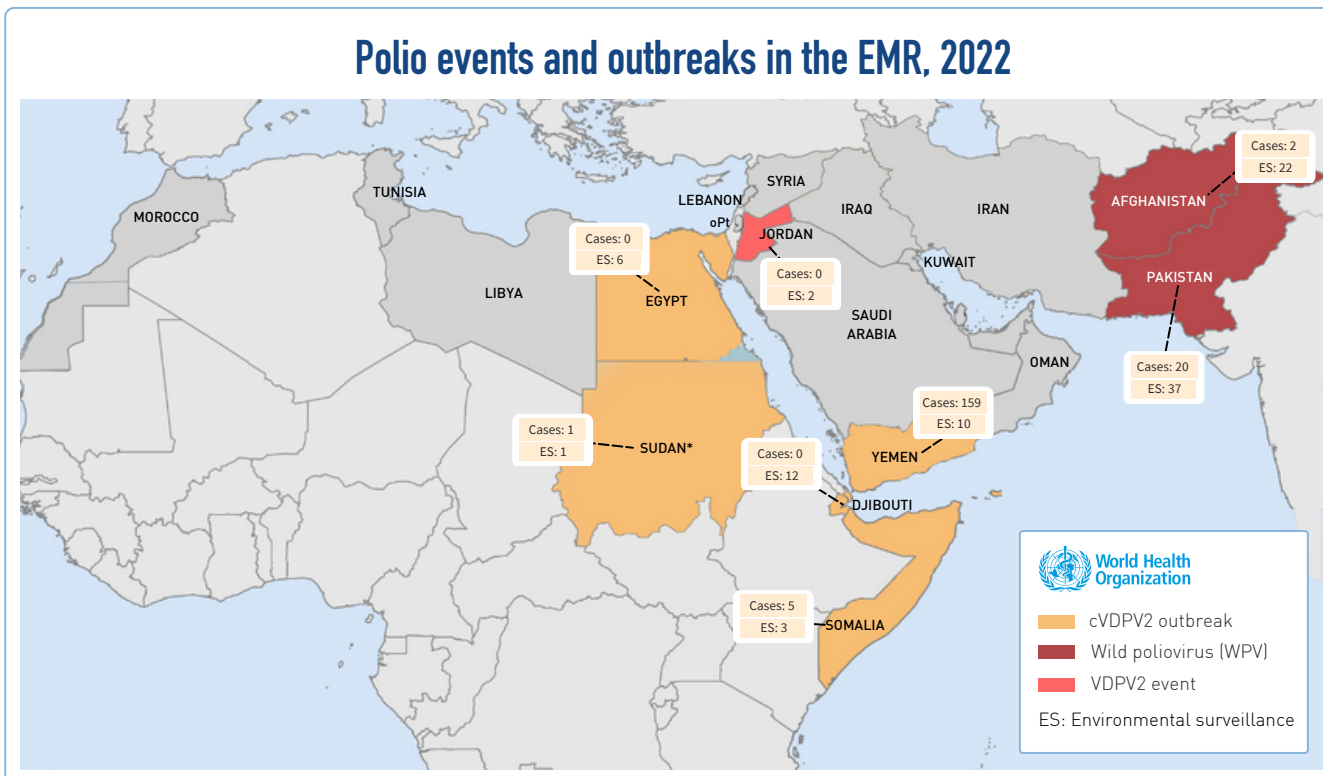


2022 POLIO OUTBREAKS/EVENTS AT A GLANCE

The following polio events and outbreaks occurred/were ongoing in the Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMR) in 2022.



In the EMR, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and parts of Somalia and Yemen are known as ‘consequential geographies’. These are locations that have major consequences for polio transmission – where the risk of spread of polio to other countries is high. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) is making every effort to address transmission in these locations.

*A new case of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) was detected on 16 December 2022, sparking a new outbreak. This is unrelated to the poliovirus variant that affected Sudan in 2020 and was closed in August 2022.

