# Immunization in the Americas

2012 Summary

Comprehensive Family Immunization Family and Community Health





## preface

This year has been very important for global immunization. In May, the 65<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly (WHA) endorsed a new Global Vaccines Action Plan (GVAP). This plan highlights immunization as a core component of the human right to health and as a shared responsibility between individuals, communities and governments. Building upon the 2006-2015 Global Immunization Vision and Strategy (GIVS), and recognizing immunization as a driver in the reduction of child mortality, the GVAP reiterates existing goals in the fight against vaccine-preventable diseases and sets new ones for the decade, with the aim of expanding the benefits of vaccines to all people. Additionally, the 65<sup>th</sup> WHA officially designated the last week of April, as the World Immunization Week (WIW). Recognizing the achievements of Vaccination Week in the Americas – and sister initiatives in other regions of the World Health Organization (WHO) – in promoting immunization, advancing equity in the use of vaccines, and enabling inter-country cooperation, as well as raising vaccination in the political agenda of governments, the Assembly called for the annual implementation of a WIW. In 2012, Vaccination Week in the Americas celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in synchronicity with all other Regions under the umbrella of what became the 1<sup>st</sup> WIW; more than 180 countries participated worldwide.

With regards to measles and rubella, the GVAP set a goal to reduce 95% of measles-related deaths by 2015 and eliminate measles and rubella in at least five of the six WHO Regions by 2020. In this context, 194 countries affirmed their commitment to achieving measles and rubella goals. While our Region has made enormous progress in the elimination of both diseases – no indigenous measles case has been reported since November 2002 and no indigenous rubella since February 2009 – in 2011, the Western Hemisphere had the highest number of measles cases since endemic transmission was interrupted, reminding us that the risk of virus reintroduction is very real and that we must keep high measles-rubella coverage and quality surveillance in all communities. To this end, an action plan to maintain measles, rubella and congenital rubella syndrome elimination in the Americas will be presented to the 28<sup>th</sup> Pan American Sanitary Conference, together with an update on the process of documenting and verifying elimination of these diseases in countries of the Region.

Finally, the 65<sup>th</sup> WHA declared "the completion of polio eradication to be a programmatic emergency for global public health." While no wild poliovirus has been identified in the Americas since 1991, and the Region was declared polio free in 1994, the global eradication initiative has struggled to complete the job. The WHA Resolution urges all remaining infected countries to declare polio to be a national public health emergency requiring the implementation of emergency action plans monitored at the highest levels.

In 2012, PAHO's ProVac Initiative also embarked in a global effort and established the ProVac International Working Group. The ProVac Initiative aims at strengthening the national capacity to make evidence-based decisions on new vaccine introduction. After successfully implementing the initiative in Latin America and the Caribbean, PAHO received requests from several partners to implement ProVac in other Regions. Through a partnership with the WHO, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Agence de Médecine Préventive of France, PATH and the Sabin Vaccine Institute, the ProVac International Working Group aims to transfer tools, methods, and lessons learned from the PAHO ProVac Initiative to other WHO regions for the promotion of evidence-based policies on new vaccine introduction in low and middle-income countries in the African, Eastern Mediterranean and European WHO Regions.

These WHA Resolutions and the ProVac experience illustrate how the immunization program of the Americas continues to lead the way in global immunization.

The above resolutions and the ProVac initiative all emphasize the importance of using data and indicators to monitor and evaluate progress on immunization, and for policy decision-making based on evidence. I invite you to read *Immunization in the Americas: summary 2012* to accompany the process of monitoring vaccine-preventable diseases and immunization in our Region.

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#### For this publication:

- Latin America is composed of Mexico, Central American Isthmus, Latin Caribbean, Andean Area, Brazil, and Southern Cone.
- Latin America & Caribbean is composed of Latin America and Non-Latin Caribbean.
- Because of their population size, Brazil and Mexico are shown separately.

The data published in the brochure "Immunization in the Americas" may have been updated by the countries, after publication. To see the most up-to-date data, please visit: www.paho.org/immunization/Data.

