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Abbreviations and acronyms

AEFI adverse effects following immunization

AFR WHO African Region

AFRO WHO Regional Office for Africa

AMR WHO Region of the Americas

AMRO/PAHO WHO Regional Office for the Americas/Pan American Health Organization

EMR WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region

EMRO WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean

EUR WHO European Region

EURO WHO Regional Office for Europe

GAP global pandemic influenza action plan to increase vaccine supply

MS WHO Member States

NDVP national deployment and vaccination plan

SAGE Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization

SEAR WHO South-East Asia Region

SEARO WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

VENICE Vaccine European New Integrated Collaboration Effort

WPR WHO Western Pacific Region

WPRO WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Globally, influenza is a significant public health issue and vaccination is one of the most important medical interventions that can be used for reducing morbidity and mortality. On 11 June 2009, the World Health Organization (WHO) raised its pandemic alert to the highest level in view of the rapid global spread of the A(H1N1)pdm 2009 virus. With support from and in collaboration with Member States and partners, WHO strengthened its pandemic preparedness and response activities. Vaccination is crucial to pandemic mitigation efforts and the availability of pandemic vaccine, particularly in low and middle income countries, proved challenging. Many Member States and partners pledged support, including vaccines and additional resources for countries in need of the pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine. WHO set out a two-phase approach for supplying vaccines sufficient for immunizing 10% of the population in eligible countries based on the timing required to fulfill the pledges from Member States and partners.

The aim of this study is to assess the degree to which national pandemic vaccine deployment and vaccination plans (NDVPs) were implemented and to consolidate and distil lessons learned from the six WHO regions in an effort to improve future planning and to identify information that may have general applications.

In total, 84 out of 194 Member States (43%), including 51 out of 77 Member States (66%) who were eligible for and received WHO vaccine, participated in the survey (Table 1). In addition to the survey entries, further verifiable data were obtained from NPVD activity reports from countries.

The major findings of the survey include:

- Out of a total of 1.18 billion doses of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine received by 163 countries, WHO provided 78.06 million doses to 77 countries through the WHO Pandemic Influenza A(H1N1) Vaccine Deployment Initiative. Demand for vaccines varied with the changing epidemiology of the pandemic as the virus spread across the globe and, as the level of concern about the virus diminished, demand for vaccine was reduced. The cost of vaccination was also a constraining factor for countries and limited the quantity of and demand for vaccine. This factor became more important as the level of concern for the pandemic decreased.
- The main suppliers of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccines included GlaxoSmithKline, Novartis, and Sanofi Pasteur, supplemented by Butantan, Green Cross, and MedImmune.
- Of the countries participating in this survey, 55% indicated that they implemented all
 activities as spelled out in their NDVPs. In most regions, countries reported high percentages
 of supervisory visits executed, with supervisors providing final reports on vaccine
 deployment and vaccination activities in countries where vaccination campaigns were
 completed.
- Overall, 56% of countries across all of the regions reported having sufficient supply chain and logistics capacity, with the exception of communications hardware, to deploy and administer pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccines. Likewise, 68% of responding countries reported that vaccine and ancillary items were delivered to 80% of end users within seven days of receiving their material.
- With regard to public information and communications, the public's main concerns were vaccine safety as reported by 86% of countries, the need for the vaccine (75%), vaccine

efficacy (50%), and vaccine benefits (25%). Communication strategies were developed for various priority groups including health-care workers, pregnant women, persons with chronic medical conditions, and essential personnel, along with children and persons over 65 years of age.

 The majority of countries (85%) reported having a functioning adverse effects following immunization (AEFI) surveillance system during vaccination campaigns. In countries with no such system, reporting sheets and standard operating procedures (SOP) were developed for AEFI associated with pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccination.

Lessons learned most frequently concerned communications. Many countries recommended improving public communications campaigns, enhancing pre-campaign education, providing better focus on priority groups, and effectively and vigorously addressing all anti-vaccination rumors. Vaccine availability needs to be timely and refrigeration infrastructure needs to be enhanced and better maintained. Planning and supervision need to be supported with better information and also logistics and management need to be based on a multi-sectoral approach, with campaign coordination beginning at least several weeks before activities are set in motion.

Pandemic preparedness is an ongoing concern, and this study provides information about the degree to which NDVPs were implemented in the deployment and utilization of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccines. It has also identified strengths and weaknesses in implementing the constitutive activities of these plans. This information, along with the lessons learned and guidance developed, will be useful for future pandemic planning and will also direct attention to those regions and countries where help is most needed.

INTRODUCTION

Between July 2009 and January 2010, WHO conducted 10 workshops in its six regions and trained 170 countries in preparing national vaccine deployment and vaccination plans (NDVP) for the 2009 A(H1N1) influenza pandemic. Additionally, WHO promptly initiated vaccine development for pandemic influenza A(H1N1) 2009 in collaboration with health ministries, national health agencies, and the vaccine industry.(1)

Aim of the study

The overall aim of this study was to assess the level at which NDVPs were implemented and to consolidate lessons learned from the countries within the six WHO regions. Experience gained from the survey will be used to improve future planning and identify information that may have general applications, such as deployment of other vaccines and essential medical supplies.

The specific objectives of the study were to:

- Gather basic data concerning NDVP implementation
- Review the implementation of NDVPs
- Identify management and organization issues related to oversight, supervision, and funding
- Identify vaccine strategies selected by countries along with prioritization of target groups
- Obtain information about supply chain logistics activities
- Identify the major issues of concern regarding public information and communications
- Obtain information on post-marketing surveillance
- Summarize lessons learned from the six WHO regions

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study design

An electronic-based cross-sectional survey designed with standardized questions was developed in collaboration with all WHO regional offices (AFRO, AMRO/PAHO, EMRO, EURO, SEARO, and WPRO).

Data collection

The standardized questionnaire included three main types of questions: close-ended questions (those where respondents could answer Yes/No), multiple choice questions, and open-ended questions with free text input. The electronic questionnaire was developed using Datacol and was made available to all participating countries from the WHO extranet in May 2010 (http://extranet.who.int/datacol). Usernames and passwords were given to each WHO regional office to be shared with their constituent countries. The electronic questionnaires were completed by Member States and regional office focal points in each country or region and were archived on a specific date. A Microsoft Word version of the questionnaire was also provided to countries without broadband internet access. The questionnaire was made available in English, French, Russian, and Spanish. The initial data file was downloaded for analysis on 15 February 2011. Additional analysis of the primary and interim data sets was performed in March 2013, after all surveys and other sources had been made available or published. The final result is an analysis that is as accurate as possible and combines verifiable data from several sources.

