Immunization in the Americas

2013 Summary

Comprehensive Family Immunization Family, Gender and Life Course





Pan American Health Organization



preface

A year after the World Health Assembly endorsed the Global Vaccine Action Plan (GVAP), the World Health Organization (WHO) and its partners have made significant progress in defining a Monitoring and Accountability Framework to oversee implementation of the GVAP and document its impact. The Framework is being adapted to the immunization program needs of the 194 WHO Member States located in six different regions.

The GVAP Framework will track compliance with 16 indicators corresponding to the six GVAP strategic objectives and 11 indicators corresponding to the five GVAP goals; the latter includes goals to be realized in 2015 and 2020. Most of these indicators are based on information that is routinely collected through the PAHO/WHO-UNICEF Joint Reporting Form (JRF) on immunization, with the exception of vaccination coverage rates broken down by income level and the evaluation of the public's confidence in vaccines. For these indicators, special studies will complement the annual data collection process.

Vaccination, seen as a universal right, is framed within the values of equity, universal access, solidarity, and inclusion. The GVAP emphasizes the importance of extending vaccination to all; correspondingly, strategic objective 3 aims to ensure that the benefits of immunization are equitably extended to all people. Vaccination Week in the Americas, which was celebrated for the 11th time in 2013 and which paved the way for World Immunization Week, has provided the rallying cry for this right. To ensure vaccination equitably reaches all those who need it in the Americas and document progress towards achieving this objective, major advances have been achieved in monitoring vaccination coverage at sub-national levels. Challenges remain, however, in understanding the factors that limit universal access to vaccination and the ability to monitor the vaccination status of every individual and community. To this end, many countries in the Americas are actively working to establish nominal immunization registries.

The need to closely monitor each geographic area and population group is becoming increasingly urgent, both in the context of the final steps of the documentation and verification process of regional elimination of measles, rubella, and congenital rubella syndrome, as well as for the emergency plan to keep the Region of the Americas free from these diseases. The plan was approved by the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in 2012. The large measles outbreaks in Canada and Ecuador in 2011-2012 clearly demonstrate that our Region remains vulnerable to importations. Only by monitoring vaccination coverage and vaccination inequalities will we be able to identify areas at risk and unprotected communities requiring intensified vaccination efforts, and thus prevent the reintroduction of viruses already eliminated from the Western Hemisphere, such as measles, rubella, and poliovirus.

Fulfilling its mandate to disseminate health data, PAHO has published the annual brochure "Immunization in the Americas" since 2005. It has served as the main tool for benchmarking and sharing data on immunization and epidemiological surveillance of vaccine- preventable diseases from the countries of the Americas. This year, we have added new indicators included in the GVAP Monitoring and Accountability Framework, such as vaccination drop-out rates and the existence of national immunization technical advisory groups. Our current challenge is to monitor the performance of immunization programs with more precision and greater levels of disaggregation. I invite you to use this brochure as a model for measuring immunization progress in your country and join us in monitoring regional progress toward achieving immunization goals.