## demographic and socioeconomic data

	1	2	3		4		5	6	7	8	9	10
	total population	population <5	annual births	infa: (	nt mortali 1,000 lb)	ity rate ) or	women of childbearing		nal income er capita)	GINI index	national hea as a %	Ith expenditure 6 of GDP
	(thousands)	years old (thousands)	average (thousands)	numÌ	per of ded	iths (N)	age (thousands)	current value	ppp value	(latest available)	public expenditure	private expenditure
	2011	2011	2011	rate	year	(N)	2011	2011	2011		2011	2011
The Americas	944,107	76,566	15,576.2	12.4		148,722	241,871	23,154	25,309			
North America Bermuda	347,504 69	23,748	4,710.8 0.8	6.3 1.3	2010	28,324 1	81,670 15	48,164	47,994		7.6 <sup>a,f</sup>	6.9°
Canada United States of America	34,350 313,085	1,986 21,757	387.6 4,322.4	5.1 6.4	2008 2009	1911 26412	8,235 73,420	45,560 48,450	39,830 48,890		7.9 <sup>f,h</sup> 9.9 <sup>b,f</sup>	3.3 5.6 <sup>b</sup>
Latin America & the Caribbean	596,603	52,818	10,865.4	15.6		120,398	160,202	8,582	11,753			
Latin America	589,460	52,259	10,747.7	15.5		119,034	158,283	8,597	11,773			
Mexico	114,793	10,482	2,194.7	14.1	2010	27,236	31,244	9,240	15,120	48.3°	3.0 <sup>f</sup>	3.1 <sup>h</sup>
Central American Isthmus Belize Costa Rica El Salvador Guatemala Honduras Nicaragua Panama	43,225 318 4,727 6,227 14,757 7,755 5,870 3,571	5,411 39 370 608 2,386 1,006 661 342	7.7 73.4 125.7 473.2 204.5 137.9 69.8	18.9 20.1 9.1  24.3 	2011 2011 2011 2010	7,162 145 666  5,441  910	11,302 86 1,290 1,735 3,660 2,016 1,585 931	3,508 3,690 7,660 3,480 2,870 1,970 1,170 7,910	6,238 6,070 11,950 6,690 4,800 3,840 2,840 14,740	50.7 ° 48.3 ° 55.9 ° 57.0 ° 51.9 ° 51.9 °	1.0 b,e 4.3 f 3.7 f 2.0 f 3.6 f 4.6 f 3.9 b,f	1.3 3.1 <sup>h</sup> 6.7 <sup>h</sup> 4.9 <sup>h</sup> 3.2 <sup>h</sup> 4.5 <sup>h</sup> 2.7 <sup>h</sup>
Latin Caribbean Cuba Dominican Republic French Guiana Guadeloupe Haiti Martinique Puerto Rico	36,286 11,254 10,056 237 463 10,124 407 3,746	3,115 526 1,037 30 30 1,238 23 233	657.5 109.6 215.5 5.7 6.3 266.2 4.8 49.2	17.7 4.9 26.9 10.9 8.7  9.3 8.0	2011 2011 2010 2009 2009 2009	6,962 653 5,842 66 44 	9,433 2,954 2,618 61 117 2,634 101 947	5,192 5,460 ° 5,240  700 	5,325 9,490  1,190 	47.2 b	10.5 <sup>c,e</sup> 2.8 <sup>e,g</sup> 2.1 <sup>b</sup>	4.6 <sup>h</sup> 3.7
Andean Area Bolivia Colombia Ecuador Peru Venezuela	130,518 10,088 46,927 14,666 29,400 29,437	12,884 1,281 4,395 1,444 2,831 2,933	2,661.3 264.1 910.3 297.9 590.6 598.5	17.3 20.1  16.0 14.4	2009 2011 2009	9,580  8,577	34,753 2,548 12,742 3,854 7,812 7,798	6,749 2,040 6,110 4,140 5,500 11,920	9,915 4,920 9,640 8,310 10,160 12,620	56.3 <sup>d</sup> 55.9 <sup>b</sup> 49.3 <sup>b</sup> 48.1 <sup>d</sup> 44.8 <sup>d</sup>	2.1 <sup>f</sup> 3.5 cf,g 3.9 f 2.7 f b,f	1.6 1.5 4.1 2.3 <sup>h</sup> 2.4
Brazil	196,655	14,738	2,996.0	16.2	2010	48,277	54,187	10,720	11,500	54.7 °	3.5 <sup>f</sup>	4.1 <sup>h</sup>
Southern Cone Argentina Chile Paraguay Uruguay	67,982 40,765 17,270 6,568 3,380	5,629 3,390 1,216 783 241	1,146.1 693.5 245.4 157.7 49.5	11.5 11.9 7.4 16.9 8.9	2010 2010 2008 2011	11,240 8,961 1,862  417	17,364 10,287 4,574 1,685 817	9,830 9,740 12,280 2,970 11,860	15,686 17,250 16,160 5,310 14,740	44.5 <sup>b</sup> 52.1 <sup>c</sup> 52.4 45.3	6.2 b,f,g, 5.0 f,g 4.3 e 4.5 c,f,g	3.2 <sup>h</sup> 3.4 <sup>h</sup> 3.1 5.2 <sup>b</sup>
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla Antigua & Barbuda Bahamas, The Barbados BES* Cayman Islands Grenada Guyana Jamaica Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis Saint Lucia Soint Vincent & the Grenadines Sint Maarten** Suriname Trinidad & Tobago Turks & Caicos Islands Virgin Islands (UK) Virgin Islands (US)	7,143 15 88 106 347 287  51 145 73 108 756 2,751 5 50 162 104 38 529 1,346 45 30 106	559 1 7 6 26 18 3 10 6 9 64 232 0 4 12 8 2 47 92 4 2 6	117.7 0.2 1.4 1.4 5.3 3.5  0.6 2.0 1.1 1.8 13.5 50.1 0.7 2.4 1.5 0.5 9.6 19.6 0.8 0.3 1.2	18.9  20.6  19.8 13.4  5.1  29.9 10.9  20.0 0.0 12.0 12.0 14.3 22.3  20.3 	2011 2010 2010 2011 2011 2011 2008 2011 2008 2011 2009 2009 2009 2011 2011 2009	1,364 20 5 100 46 4 28 20 850 0 8 32 39 199 0 2	1,919 4 25 27 98 76 13 33 19 28 199 724 1 14 45 27 10 139 389 14 9 25	8,511 12,060 21,070 b 12,660 c  7,090 7,220 2,900 b 4,980 6,680 6,100  7,640 b 15,040	12,752 15,670 29,850 b 18,850 c  12,460 10,530 3,460 b 7,770 14,490 9,080 10,560  7,710 b 24,940 		4.2 ce 3.2 e 2.9 e 4.6 f 1.7 b,e 3.4 e 2.9 e 2.1 b,e 2.5 b,f 11.1 e 2.2 e 3.5 e	2.7° 0.6 3.2 4.3 <sup>h</sup> 2.6 3.0 2.1 2.7 1.0 2.5 2.7 0.9 0.4 <sup>b</sup> 2.7

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}$  Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba;  $^{\ast\ast}$  Dutch part.

<sup>(</sup>a) value 2008; (b) value 2010; (c) value 2009; (d) value 2006; (e) institutional expenditure; (f) functional expenditure; (g) includes 'obras sociales' (ARG), EPS (COL), ISAPRES (CHL), ARS (DOM), IAMC (URY); (h) includes private health insurance.

