Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) Situation Report 18 Philippines 13 April 2020



Data reported by the Department of Health on 13 April 2020

Highlights

- Out of the total 4,932 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 57% are male, with the most affected age group 60-69 years (20.6%)
- 72.6% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by CALABARZON (14.2%) and Central Luzon (4.8%)
- Out of the 315 confirmed deaths, 68.8% are male, with the most affected age group over 70 years (33.7%)
- 56.6% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CALABAR ZON (19.5%) and Central Luzon (8.4%)
- So far, among over 2,000 UN staff members in the Philippines, 11 have tested positive: 9 from WHO and 2 from IOM
- Procurement of laboratory supplies ongoing to meet continuous need in view of increase in testing capacity
 thanks to planned expansion of public and private laboratory network for COVID-19 testing on top of the currently
 10 fully certified laboratories
- To address expected shortages of Personal Protection
 Equipment (PPE), the Department of Health (DOH) closely
 collaborating with private sector for local manufacturing of
 high quality PPE kits.
- Online IPC trainings ongoing for both private and public hospitals and community health workers
- Partners planning training for Provincial, City and Municipal Health Offices on appropriate set up of community quarantine and treatment centres.

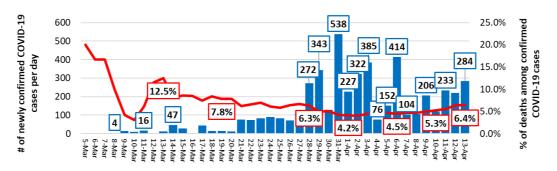


Current Situation

As of 13 April, a total of 4,932 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 315 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

Out of total 315 confirmed deaths, 68.8% are male, with most affected age group over 70 (33.7%), followed by 60-69 years of age (33%). 78% of deaths had either one or several known co-morbidities like diabetes, kidney disease, hypertension, and cardiac disease.

Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines 5- 13 April 2020 (N=4,932)



Among the 4,932 confirmed cases, 2,811 are male (57%) and 2,121 are female (43%). The most affected age groups are 60-69 (20.6%) followed by 50-59 years (19.0%).

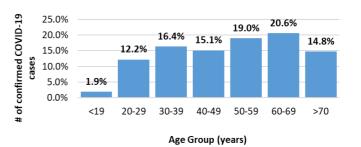
Gender distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

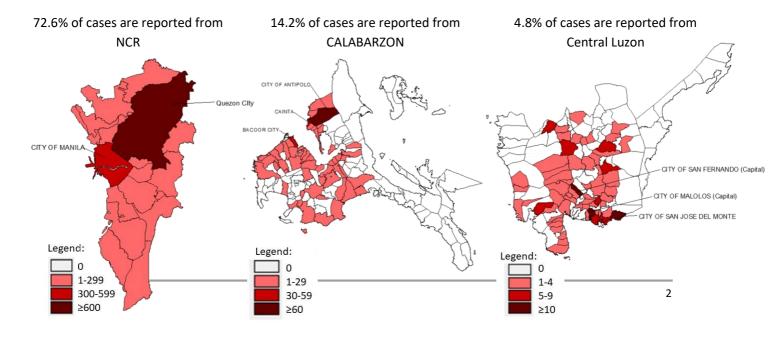
18 January-13 April 2020 (N=4,932)

Male 57% Female 43%

Age distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

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Country readiness and response operations

Country-level coordination

All provinces in the Philippines are currently having some type of community quarantine in place. In spite of this, many violations were reported over the Easter weekend, including the organization of mass gatherings and crowds visiting open markets.

All relevant government guidelines, issuances, and documents available online at bit.ly/COVIDPH.

Risk communication

With support from USAID, DOH launched a new website dedicated to COVID-19, including all relevant advisories, educational materials, infographics, etc. https://covid-ph.buildbetter.xyz

All guidelines released by the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) and relevant agencies on COVID-19 are available at http://www.covid19.gov.ph/

Surveillance

DOH also launched its new COVID-19 Tracker, with daily updated information on the number of cases and deaths per region and province, as well as key information on the testing capacity and the availability of hospital beds, mechanical ventilators and PPE in all hospitals in the Philippines: https://www.doh.gov.ph/covid19tracker

On 9 April 2020, DOH issued a *Revised Administrative Order # 2020-0013 on Guidelines for Inclusion of COVID-19 in the List of Notifiable Diseases for Mandatory Reporting to the DOH from 17 March 2020* to change the previous case definitions from patients under investigation (PUI) and patients under monitoring (PUM) to "confirmed," "suspect" and "probable" cases. Orientation on the revised case definition will be conducted this week for Epidemiological Surveillance Units (ESU) at regional, provincial, city and municipal level.

The Office of Civil Defence (OCD) has taken over the responsibility to lead the contact-tracing efforts for COVID-19, in close coordination with Local Government Units (LGUs) and DOH.

Two private passenger vessels commissioned by the Department of Transportation (DOTr) have been converted into temporary quarantine ships for returning seafarers and other Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs), as part of a mandatory 14-day quarantine.