The online questionnaire consisted of seven parts:

- 1. General survey data
- 2. Management and organization: oversight, supervision, and funding
- 3. Vaccine strategies
- 4. Supply chain logistics
- 5. Public information and communications
- 6. Post-marketing surveillance
- 7. Termination of deployment reports

Focal points in each Member State or in WHO regional offices entered data directly online. In response to early feedback received by WHO headquarters from regional offices additional questions and some technical modifications were incorporated in the final questionnaire. Regional data could be followed directly through custom views that were made available to all focal points at WHO regional offices.

Member States were asked to complete the questionnaire between 7 July and 15 October 2010 and were supplied with explanations by each WHO region concerning the objectives and rationale of the survey. Due to some ongoing A(H1N1) 2009 pandemic vaccination campaigns, initial response rates were low. To facilitate a broader response, the deadline for completion was later extended to 15 February 2011.

Other data sources

Four sources of data were verified for purposes of this report: 1) the WHO A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine deployment survey; 2) WHO pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine deployment reports; 3) country termination reports submitted to WHO at the conclusion of the pandemic; and 4) Vaccine European New Integrated Collaboration Effort (VENICE) II Survey.

The WHO A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine deployment survey was administered to all Member States (194) and some non-Member States (9). In all, 84 countries responded to the WHO H1N1 Survey. Of those, 77 were eligible for and received vaccine through WHO. Data from 23 countries were derived from country reports submitted to WHO at the conclusion of the pandemic. Countries in the European Union/European Economic Area (EU/EEA) declined to participate in the WHO H1N1 Survey and instead participated in the VENICE II Survey. Out of 53 Member States in the WHO EUR region seven were qualified for WHO vaccine deployment. Data from the VENICE II Survey were extracted and are reported here for 29 out of 30 countries in the EU/EEA. Deployment data for the 77 countries who received vaccine through WHO were verified based on WHO deployment reports and totaled based on the final report from the WHO Deployment Team dated 10 November 2010.

All data reported in this document were verified through these four sources. Data that could not be verified are not presented here.

Data analysis

The data were analyzed using Microsoft Excel and appropriate statistics were produced along with the frequency of occurrence of each variable. Answers in French, Russian, and Spanish were translated into English and a common database was developed.

There are several limitations of the database which were acknowledged prior to the start of data collection. For example, the survey was started before some countries had terminated their

deployment and vaccination activities, so some eligible countries did not complete the survey in time to meet the deadline. Also, the survey questionnaire was not pre-tested, resulting in occasional inconsistencies in countries' understanding of the questions. Lastly, because each country was given the choice of which variables to prioritize on the basis of its particular circumstances, data should be seen as providing indications rather than rigorous demonstrations. This does not invalidate the lessons learned, however, since these lessons always involve qualitative elements.

RESULTS

The results of the survey are presented in the format of tables and figures and brief explanations summarizing the main results of each question. In total, 84 Member States (84/194, 43%), including 51/77 Member States who were eligible for and received WHO-deployed vaccine, participated in the WHO A(H1N1) Survey (Table 1). A list of countries that participated in the survey is presented in Annex 1.

Table 1: Number of eligible Member States and countries receiving WHO-deployed vaccine that responded to the survey — Evaluation of the implementation of H1N1 pandemic influenza national vaccine deployment and vaccination plans, by region

Region	No. of Member States that received WHO- deployed vaccine	No. of Member States respondents that received WHO- deployed vaccine	No. of other Member States/countries that participated in the survey	Total survey participants
AFR	34	14	0	14
AMR	10	9	14	23
EMR	4	1	7	8
EUR †	6	6	1	7
SEAR	7	5	2	7
WPR	16	16	9	25
All regions	77	51	33	84

 $^{^\}dagger$ Only countries in EUR eligible to receive vaccines from WHO participated in the WHO H1N1 Survey. 29 Member States in the EU/EEA participated in the VENICE II Survey.

I. Management and organization: oversight, supervision, and funding

Importation Barriers

Out of 84 Member States and countries that responded to the survey, 26 of which, varying by region, reported that they experienced customs, legal, and regulatory barriers when importing A(H1N1) 2009 pandemic vaccine (Table 2a). The rest of the participating countries reported that there were no such barriers.

Table 2a: Member States and countries that had customs, legal, or regulatory barriers when importing A(H1N1) pandemic vaccine, by region

	Number of respondents	Countries that reported		Countries that reported no		Number of countries not	
Region	by region	barriers	%	barriers	%	responding	%
AFR	14	5	36%	9	64%		
AMR	23	12	52%	11	48%		
EMR	8	2	25%	6	75%		
EUR †	7	0	0%	6	86%	1	14%
SEAR	7	3	43%	4	57%		
WPR	25	4	16%	21	84%		
TOTAL	84	26	31%	57	68%	1	1%

[†] Only EUR countries responding to the 2010 WHO H1N1 Survey are included here.

Nine **Member States and countries** reported difficulties receiving approval for vaccine importation from national regulatory authorities. Customs and import duties and processes were the next highest reported problem. Transportation issues, indecisiveness on the part of one country's Ministry of Health, a perceived change in the emergency status of the pandemic, and a requirement for pre-qualification round out the remaining challenges (Table 2b).

Table 2b: Barriers to importation, by region

			Cause of barriers						
Region	No. of responses by region	w bar	ntries rith riers %)	NRAs	Customs or import duties	Transport	Indecision by MOH	Emergency status and need changed	PQ required
AFR †	14	5	36%	2	3	1			
AMR	23	12	52%	1		1			
EMR	8	2	25%	2					
EUR ‡	7	0	0%						
SEAR	7	3	43%	2				1	
WPR	25	4	16%	2					1
Total ^	84	26	31%	9	3	2	0	1	1

[†] One country in AFR reported both national regulatory authorities and transportation issues as their barriers. All other countries in all regions reported only one barrier each.

PQ = pre-qualification of vaccine by WHO.

[‡] In EUR, one country out of seven that were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccines did not answer the barriers to importation question, because the country respondent cancelled their vaccination programme (see Table 2a).

[^] In AMR and WPR, 12 and four countries, respectively, reported barriers to importation, but only two countries in AMR and three countries in WPR provided additional explanations.

Vaccine distribution, delivery, and tracking

Seventy-three of the 84 participating countries, or 87%, reported that vaccine distribution occurred at the level of the health centres while 75 (89%) responded that they had a vaccine delivery schedule for each level of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine distribution. Seventy-four countries (88%) were able to track the vaccine shipments at each level by lots and number of doses as received, repackaged, and shipped to the next level (Table 3).

