



# GUINEA WORM ERADICATION PROGRAM

## Global Human Cases and Animal Infections

Transmission of Guinea worm disease (dracunculiasis) is under surveillance in areas of Angola, Cameroon, Chad, Ethiopia, Mali, South Sudan, and the Central African Republic.

Total Reported Guinea Worm Cases in Humans													
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2023	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	3	3	1	1	0	14
2024	0	0	0	0	1	2	5	2	2	1	1	1	15
2025*	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	-	-	-	4

## Total Reported Guinea Worm Infections in Animals

2023	2024	2025*
854	664	639

-Still to be reported

\*All figures are year-to-date and provisional until officially confirmed, typically in March the following year.

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Total Reported Guinea Worm Cases in Humans													Select Year
Country	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0
Cameroon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0
Chad	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	1
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	1
Mali	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0
South Sudan	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-	-	-	2
Total	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	-	-	-	4

2025\*



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Guinea Worm Disease Cases Reported in Humans				
Country	2023	2024	2025*	
Angola	0	0	0	
Cameroon	1	0	0	
Central African Republic	1	0	0	
Chad	9	9	1	
Ethiopia	0	0	1	
Mali	1	0	0	
South Sudan	2	6	2	
Total	14	15	4	

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The worms that infect animals are the same species (*Dracunculus medinensis*) as those that infect humans; therefore, eradication requires stopping infections in both.

Guinea Worm Disease Infections Reported in Animals			
Country	2023	2024	2025*
▲			
Angola	87	39	70
Cameroon	224	310	436
Central African Republic	0	0	0
Chad	496	281	130
Ethiopia	0	2	0
Mali	46	28	3
South Sudan	1	4	0
Total	854	664	639

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