## reported immunization coverage

	11	12	13	14	15 percentage of	16 coverage	17	18	19		21 f municipalities	22 total number
-	BCG	polio3	DTP1	1 year of age DTP3+Hib3	Hep B3	rotavirus	1 yea	r of age MMR1	- MMR2 <sup>m</sup>	with coverage DTP3	e level ≥95% MMR	of districts/ municipalities
	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011
The Americas	96	94	96	94	92	79	84	94	83	60	58	15,121
North America Bermuda Canada <sup>a</sup> United States of America <sup>b</sup>	NA NA NA	94 96 99 94 <sup>9</sup>	98 98 	95 98 95 95 <sup>g,h</sup>	89 90 70 91 <sup>g</sup>	64 NA NA 64 <sup>9</sup>	84 <sub>k</sub> <sub>k</sub> <sub>9</sub>	92 87 98 92 <sup>9</sup>	95 69  95			64 NA 13 <sup>n</sup> 51 <sup>o</sup>
Latin America & the Caribbean	96	93	96	93	93	86	84	94	78	60	58	15,057
Latin America	96	93	96	93	93	86	84	94	78	60	58	14,898
Mexico	99	97	100	97	98	98	97	98	97	100 <sup>f</sup>	100 <sup>f</sup>	2,456
Central American Isthmus Belize Costa Rica El Salvador Guatemala Honduras Nicaragua Panama	93 98 78 91 89 100° 100°	91 95 82 89 86 100° 100°	94 98 87 90 91 100° 100°	90 95 85 89 85 100 ° 100 °	90 95 84 89 85 100° 100°	77 NA NA 90 54 100° 98 95	93 93  93 k  100° 84 	92 98 83 90 87 100° 100°	81 98 80 81 NA NA NA	57 67 30 46 50 83 58	53 100 28 44 21 84 80 73	1,212 6 81 262 335 298 153 77
Latin Caribbean Cuba Dominican Republic French Guiana Guadeloupe Haiti <sup>©</sup> Martinique Puerto Rico	92 99 100°  NA 82 NA NA	85 100 <sup>d</sup> 84  79	94 100 ° 91  95 	87 100 ° 84  85 <sup>h</sup>	87 100° 80  NA	NA NA NA NA NA	83 100 <sup>e</sup> <sub>k</sub> <sub>k</sub> <sub>k</sub> <sub>k</sub>	77 100° 88  58'	95 95 NA  NA  NA 	62 91 24  62 	57 92 30  46 fl	464 168 155  141 
Andean Area Bolivia	90 90	86 82	90 90	86 82	86 82	79 80	66 13	90	64 NA	28 26	32 28	3,831 337
Colombia Ecuador Peru Venezuela	83 100° 91 95	85 100° 91 78	84 100 <sup>e</sup> 94 90	85 100 ° 91 78	85 100 <sup>e</sup> 91 78	78 100 ° 84 66	80 80 68 60	84 88 94 96 86	76 92 70 26	24 59 28 24	26 39 36 31	1,123 170 1,834 367
Brazil	100 <sup>e</sup>	100 <sup>e</sup>	100 <sup>e</sup>	100	98	87	89	100 <sup>e</sup>	71	71	65	5,565
Southern Cone Argentina Chile Paraguay Uruguay	95 100 <sup>e</sup> 91 76 99	91 93 93 75 95	92 95 94 77 99	91 93 94 76 95	91 93 94 76 95	72 NA NA 72 NA	80 84 90 64 	92 95 91 77 95	84 91 77 65 	48 44 40 16 91	48 50 30 16 92	1,370 511 346 238 275
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla	99 100	93 100	93 100	92 100	91 100	77 NA	82 <sub>k</sub>	91 97	69 100	59 100	66 100	159 3
Antigua & Barbuda Aruba Bahamas, The Barbodos BES* Cayman Islands Curaçao Dominica Grenada Guyana Jamaica Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis Saint Vincent & the Grenadines Suriname Trinidad & Tobago Turks & Caicos Islands Virgin Islands (UK)	NA NA NA NA NA 75 f  100 ° NA 97 100 ° 100 ° 100 NA NA NA NA NA NA NA	99  97 91  100° 95 93 100 99 100 96 95 86 91 88	75  100°  96 92 92 94 100 97 100° 99 99 99 90 89	98 91  98 91  98 95 93 92 100 98 100 96 95 86 90 87 92 	99  95 91  98 95 93 92 100 98 100 96 92 86 90 87 92	NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA	94 k .	90 93  99 100° 98 88 100 100° 91 100° 	94  94  100° 85 84 60 100° 72 100° NA 100° 90	888 72 86 43 31 54 100 100 33 44 20 33 75 20	1000 922 886 71 69 15 1000 1000 222 78 20 333 755 40	8 1 25 8  6  7 7 7 13 13 4 17 9 9 1 10 9 4 5

<sup>\*</sup>Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba; \*\* Dutch part.

<sup>(</sup>a) <2 years of age; (b) children aged 19-35 months; (c) query about coverage sent to country; (d) polio 2, as per country schedule; (e) reported coverage > 100%; (f) value 2010; (g) value June 2010-July 2011; (h) DTP3, Hib not given; (k) no data but in schedule; (l) coverage report for measles-rubella vaccine in children <1 year of age; (m) target age groups vary by country; (n) reports number of provinces and territories; (o) reports number of states.