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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	info	ant mortality (1,000 lb) o		women of childbearing		onal income er capita)	GINI index		th expenditure of GDP
	(thousands)	years old (thousands)	average (thousands)	nun	nber of death		age (thousands)	current	ppp value	(latest available)	public expenditure	private
	2012	2012	2012	rate	(N)	year	2012	2012	2012	,	2012	2012
The Americas	969,414	77,161	15,758.6	12.9	144,586		249,210	25,125	26,829			
North America	352,412	22,594	4,617.4	6.0	26,458	0011	83,023	50,215	49,826			
Bermuda Canada United States of America	34,838 317,505	1,967 20,623	0.8 390.9 4,225.7	4.9 6.1	1,872 24,586	2011 2009 2010	8,268 74,740	106,920 ^b 50,970 50,120	42,690 50,610		8.0 ^d	3.3 5.1
Latin America and the Caribbean	617,002	54,567	11,141.2	16.2	118,128		166,187	9,229	12,086			
Latin America	609,770	53,955	11,020.0	16.3	117,711		164,280	9,278	12,105			
Mexico	120,847	11,405	2,269.0	13.7	30,922	2011	33,616	9,740	16,630	47.2 ^g	2.8 ^d	
Central American Isthmus Belize Costa Rica El Salvador Guatemala Honduras Nicaragua Panama	44,239 324 4,805 6,297 15,083 7,936 5,992 3,802	5,300 38 361 639 2,215 989 690 369	1,105.1 7.7 73.6 127.6 474.4 207.8 138.8 75.1	18.5 15.7 8.5 24.0 13.2	6,997 113 624 5,289 971	2012 2012 2012 2011	11,604 88 1,306 1,770 3,760 2,074 1,626 980	3,996 4,180 8,740 3,580 3,120 2,070 1,650 9,910	6,833 6,880 12,590 6,790 4,960 3,890 3,960 17,830	50.7 ^b 48.3 ^b 55.9 ^k 57.0 ^b	4.3 ^{c,d} 2.4 ^{c,d} 	3.1° 5.0 3.6 2.8 4.7° 1.9 ⁹
Latin Caribbean Cuba Dominican Republic French Guiana Guadeloupe Haiti Martinique Puerto Rico	36,525 11,271 10,277 243 464 10,174 403 3,694	3,160 532 1,063 30 33 1,250 23 229	652.4 108.4 217.7 5.8 6.3 264.9 4.6 44.8	34.3 4.6 26.0 8.6 7.9 59.0 8.7 8.3	6,681 581 5,616 54 35 42 353	2012 2012 2011 2009-11 2012 2010 2010	9,491 2,915 2,688 63 116 2,671 100 939	5,372 5,470 760 18,000	5,548 9,820 1,240 	47.2 ⁹	3.3 ^{d,f}	3.3°
Andean Area Bolivia Colombia Ecuador Peru Venezuela	133,636 10,496 47,704 15,492 29,988 29,955	13,255 1,264 4,521 1,594 2,925 2,951	2,713.7 272.8 911.5 327.6 600.3 601.4	17.1 18.4 17.0 15.1	17,320 8,355 8,965	2010 2012 2010	35,527 2,660 12,915 4,054 7,980 7,917	7,386 2,220 6,990 5,190 5,880 12,470	10,349 4,960 10,110 9,590 10,240 13,120	56.3 ^h 55.9 ^g 49.3 ^g 48.1 ^g 44.8 ^k	3.5 ^{c,d} 2.9 ^d	1.5° 1.5 3.7 2.1 2.4°
Brazil	198,656	14,563	3,008.5	15.3	44,572	2011	54,631	11,630	11,720	54.7 ^b		3.7
Southern Cone Argentina Chile Paraguay Uruguay	68,634 41,087 17,465 6,687 3,395	5,659 3,436 1,225 753 245	1,150.1 695.0 245.5 160.1 49.5	10.6 11.7 7.7 8.9	11,219 8,878 1,908	2011 2011 2012	17,503 10,372 4,593 1,719 819	11,499 14,280 3,290 13,510	16,947 21,590 5,610 15,570	44.5 ^g 52.1 ^g 52.4 ^g 45.3 ^g	4.9° 5.4 ^{c,e,f}	3.2 3.4 3.2 ⁹ 5.2 ^c
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla Antigua and Barbuda Aruba Bahamas, The Barbados BES* Cayman Islands Curagao Dominica Grenada Guyana Jamaica Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis Saint Lucia St. Vincent and the Grenadines Sint Maarten** Suriname Trinidad and Tobago Turks and Caicos Islands Virgin Islands (UK) Virgin Islands (UK)	7,232 15 89 108 372 288 53 146 73 109 795 2,769 5 51 162 104 39 535 1,337 46 31	612 1 7 6 29 18 3 10 6 9 89 254 0 4 12 8 2 46 97 4 2 6	121.2 0.2 1.4 1.4 5.7 3.5 0.6 2.0 1.1 1.8 16.4 50.3 0.1 0.7 2.3 1.5 0.5 9.6 19.7 0.8 19.7 0.8	13.8 15.3 1.8 16.2 18.1 4.0 8.0 17.8 9.0 22.3 15.1 2.1	417 18 2 81 60 3 15 17 15 6 147 1 13	2012 2012 2011 2011 2011 2012 2009 2012 2012	1,907 4 25 27 104 75 13 34 19 28 202 732 1 14 45 27 10 140 359 15 9 25	8,530 12,640 21,280 12,380 12,380 6,460 7,110 3,410 5,140 13,330 6,530 6,530 6,380 8,480 14,400 	15,606 19,260 29,740 18,400 · 12,190 10,300 3,400 · 17,280 11,020 10,810 · 8,500 22,400 ·		3.2° 3.0° 4.4d 3.6° 3.1° 2.5d 	2.3 1.6 1.9 3.3 2.1 2.4 1.8 2.4 2.8 1.0 2.0 1.6 0.9

 $^{^{\}ast}$ Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba; ** Dutch part.

⁽a) value 2009-2011; (b) value 2009; (c) value 2011; (d) functional expenditure; (e) institutional expenditure; (f) includes 'obras sociales' (ARG), EPS (COL), ISAPRES (CHL), ARS (DOM), IAMC (URY); (g) value 2010; (h) value 2008; (k) value 2006.

