

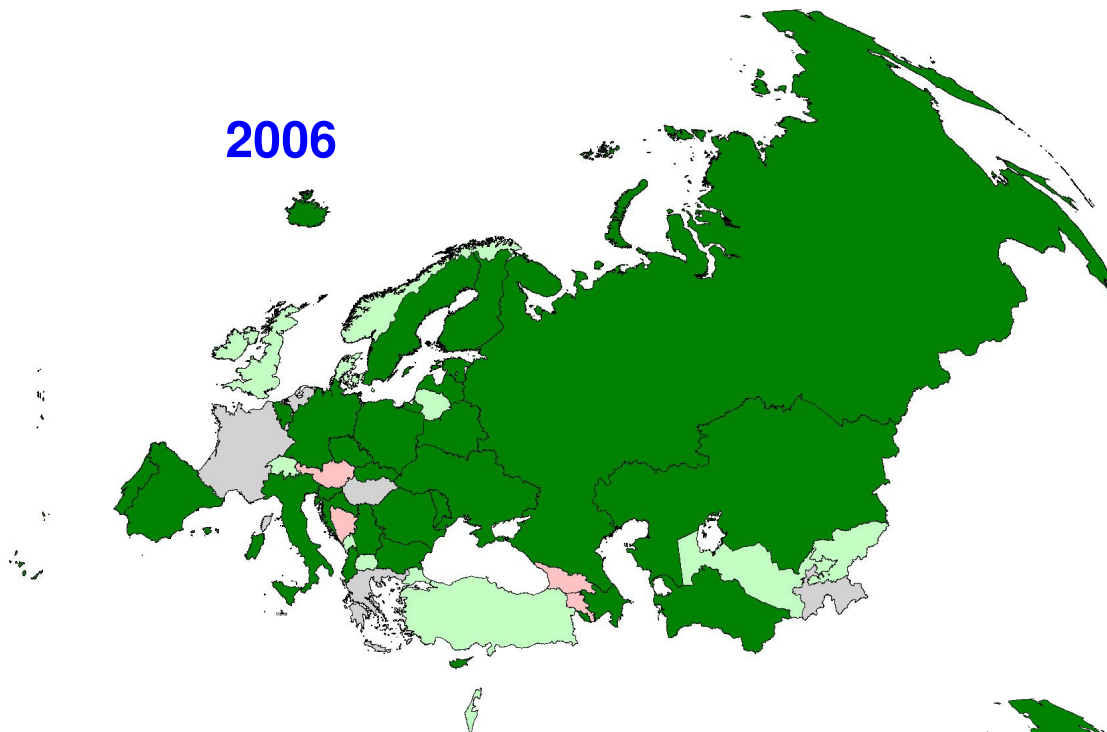
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OPV3 Coverage, 2005 – 2006, WHO/Europe



Coverage Category	Number and % of Countries			
	2005		2006	
	#	%	#	%
>95%	33	68.8	27	57.4
90% - 95%	14	29.2	15	31.9
80% - 90%	1	2.1	5	10.6
0 - 80%	0	0.0	0	0.0
No Data	5		6	

Data source: Administrative and country official coverage estimates, WHO UNICEF Joint Reporting Form, 2005 and 2006



The 20th meeting of the European Regional Certification commission for Poliomyelitis Eradication was held in Copenhagen between 13-15 June 2007. In this meeting, the Regional Certification Commission remained greatly concerned that, in spite of progress achieved globally, the risk of importation of wild poliovirus into the WHO Euro Region remained very high. Imported wild poliovirus could spread in geographical areas among subpopulations with low immunization coverage. The RCC re-emphasized the importance of all countries within the Region maintaining uniformly high routine immunization coverage and high-quality AFP surveillance. The RCC commended countries that had made significant efforts to maintain or improve immunization coverage, identify high risk populations and conduct high-level surveillance for polioviruses.

**TABLE 2. AFP Reporting - European Region,
Countries with AFP Surveillance, 2006-2007**

Country	2006 (Weeks 1 - 52)			2007 (Weeks 1 - 42)					
	Non-Polio AFP Rate*	% With 2 Stool Specimens**	Surveillance Index***	Number of AFP Cases	Number of Cases Pending §	Number of Cases Priority Pending §§	Non-Polio AFP Rate*	% With 2 Stool Specimens**	Surveillance Index***
Albania	0.36	100%	0.36	8	0	0	1.16	100%	1
Andorra	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0
Armenia	0.33	50%	0.33	6	0	0	1.03	60%	0.8
Austria	0.72	56%	0.48	2	0	0	0.19	50%	0.1
Azerbaijan	0.86	94%	0.81	22	5	0	1.27	100%	1
Belarus	2.73	92%	0.92	45	2	1	3.83	91%	0.93
Belgium	0.35	17%	0.06	6	2	0	0.41	0%	0.07
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.63	100%	0.63	0	0	0	0	0%	0
Bulgaria	1.83	84%	0.84	12	9	0	1.4	100%	1
Croatia	0	0%	0	1	0	0	0	0%	0
Cyprus	1.83	67%	1	1	1	0	0.73	0%	0
Czech Republic	1.03	87%	1	6	0	0	0.5	100%	0.5
Estonia	0.51	100%	0.51	0	0	0	0	0%	0
Georgia	1.11	100%	1	12	0	0	1.81	83%	0.83
Germany	0.55	44%	0.3	47	0	1	0.48	34%	0.25
Greece	1.2	74%	0.74	12	0	0	0.9	58%	0.53
Hungary	0.96	40%	0.58	7	0	0	0.54	14%	0.39
Ireland	1.06	22%	0.56	2	0	0	0.28	50%	0.14
Israel	0.9	6%	0.58	8	0	0	0.49	0%	0.18
Italy	0.64	65%	0.44	50	8	0	0.73	60%	0.56
Kazakhstan	1.5	94%	0.96	45	0	0	1.62	96%	0.98
Kyrgyzstan	1.7	96%	1	21	5	0	1.52	95%	1
Latvia	0.92	100%	0.92	2	0	0	0.75	100%	0.75
Lithuania	2.36	46%	0.85	13	0	0	2.91	62%	1
Malta	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0
Montenegro	1.58	100%	1	0	0	0	0	0%	0
Norway	1.22	27%	0.73	4	1	0	0.53	25%	0.4
Poland	1.08	71%	0.82	32	1	0	0.63	50%	0.44
Portugal	0.3	60%	0.24	4	4	0	0.28	25%	0.14
Republic of Moldova	0.81	83%	0.68	14	0	1	2.32	93%	0.93
Romania	1.16	95%	0.95	15	0	0	0.55	87%	0.48
Russian Federation	1.93	90%	0.92	325	57	18	1.8	92%	0.94
Serbia	1.16	86%	1	6	1	1	0.41	83%	0.34
Slovakia	0.23	100%	0.23	5	0	0	0.69	80%	0.69
Slovenia	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0
Spain	0.67	43%	0.4	31	0	0	0.58	55%	0.5
Switzerland	1.19	7%	0.14	11	0	0	1.02	10%	0.2
Tajikistan	0.83	100%	0.83	39	4	0	1.84	97%	0.97
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.77	100%	0.77	4	1	0	1.24	75%	1
Turkey	0.9	84%	0.77	201	44	2	1.11	86%	0.89
Turkmenistan	1.25	95%	0.95	23	0	0	1.82	91%	0.91
Ukraine	1.89	94%	0.95	99	23	2	1.83	94%	0.97
Average/Total	1.13	81%	0.86	1234	169	26	0.95	83%	0.84
Recently Endemic	1.34	91%	0.93	933	141	24	1.2	92%	0.94

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