## morbidity data

	23	24	25	26	27	28 number (	29 of reported cas	30 ses	31	32	33	34
	wild polio	confirmed measles <sup>a</sup>	cases rubella	CRS	neonatal tetanus	male teto	inus (non-neo female	natal) total	- pertussis	diphtheria	Hib meningitis	mumps
	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011
The Americas	0	1,372	9	1	22	471	104	575	28,011	12	251	31,606
North America	0	1,023	6	1	1	24	14	38	19,287	1	40	688
Bermuda Canada United States of America	0 0 0	0 803 220	0 2 4	0 1 0	0 0 1	0 1 23	0 1 13	0 2 36	1 676 18,610	0 1 0	0 38 2	2 282 404
Latin America & the Caribbean	0	349	3	0	21	447	90	537	8,724	11	211	30,918
Latin America	0	348	3	0	21	446	88	534	8,723	11	210	30,914
Mexico	0	3	0	0	1	19	3	22	252	0	0	2,685
Central American Isthmus Belize	0	4	0	0	3	14 0	10 0	24	322 0	0	13 0	888 0
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	79	0	0	1
El Salvador Guatemala	0	0	0 0	0	0 1	7 1	2 0	9 1	7 0	0	13 0	632 0
Honduras Nicaragua	0	0	0	0	2	5 0	7 0	12 0	113 87	0	0	143 1
Panama	0	4	0	0	Ö	0	1	ì	36	Ö	0	111
Latin Caribbean	0	23	0	0	2	41	3	44	3	4	9	0
Cuba Dominican Republic	0	0 2	0	0	0 2	1 40	0 3	1 43	0 3	0 2	9 0	0
French Guiana Guadeloupe	0	5 13	0	0		0	0	0				
Haiti	0	0	0	0						2		
Martinique Puerto Rico	0	3 0	0 0	0		0	0 0	0				
Andean Area	0	266	1	0	9	76	19	95	1,072	0	35	20,495
Bolivia Colombia	0	0 6	0 1	0	1 2	0 26	0 9	0 35	0 1,010	0	0 34	1,096 15,926
Ecuador	0	260	0	0	2	0	0	0	´ 3	0	1	733
Peru Venezuela	0	0	0	0	1	31 19	6 4	37 23	56 3	0	0	2,740
Brazil	0	43	0	0	6	279	48	327	2,257	5	131	
Southern Cone	0	9	2	0	0	17	5	22	4,817	2	22	6,846
Argentina Chile	0	3 6	1	0	0	0 9	0 3	0 12	1,585 2,582	0	15 3	5,481 950
Paraguay	0	0	0	0	0	8 0	2	10	- 11	2	0 4	283
Uruguay Non-Latin Caribbean		0	0			0	0	0	639	0	4	132
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3 0	0	0	0	4 0
Antigua & Barbuda Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Bahamas, The	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ö	0
Barbados BES*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cayman Islands Curação	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dominica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grenada Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jamaica	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	ĺ	0	0	4
Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis	0	0	0 0	0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Saint Lucia Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0 0
Sint Maarten**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suriname Trinidad & Tobago	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 0	1 0	0	0	1 0	0
Turks & Caicos Islands	Ō	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ō	0	0	0
Virgin Islands (UK) Virgin Islands (US)	0	0	0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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<sup>\*</sup>Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba; \*\* Dutch part. (a) imported or related to importations.

# program management and financing

	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
	years covered by multi-year plan for immunization	number of NITAG meetings	number of districts with at least 1 supervisory visit	plan for immunization injection safety	national system to monitor ESAVIs	spending on routine immunization financed using gov't funds (%)	spending on vaccine purchases financed using gov't funds (%)	budget line for vaccine purchases
		2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011
The Americas								
North America Bermuda	no	no			yes			
Canada United States of America	2004-2009 2010-2020	3 3			yes yes		 	
Latin America & the Caribbean								
Latin America								
Mexico	2007-2012	4		yes	yes	100	100	
Central American Isthmus Belize	2010-2016	no	2	yes	yes	91	100	
Costa Rica El Salvador	no 2009-2014	6	262	yes yes	yes yes	98 99	100 100	yes yes
Guatemala Honduras	no 2011-2015	0 3	125 250	yes	yes	100 54	100 52	yes
Nicaragua Panama	2011-2015 no	0 14	153 77	yes yes	yes yes	23 99	10 100	yes
Latin Caribbean						00		
Cuba Dominican Republic	2010-2015 2010-2015	3 no	168	yes	yes no	99 45	99 50	yes
French Guiana Guadeloupe	 2011-2015							
Haiti Martinique	2011-2015	no 	36 	no 	no 	0	0	no 
Puerto Rico	•••							
Andean Area Bolivia	2010-2015	0	145	yes	yes	100	100	yes
Colombia Ecuador	2011-2014 2011-2015	2 4	700	yes yes	yes yes	100 100	100 100	yes yes
Peru Venezuela	2011-2015 no	12 no	1,834 365	yes yes	yes	100 99	100 100	yes
Brazil	2011-2015	3		Ť	yes	100	100	
Southern Cone	2011-2013	3	•••	yes	y <del>c</del> 3	100	100	yes
Argentina	2012-2016	5	205	yes	yes	100 100	100	yes
Chile Paraguay	no 2012-2016	2	152	no yes	yes	97	100 100	yes
Uruguay	2010-2015	5	•••	yes	yes	100	100	yes
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla	no	no	3					
Antigua & Barbuda Aruba	no no	no no			yes			yes
Bahamas, The Barbados	2010-2015 no	no no	10 	yes	yes	100	100	yes yes
BES* Cayman Islands	 NO	no		·	yes	100	100	yes
Curação Dominica	 no	 no	 7	yes	yes	 96	100	 no
Grenada	2008-2012	no	33	yes	yes	98 82	100 54	yes
Guyana Jamaica	2006-2015 no	no no	13 13	yes	yes	97	100	yes
Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis	no no	no no	17			97 100	100 100	yes
Saint Lucia Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	2012-2013 no	no no	9 9	yes no	yes yes	100	100	yes yes
Sint Maarten** Suriname	 no	12	10	yes	yes	99 97	100 100	yes
Trinidad & Tobago Turks & Caicos Islands	2011-2012 2010-2015	no no	4	•••	yes			yes
Virgin Islands (UK) Virgin Islands (US)	no 	no 	6	yes	yes	100	100	yes

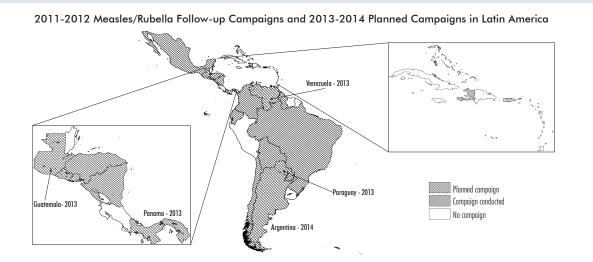
<sup>\*</sup>Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba; \*\* Dutch part.