Table 3: Level of A(H1N1) pandemic vaccine distribution and ability to track shipments by doses and lots, by region †

Region	Number of responding countries	% lowe	est level of va	ccine distril	oution	% of countries with delivery schedule prepared for each level	% of countries with the ability to track shipments by lots & doses at each level
					Health		
		National	Regional	District	centres		
AFR	14			7%	93%	93%	93%
AMR	23			4%	96%	91%	91%
EMR	8				88%	88%	88%
EUR †	7			14%	71%	100%	86%
SEAR	7			43%	43%	86%	71%
WPR	25	4%		4%	92%	84%	88%
Total	84	1%	0%	8%	87%	89%	88%

[†] Only countries responding to the 2010 WHO H1N1 Survey are included here.

Surge capacity for vaccine deployment and vaccination

In nearly all regions, Communications and information was cited as requiring surge capacity (77%), followed by Public communication (73%), Management and organization (69%), Supply chain logistics/transportation (68%), and Human resources (64%) (Figure 1). The areas of Pharmacovigilance, Waste management, and Termination of deployment received 48%, 46%, and 35%, respectively. Four countries (5%) mentioned other needs but did not specify what those additional capacity needs might be.

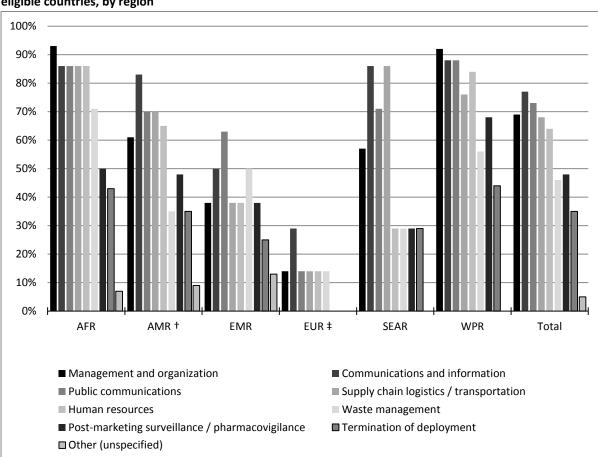


Figure 1: Main areas of work requiring surge capacity for implementing vaccine deployment plans in WHOeligible countries, by region

[†] In AMR, 23 countries participated in the 2010 WHO Survey. Of those, 22 reported required surge capacity. Only one country did not as they canceled their vaccination campaign.

[‡] In EUR, seven countries were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine. Only three of the seven reported required surge capacity.

II. Vaccination strategies

Access to vaccine and sources

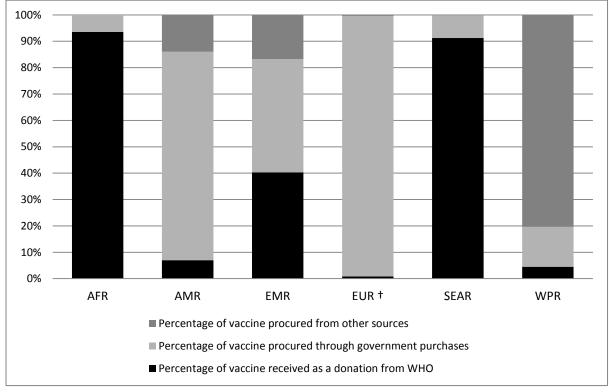
The number of doses of pandemic vaccine received by region is shown in Table 4. The source of the vaccine varied by region with 100% and 90% of participating countries from AFR and SEAR, respectively, reporting that vaccine was deployed from WHO, whereas 93% and 92% of vaccine received in AMR and EMR, respectively, was government procured (Figure 2).

Table 4: Distribution and sources for pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine doses, by region †

Region	Total no. of doses received from all sources ‡	% of vaccine received as deployment from WHO	% of vaccine procured through government purchases	% of vaccine procured from other sources
AFR	33,955,078	94.5%	6.5%	0.0%
AMR	143,968,840	7.0%	79.0%	14.0%
EMR	10,784,000	40.3%	42.9%	16.8%
EUR ^	230,715,990	0.8%	98.8%	0.4%
SEAR	23,110,200	91.2%	8.7%	0.1%
WPR	193,089,000	4.5%	15.1%	80.4%
Total	634,702,320	12.3%	59.4%	28.3%

[†] Only countries that participated in the 2010 WHO H1N1 Survey are tallied here. In total, 1.1 billion doses of vaccine were acquired by countries.

Figure 2: Distribution of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine by source and region



[†] Only countries eligible to receive WHO-deployed vaccines in EUR participated in the survey.

[‡] Total number of doses received from all sources represents donations to countries in all regions eligible to receive WHO-donated vaccines combined with vaccine donations from other sources and vaccines procured through government purchases.

[^] Only countries eligible to receive WHO-deployed vaccines in EUR participated in the survey.

III. Vaccine utilization and coverage

Pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine utilization and coverage for targeted and overall populations are shown in Table 5. While utilization and coverage for all targeted populations were lowest in EMR countries (4.0%), coverage for targeted populations and in the general population were, on average, low in all regions. AMR was the exception with 63.6% utilization. Annex 2 includes data about vaccine utilization and coverage according to the general country population in countries eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine. Data on vaccine utilization and coverage relative to entire populations in non-eligible countries are presented in Annex 3.

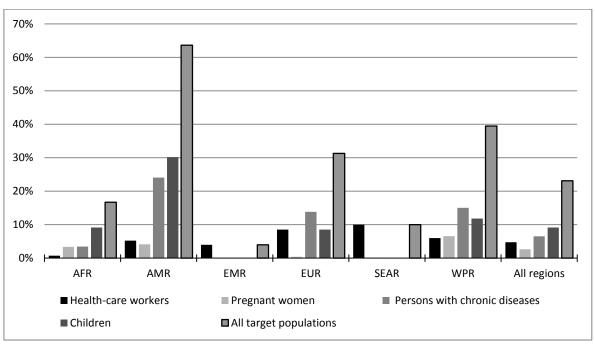
Table 5: Utilization of WHO-deployed pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine in eligible countries, by targeted populations and by region

Region	Health-care workers	Pregnant women	Persons with chronic diseases	Children	All targeted populations
AFR	0.7%	3.4%	3.4%	9.2%	16.7%
AMR	5.2%	4.1%	24.1%	30.2%	63.6%
EMR	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%
EUR †	8.5%	0.4%	13.9%	8.5%	31.3%
SEAR	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%
WPR	6.0%	6.6%	15.0%	11.8%	39.5%
All regions	4.8%	2.7%	6.5%	9.2%	23.1%

[†] Only countries eligible to receive WHO-donated vaccines in EUR participated in the WHO Survey.

