	Liberia		1			08-Jun-24		12			20-Mar-24	2	15			04-Jun-24
	Sierra Leone												15			28-May-24
	Uganda												1			07-May-24
	Equatorial Guinea												1			26-Mar-24
	Mozambique	1				28-Sep-23	4				08-Dec-23		1			05-Mar-24
	Gambia												1			15-Feb-24
	Mauritania	1				17-Oct-23						3				13-Dec-23
	Congo											2				07-Dec-23
	Botswana											5				25-Jul-23
	Burundi	1				15-Jun-23						13				13-Jun-23
	Total type 2	396	448	228	150		134	92	70	37		351	290	227	65	
cVDPV3[1]	Nigeria			8	14	21-Sep-26			3	5	17-Sep-26				3	25-Sep-26
	Niger				1	28-Jun-26										
	Chad			4	1	06-May-26			1		22-Jul-25					
	Cameroon			1		30-May-25										
	Guinea		4	2		07-Mar-25										
	French Guiana												3			06-Aug-24
	Total type 3	0	4	15	16		0	0	4	5		0	3	0	3	
Gender	Female (all sero type)	222	206	101	83											
	Male (all sero type)	303	257	142	110											
	Gender Unknown	4		3	7											

Environmental surveillance for poliovirus in selected sewage sites established and working

Changes from previous week

[1]For cVDPV definition see http://polioeradication.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Reporting-and-Classification-of-VDPVs_Aug2016_EN.pdf. [2] Include contact, healthy and community samples. [3]cVDPV1 and cVDPV2 isolated from **1 child in 2023**

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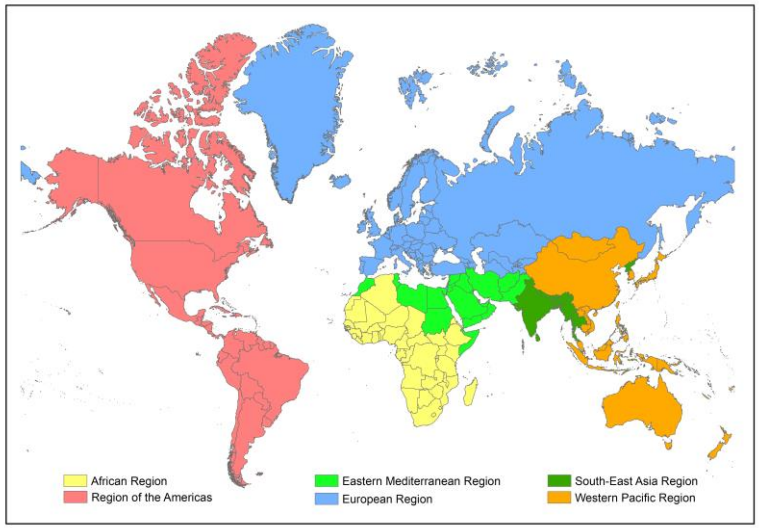
Global Surveillance Indicators: Year to Date Comparison 2025 & 2026: 01 Jan. to 20 Oct. 2026*

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WHO Region	AFP cases		Wild poliovirus cases		cVDPV[1] cases		Polio compatibles		Pending final classification (year to date comparison)		
									Total		> 90 days
	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2026
African	29’372	25’033	0	0	122	187	52	38	2’603	2’557	1’138
Central	5’425	6’256	0	0	36	93	30	18	557	651	273
South/East	6’132	4’981	0	0	39	35	13	15	820	720	323
West	17’815	13’796	0	0	47	59	9	5	1’226	1’186	542
American	1’229	951	0	0	0	0	0	0	334	229	137
Eastern Mediterranean	26’424	26’304	38	48	34	10	1	0	2’600	2’970	534
European	973	827	0	0	0	0	0	0	263	224	55
South East Asian	24’198	17’973	0	0	0	0	1	0	2’829	1’933	668
Western Pacific	4’359	3’863	0	0	4	3	0	0	2’186	1’708	1’366
Global	**86’555**	**74’951**	**38**	**48**	**160**	**200**	**54**	**38**	**10’815**	**9’621**	**3’898**

[1]cVDPV includes all three serotypes 1, 2 and 3. Please refer to slide 5 for the distribution of cases by serotype.

WHO Regions



For data at country, regional and global levels from 2000 onwards, see the WHO website at https://extranet.who.int/polis/public/CaseCount.aspx

*Data reported to WHO/HQ on week 43, 2026