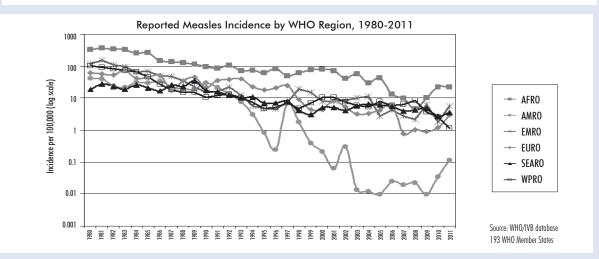
## measles/rubella indicators

Measles/Rubella Surveillance Indicators, 2011

Country	Number	% of	% of	% of samples	% of lab
	of	cases with	cases with	received	samples
	suspect	adequate	adequate	in lab	results
	cases	investigation	samples	≤5 days	≤4 days
Argentina Bolivia Brazila CAREC Chile Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador El Salvador French Guiana Guadeloupe Guatemala Haiti Honduras Martinique Mexico Nicaragua Panama Paraguay Peru Uruquay	364 266 8,979 490 493 3,808 35 1,144 135 2,369 540 21 21 283 35 86 10 7,594 186 263 607 1,023 56 <sup>b</sup>	7 99 77 91 19 73 29 100 45 73 49 93 66 99 95 43 58 80 2	98 87 96 84 96 97 100 94 98 96  93  100  98 94 98	7 92 66 35 80 91 91 100 66 84 90  76  80  89 88 83 83 82 50	35 93 88 95 95 95 95 63 100 70 81 61  89  97  92 91 88 76
Venezuela	807	73	99	48	49
TOTAL/AVERAGE	29,615	80	92	76	86

Source: Measles Elimination Surveillance System (MESS), Integrated Surveillance Information System (ISIS), and country reports, FCH/IM, PAHO.
(a) Preliminary data; (b) Only two of 56 suspect cases of rash-fever were suspected measles; both were studied and discarded by the laboratory.





## technical notes and data sources

#### **Main Data Sources**

For detailed information on demographic data and socioeconomic indicators, please visit: www.paho.org/DataStatistics.

**Demographic data:** United Nations Population Division. World Population Prospects: The 2010 Revision. New York; 2011. US Bureau of the Census. International Database. Update: June 2012 (http://www.census.gov/ipc/www/idb).

**Infant mortality rate (1,000 lb) or number of deaths (N):** As reported or estimated by countries. An increase in infant mortality rate may reflect an improvement in data coverage and quality.

**Socioeconomic indicators:** The World Bank. World Development Indicators 2012. Washington DC; 2012. Access 26 July 2012 (www.data.worldbank.org/data -catalog). For national health expenditure data, Technical Reports from HSS/PRWHO/PAHO; 2012. For more information, please go to: www.paho.org/Spanish/DPM/SHD/ HP/nhexp-metodos.htm.

Immunization coverage, immunization program management, and financing information: Annual country reports to Comprehensive Family Immunization (IM)/PAHO via PAHO-WHO/UNICEF Joint Reporting Form (JRF); 2012.

**Morbidity:** Annual country reports to IM/PAHO via JRF, vaccine-preventable disease specific surveillance reports for measles/rubella and polio; 2011–2012.

**Surveillance indicators:** Vaccine-preventable disease specific surveillance reports for measles/rubella and acute flaccid paralysis/polio to IM/PAHO; 2011–2012.

#### **Symbols and Abbreviations**

(pop) population; (lb) live births; (NA) not applicable; (...) not available; (ppp) purchase power parity; (int'l) international; (GDP) gross domestic product; (BCG) bacille Calmette-Guérin (anti-tuberculosis vaccine); (Polio3) third dose of polio vaccine (oral polio vaccine or inactivated; polio vaccine); (DTP1) first dose of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine (as DTP or combination vaccine); (DTP3-Hib3) third dose of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis-Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) vaccine (as DTP-Hib or other combination vaccine); (Hep B3) third dose of hepatitis B vaccine (as monovalent hepatitis B or combination vaccine); (DTP4) first booster dose after the primary series consisting of three doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine (as DTP or combination vaccine); (MMR1) first dose of measles, mumps, rubella vaccine; (MMR2) second dose of measles, mumps, rubella vaccine (when offered in the routine program; (CRS) congenital rubella syndrome; (Hib) Haemophilus influenzae type b; (NITAG) national immunization technical advisory group; (ESAVI) event supposedly attributable to vaccination or immunization; (gov't) government. (Hi) Haemophilus influenzae;

(Spn) Streptococcus pneumoniae; (CSF) cerebrospinal fluid; (Nm) Neisseria meningitidis; (BOL) Bolivia; (BRA) Brazil; (CHL) Chile; (COL) Colombia; (ECU) Ecuador; (SLV) El Salvador; (GTM) Guatemala; (GUY) Guyana; (HND) Honduras; (NIC) Nicaragua; (PAN) Panama; (PRY) Paraguay; (PER) Peru; (VCT) St. Vincent & the Grenadines; (SUR) Suriname; (VEN) Venezuela; (AMRO) American Region; (AFRO) African Region; (EMRO) Eastern Mediterranean Region; (EURO) European Region; (SEARO) Southeast Asian Region; (WPRO) Western Pacific Region.

#### **Technical Notes**

Immunization coverage: Proportion of children aged <1 year vaccinated with one dose of BCG vaccine, the third dose of polio vaccine (oral polio vaccine or inactivated polio vaccine), the first dose of DTP, the third dose of DTP and Hib, the third dose of hepatitis B vaccine, and the last dose of rotavirus vaccine (2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> dose depending on the vaccine used), respectively. Proportion of children aged 1 year vaccinated with the first booster of DTP vaccine, and one dose of MMR vaccine, respectively. Proportion of children vaccinated with a second dose of MMR vaccine, as targeted in countries offering a second MMR dose in the routine program. Coverage rates are expressed as a percentage of the corresponding mid-year population, as reported by the country. Reported coverage rates ≥100% are presented as 100% with a footnote. Subregional aggregated data express average values weighted by population aged <1 year, when a figure is available.

Municipalities reaching coverage ≥95% for DTP3 and MMR: Proportion of municipalities reporting coverage levels equal to or greater than 95% for DTP3 and MMR1 vaccines, respectively, expressed as a percentage. Municipalities are defined as the third administrative level (country level being first), unless otherwise stated. Morbidity: Number of confirmed cases of wild polio, measles, rubella, CRS, NNT, non-NNT, pertussis, diphtheria, Hib meningitis, and mumps. Subregional aggregated data is the sum of the totals. These are not rates; hence, inter-country comparisons may not be appropriate.

