

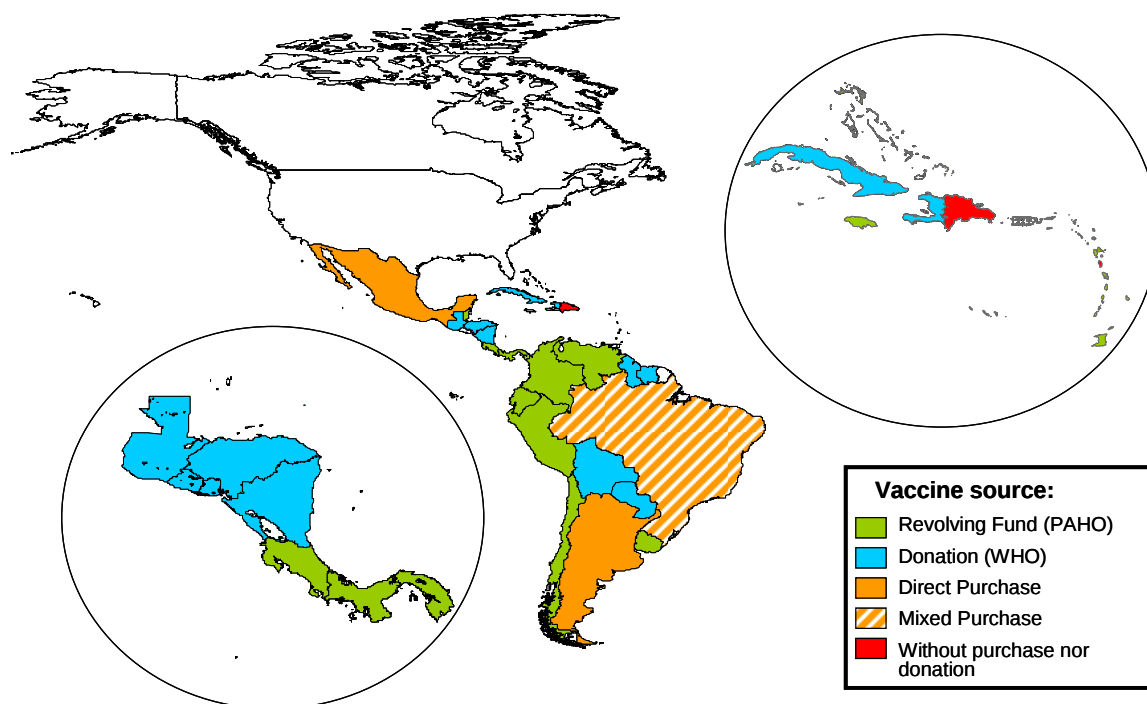
Report on the progress of the A H1N1 Influenza Vaccination in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) 23 March 2010

Countries and territories in the Region have several mechanisms for acquiring the influenza A H1N1 vaccine:

- direct purchase of the vaccine through the Revolving Fund (23 countries)
- vaccine donations from WHO (10 countries)
- direct purchase from the suppliers (2 countries)
- mixed purchases (direct purchase from the suppliers and also from the RF - 1 country)

It is estimated that countries and territories in LAC will have access to approximately 140 million doses of influenza A H1N1 vaccine. However, there are countries such as the Dominican Republic and Dominica that have not purchased or received donated vaccines against pandemic influenza.

Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccine Access in Latin America and the Caribbean





1) Procurement of the vaccine through the Revolving Fund:

- To date 22 countries have already received vaccine against pandemic influenza in Latin America and the Caribbean and 1 additional country will receive it by March at the latest (table 1).