reported immunization coverage

	11	12	13	14	15 percentage of co	16 overage	17	18	19	20	21 municipalities	22 total number
-			<	< 1 year of age			1 yea	r of age			e level ≥95%	of districts/
-	BCG	polio3	DTP1	DTP3 + Hib3		rotavirus	DTP4	MMR1	MMR2 ^I	DTP3	MMR	municipalities
	2012	2012	2012	2012	Dropout Rate 2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012
The Americas	96	93	96	93		82	85	94	77	50	55	15,213
North America	0	94	99	94		67	84 _h	93	94			64
Bermuda Canada º	NA NA	98 99	98 99	98 95	2.5	NA NA	h	90 98	64 94 _h			NA 13 ^m
United States of America b	NA	93 ^e		94 ^{e,g}		69 ^e	83 °	91 °	• • • •	53 °	10 ^e	51 ⁿ
Latin America & the Caribbean	96	93	96	93		87	86	95	76	50	55	15,149
Latin America	96	93	96	93		87	86	95	76	50	57	14,897
Mexico	99°	99 ^c	• • •	99°		99°	99°	99 °	92 °	66	83	2,432
Central American Isthmus Belize	93 98	93 98	96 96	93 98	-2.3	87 NA	85 96	94 96	93 93	47 100	54 67	1,211 6
Costa Rica El Salvador	78 90	90 92	92 92	91 92	-0.2	NA 93	h h	90 93	98 95	46 53	46 57	81 262
Guatemala Honduras	94 89	94 88	100 ^d 88	96 88	6.9 0.1	81 87	80	93 93	NA NA	47 28	39 55	334 298
Nicaragua	100 ^d 100 ^d	100 ^d	100 ^d	100 ^d	-0.1	100 ^a	90 _h 98	100 ^d	100 ^d 72	75	80 51	153 77
Panama Latin Caribbean	87	87	99 97 .	85 86 .	14.4	92 21	100 .	98 80 .	100	47 52	48	467
Cuba	100	83 98 ^f	100 ^d	100 ^d	-5.1	NA	100 ^d	100 ^d	100 ^d	90	90	168
Dominican Republic French Guiana	100 NA	85	93	85	7.7	21	_h	88	NA _h	30	30	155
Guadeloupe Haiti	NA 70	76	99	81	18.1	NA	"	66 k	NA,	33	18	144
Martinique Puerto Rico	NA NA						h		h			
Andean Area	93	88	94	90		86	71	92	61	34	37	3,850
Bolivia Colombia	87 89	79 91	85 92	80 92	6.3 0.0	76 87 .	11 86	84 94 .	NA 80	20 40	31 43	337 1,122
Ecuador Peru	100⁴ 95	100 ^d 94	100 ^d 100	100⁴ 95	-1.2 4.6	100 ^d 91	74 85	100⁴ 94	55 63	86 29	66 32	220 1,836
Venezuela	96	73	90	81	10.1	76	60	87	33	26	31	335
Brazil	100 ^d	97	100 ^d	94	6.8	86	91	100	71	55	61	5,565
Southern Cone Argentina	95 100	88 90	91 94	89 91	7.9	72 NA	77 80 _h	90 94	82 90	49 45	54 53	1,372 511
Chile Paraguay	92 75	90 74	90 76	90 74	0.5 2.7	NA 72	62,	90 74	74 62 _h	27 14	13 11	346 240
Uruguay	99	95	98	95	2.8	NA	h	96		89	96	275
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla	96 100 ^d	94 79	93 100 ^d	94 100 ^d	-3.0	90 NA	83 _h	91 100 ^d	81 100 ^d	82 100	16 100	252 3
Antigua & Barbuda Aruba	NA NA	97	90	98	-0.5	NA	_h	98	90 _h	86	100	7
Bahamas, The	NA	99	99	98	1.7	NA NA	58 _h	91	73	95	38	91
Barbados BES*	NA ···	88 100	100	87 100	16.7	NA NA	h	90 100	90 100	100	100	8
Cayman Islands Curaçao	76 NA	94		94		70 	_h	90	96 _h			6
Dominica Grenada	98 NA	97 98	98 90	97 97	0.7 -8.0	NA NA	96 88	99 94	94 75	100 71	71 43	 7 7
Guyana Jamaica	98 96	97 96	99 95	97 96	1.9 -0.9	91 NA	^h 84	99 93	90 76	62 69	69 69	13 13
Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis	100 95	94 100 ^d	100 96	94 100 ^d	5.6 -7.1	NA NA	100 0 h	100 95	100 90	0 88	100 76	4 17
Saint Lucia Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	100 ^d 97	98 96	100 ^d 94	98	2.4	NA	100 ^a	100°	80	44 89	33 56	36 9
Sint Maarten**	NA	91	91	96 91	-2.4 -0.2	NA NA	97 _h	94 91	92 86 _h	07		0
Suriname Trinidad & Tobago	NA NA	84 91	80 87	84 92	-4.7 0.3	NA NA	··· h	73 85	85	56	33	10 9
Turks & Caicos Islands Virgin Islands (UK)	98 98	95 97	93 100 ^d	95 98	-2.6 45.9	NA NA	100 d	98 95	82 96	100 40	0	6 6
Virgin Islands (US)	NA						ⁿ		ⁿ			

^{*}Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba (with data); ** Dutch part.