#### Immunization program management and financing:

- Multi-year plan for immunization: Existence of an immunization strategic plan for more than one year.
- Number of NITAG meetings: Number of times the NITAG met in 2011. NITAGs provide recommendations on immunization practices, including advice on vaccines to be included into the national immunization schedule.
- Number of districts with at least one supervisory visit: immunization supervision including all or most aspects of the program, the supervisions of the local level are generally done by region/department/state or national level
- Plan for immunization injection safety: the existence of a plan to ensure the safety

#### Selected Information Products of the Comprehensive Family Immunization Project



• **Immunization Newsletter:** A bi-monthly publication that includes information on all aspects of program implementation, from scientific articles on vaccine-preventable diseases and vaccines to practical matters related to the day-to-day running of an immunization program.



- Vaccination: An Act of Love, 10 Years of Vaccination Week in the Americas: In celebration of the 10th anniversary of Vaccination Week in the Americas (VWA) in 2012, this coffee table book is designed to document the initiative's evolution over the last decade, its organization and planning, VWA-related results and how sister Vaccination Week initiatives expanded to other WHO regions and grew into a World Immunization Week.
- Methodology for the international evaluation of the Expanded Program on Immunization: after a thorough and multidisciplinary review, and considering the extraordinary advances achieved in immunization, PAHO makes available a revised version of this methodology first developed and implemented by PAHO in the 1980s to evaluate the development of immunization programs, including its technical and financial capability. The results obtained are used to maintain, correct, or modify different strategies and lines of action that contribute to the strengthening and efficiency of these programs.
- **Cold Chain Module Update:** The third edition of PAHO's Cold Chain Module will be available at the end of 2012. This new version of the Module will help countries plan cold chain and supply chain operations for five to ten years from now, for both the introduction of new vaccines and supporting a growing population. The module includes a brief description of the products that need to be stored and shipped under specific refrigeration conditions as well as management guidelines for strengthening operations in order to ensure that vaccines and other supplies arrive in adequate conditions, right time and place, and in correct quantities.
- Measles/Rubella and Polio Bulletins: Weekly epidemiological surveillance bulletins.

of injections, including training, supervision, the proper use of safety boxes. This plan may be part of the annual immunization plan of action.

- National system to monitor ESAVIs: System in place for the reporting and follow-up of ESAVIs.
- Spending on routine immunization financed using government funds: Percentage of all of recurrent immunization-specific spending that was financed using government funds (for all recurrent inputs, including vaccines, injection supplies, salaries and per-diems of health staff working full-time on immunization, transport, vehicles and cold chain maintenance, training, social mobilization, monitoring, and surveillance). This excludes any external financing from donors, but may include loans
- Spending on vaccine purchases financed using government funds: Percentage of

- all vaccine spending that was financed using government funds. This excludes any external financing from donors, but may include loans.
- Budget line for vaccine purchase: Specific line in the national budget for the purchase of vaccines.

**Measles/rubella indicators:** For measles/rubella definitions refer to PAHO. Measles Elimination: Field Guide. (Scientific and Technical Publication No. 605). Washington DC: PAHO, 2005. Available at http://www.paho.org/immunization/publications.

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#### Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Use in the Americas, 2011

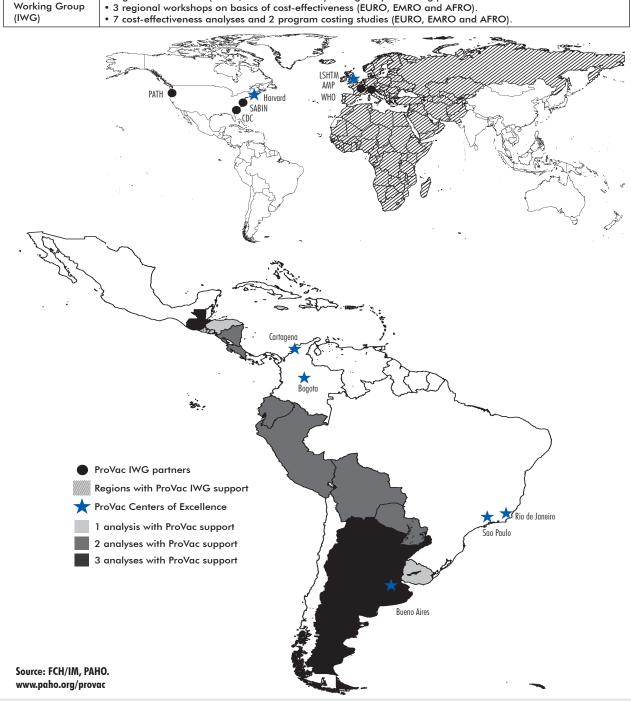
	Chil	dren	Older	Adults		0	ther Risk Gr	oups	
Country	Schedule	Coverage (%)	Schedule	Coverage (%)	Health Workers	Chronic Disease	Pregnant Women	Poultry Workers	Other
Anguilla		(, ,	√ a	65 doses	1		110111011	TTOTAGE	
Antigua and Barbuda	6m-35m		≥60y						
Argentina	6m-23m <sup>a</sup>	36	=65y ≥65y	98	<b>✓</b>	✓ c	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b> 9
Aruba	0111-20111	00	≥03y ✓	70		,	•		·
Bahamas	6m-36m	12	≥65y	64	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>		
Barbados	6m-23m	12	=03y ✓	01	1				√h
Belize	6m-23m	93	≥65v	17	<b>√</b>	✓			
Bermuda	6m-18y	14	≥60v	50	<b>√</b>	✓	✓		√k
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Bolivia	6m-23m	39	≥65v	93	1	✓			
Brazil	6m-23m	90	≥60v	84	✓	√ d	✓		<b>√</b>
Canada	6m-23m	45	=65y ≥65y	36	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	1	√m
Cayman Islands	6m-4v	10	>65y		✓	<b>√</b>	✓		√n
Chile	6m-23m	100 <sup>c</sup>	≥60y		<b>V</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>V</b>	√°
Colombia	6m-23m	38	=60y ≥60y	16	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>			
Costa Rica	6m-8v a	00	≥65y	10	<b>√</b>	✓			
Cuba	6m-8y <sup>a</sup> 6m-24y <sup>b</sup>		=65y ≥65y		✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	
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Dominica	6m-3v	10	≥65v		<b>√</b>	✓			
Dominican Republic	6m-3y	12	≥65y	19	1	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	1	√p
Ecuador	6m-4y	66	=65y ≥65y	45	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		
El Salvador	6m-23m	100	≥60y	80	✓	✓	✓		
Grenada	6m-18y a	25 doses	>18y <sup>a</sup>	691 doses	✓	✓		✓ f	
Guatemala	NA	20 00000	>60y	071 00000	<b>√</b>	✓			
Guyana	NA		NA NA						
Haiti	NA		NA						
Honduras		71		72	✓	✓		<b>√</b>	
Jamaica	>6m-5y 6m-18y <sup>a</sup>		≥60y ✓		<b>√</b>	✓			<b>√</b> 9
Mexico	6m-35m	96	≥60v	99	✓	✓	✓		
Montserrat	<9v			NA	<b>√</b>				√r
Nicaragua	6m-4v	100	>65v°	100	✓	✓	✓		
Panama	6m-5y	64	>60y	90	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
Paraguay	6m-35m	18	>60y	96	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	
Peru	6m-23m	74	≥65y	17	✓	✓	✓		
St. Kitts and Nevis	J 25.11		_55,						
St. Lucia	NA		≥65y		✓	✓			
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	6m-2v		NA NA						
Sint Maarten**									
Suriname	6m-23m		√ a		✓	✓	✓		✓
Trinidad and Tobago	6m-3y		≥60y		✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	√S
Turks and Caicos	6m-23m		NA NA		✓	✓			
United States of America	6m-23m		≥50y		✓	✓	✓		<b>√</b> †
Uruguay	6m-29m	24	>65v		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Venezuela	6m-23m	23	≥60v	30	✓	✓	✓		
Virgin Islands (UK)	✓		≥65y		✓	✓ e			<b>√</b> ∪