Figure 3 illustrates the percentage of utilization of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine deployed by WHO in each region by targeted populations: health-care workers; pregnant women; persons with chronic conditions; and children; and a total of all targeted populations across all six regions. Overall, the regions covered nearly one quarter of all targeted populations, representing some 38 million individuals.

Figure 3: Utilization of WHO-donated vaccines, by targeted populations and by region



African Region

Out of 46 Member States in the African Region (AFR), verifiable data on pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine utilization and coverage were available from 15 countries (Figure 4). The average coverage of total populations in these 15 countries was 1%, with vaccine utilization rate overall on an average of 6%, the latter ranging from 4% in Mauritania to 100% in Central Africa Republic and 102% in Togo. Pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccines in AFR were administered to priority targeted populations: health-care workers, pregnant women, and individuals with chronic diseases along with children in some countries.

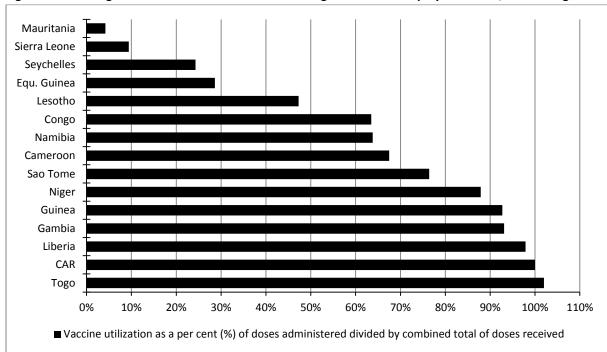


Figure 4: Percentage of vaccine utilization in countries eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine, African Region

Note: Out of 34 countries in the African Region that received WHO-deployed vaccine, only 15 reported verifiable distribution and utilization data through the WHO Survey (13) or by submitting a country report to WHO (2).

Table 6 shows the number of vaccine doses administered in each responding country and a comparison of planned vaccination coverage and coverage by total population.

Table 6: Number of doses administered and percentage of planned vaccination coverage compared with vaccination coverage for total population, African Region

Country	Planned vaccination coverage (%)	No. of doses administered	Coverage by total country population (%)
Equatorial Guinea	23%	32,331	4.6%
Central African Republic	11%	448,000	10.2%
Cameroon	10%	1,232,484	6.3%
Congo	10%	253,942	6.3%
Gambia	10%	152,494	7.7%
Guinea	10%	972,613	9.7%
Lesotho	10%	92,252	4.3%
Mauritania	10%	12,387	0.4%
Namibia	10%	137,901	0.0%
Niger	10%	1,208,855	7.8%
Sao Tome et Principe	10%	12,219	7.4%
Seychelles	10%	2,188	2.5%
Togo	10%	676,931	11.2%
Liberia	2%	76,383	1.9%
Senegal	2%	n.r.	0.0%

Note: Out of 34 countries in AFR that responded to the WHO H1N1 Survey, only 15 provided verifiable data on planned coverage number of doses administered.

n.r. = not reported.

Americas Region

Verifiable data on pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine utilization were available from 24 of 35 Member States in the Americas Region (AMR), including 10 countries that received WHO-deployed vaccines. Of those 10, eight reported verifiable data for vaccine utilization through the current WHO Survey. Only nine countries that procured vaccines through other donations or government purchases reported verifiable data. Figure 7 shows the percentage of vaccine utilization in eligible and non-eligible countries for WHO-deployed vaccine, while Table 7 provides the number of doses utilized and vaccine coverage per total population compared with planned coverage.

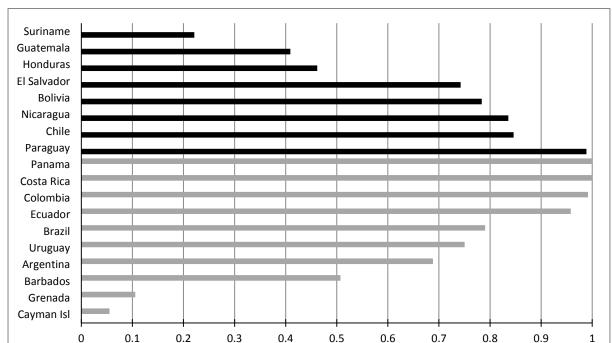


Figure 5: Percentage of vaccine utilization in countries eligible and non-eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine, Americas Region

Table 7: Number of doses administered and percentage of planned vaccination coverage compared with vaccination coverage for total population, Americas Region

■ Vaccine utilization in WHO-eligible countries

■ Vaccine utilization in non-eligible countries

Country	Planned vaccination coverage (%)	No. of doses administered	Coverage by total country population (%)
Guyana	37%	n.r.	n.a.
El Salvador	34%	1,690,101	27%
Honduras	24%	999,801	13%
Nicaragua	14%	626,886	11%
Suriname	11%	22,129	4%
Bolivia	10%	1,097,280	11%
Guatemala	10%	531,926	4%
Paraguay	10%	1,186,477	18%
Chile	7%	3,553,338	21%
Cuba	n.r.	n.r.	n.a.

Of 35 Member States in AMR, 10 countries were eligible for WHO-donated vaccines. Out of those 10, nine reported verifiable data. n.r. = not reported. n.a. = not available.

Eastern Mediterranean Region

Verifiable data on pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine utilization and coverage were available from 11 out of 22 countries in the Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMR), including four countries eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine. Only seven countries reported verifiable data for planned vaccine coverage and coverage by total country population. Out of those seven, only two countries eligible for WHO vaccine deployment reported verifiable planned and total coverage data (Figure 6 and Table 8). Overall, vaccine utilization was 38% with coverage barely reaching 1% of the total population for those countries that reported verifiable data. Competing priorities and adverse public and media communications were reported to have played a major role in this.

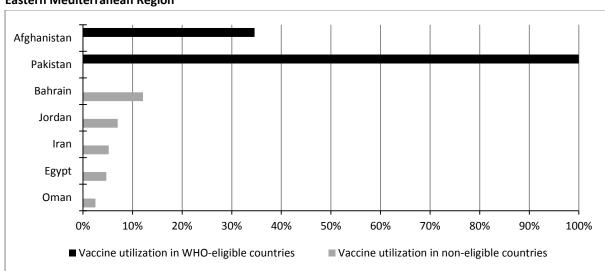


Figure 6: Percentage of vaccine utilization in countries eligible and non-eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine, Eastern Mediterranean Region

Table 8: Number of doses administered and percentage of planned vaccination coverage compared with vaccination coverage for total population, Eastern Mediterranean Region

Country	Planned vaccine coverage (%)	No. of doses administered	Coverage by total country population (%)
Afghanistan	2%	174,600	1%
Pakistan	2%	3,668,700	2%
Sudan	n.r.	n.r.	n.a.
Syrian Arab Republic	n.r.	n.r.	n.a.