⁽a) <2 years of age; (b) children aged 19-35 months; (c) preliminary data; (d) reported coverage >100%; (e) children born during January 2006-May 2011; (f) polio 2, as per country schedule; (g) DTP3, Hib not included; (h) no data but in schedule; (k) coverage report for measles-rubella vaccine in children <1 year of age; (l) target age groups vary by country; (m) reports number of provinces and territories; (n) reports number of states.

morbidity data

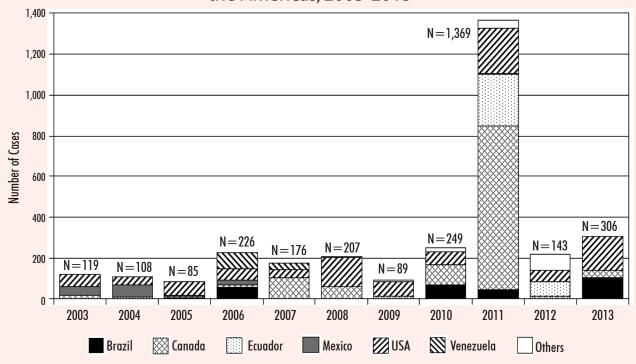
	23	24	25	26	27	28 number	29 of reported cas	30 ses	31	32	33	34
-		confirmed	cases		neonatal	teto	anus (non-neo	natal)			Hib	
	wild polio	measles ^a	rubella	CRS	tetanus	male	female	total	pertussis	diphtheria	meningitis	mumps
	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012
The Americas	0	143	15	3	11	433	107	540	71,091	2	121	22,801
North America	0	65	11	3	1	25	15	40	52541	2	35	283
Bermuda Canada	0	0 10	0 2	0	0	 1	3	0	4,845	0	0 25	0 54
United States of America	0	55	9	3	1	24	12	36	47,693	ı	10	229
Latin America & the Caribbean	0	78	4	0	10	408	92	500	18,550	0	86	22,518
Latin America	0	78	4	0	10	403	91	494	18,547	0	86	22,516
Mexico	0	0	2	0	0	15	13	28	978	0	0	5,683
Central American Isthmus Belize	0	0	0	0	2	24 0	10 0	34 0	647 44	0	2 0	802 2
Costa Rica El Salvador	0	0	0	0	0	1 6	0 1	1 7	130 37	0	0 1	30 351
Guatemala Honduras	0	0	0	0	0 2	0 11	0	0 15	273 48	0	0	143 138
Nicaragua Panama	0	0	0	0	0	1 5	0 5	1 10	68 47	0	0	4 134
Latin Caribbean	0	0	0	0	1	39	3	42	11	0	8	0
Cuba	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0 11	0	6	0
Dominican Republic French Guiana	0					36	3	39			2	
Guadeloupe Haiti	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
Martinique Puerto Rico	0											
Andean Area	0	74	1	0	4	61	17	78	4,524	0	46	10,176
Bolivia Colombia	0	0 1	0 1	0	0 2	0 38	0 10	0 48	0 3,289	0	0 41	0 9,377
Ecuador Peru	0	72 0	0	0	1	0 13	0 4	0 17	, 54 1,173	0	0	, 799
Venezuela	Ö	Ĭ	Ö	Ö	Ĭ	10	3	13	8	Ö	5	0
Brazil	0	2	0	0	2	250	41	291	4,744	0		
Southern Cone Argentina	0	2]]	0	1 0	14 5	7 5	21 10	7,643 1,239	0	30 22	5,855 4,619
Chile Paraguay	0	0	0	0	0	6 3	0	6 5	5,762 44	0	4 0	876 247
Uruguay	Ö	Ö	Ö	Ö	Ö			Ő	598	Ö	4	113
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	6 0	3	0	0	2
Antigua & Barbuda Aruba	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Bahamas, The Barbados	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BES* Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Cuynian Islanus Curação Dominica	0											
Grenada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 2
Guyana Jamaica	0	0	0	0	0	0 3	0 1	0 4	0	0	0	0
Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Lucia Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0	0
Sint Maarten** Suriname	0	0	0	0	0]]	0]	0	0	0	0
Trinidad & Tobago Turks & Caicos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virgin Islands (UK) Virgin Islands (US)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
virgin islanas (US)	U	•••		• • • •		•••	•••		•••		• • • •	•••

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
		2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012
The Americas								
North America Bermuda Canada United States of America	no 2010-2020	4 3 3	 	no 	yes	 		
Latin America & the Caribbean	2010-2020	J			yes			
Latin America								
Mexico	2012-2018	6	2,432	yes	yes	100	100	yes
Central American Isthmus				•	,			,
Belize Costa Rica El Salvador Guatemala	2010-2016 no 2009-2014 2012-2016	no 4 0	4 	yes yes yes	yes yes yes	95 100 99 99	100 100 100 100	no yes yes yes
Honduras Nicaragua Panama	2011-2015 2011-2015 no	5 0 18	112 153 58	yes yes	yes yes yes	61 39 99	49 19 100	yes yes yes
Latin Caribbean Cuba Dominican Republic	2011-2012 2010-2015	4 no	168 127	yes no	yes yes	99 99	99 100	yes yes
French Guiana Guadeloupe Haiti Martinique	 2011-2015	 no	 	 yes	 no	 		 no
Puerto Rico	•••							
Andean Area Bolivia Colombia Ecuador Peru Venezuela	2010-2015 2010-2014 2011 -2016 2011-2015 no	3 0 12 no	337 51 366	yes no yes no	yes yes yes yes	80 100 100 100 100	75 100 100 100 100	yes yes yes yes
Brazil	2011-2015	2	5,565	yes	yes	100	100	
Southern Cone Argentina Chile Paraguay Uruguay	2010-2015 no 2012-2016 2010-2015	4 6 3	 224 275	yes yes yes	yes yes yes	100 100 99	100 100 100 	yes yes yes
Non-Latin Caribbean Anguilla Antigua & Barbuda Aruba Bahamas, The Barbados BES*	no no no 2010-2020 no	no no no no	3 52 	yes yes yes	yes yes yes	100 93 100 	100 100 100	yes yes yes yes
Cayman Islands Curaçao Dominica Grenada Guyana Jamaica	2011-2012 2011-2012 2011-2012 2006-2015	no no no 3 no	 7 33 13	no no yes yes yes	no yes yes no yes yes	100 92 95 71 99	100 100 100 100 57 100	yes yes yes yes yes
Montserrat Saint Kitts & Nevis Saint Lucia Saint Vincent & the Grenadines Sint Maarten** Suriname Trinidad & Tobago Turks & Caicos Islands	no no 2013-2014 no no 2012 -2013 2010-2015	no no no no 2 5 no	 17 36 9 9	yes yes yes yes yes	yes yes yes yes	100 93 100 99 100 100	100 100 100 100 100 100	yes yes yes yes yes
Virgin Islands (UK) Virgin Islands (US)	2010-2015 NO 	no no 	6	no yes 	no yes 	100 	100	yes