<sup>\*</sup> Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba; \*\*Dutch part.

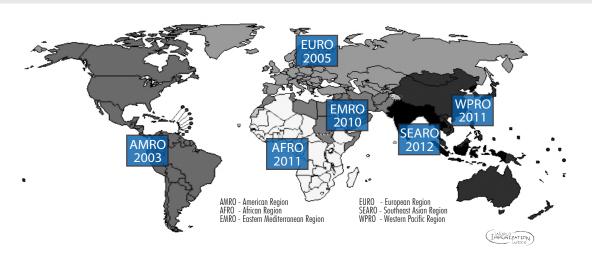
(a) with chronic disease; (b) with asthma/diabetes; (c) persons from 2-64 years with chronic pulmonary disease, cardiovascular disease, chronic renal failure, severe developmental disorders, immune disorders, HIV/AIDS, and oncology and transplant patients; (d) chronic diseases refers to persons with chronic pulmonary disease, cardiovascular disease, HIV/AIDS, and immune disorders; (e) renal dysfunction; (f) police immigration and customs officers and attendants at homes for the elderly; (g) essential services, security forces, educators, those living with oncology patients, those in contact with children < 6 months; (h) military and front line staff; (k) others includes children on aspirin therapy, essential workers, travelers, close contacts or caregivers of individuals with chronic disease, and individuals living in crowded conditions; (l) other populations refer to indigenous population including population > 6m and incarcerated populations; (m) residents, of nursing homes, those in contact with populations at high risk for influenza complications and those who provide essential community services; anyone else aged 2-64 years should be encouraged to get vaccinated; (n) police and fire, children < 6m who are at high risk for complications and individuals caring for babies < 6 months; (o) egg producers; (p) public safety workers; (q) parlamentarians; (f) high risk workers; (s) national security; (f) people in contact with those at high risk and all persons who want to reduce the risk of becoming ill with influenza or of transmitting it to others; (u) residents of nursing homes

# Strengthening Evidence-based Decisions on New Vaccine Introduction: the ProVac Initiative

#### **Progress of the ProVac Initiative to Date** Networks, tools, National Immunization Technical Advisory Group (NITAG) trainings 3 times per year (2009, 2010, 2011). and training Guidance for NITAG standardized policies and procedures. • 3 regional workshops on basics for cost-effectiveness: pneumococcal conjugate vaccines (2009), rotavirus vaccines (2010) and human papillomavirus vaccines (2011). 2 cost-effectiveness tools: TRIVAC (2009) to evaluate Hib, PCV and rotavirus, and CERVIVAC (2011) to evaluate HPV vaccines and cervical cancer screening strategies. • ProVac EPI costing tool (2012) to estimate the total routine program costs and incremental new vaccine costs. • Establishment of a Network of ProVac Centers of Excellence with expertise on economic evaluations. • 6 online learning courses on health economics (2012). • 5 ProVac practical guides for estimating disease burden, program costs, cost of illness and health service utilization associated with rotavirus and pneumococcal disease. Technical support • 9 cost-effectiveness analyses on pneumococcal conjugate vaccines. to country teams • 2 cost-effectiveness analyses on rotavirus vaccines. • 10 cost-effectiveness analyses on HPV vaccines. • 3 vaccination program costing studies. ProVac • Formation of the ProVac International Working Group (IWG) to pilot the ProVac tools and methodology in 3 International regions of the world (EURO, EMRO and AFRO) through implementing partners. Working Group • 3 regional workshops on basics of cost-effectiveness (EURO, EMRO and AFRO). (IWG) • 7 cost-effectiveness analyses and 2 program costing studies (EURO, EMRO and AFRO).



