

Monthly report on dracunculiasis cases, January-September 2009

In 2004, during the 57th World Health Assembly, the Ministers of Health of countries where dracunculiasis (guinea-worm disease) is endemic pledged to interrupt transmission of the disease by the end of 2009. To monitor this progress accomplished, the number of cases reported to WHO by national programmes on a monthly basis.

Country	Date of last report received	Proportion of villages under active surveillance reported as of last report (%)	No. of new dracunculiasis cases reported in 2009*									Total no of reported cases for the same months of		No. of villages reporting cases in		Month of emergence of last reported indigenous case
			2009	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	2009	2008	2009 till date	
Endemic countries																
Ethiopia	19-Oct-09	100	0	0	1	7	5	8	2	1	0	24	40	7	11	Aug 2009
Ghana	27-Oct-09	86	45	50	52	28	34	19	7	1	1	237	464	52	131	Sep 2009
Mali	14-Oct-09	ND	0	0	0	0	1	7	26	40	68	142	330	31	69	Sep 2009
Niger	19-Oct-09	100	0	0	1 ^a	0	0	0	0	0	2 ^a	3 ^a	2 ^b	1	3	Oct 2008
Nigeria	20-Oct-09	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	5	Nov 2008
Sudan	23-Oct-09	82	12	18	47	224	434	464	524	549	273	2545	3362	841	1243	Sep 2009
Precertification countries																
Benin	16-Sep-09	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Mar 2004
Burkina Faso	24-Oct-09	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 ^a	0	1	Nov 2006
Chad	22-Oct-09	ND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Sep 2000
Cote d'Ivoire	05-Oct-09	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Jul 2006
Kenya	23-Sep-08	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	0	Oct 1994
Mauritania	21-Oct-09	ND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND	0	0	0	0	0	Jun 2004
Togo	19-Oct-09	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Dec 2006
Uganda	22-Oct-09	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Jul 2003
Total			57	68	101	259	474	498	559	591	344	2951	4236	932	1463	

Data Source: Ministries of Health

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* Dracunculiasis reported cases (provisional data) by month of emergence of first worm; both indigenous and imported cases.

^a Case reported to be imported from Ghana (1 case) and 2 cases alleged to be imported from Mali, for further investigation.

^b Case reported to be imported from Mali (1 case)

ND, No data received

Note: The figures for month of May, July and August for Sudan and for month of June has been updated from the previous report
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Number of dracunculiasis cases reported worldwide, 2006-2009

