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Poliovirus Surveillance

POLIO HAS BEEN ERADICATED FROM THE AMERICAS
The last wild poliovirus was detected on September 5 1991, in Peru

Table No. 1
Status of Case Stool Sample Analysis
Last 52 Weeks (98/11 - 99/10)

Lab.	Country	Total*	WITHOUT RESULTS			ENTEROVIRUS ISOLATION					
			Not yet in Lab.	<10 weeks	>10 weeks	% Isolation	Negative	Other Enterovirus	Pending	Poliovirus	
										Vaccine	Wild
BEL	BRA	39	7	1	2	20.7	23	5	0	1	0
CAR	DOR	16	6	0	2	12.5	7	1	0	0	0
	GUY	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
	HAI	2	0	0	0	50.0	1	1	0	0	0
	HON	44	6	4	0	35.3	22	12	0	0	0
	JAM	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
	TRT	9	0	0	0	11.1	8	1	0	0	0
CDC	MEX	2	0	0	0	100.0	0	0	0	2	0
FIO	BOL	27	3	4	0	20.0	16	4	0	0	0
	BRA	107	18	3	6	18.8	65	14	0	1	0
	PER	95	8	5	1	24.7	61	15	0	5	0
INC	COR	6	2	0	2	0.0	2	0	0	0	0
	ELS	54	4	1	13	16.7	30	6	0	0	0
	GUT	44	0	0	0	22.7	34	7	3	0	0
	NIC	23	0	1	0	13.6	19	3	0	0	0
	PAN	9	5	0	1	0.0	3	0	0	0	0
INDRE	MEX	341	0	14	1	12.9	284	42	0	0	0
INH	VEN	72	4	4	0	21.9	50	14	0	0	0
INS	COL	163	2	10	4	9.5	133	13	0	1	0
	ECU	40	13	0	0	7.4	25	2	0	0	0
MAL	ARG	29	0	1	3	28.0	18	4	0	3	0
	CHI	15	0	0	0	40.0	9	5	0	1	0
	PAR	5	0	0	0	20.0	4	1	0	0	0
	URU	8	2	0	2	0.0	4	0	0	0	0
REC	BRA	34	21	0	3	40.0	6	4	0	0	0
TOTAL		1186	101	48	40	17.2	826	154	3	14	0

* Each sample relates to an individual

Case samples only

Table No. 2
Status of Poliovirus Pending Intratypic Differentiation
Last 52 Weeks (98/11 - 99/10)

LAB	COUNTRY	POLIOVIRUS												TOTAL
		NOT YET IN LAB				IN LAB < 4 Weeks				IN LAB > 4 Weeks				
		P1	P2	P3	MIX	P1	P2	P3	MIX	P1	P2	P3	MIX	
	GUT	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
TOTAL		3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

Case samples only



Acute Flaccid Paralysis Surveillance

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Table No. 1
CASES OF ACUTE FLACCID PARALYSIS UNDER INVESTIGATION
BY WEEK OF REPORT

SITE	TOTAL 1998	CUM. 1999	Weeks						
			1-4	5	6	7	8	9	10
ARG	88	0	0	0	0	NR	NR	NR	NR
BOL	1	6	3	1	0	2	0	0	0
BRA	157	9	8	0	1	0	0	0	0
CAN	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CAR	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHI	11	15	8	0	2	0	2	0	3
COL	72	29	17	2	1	1	5	3	0
COR	19	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
CUB	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DOR	8	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR	NR
ECU	0	14	8	1	2	3	0	0	0
ELS	17	5	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
GUT	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
HAI	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HON	2	8	4	3	0	1	0	0	0
MEX	7	44	15	6	6	8	1	6	2
NIC	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
PAN	9	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
PAR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PER	0	13	6	1	1	1	2	2	0
URU	5	0	0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
USA	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
VEN	0	12	3	3	0	1	4	1	0
TOTAL	428	165	83	18	14	18	14	13	5

NR - No reports

Table No.2
CASES OF AFP REPORTED , RATE PER 100,000 <15 yrs. ,
% INVESTIGATED WITHIN 48 hrs., % WITH 1 ADEQUATE
SAMPLE AND % OF SITES REPORTING WEEKLY
AS OF WEEK 10

SITE	TOTAL		CUMULATIVE				
	CASES 1998	RATE 1998	CASES 1999	RATE 1999*	% INV.	%1	% Re-
					<48 hrs.	Sample+	port §
ARG	93	0.66	0	0.00	0	0	...
BOL	38	1.22	4	0.67	100	50	40.8
BRA	320	0.50	2	0.02	100	100	...
CAN	NR	...	NR	...	...	...	...
CAR	13	0.50	2	0.40	100	0	100.0
CHI	71	1.66	13	1.58	92	69	99.9
COL	182	1.22	27	0.94	96	78	73.3
COR	19	1.38	2	0.76	100	50	...
CUB	23	0.93	0	0.00	0	0	48.6
DOR	24	0.78	0	0.00	0	0	100.0
ECU	40	0.94	14	1.72	100	86	87.5
ELS	70	3.20	6	1.43	83	33	...
GUT	51	1.21	2	0.25	100	100	...
HAI	4	0.16	0	0.00	0	0	92.8
HON	48	1.95	6	1.27	100	100	83.2
MEX	390	1.19	46	0.73	59	72	...
NIC	30	1.39	3	0.72	100	100	100.0
PAN	11	1.24	1	0.59	100	100	93.2
PAR	9	0.43	0	0.00	0	0	49.6
PER	91	1.07	13	0.79	100	100	...
URU	10	0.77	0	0.00	...	...	...
USA	NR	...	NR	...	...	...	...
VEN	71	0.78	12	0.68	67	83	72.2
TOTAL ♦	1608	0.88	153	0.44	83	76	76.0

* Adjusted + Taken within 14 days of onset of paralysis
 ♦ Excluding Canada and USA NR or ... No reports received
 § Reporting data as of 27 February 1999

Table No. 3
CONFIRMED CASES OF POLIOMYELITIS
BY WEEK OF ONSET

SITE	TOTAL 1998	CUMULATIVE	
		1998	1999
ARG	0	0	0
BOL	0	0	0
BRA	0	0	0
CAN	0	0	0
CAR	0	0	0
CHI	0	0	0
COL	0	0	0
COR	0	0	0
CUB	0	0	0
DOR	0	0	0
ECU	0	0	0
ELS	0	0	0
GUT	0	0	0
HAI	0	0	0
HON	0	0	0
MEX	0	0	0
NIC	0	0	0
PAN	0	0	0
PAR	0	0	0
PER	0	0	0
URU	0	0	0
USA	0	0	0
VEN	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0

CAR Includes reports from all CAREC member countries

Table No. 4
POLIO COMPATIBLE CASES
BY WEEK OF ONSET

SITE	TOTAL 1998	CUMULATIVE	
		1998	1999
ARG	0	0	0
BOL	0	0	0
BRA	2	1	0
CAN	0	0	0
CAR	0	0	0
CHI	0	0	0
COL	2	2	0
COR	0	0	0
CUB	0	0	0
DOR	0	0	0
ECU	0	0	0
ELS	0	0	0
GUT	5	0	0
HAI	0	0	0
HON	0	0	0
MEX	0	0	0
NIC	0	0	0
PAN	0	0	0
PAR	0	0	0
PER	0	0	0
URU	0	0	0
USA	0	0	0
VEN	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	3	0

CAR Includes reports from all CAREC member countries

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<http://www.paho.org/english/svi/sviebpo3.htm>