Table 1

Countries	Qty of Doses	Purchase Orders issued	Estimated Arrival Date
CARIBBEAN			
Anguilla	1,200	APO10-00073	Arrived on Feb 3rd
Antigua	8,500	APO10-00037	Arrived on Jan 26th
Bahamas	30,000	APO09-03259	Arrived on Jan 20th
Barbados	20,000	APO09-03290	Arrived on Jan 20th
Belize	8,000	APO10-00116	Arrived on Feb 2nd
Bermuda	1,000	APO09-03282	Arrived on Jan 20th
British Virgin Islands	2,000	APO10-00074	Arrived on Feb 3rd
Cayman	10,000	APO09-03260	Arrived on Jan 20th
Grenada	4,000	APO10-00075	Arrived on Feb 4th
Montserrat	1,600	APO10-00046	Arrived on Jan 26th
St. Lucia	6,000	APO10-00112	Arrived on Feb 4th
Trinidad & Tobago	130,000	APO09-02776 y APO09-03291	Arrived on Nov 20th & Jan 21st
Turks & Caicos	7,600	APO09-03267	Arrived on Jan 22nd
CENTRAL AMERICA			
Costa Rica	199,300	APO10-00045	Arrived on Jan 21st
Honduras	95,000	APO09-03283	Arrived on Jan 20th
Honduras	420,000	APO10-00076	Arrived on Mar 4th
Panamá	100,000	APO09-03256	Arrived on Dec 31st
Panamá	200,000	APO10-00077	Arrived on Mar 3rd
SOUTH AMERICA			
Bolivia	400,000	APO10-00272	Arrived on Mar 7th
Brazil	8,000,000	APO10-00159/160	Arrived on Mar 13th
Brazil	1,999,880	APO10-00144	Arrived on Mar 19th
Chile	602,660	APO10-00234	Arrived on Mar 11th
Ecuador	1,049,830	APO10-00228/229/230/232	Mar 2010
Colombia	1,400,000	APO10-00038/39	Arrived on Mar 10th
Colombia	599,930	APO10-00040	Arrived on Feb 19th
Perú	2,475,250	APO10-00211/518/519	Mar 2010
Perú	595,510	APO10-00093	Arrived on Feb 17th
Perú	300,000	Additional request - in process	
Uruguay	190,000	APO10-00532	Arrived on Mar 17th
Total	18,557,260	\$ 126,123,471.12	



- Pending issues in vaccine acquisition (table 2).

Table 2

Countries	Qty of Doses	Proforma/Quotation issued and sent to countries
Dominica		Indicated will not purchase the vaccine
Jamaica	25,000	Previous quantity reduced and waiting for approval
St. Kitts & Nevis	10,500	Informed not having a decision as yet
St Vincent & Gren	15,000	Informed not having a decision as yet
Trinidad & Tobago	140,000	Pending authorization rebalance of total demand
Costa Rica	1,600,000	Pending authorization rebalance of total demand
Dominican Rep	980,000	Indicated will not purchase the vaccine
Chile	2,000,000	Proforma to be sent to the country - additional request
Ecuador	150,000	Additional request. Waiting for proforma to be sent to country
Uruguay	810,000	Only 190,000 doses confirmed
Venezuela	3,000,000	Pending remittance of funds to issue the order

2) WHO vaccines donations:

Ten countries in the region have been selected to receive 6,974,000 doses of donated pandemic vaccine through the WHO. As of March 23, countries have received 1,844,000 doses of the vaccine (table 3). There are still 5,130,000 pending doses to be delivered.

Table 3
Influenza A(H1N1) Vaccine Donation Status

Country	Group	Estimated arrival date	Doses to be delivered on March	Doses pending for shipment	Total doses donated through WHO	Pending Issues	Producer Laboratory	Adjuvant
Bolivia	B	Two weeks	-	900,000	900,000	WHO - awaiting info from GSK	GSK	Yes
Cuba	A	17 marzo	1,124,000	-	1124000	-	GSK	Yes
El Salvador	A	21 marzo	135,000	540,000	675,000	-	GSK	Yes
Guatemala	B	25 marzo	260,000	1,040,000	1,300,000	Shipment arrangements in process	Sanofi Pasteur	No
Guyana	B	25 marzo	75,000	-	75000	Shipment arrangements in process	Sanofi Pasteur	No
Haití	B	-	-	1,000,000	1,000,000	Country final decision pending	Sanofi Pasteur	No
Honduras	A	18 marzo	140,000	560,000	700,000	-	Novartis	Yes
Nicaragua	A	3 marzo	110,000	440,000	550,000	-	Novartis	Yes
Paraguay	B	Three weeks	-	600,000	600,000	Shipment arrangements in process	Sanofi Pasteur	No
Suriname	B	Two weeks	-	50,000	50,000	Regulatory clarification in process	GSK	Yes
Total doses			1,844,000	5,130,000	6,974,000			



In pending issues highlights the final decision of Haiti to receive the donated vaccine.

3) Reports of vaccination advances

Thirteen countries in the Region have initiated the vaccination of risk groups including: Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Brazil, Costa Rica, Mexico, Montserrat, Panama, Peru, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago, with approximately 13 million doses administered as of March 23.

With regards to events supposedly attributable to vaccination or immunization (ESAVI), there have been 228 reported events, ten of which were classified as serious events: Bahamas (2), Mexico (6) and Suriname (2). To date none of these events have been associated with the vaccine against pandemic influenza.

4) The technical documents and advances in vaccination made by countries will be updated in the PAHO Immunization website:

http://new.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2461&Itemid=569&lang=en