measles/rubella surveillance

Distribution of Confirmed Measles Cases Following the Interruption of Endemic Transmission, the Americas, 2003-2013*



Source: Country reports to FGL-IM, PAHO.

Measles/Rubella Surveillance Indicators, 2012

Country	Number of suspect cases	% of cases with adequate investigation	% of cases with adequate samples	% of samples received in lab ≤5 days	% of lab samples results ≤4 days	Rate of suspected MR cases/100,000 population	Rate of suspected CRS cases/10,000 live births
Argentina	696	34 ^a	96°	88°	59°	1.73	1.56
Bolivia	215	100	100	74	98	2.05	0.38
Brazil	6,094	74		78	86	3.07	0.51
CAREC	554	86	96	26	96	7.33	0.00
Chile	183	73	96	85	90	1.05	3.30
Colombia	2,707	78	95	93	95	5.81	3.25
Costa Rica	34	20	89	80	54	0.71	0.00
Cuba	1,249	100	100	100	100	11.08	0.00
Dominican Republic	136	54	99	68	71	1.32	0.00
Ecuador	1,826	73	98	84	81	11.79	0.47
El Salvador	440	62	98	71	74	6.99	10.20
French Guiana	13					5.35	
Guadeloupe	5					1.08	
Guatemala	386	9	97	70	85	2.56	0.00
Haiti	130	19	95	49	12	1.28	0.11
Honduras	97	58	99	81	89	1.22	5.68
Martinique	2					0.50	
Mexico	5,844	99				4.84	0.00
Nicaragua	129	93	99	85	95	2.15	0.00
Panama	123	59	95	79	88	3.50	0.14
Paraguay	699	78	98	96	99	10.53	0.00
Peru	642	81	94	81	56	2.14	0.00
Uruguay	10	0	30	100	67	0.29	0.00
Venezuela	640	69	98	12	10	2.14	0.00
TOTAL/AVERAGE	22,854	81	97	80	84	3.70	0.80

^{*} Data as of epidemiological week 37/2013.

technical notes and data sources

Main Data Sources

For detailed information on demographic data and socioeconomic indicators, please visit: http://new.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2470&Itemid=2003.

Demographic data: United Nations Population Division. World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision. New York; 2013. US Bureau of the Census. International Database: Update for countries/territories with populations under 300,000 inhabitants. Last accessed on 18 June 2012 at www.census.gov/ipc/www/idbacc.html.

Infant mortality rate (1,000 lb) or number of deaths (N): As reported or estimated by countries. For some countries due to the small number of events, the rate does not meet standards for reliability and precision and number of deaths are presented. An increase in infant mortality rate may reflect an improvement in data coverage and quality.

Socioeconomic indicators: The World Bank. 2013 World Development Indicators. Washington DC; 2013. For national health expenditure data, Technical Reports from HSS/RF-WHO/PAHO; 2013.

Immunization coverage, immunization program management, and financing information: Annual country reports to Comprehensive Family Immunization Unit (IM)/PAHO via PAHO-WHO/UNICEF Joint Reporting Form (JRF); 2013.

Morbidity: Annual country reports to IM/PAHO via JRF, vaccine-preventable disease specific surveillance reports for measles/rubella and polio; 2012-2013.

Surveillance indicators: Vaccine-preventable disease specific surveillance reports for measles/rubella and acute flaccid paralysis/polio to IM/PAHO; 2012-2013.

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; (Nm) Neisseria meningitidis; (AIA) Anguilla; (DMA) Dominica; (ECU) Ecuador; (GTM) Guatemala; (GUY) Guyana; (HND) Honduras; (NIC) Nicaragua; (PAN) Panama; (PER) Peru; (SLV) El Salvador; (VCT) St. Vincent & the Grenadines; (VEN) Venezuela.

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, and the last dose of rotavirus vaccine (2nd or 3rd 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.

Drop-out rate DTP1-DTP3: Number of DTP1 doses minus the number of DTP3 doses (among children aged <1 year) divided by the number of DTP1 doses, expressed as a percentage.

