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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 (98/39 - 99/38)**

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	49	10	2	14	17.4	19	4	0	0	0
CAR	DOR	12	1	1	2	12.5	7	1	0	0	0
	GUY	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
	HON	40	2	2	0	19.4	29	7	0	0	0
	SUR	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
	TRT	8	0	0	0	12.5	7	1	0	0	0
CDC	GUT	1	0	0	0	100.0	0	0	0	1	0
	MEX	3	0	0	0	100.0	0	0	0	3	0
	NIC	2	0	0	0	100.0	0	0	0	2	0
FIO	BOL	33	2	3	6	27.3	16	4	0	2	0
	BRA	102	20	2	8	26.4	53	17	0	2	0
	PER	117	9	4	5	27.3	72	24	0	3	0
INC	COR	15	8	0	0	14.3	6	1	0	0	0
	ELS	74	7	3	0	6.3	60	3	0	1	0
	GUT	47	0	1	1	6.7	42	1	0	2	0
	NIC	32	0	0	0	15.6	27	5	0	0	0
	PAN	9	4	0	4	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
INDRE	MEX	276	1	33	5	7.2	220	15	2	0	0
INH	VEN	90	8	6	0	10.5	68	8	0	0	0
INS	COL	164	5	20	0	12.9	121	16	0	2	0
	ECU	38	0	4	1	24.2	25	8	0	0	0
MAL	ARG	70	0	9	0	24.6	46	12	0	3	0
	PAR	12	2	1	0	55.6	4	5	0	0	0
	URU	5	0	0	1	0.0	4	0	0	0	0
REC	BRA	55	22	1	9	13.0	20	3	0	0	0
TOTAL		1256	101	92	56	15.7	849	135	2	21	0

\* Each sample relates to an individual

Case samples only

**Table No. 2**  
**Status of Poliovirus Pending Intratypic Differentiation**  
**Last 52 Weeks (98/39 - 99/38)**

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		
	MEX	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TOTAL		0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

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# 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	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	25-28	29-32	33	34	35	36	37	38
ARG	11	22	1	0	1	0	0	2	4	4	1	1	3	2	3	0
BOL	0	11	0	1	0	1	4	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
BRA	31	153	8	16	18	21	20	19	25	21	4	1	0	0	NR	NR
CAN	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CAR	0	15	1	4	2	1	1	0	0	3	1	1	1	0	0	NR
CHI	0	22	2	2	2	1	1	0	5	1	2	2	2	1	0	1
COL	2	29	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	9	3	6	5	1	1	1
COR	2	8	1	1	3	0	1	0	2	0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CUB	1	13	2	1	6	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	NR	NR	NR
DOR	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
ECU	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
ELS	1	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	2	1	0	2	0
GUT	0	7	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
HAI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
HON	0	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
MEX	0	113	0	1	4	2	4	16	20	42	7	4	8	4	1	NR
NIC	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
PAN	0	9	2	0	0	1	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	NR
PAR	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	NR
PER	0	17	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	8	0	1	0	0	0	NR
URU	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
USA	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
VEN	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	4	5	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>

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 38**

SITE	TOTAL		CUMULATIVE				
	CASES 1998	RATE 1998	CASES 1999	RATE 1999*	% INV. <48 hrs.	% I Sample+	% Re- port §
ARG	94	0.92	76	1.01	88	58	93.2
BOL	38	1.19	30	1.29	73	67	78.9
BRA	367	0.58	172	0.37	83	52	58.6
CAN	NR	...	NR	...	...	...	...
CAR	13	0.50	15	0.93	87	33	94.1
CHI	71	1.66	50	1.60	92	64	99.9
COL	184	1.30	132	1.27	80	79	85.4
COR	21	1.53	8	0.80	75	63	36.1
CUB	27	1.10	13	0.72	100	92	54.6
DOR	24	0.75	4	0.17	100	0	80.5
ECU	40	0.94	35	1.13	100	91	75.1
ELS	71	3.25	50	3.13	96	74	...
GUT	51	1.11	44	1.32	100	50	...
HAI	4	0.16	0	0.00	0	0	81.2
HON	48	1.95	22	1.22	100	100	84.5
MEX	383	1.16	227	0.94	92	78	86.5
NIC	30	1.39	25	1.59	100	100	99.8
PAN	11	1.24	8	1.23	75	88	84.6
PAR	9	0.43	10	0.64	70	80	80.7
PER	91	1.07	80	1.28	100	100	96.2
URU	10	0.77	2	0.21	100	50	...
USA	NR	...	NR	...	...	...	...
VEN	71	0.78	73	0.97	82	92	86.1
<b>TOTAL</b> ♦	<b>1658</b>	<b>0.93</b>	<b>1076</b>	<b>0.82</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>83.1</b>

\* Adjusted + Taken within 14 days of onset of paralysis  
 ♦ Excluding Canada and USA NR or ... No reports received  
 § Reporting data as of 11 September 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
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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	0	0	0
CAN	0	0	0
CAR	0	0	0
CHI	0	0	0
COL	7	6	1
COR	0	0	0
CUB	0	0	0
DOR	0	0	0
ECU	0	0	0
ELS	0	0	0
GUT	5	4	1
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
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>

CAR Includes reports from all CAREC member countries

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