Out of 22 Member States in EMR, four were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine.

n.a. = not available. n.r. = not reported.

European Region

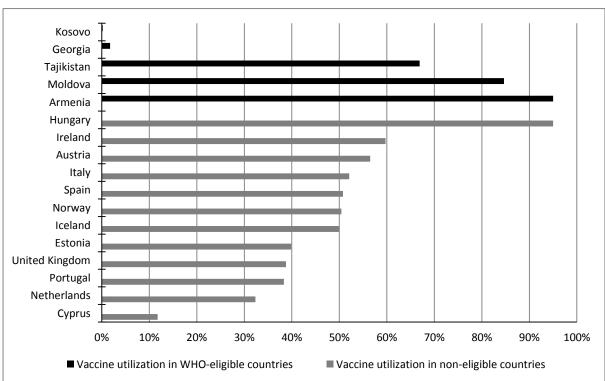
The European Region (EUR) has 53 Member States including 30 countries comprising the European Union/European Economic Area (EU/EEA). Of these countries seven (six Member States and one non-Member State) were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccines. Six of the seven recipients supplied verifiable data on pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine coverage and utilization.

Additional data for 29 EU/EEA countries on coverage by country population and target groups are available from the Vaccine European New Integrated Collaboration Effort Pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 Influenza Vaccination Survey, Influenza season 2009/2010 (hereafter, VENICE II Survey) (see Annex 3). Out of the 29, verifiable data were available for 12 countries.

Among the six WHO-eligible countries, the reported overall vaccine utilization rate was 53%, with an average total country population coverage of 3.5% (Figure 7). Targeted groups in EUR included: health-care workers, pregnant women, and individuals with chronic diseases as well as essential personnel. In addition, Moldova reported vaccinating children.

European Region Kosovo Georgia Tajikistan

Figure 7: Percentage of vaccine utilization in countries eligible and non-eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine,



Sources: WHO 2010 Survey and VENICE II Survey.

Table 9: Number of doses administered and percentage of planned vaccination coverage compared with vaccination coverage for total population, European Region

Country	Planned vaccination coverage (%)	No. of doses administered	Coverage by total country population (%)
Moldova	10%	744,996	21%
Tajikistan	10%	448,260	n.a.
Azerbaijan	6%	n.r.	n.a.
Kosovo	6%	200	n.a.
Georgia	2%	1,759	n.a.
Armenia	n.r.	10,925	n.a.

In the EUR, 52 countries are Member States, but there are 54 countries in the EU/EEA. Out of 54 countries, seven were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine. Of those seven, five reported verifiable data through the WHO H1N1 Survey.

n.a. = not available. n.r. = not reported.

South-East Asia Region

Verifiable data on pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine coverage and utilization were available from eight of 11 Member States in SEAR, of which seven were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccines. Of those seven, four reported verifiable data for vaccine utilization (one of the four reported zero data). Out of 11 Member States that received vaccines through other donations or government purchases, only one reported verifiable data for vaccine utilization (Figure 8).

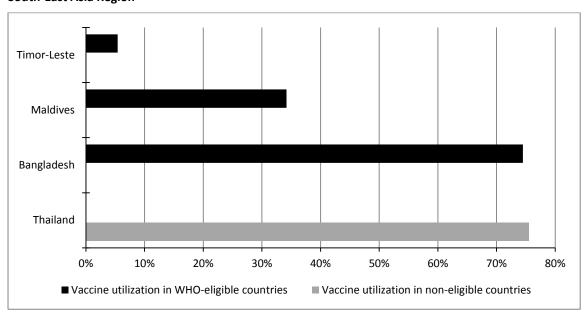


Figure 8: Percentage of vaccine utilization in countries eligible and non-eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine, South-East Asia Region

Vaccine utilization coverage by total country population for all reporting countries was 4.2% and 4.8% for those that received vaccines through WHO. The vaccine was administered as a priority to health-care workers, pregnant women, individuals with chronic diseases, and children. High vaccine utilization was reported among health-care workers, pregnant women, and individuals with chronic diseases. By total targeted populations, coverage ranged from 5.4% in Timor-Leste to 75% in Thailand.

Out of the seven Member States that participated in the WHO H1N1 Survey or for whom verifiable data were available, only four provided data for planned and total vaccine coverage (Table 10).

Table 10: Number of doses administered and percentage of planned vaccination coverage compared with vaccination coverage for total population, South-East Asia Region

Country	Planned vaccine coverage (%)	No. of doses administered	Coverage by total country population (%)
Bangladesh	10%	11,621,322	8%
Maldives	10%	16,321	5%
Sri Lanka	10%	n.r.	n.a.
Timor-Leste	10%	6,500	1%

Out of 11 Member States in SEAR, seven were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccines. Of those seven, four reported verifiable data for planned coverage and doses administered.

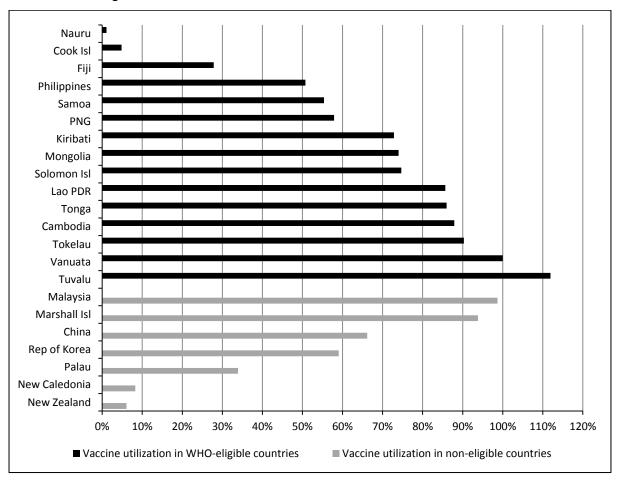
n.a. = not available. n.r. = not reported.

Western Pacific Region

Out of 27 Member States in WPR, verifiable data were available from 25 countries, of which 16 were WHO-eligible countries. For vaccine utilization, 21 Member States and one territory reported verifiable data.

In Tuvalu (pop. 10 000), nearly 1900 doses of vaccine were received and distributed, and 1119 doses were administered over their planned vaccination coverage of 10%. Contrast this with the Philippines (pop. 93.2 million), where 3.4 million doses were received. Nearly 3.1 million doses were distributed and 1.7 million were administered. The planned coverage rate was 4%, which resulted in a utilization rate of nearly 51% for targeted populations (Figure 9). As a percentage of total country population, the utilization rate was 2% (Table 11).