# Vaccination Week in the Americas (VWA) and the Evolution to a World Immunization Week (WIW)



#### The year of establishment of Vaccination Week/Immunization Week efforts in each WHO Region

- In 2012, VWA celebrated its 10th anniversary in the Region as an initiative to promote equity and access to vaccination, to maintain immunization on the political agenda, and to advance communication and cooperation between countries.
- Over the history of VWA, more than 400 million individuals have been vaccinated through activities conducted under its framework.
- VWA has served as a model for other Regions of the WHO in the implementation of their own sister efforts. In 2012, more than 180 countries worldwide participated in a Vaccination Week initiative.
- During the 65th World Health Assembly, resolution WHA65.18 was approved by Member States supporting a World Immunization Week to take place each April. WIW will not replace VWA but will serve as the overarching global framework for all Regional efforts.

Source: FCH/IM, PAHO.

### Surveillance Indicators Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP), 2011

Country	Number of AFP cases	AFP rate (x 100,000 pop <15 years old)	% of cases investigated within <48 hours	% of cases with 1 adequate sample	Number of sites	% Sites reporting weekly
Argentina Bolivia Brazil Canada CAREC Chile Colombia Costa Rica	172 41 561 40 12 89 157 38	1.68 1.13 1.20 0.7 0.55 2.3 1.2 3.15	31 90 98  75 96 62 39	83 85 76 33 82 85 82 82	645 90 3,475  507 327 4,722 70	100  96  99 100 91
Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador El Salvador Guatemala Haiti Honduras Mexico	32 42 39 59 60 10 63 496	1.58 1.27 0.88 2.44 0.78 0.17 2.16 1.57	100 88 31 51 97 	94 84 72 78 78 90 92 56	20 237 504 140 220 89 449 6,148	 100 100 86    95
Nicaragua Panama Paraguay Peru Uruguay USA Venezuela	28 9 18 132 9  71	1.39 0.9 0.9 1.58 1.28 	96 78 56 89 78  72	89 61 67 77 78  85	178 285 180 20 155  240	100 87 93 100 
TOTAL/AVERAGE	2,178	1.30	83	74	18,701	95

Source: Interrgated Surveillance Information System (ISIS), Polio Eradication Surveillance System (PESS), and country reports to FCH/IM, PAHO.

## Epidemiological Surveillance Indicators for Diseases Preventable by New Vaccines in Reporting Countries, Latin America and the Caribbean, 2011

Data and Indicators	BOL	BRA	CHL	COL	ECU	SLV	GTM	GUY	HND	NIC	PAN	PRY	VCT	SUR	VEN	TOTAL
Number of hospitalizations <5 years	11,659	90,745	23,874	13,713	21,403	35,444	20,086	13,534	27,733	10,601	10,161	8,216	3,049	29,541	12,730	332,489
Number <5 years admitted to hos- pital for diarrhea	1,915	10,750	1,927	1,514	3,401	4,963	6,411	1,371	3,315	1,418	890	360	473	3,113	901	43,022
Number <5 years who meet the case definition	1,656	1,651	805	639	1,439	2,396	2,631	94	3,213	155	398	250	38	781	353	16,499
Number <5 years with epidemiologi- cal form and stool specimen	1,456	779	793	571	1,015	2,132	2,041	24	2,215	125	88	206	7	180	231	11,863
Positive cases of rotavirus	495	102	78	83	137	0	622	0	547	4	88	51	0	0	47	2,254
Deaths	14	0	0	0	0		7	0	1	0	0	0			0	22
% of positive cases of rotavirus	34%	13%	10%	15%	13%	0%	30%	0%	25%	3%	100%	25%	0%	0%	20%	19%

#### Bacterial Pneumonia Surveillance, January-December 2011

Data and Indicators	Bolivia	Ecuador	El Salvador	Guatemala	Honduras	Nicaragua	Panama	Paraguay	Peru	Venezuela
Number of hospitalizations <5 years	12,234	20,577	23.284	14,282	10,538	10,676	16,860	10,522	16,504	15,157
Number of suspected cases of pneumonia	1,593	3,168	3,815	2,278	1,303	2,518	2,579	1,434	1,867	1,595
Number of suspected cases with x-ray and epidemiological form	1,530	2,041	3,521	1,761	635	1,861	2,323	1,235	1,601	1,515
Number of probable cases of bacterial pnemonia	387	1,618	1,957	1,749	604	1,643	2,055	1,029	793	1,463
Probable cases with blood specimen	317	1,407	13	1,129	372	1,557	1,605	837	785	601
Probable cases with pleural fluid specimen	26	13	4	2		4	90	51	5	38
Confirmed cases of Hib	0	5	0	4	0	0	0	1	2	3
Confirmed cases of Hi (no b)	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	10
Confirmed cases of Spn	13	35	2	8	2	1	50	34	7	10
Confirmed cases caused by other bacteria	20	127	0	214	73	15	8	16	1	33
Confirmed cases caused by contamination	20	149	0	102	0	174	3	0	0	2
Deaths	10	30	0	37	50	28	47	14	1	17

#### Bacterial Meningitis Surveillance, January-December 2011

Data and Indicators	Bolivia	Brazil <sup>a</sup>	Ecuador	El Salvador	Guatemala	Honduras	Nicaragua	Panama	Paraguay	Peru	Venezuela
Number of hospitalizations <5 years	12,234	1,172,437	20,595	21,866	15,312	10,565	6,521	16,896	10,522	15,961	16,848
Number of suspected cases of meningitis	73	7,572	91	78	76	96	86	97	138	171	379
Number of suspected cases with cerebrospinal fluid test and epidemiological form	56	6,840	73	77	76	77	80	97	127	161	354
Number of probable meningitis cases	27	2,081	60	68	52	31	57	68	97	20	308
Confirmed cases of Hib	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Confirmed cases of Hi (no b)	0	77	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	4
Confirmed cases of Nm	0	845	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	1
Confirmed cases of Spn	9	265	10	2	1	1	0	20	4	0	9
Confirmed cases caused by other bacteria	1	894	5	2	11	2	0	8	6	0	15
Confirmed cases caused by contamination	0	0	5	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	
Deaths	4	328	9	0	2	3	3	18	6	0	12

<sup>(</sup>a) No. of hospitalizations include sentinel hospitals and all other hospitals in the country.

Source: Country reports to FCH/IM, PAHO.