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 2012. NITAGs provide recommendations on immunization practices, including advice on vaccines to be included into the national immunization schedule.

Selected Information Products of the Comprehensive Family Immunization Unit

- **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.
- XXI TAG Meeting Report: PAHO's Technical Advisory Group (TAG) on Vaccine-preventable Diseases functions as the leading regional forum to review and promote regional goals and strategies for immunization. Specifically, the TAG reviews national immunization program progress and results, assists in identifying research needs, and oversees the progress of ongoing research efforts. The report of the XXI TAG meeting held in July 2013 in Quito, Ecuador is now available in English and Spanish.
- **New Methodology to Assess Missed Opportunities for Vaccination:** PAHO recently updated a methodology for the evaluation of missed opportunities for vaccination (MOV) in children under 5 years of age in health facilities, as well as to assess immunization knowledge, attitudes and perceptions among health care workers. This field guide aims to promote the use of a standardized MOV methodology in Latin America and the Caribbean. It draws on improvements in survey design and implementation and on lessons learned from implementing vaccination-related studies during the last 20 years.
- Case-studies on Yellow Fever Vaccine—associated Viscerotropic Disease: PAHO has recently launched a set of case studies on Yellow fever vaccine—associated viscerotropic disease (VTD). They aim to familiarize health personnel with case definition, detection and with the epidemiological investigation of suspect VTD cases. The case-studies were built based on the experiences surrounding a cluster of VTD cases that occurred in 2007, following a yellow fever vaccination campaign. The case studies are available in Spanish and English, and include manuals for both facilitators and participants.
- Measles/Rubella and Polio Bulletins: Weekly epidemiological surveillance bulletins.





- 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 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.

Surveillance indicators: For measles/rubella definitions refer to PAHO. Measles Elimination: Field Guide. (Scientific and Technical Publication No. 605). Washington DC: PAHO, 2005. For acute flaccid paralysis definitions refer to PAHO. Poliomyelitis Eradication: Field Guide. (Scientific and Technical Publication No. 607). Washington DC: PAHO, 2005. Available at http://www.paho.org/english/ad/fch/im/FieldGuide_Index.htm.

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Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Use in the Americas, 2012

	Child	Iren	Older	Adults	Other Risk Groups						
Country	Schedule	Coverage (%)	Schedule	Coverage (%)	Health Workers	Chronic Disease	Pregnant Women	Poultry Workers	Other		
Anguilla	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Antigua and Barbuda	6m-35m	300 ds		450 ds							
Argentina	6m-24m	76	≥65y	68	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Aruba	6m-18y a 6m-36m		>60y_		✓ .	✓,			✓ .		
Bahamas			≥65y b		✓ b	✓ b	✓ b		✓ b		
Barbados	NA	NA	✓ [†]		✓				✓		
Belize	6m-23m	98	≥65y	20	✓	✓					
Bermuda	6m-18y		>65	50	✓		✓				
BES*	6m-18y a		>60y		✓	✓			✓		
Bolivia	6m-23m	36	≥65y	32	✓						
Brazil	6m-23m	96	≥60y	82	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Canada	6m-59m ^c	45	≥65y	53	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Cayman Islands	6m-35m		✓						✓		
Chile	6m-23m	98	≥65y	73	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Colombia	6m-23m	86	>60y	20	✓						
Costa Rica	<10y d		≥65y		√	✓	√				
Cuba	6m-24y ^d		≥65y	100	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Curaçao	6m-18y ^a		>60y		✓	✓			√		
Dominica	6m-35m		≥65y		✓	✓	√		✓		
Dominican Republic	6m-3y		≥65y		✓		✓				
Ecuador	6m-59m	83	>55y	54	✓	✓	√		✓		
El Salvador	6m-59m		≥60y		✓	✓	✓				
Grenada	6m-18y ^d	88 ds	✓ g	159 ds	✓	✓			✓		
Guatemala	6m-59m		>60y		√	√					
Guyana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Haiti	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Honduras	>6m-9y ^d		>60y	73	✓	✓		✓	✓		
Jamaica	om-9y		•		√	√			,		
Mexico	6m-35m	95	>50y	93	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Montserrat	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Nicaragua	6m-23m	100	>50y ^d		✓	✓	✓				
Panama	6m-<5y	83	>60y	69	√	√	√	✓	√		
Paraguay	6m-35m	35	>60y	41	1	✓	√		✓		
Peru	6m-23m	59	≥65y	37	✓	✓ > 1.4	√	NIA	N 1 A		
St. Kitts and Nevis	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
St. Lucia	NA	NA	≥65y		✓	√	N.1.4		✓ > 1 A		
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	NA .	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Sint Maarten**	6m-18y ^a		>60y		√	√			✓ ✓		
Suriname	NA	NA	≥65y		✓	✓	√		V		
Trinidad and Tobago	6m-9y		>65y				v		✓ ✓		
Turks and Caicos	6m-17y	59 52 ^e	>55y	76 65 ^e	✓	✓	√		V		
United States of America	>6m 6m-48m ^d		≥50y ≥50y >65y ^d		✓	✓ ✓	✓		V		
Uruguay		26	,	30	✓	✓ ✓	✓	✓			
Venezuela	6m-23m ✓	27	≥60y ✓	8	✓	✓	· ·	V	✓		
Virgin Islands (UK)	•		•		V	V			V		

^{*} Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba; ** Dutch part.