Figure 9: Percentage of vaccine utilization in countries eligible and non-eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine, Western Pacific Region



Within WPR, 16 countries were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccines. Nearly all 16 reported verifiable data for planned and total vaccination coverage (Niue did not report coverage by total country population).

Table 11: Number of doses administered and percentage of planned vaccination coverage compared with vaccination coverage for total population, Western Pacific Region

Country	Planned vaccine coverage (%)	No. of doses administered	Coverage by total country population (%)
Tokelau	105%	1,445	102%
Niue	104%	n.r.	0%
Cook Islands	102%	963	5%
Tonga	96%	85,998	83%
Nauru	88%	95	1%
Mongolia	21%	629,577	23%
Cambodia	18%	2,384,968	17%
Samoa	17%	15,506	8%
Fiji	10%	24,569	3%
Kiribati	10%	7,282	7%
Lao Democratic People's Republic	10%	857,223	14%
Papua New Guinea	10%	405,148	6%
Solomon Islands	10%	41,080	8%
Tuvalu	10%	1,119	11%
Vanuatu	10%	25,000	10%
Philippines	4%	1,726,647	2%

Out of 27 Member States and 3 Territories in WPR, 16 countries were eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine. Of those 16, all 16 reported verifiable data for planned coverage and number of doses administered.

n.r. = not reported.

IV. Supply chain logistics

Capacity for Supply chain and logistics

Overall, 56% of the countries (47 out of 84) across all regions reported sufficient capacity for supply chain and logistics. In total, 71% of countries in AFR, 61% of countries in AMR, 63% of countries in EMR, 43% of countries in EUR, 57% of countries in SEAR, and 44% of countries in WPR reported having sufficient supply chain and logistics capacity across all categories: storage; distribution; transportation and other (vaccination programmes and communications) (Table 12).

A majority of survey respondents reported relatively high warehouse and cold storage capacity (88%). Storage of ancillary items was also high, with 92% of countries reporting adequate storage capacity. In the logistics of vaccine distribution, 24% of countries reported inadequacies in ice making and 19% reported an inability to monitor temperatures in vaccine storage. Most countries reported sufficient supplies of cold boxes and cold packs (92% and 88%, respectively). Transport vehicles for vaccines were adequate for most countries (88%), but capacity for the collection and transport of waste materials was only 80%.

In terms of vaccination activities, vaccinators and trained supervisors were insufficient with 20% of countries reporting a lack of surge capacity in these areas. The number of vaccination sites faired only slightly better with 12% of countries reporting they did not have enough sites.

In 26% of countries, radios, telephones, mobile phones, and fax machines did not function at optimal levels, resulting in poor communication and reporting between the national and sub-national levels.

Table 12: Percentage of countries reporting adequate supply and logistics capacity, by region

		% of countries	with adequa	ite capacity	1								
Region	No. of countries responding	Warehouse/ cold store	Ancillary items in storage	Cold- boxes	Cold packs	Ice making	Temperature monitoring	Transport vehicles	Waste collection/ transport	Vaccinators	Trained supervisors	Vaccination sites	Communication hardware
AFR	14	93%	100%	93%	93%	93%	100%	100%	93%	93%	86%	93%	64%
AMR	23	87%	87%	91%	83%	70%	78%	78%	74%	70%	78%	87%	74%
EMR	8	88%	88%	88%	88%	75%	88%	88%	75%	88%	88%	88%	75%
EUR †	7	86%	86%	86%	86%	57%	57%	86%	86%	86%	71%	86%	86%
SEAR	7	86%	86%	86%	86%	71%	71%	86%	71%	71%	57%	71%	57%
WPR	25	88%	96%	96%	92%	80%	80%	92%	80%	80%	84%	92%	80%
Total	84	88%	92%	92%	88%	76%	81%	88%	80%	80%	80%	88%	74%

[†] Only countries eligible to receive WHO-deployed vaccine in EUR who responded to the 2010 WHO H1N1 Survey are included.

Delivery of vaccine and ancillary items to end-user points as planned in the NDVPs

Of the countries responding to the survey, 68% indicated that pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine and ancillary items were delivered to 80% of end users within 7 days of their receiving the material. In SEAR and WPR, 57% and 64% of the countries, respectively, reported that they were able to achieve delivery within 7 days. These regions include countries with geographical accessibility problems such as those with island groups or difficult terrains; consequently, distribution times for the vaccines varied. Some islands had vaccine and ancillary items delivered by air. Countries such as New Zealand and Singapore stated that vaccination was not done within the context of a campaign, so clinics placed orders as and when required based on demand from patients.

Some countries in AFR reported delays in delivery due to challenges posed by competing activities. For example, polio outbreaks occasionally occurred during the pandemic vaccination campaigns, thus interrupting these activities. Liberia reported a lack of adequate funds for logistics support, while some countries reported that mobilizing human and social resources took longer than expected.

In AMR, a delay in delivery was reported in countries with large populations, such as Brazil. Other reasons for delay included the breakdown of transport vehicles (Colombia). In EMR, some countries did not administer their pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccinations as part of a separate campaign, but rather integrated them into their routine immunization programmes.

Table 13: Percentage of countries in which their NDVP indicated vaccine and ancillary items will be delivered to 80% of end users within 7 days

		No. of respondents	
Region	No. of countries responding to the 2010 WHO Survey	with an NDVP indicating delivery to 80% within 7 days	Percentage
AFR	14	10	71%
AMR	23	15	65%
EMR	8	6	75%
EUR †	7	6	86%
SEAR	7	4	57%
WPR	25	16	64%
Total	84	57	68%

 $[\]mbox{\dag}$ Only WHO-eligible countries in EUR who responded to the 2010 WHO Survey are included.

V. Public information and communications

Public perceptions and concerns about pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine

Across all regions, 93% of countries eligible to receive WHO-deployed vaccine reported public perceptions and concerns regarding pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccination in their country (see Table 14). Overall, the main public perceptions and concerns were vaccine safety (86%), the need for the vaccine (75%), vaccine efficacy (50%), and vaccine benefits (25%). Other concerns included vaccine availability and a desire to know why only target groups were immunized, as well as uncertainty about the origin and impact of the vaccine or how it should be utilized. Three countries cited negative press affecting their utilization of the vaccination and influencing the public's perception about the need or efficacy of the vaccine.

Table 14: Primary concerns among the public about pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine, by region

	Primary concerns						
Region	No. of countries responding to the 2010 WHO Survey	No. of respondents with public perception concerns about the vaccine	Vaccine safety	Vaccine need	Vaccine efficacy	Vaccine benefits	Other
AFR	14	13	71%	71%	43%	57%	21%
AMR	23	21	91%	74%	35%	0%	13%
EMR	8	7	88%	50%	50%	25%	25%
EUR †	7	6	86%	57%	43%	0%	43%
SEAR	7	6	71%	86%	57%	14%	0%
WPR	25	25	92%	88%	68%	40%	28%
Total	84	78	86%	75%	50%	25%	21%

 $[\]mbox{\ensuremath{^{\dagger}}}$ Only WHO-eligible countries in EUR who responded to the 2010 WHO Survey are included.