HIGHLIGHTS

IRAN

Poliovirus event



closed in August 2022 after more than 18 months without cVDPV2 detection from any source (AFP, contact or ES)

SOMALIA

Over 200 000



children reached for the first time in security-compromised areas

SUDAN*

Outbreak of cVDPV2

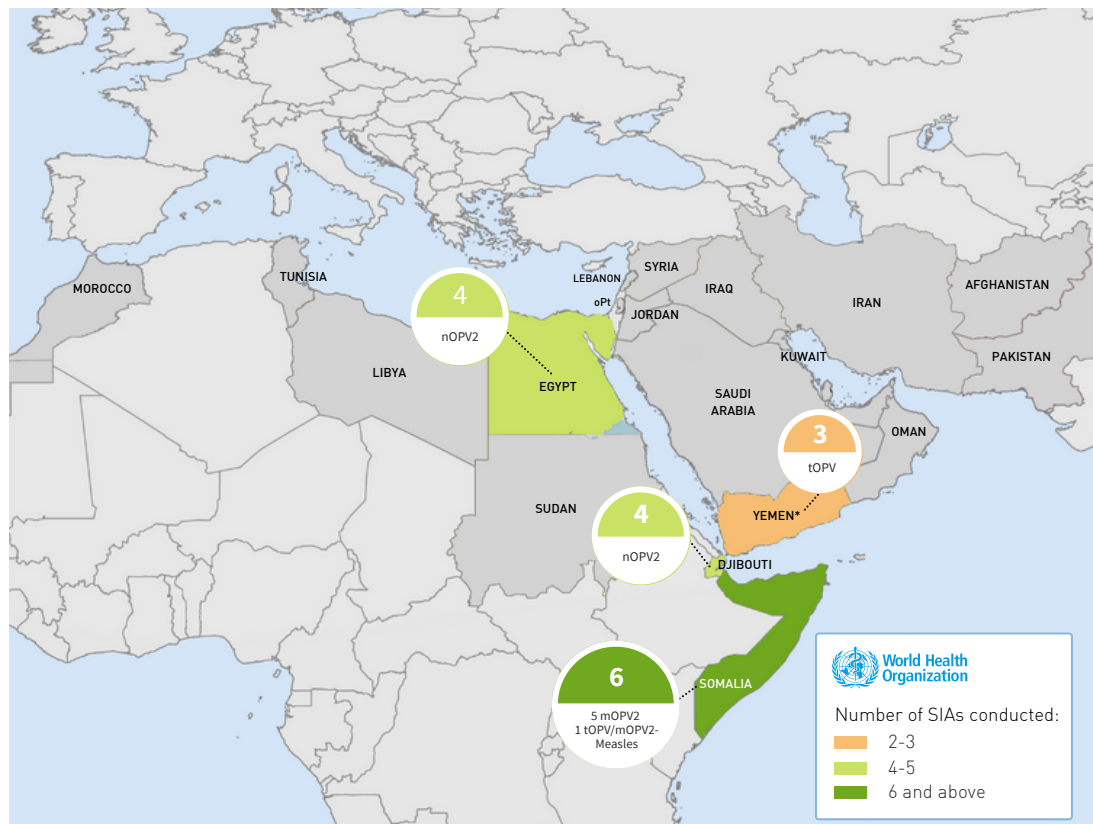


closed in August 2022

2022 POLIO OUTBREAK RESPONSE AT A GLANCE

In an effort to rapidly control polio outbreaks, or respond to risks, EMR countries have offered polio vaccines to children. The map and table below show response activities delivered for each country context to rapidly control polio outbreaks.

Polio outbreak response vaccination campaigns in the EMR, 2022



* Vaccination campaigns were conducted only in the southern governorates of Yemen in 2022.

Summary of polio outbreak response, EMR, 2022

Country	Type of outbreak	Outbreak start date (Date of first isolate)	No of supplementary immunization activities (SIAs) conducted in 2022	Date of most recent isolate		Status of outbreak
				Acute Flaccid Paralysis	Environmental sample	
Djibouti	cVDPV2	03/10/2021	4	N/A	22/05/2022	Ongoing outbreak
Egypt	cVDPV2	10/01/2021	4	N/A	29/08/2022	Ongoing outbreak
Somalia	cVDPV2	22/10/2017	6	23-08-2022	19/05/2022	Ongoing outbreak
Sudan	cVDPV2	07/03/2020	0	18-12-2020	09/11/2020	Closed
	cVDPV2	31/10/2022	0	31-10-2022	28/11/2022	Ongoing outbreak
Yemen	cVDPV2	20/07/2021	3*	24-10-2022	28/05/2022	Ongoing outbreak