(a) receiving salicylates for extended time; (b) not routine; (c) 1-2 doses given; (d) with chronic disease; (e) value 2011-2012; (f) in long stay facilities; (g) at risk groups; (ds) doses.

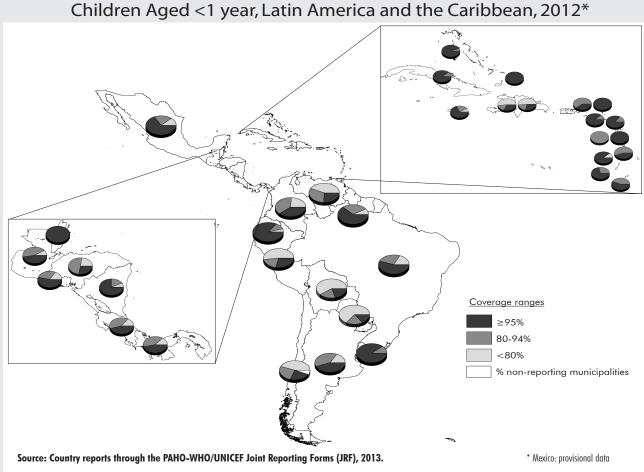
The Global Vaccine Action Plan (GVAP) Proposed Strategic Objective-Level Indicators

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ALL COUNTRIES COMMIT TO THE BENEFITS OF IMMUNIZATION INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES IMMUNIZATION AS A PRIORITY. ARE EQUITABLY EXTENDED TO ALL UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF VACCINES AND DEMAND PEOPLE. IMMUNIZATION BOTH AS A RIGHT AND A RESPONSIBILITY. INDICATORS INDICATORS INDICATORS • Domestic expenditures for immunization per person targeted • Percentage of countries that have assessed (or measured) confidence • Percentage of districts with 80% or greater coverage with three · Presence of an independent technical advisory group that meets in vaccination at subnational level doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis containing vaccine Percentage of un- and under-vaccinated in whom lack of confidence Reduction in coverage gaps between lowest and highest wealth was a factor that influenced their decision quintile and another appropriate equity indicator STRONG IMMUNIZATION SYSTEMS IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMMES COUNTRY, REGIONAL AND ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF A HAVE SUSTAINABLE ACCESS TO GLOBAL RESEARCH AND WELL-FUNCTIONING HEALTH PREDICTABLE FUNDING, QUALITY **DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS** SUPPLY AND INNOVATIVE MAXIMIZE THE BENEFITS OF SYSTEM. TECHNOLOGIES.2 IMMUNIZATION INDICATORS INDICATORS • Dropout rate between first dose and third dose of • Percentage of doses of vaccine used worldwide that are of assured • Progress towards development of HIV, TB, and malaria vaccines diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis containing vaccines • Progress towards a universal influenza vaccine (protecting against · Sustained coverage of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis containing vaccines 90% for three or more years • Progress towards institutional and technical capacity to carry out • Immunization coverage data assessed as high quality by WHO and vaccine clinical trials . Number of vaccines that have either been re-licensed or licensed for • Number of countries with case-based surveillance for vaccineuse in a controlled temperature chain at temperatures above the preventable diseases that meet quality standards traditional • Number of vaccine delivery technologies (devices and equipment) that have received WHO pre-qualification compared to 2010

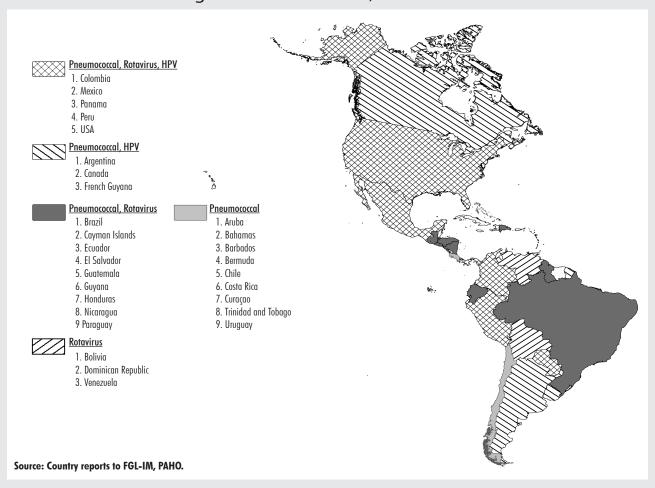
(1) Provisional indicator to be finalized based on outcomes of pilot assessment in selected regions; (2) The report on progress will also include a narrative report on progress with vaccine supply, pricing, and procurement.

Source: Immunization Newsletter, Volume XXV, Number 1, February 2013, FGL-IM, PAHO.