Communication strategies for priority groups

Communication strategies were developed for health-care workers, pregnant women, and individuals with chronic conditions (see Table 15). Other groups included essential workers; dependents of health-care workers; fire, police, immigration, and border control; transport workers; media; energy; and other security personnel. Children, along with adults more than 65 years old, were also included in the communication strategies, as were hajj pilgrims and ethnic minorities in some countries. Several countries also made vaccines available to the general public and anyone not in targeted populations who requested vaccination.

Table 15: Communication strategies and priority groups, by region and by target group

				Communic	ation strate	gies for target	groups
	No. of countries responding to the 2010 WHO	No. of respondents with communication strategies and	% of respondents with enough funds to execute media	Health- care	Pregnant	Individuals with chronic	
Region	Survey	prioritization	activities	workers	women	diseases	Others
AFR	14	13	71%	100%	93%	86%	71%
AMR	23	20	52%	91%	83%	87%	13%
EMR	8	7	75%	88%	50%	75%	25%
EUR †	7	6	57%	57%	57%	57%	29%
SEAR	7	6	57%	86%	57%	71%	14%
WPR	25	24	72%	96%	100%	96%	32%
Total	84	76	64%	90%	82%	85%	31%

^{*} Only countries eligible to receive WHO-deployed vaccine in EUR who responded to the 2010 WHO H1N1 Survey are included.

VI. Post-marketing surveillance

The majority of countries (85%) reported the occurrence of adverse effects following immunization (AEFI) through their existing surveillance systems during the vaccination campaign (see Table 16). In countries with no such system, reporting sheets and standard operating procedures were developed for AEFI associated with pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccination.

Table 16: Post-marketing surveillance system for AEFI following seasonal influenza vaccine, by region

Region	No. of countries responding to the 2010 WHO Survey	No. of respondents with post-marketing surveillance for AEFI following seasonal influenza vaccination	Percentage of respondents with post-marketing surveillance
AFR	14	12	86%
AMR	23	21	91%
EMR	8	6	75%
EUR†	7	6	86%
SEAR	7	6	86%
WPR	25	20	80%
Total	84	71	85%

[†] Only countries eligible to receive WHO-deployed vaccine in EUR who responded to the 2010 WHO Survey are included.

VII. Lessons learned

Communications

The most frequently cited area of concern, and where the lessons learned seem to be strongest, was the area of communications.(2) Lack of clarity about the pandemic vaccination campaigns, especially about the safety of the vaccine, a lack of transparency in the public health decision making process, and a lack of evidence-based counter messages against anti-vaccine statements resulted in resistance to receiving the pandemic vaccine among targeted groups. Surprisingly, among targeted populations where acceptance for the need of immunization is often high (i.e. health-care professionals particularly) coverage was low in the initial phases of the campaign. Advocacy and better communication targeted at public, health professionals, and government officials are needed in order to improve vaccine uptake. This will require an integrated approach that takes into account risk communication, social mobilization, and individual behavioral change.

Vaccine packaging, availability, and transport issues

Timely availability of the vaccine needs to be improved, ensuring enough stocks are available from manufacturers and improving transport and other logistics. In the latter case, exceptional means of transport should be considered, for example using military trucks. In certain countries, especially in the AFR, multi-dose vaccine containers were considered problematic. It was suggested that single-dose vials and single-use syringes be made available in the future to limit vaccine loss due to leaving multi-dose vials remaining open after first use. Ancillary products should be made available at the same time as the vaccine or even earlier. Likewise, sufficient vaccine should be available as early as possible in the pandemic and regulatory and customs clearance processes need to be improved.

Across all components of the cold chain, a majority of countries reported adequate facilities and supplies for managing vaccine integrity. At least 92% of countries reported they had adequate cold boxes and sufficient ancillary items in storage. For warehouse/cold stores and cold packs, the numbers were slightly lower at 88% for reporting countries. Between 8%—12% of countries responded that cold chain logistics and supplies were insufficient. As a result, it was recommended that efforts be made to use a single type of vaccine for each country, so that monitoring and supervision activities can be made easier. It is also important that the expiration date of pandemic vaccines be extended, ensuring adequate time for their use.

Planning and supervision

Improvements in planning and supervision of pandemic A(H1N1) 2009 vaccine campaigns are needed. Planning and implementation need to be flexible and based on a multi-sectoral approach involving all stakeholders, with a national task force in place to ensure smooth coordination. It was suggested that creating a database for tracking vulnerable populations would make identifying target groups easier in the future, especially since obtaining sufficient information about persons with underlying chronic diseases was a problem.

Several countries mentioned that more effort is needed to strengthen epidemiology and virology surveillance at local and national levels and additional training is needed to strengthen human resources capacity around deployment and vaccination activities.

Campaign coordination should be done locally and should be started several weeks before vaccination begins, with staff training as an important element. Data recording and reporting should be made as simple and straightforward as possible.

CONCLUSIONS

Pandemic influenza A(H1N1) 2009 vaccination was one of the essential activities undertaken in response to the pandemic. Management and organization of the vaccination campaigns in the countries participating in this survey was uneven in quality, with barriers to vaccine importation causing inadequate availability and occasionally disrupting campaign plans. Vaccine distribution was generally achieved by the local level of country health systems according to schedules that were in place prior to the start of the pandemic, with variations in lead times among countries due to local circumstances, while team performance improved where there was greater supervision.

In several regions, WHO-deployed vaccine was either the only or the main source of vaccines and deployment and utilization was dependent on arrangements for vaccines and ancillary materials to be delivered free of charge from its main commercial suppliers. Vaccination coverage for target groups in some countries was difficult to track due to local circumstances and the evolution of the pandemic locally. However, in general, the overall goal of 2% or 10% coverage of targeted populations in eligible countries was achieved.

Generally, countries in all regions reported sufficient supply chain capacity for deploying and administering the vaccine and were able to deliver the vaccine and ancillary materials within the prescribed time period after receipt. Some reported disruptions in their campaigns due to competing activities such as emergency polio vaccinations due to unexpected outbreaks, while in certain instances there were delays in mobilizing human and social resources.

Public information and communications were focused primarily on responding to concerns over pandemic vaccine safety and the need for vaccination as well as vaccine efficacy and benefits. Communications strategies were formulated for priority groups and in most countries were able to find sufficient funding for these activities. However, in too many countries, funding for communication was problematic.

The majority of reporting countries also had functioning AEFI surveillance systems. The number of incidences varied among regions, with the majority of countries reporting a low rate of incidents.

Lessons learned most frequently concerned communications. Many countries recommended improving public communications campaigns, enhancing pre-campaign education, providing better focus on priority groups and proactively countering all anti-vaccination rumors. Vaccine availability needs to be timely and refrigeration infrastructure needs to be enhanced and better maintained. Planning and supervision need to be supported with better information and also need to be based on a multi-sectoral approach, with campaign coordination starting at least several weeks before actual activities begin.

Pandemic preparedness is an ongoing concern, and this study has provided information about the degree to which NDVPs were implemented. It has also identified strengths and weaknesses in implementing the constitutive activities of these plans. This information, along with the lessons learned, will be useful for future pandemic planning and will also direct attention to those regions and countries where help is most needed.

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ANNEXES

Annex I: List of countries that participated in the 2010 WHO A(H1N1) Survey

	WHO vaccine-e	eligible countries	Non-vaccine eligible countries				
D anian	Number of countries participating	Country list	No. of countries participating	Country list	T-1-1		
Region	in the survey	Country list	in the survey	Country list	Total		
AFR	14	Central African Republic, Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gambia, Guinea, Lesotho, Liberia, Mauritania, Namibia, Niger, Sao Tomé et Principe, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Togo	0		14		
AMR	9	Bolivia, Chile, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Suriname	14	Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Brazil, Cayman Islands, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Grenada, Jamaica, Panama, Santa Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay	23		
EMR	1	Afghanistan	7	Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Syrian Arab Republic	8		
EUR	7	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan	0		7		
SEAR	4	Bangladesh, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Timor-Leste	3	Indonesia, Nepal, Thailand	7		
WPR	16	Cambodia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu	9	Australia, China, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Palau, Republic of Korea, Singapore	25		
Total	51		33		84		

Annex II: Percentage of vaccine utilization and coverage in countries eligible for WHO-deployed vaccine, by region

Data presented in these tables are for countries that received vaccines from WHO and participated in the 2010 WHO Survey. In total, 84 countries across the six WHO regions received vaccines from the Organization. Of the 84, 77 responded to the survey.

African Region					
Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)			
Central African Republic	71%	10%			
Congo	42%	6%			
Gambia	89%	9%			
Guinea	93%	10%			
Lesotho	47%	4%			
Liberia	36%	2%			
Mauritania	4%	0.4%			
Namibia	64%	n.r.			
Niger	68%	8%			
Sao Tome and Principe	76%	8%			
Senegal †	n.r.	n.r.			
Seychelles	24%	3%			
Sierra Leone	9%	1%			
Togo	102%	11%			

n.r. = not reported.

[†] Senegal administered its vaccines but did not report data on utilization or coverage.

	Americas Region				
Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)			
Bolivia	78%	11%			
Chile	85%	21%			
El Salvador	74%	27%			
Guatemala	51%	4%			
Guyana	n.r.	n.r.			
Honduras	46%	13%			
Nicaragua	84%	11%			
Paraguay	99%	18%			
Suriname	22%	4%			

n.r. = not reported.

Eastern Mediterranean Region

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Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
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Afghanistan	35%	1%

European Region

Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
Armenia	95%	0.4%
Azerbaijan	n.r.	n.r.
Georgia	2%	0.04%
Kosovo	0.2%	0.01%
Kyrgyzstan ‡	n.r.	n.r.
Moldova	85%	21%
Tajikistan	67%	n.r.

n.r. = not reported.

South-East Asia Region

Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
Bangladesh	75%	8%
Maldives	34%	5%
Sri Lanka	n.r.	n.r.
Timor-Leste	5%	1%

n.r. = not reported.

[‡] Kyrgyzstan reported it canceled its vaccination campaign.

Western Pacific Region Coverage Vaccine by country utilization population Country (%) (%) Cambodia 88% 17% **Cook Islands** 5% 5% Fiji 28% 3% Kiribati 73% 7% **Lao People's Democratic** 86% 14% Republic Mongolia 74% 23% Nauru 1% 1% Niue n.r. n.r. Papua New Guinea 58% 6% **Philippines** 51% 2% Samoa 55% 9% **Solomon Islands** 75% 8% Tokelau 90% 102%

86%

112%

100%

82%

11%

10%

Tonga

Tuvalu

Vanuatu

Annex III: Percentage of vaccine utilization and coverage in non WHO-eligible countries by region

Data presented here for countries in AMR, EMR, SEAR, and WPR are derived from respondents to the 2010 WHO Survey. Data for EU/EEA countries in EUR are derived from the VENICE II Survey, which provided limited information on utilization and coverage for a few countries.

0.4%

n.r.

9%

n.r.

2%

16%

Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
Argentina	69%	20%
Barbados	51%	4%
Belize	n.r.	n.r.
Brazil	79%	46%
Cayman Islands	6%	1%
Colombia	99%	4%
Costa Rica	100%	4%
Ecuador	96%	700%

11%

n.r.

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75%

100%

Americas Region

n.r. = not reported.

Trinidad and Tobago

Grenada

Jamaica

Panama

Uruguay

Santa Lucia

Eastern Mediterranean Region

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Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
Bahrain	12%	1%
Egypt	5%	0.1%
Iran	5%	0.09%
Jordan	7%	1%
Lebanon	n.r.	n.r.
Oman	3%	1%
Syrian Arab Republic	99%	n.r.

n.r. = not reported.

European Region †		
Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
Austria	57%	8%
Cyprus	12%	n.a.
Estonia	40%	n.a.
Hungary	95%	n.a.
Iceland	50%	n.a.
Ireland	60%	n.a.
Italy	52%	n.a.
Netherlands	32%	n.a.
Norway	50%	n.a.
Portugal	38%	n.a.
Spain	51%	n.a.
United Kingdom	39%	n.a.

n.a. = not available.

South-East Asia Region

Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)
Indonesia	n.r.	n.r.
Nepal	n.r.	n.r.
Thailand	76%	2%

n.r. = not reported.

[†] Country specific data from the VENICE II Survey were not available for Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, or Sweden.

Western Pacific Region			
Country	Vaccine utilization (%)	Coverage by country population (%)	
Australia ‡	n.r.	n.r.	
China	66%	8%	
Malaysia	99%	1%	
Marshall Islands	94%	25%	
New Caledonia	8%	2%	
New Zealand	6%	1%	
Palau	34%	15%	
Republic of Korea	59%	31%	
Singapore	n.r.	n.r.	

n.r. = not reported.

 $[\]mbox{$^{\pm}$}$ Australia administered its vaccine, but no data on utilization and coverage were reported.