Percent of Municipalities with Different DTP3 Coverage Levels in Children Aged <1 year, Latin America and the Caribbean, 2012*



New Vaccines in National Immunizations Programs Region of the Americas, March 2013



Surveillance Indicators Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP), 2012

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	Total Number of sites	% Sites reporting weekly
Argentina	182	1.76	48	79	645	100
Bolivia	44	1.22	86	91	90	
Brazil	502	1.10	98	74	3,392	96
Canada	46	0.81	0	11	NR	NR
CAREC	5	0.25	80	40	790	77
Chile	99	2.56	96	77	344	98
Colombia	124	0.96	64	88	320	91
Costa Rica	23	2.01	48	91	70	
Cuba	20	1.05	100	85	150	89
Dominican Republic	38	1.15	21	87	300	59
Ecuador	34	0.79	35	76	2,401	55
El Salvador	50	2.14	78	96	140	
Guatemala	47	0.80	15	79	220	21
Haiti	3	0.07	33	67	157	65
Honduras	59	1.91	100	90	449	93
Mexico	594	1.75	72	80	320	92
Nicaragua	31	1.54	90	87	185	100
Panama	8	0.80	100	100	312	77
Paraguay	21	0.96	76	81	180	
Peru	99	1.19	75	73	206	
Uruguay	2	0.26	0	50	155	
United States of America	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Venezuela	79	0.94	89	81	13,092	85
TOTAL/AVERAGE	2,110	1.29	75	78	23,918	

Source: Integrated Surveillance Information System (ISIS), Polio Eradication Surveillance System (PESS), and country reports to FGL-IM, PAHO.

Epidemiological Surveillance Indicators for Diseases Preventable by New Vaccines in Reporting Countries, Latin America and the Caribbean, 2012

Rotavirus Su	ırveilla	nce, Jar	nuary-D	ecembe	r 2012								
Data and Indicators	AIA*	DMA*	ECU	GTM	GUY	HND	NIC*	PAN	PER	SLV	VCT*	VEN*	TOTAL
Number of hospitalizations <5 years	55	431	23,056	18,017	1,292	28,992	20,245	11,729	16,065	39,794	359	5,887	165,922
Number <5 years admitted to hos- pital for diarrhea	4	15	3,627	5,548	618	3,416	3,300	1,298	1,938	5,244	96	413	25,517
Number <5 years who meet the case definition	0	15	1,649	2,424	618	2,976	650	1,256	1,598	3,502	83	174	14,945
Number <5 years with epidemiologi- cal form and stool specimen	0	12	1,560	2,195	45	1,780	403	1,256	1,300	2,255	43	174	11,023
Positive cases of rotavirus	0	0	221	714	8	419	108	22	400	543	16	52	2,503
Deaths	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
% of positive cases of rotavirus	0%	0%	14%	33%	18%	24%	27%	2%	31%	24%	37%	30%	23%

Bacterial Pneumonia Survei	llance,	Januar	y-Decemb	er 2012						
Data and Indicators	Bolivia*	Ecuador	El Salvador*	Guatemala*	Honduras	Nicaragua*	Panama*	Peru	Venezuela	TOTAL
Number of hospitalizations <5 years	3,936	22,144	25,234	2,538	15,329	11,897	18,629	14,403	10,962	125,072
Number of suspected cases of pneumonia	725	2,767	2,546	721	1,344	2,820	3,149	2,178	1,149	17,399
Number of suspected cases with x-ray and epidemiological form	717	2,394	1,197	102	1,006	1,596	2,987	1,374	1,118	12,491
Number of probable cases of bacterial pnemonia	217	2,122	310	101	878	1,338	2,281	792	1,101	9,140
Probable cases with blood specimen	185	1,408	184	34	538	778	1,772	792	899	6,590
Probable cases with pleural fluid specimen	13	1	56	2	1	4	27	10	11	125
Confirmed cases of Hib	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	6
Confirmed cases of Hi (no b)	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Confirmed cases of Spn	9	10	2	2	0	1	28	6	0	58
Confirmed cases caused by other bacteria	1	38	0	6	73	14	45	11	67	255
Contamination	8	170	3	3	1	55	0	1	5	246
Deaths	3	27	0	87	89	34	64	4	17	325

Bacterial Meningitis Surveille	ance, J	anuary-[December	2012						
Data and Indicators	Bolivia*	Ecuador	El Salvador	Guatemala*	Honduras	Nicaragua*	Panama*	Peru	Venezuela*	TOTAL
Number of hospitalizations <5 years	1,064	22,144	26,834	2,062	15,391	11,897	17,837	14,548	7,284	119,061
Number of suspected cases of meningitis	13	73	94	47	64	122	96	158	109	776
Number of suspected cases with cerebrospinal fluid test and epidemiological form	13	44	94	40	51	96	65	152	109	664
Number of probable meningitis cases	3	37	70	40	15	68	56	34	107	430
Confirmed cases of Hib	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	3
Confirmed cases of Hi (no b)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Confirmed cases of Nm	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Confirmed cases of Spn	0	3	2	0	2	1	7	0	4	19
Confirmed cases caused by other bacteria	0	1	0	5	2	2	15	4	4	33
Contamination	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Deaths	0	8	10	5	1	1	8	0	1	34

(*) Partial data reported.