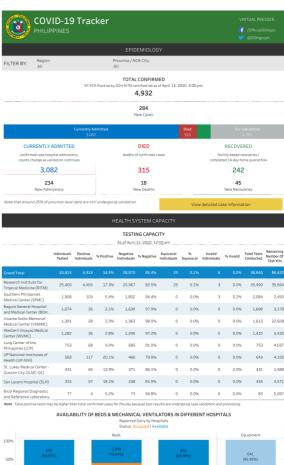
National laboratory system

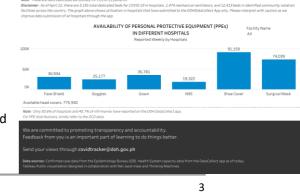
Laboratory assessments are continuing between joint teams from the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM), DOH, and WHO aimed at further expanding the network for COVID-19 testing on top of the currently 10 fully certified laboratories.

WHO with support from USAID are continuing to provide urgently required laboratory supplies to RITM and the 5 sub national laboratories.

As of today, there are no Rapid Diagnostics Kits for COVID-19 validated by RITM in the Philippines.







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Infection prevention and control

Online Infection, Prevention and control (IPC) trainings for hospital workers are continuing with the support from the USAID-funded Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) program. Partners are looking into adding a pre and post-test to evaluate the effectiveness of the lessons. All hospitals interested to participate in the virtual IPC training can sign up for *online registration*, or visit the *landing page for the virtual training* with additional information on the dates and times of the trainings, amongst other.

Online IPC trainings for community workers are also continuing with the support from UNICEF.

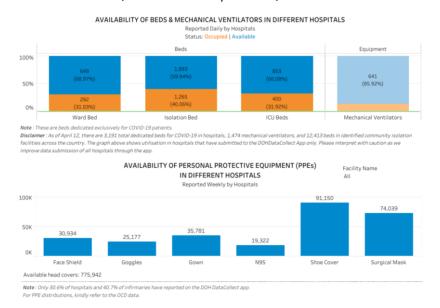
To address expected shortages in PPE, DOH is working with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), industry associations, and private firms to locally manufacture 10,000 sets of PPE daily, based on a design prototype approved by DOH and the Philippine General Hospital (PGH), using raw materials from a certified supplier meeting international standards.

DTI and the Department of Finance (DOF) agreed to grant tax incentives to manufacturers and importers of essential products as part of the COVID-19 response through Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) # 20-02, issued on 1 April 2020. The JMC covers the production of medicines, medical equipment and devices, personal protective equipment, surgical equipment and supplies, as well as laboratory equipment and its reagents, as well as raw materials and packaging materials, in line with DOH priorities.

DOH and OCD continue to deliver PPE to priority hospitals throughout the country, including 15,000 PPE in NCR. Additional PPE procurement is pending approval from the Department of Budget and Management.

Case management and continuity of essential services

The DOH COVID-19 tracker includes updated information from 30.6% of hospitals and 40.7% of infirmaries registered in the DOH database, on available hospital beds, mechanical ventilators and PPEs:



USAID launched the COVID-19 Frontline Guide for Local Decision-Makers, to assist in informed decision-making on how to combat COVID-19. While the guide was originally intended for the U.S. context, it may be useful and adaptive for other countries https://covidlocal.org/.

The U.S. government is supporting the Philippines with health-related programs for nearly 4 million USD and donated almost 1,300 new cots to the OCD and the Philippine General Hospital.

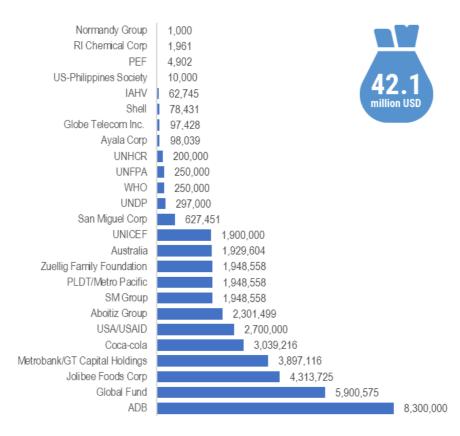


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Resource mobilization

Grant

Overall donations received to date:



Please see for details of all items distributed so far by DOH: https://bit.ly/DOHCommDistribution

As of 9 April, WHO received more than US\$ 356.3 million and an additional US\$ 60.8 million in pledges to its global appeal. This includes €114 million from the European Union to support 80 priority countries with weakened health care systems and capacity including the Philippines.

Loan



100M

World Bank

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Logistics, procurement, and supply management

Who	What		Delivered	Expected
Americares	N95 masks		1,440	
Chinese government	COVID-19 test kits		100,000	
	PPE sets		10,000	
	N95 masks		10,000	
	Surgical masks		100,000	
AHV	Masks		23,210	
IMC	PPE		200	
	Surgical gowns		4,765	
	Examination gloves		33,869	
	Surgical masks		206,000	
	Goggles		30	
	Cot beds		10	
	Electric fans		20	
apan government	PPE		12,000	
PRC	Medical tents for isolation and treatment		30	
	Face masks		36,000	
	PPE		2,000	
	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food		6 Manila hospitals	
UNFPA	Face masks		110,000	
	Handheld thermometers		1,130	
	PPE		206,059	48,780
	Medical Triage Tents and equipment sets			6
	Hygiene kits for women			1,600
	Clean delivery packs			500
	Women Friendly Space Tents			3
	Women and Child Protection Unit equipment			1
UNICEF	Tents for triage and isolation purposes		20	24
	Coverall, protection, Catlli, type 4b			72,380
	Faceshield, fog-resistant, fullface, disp			33,000
	Mask, high-fil, FFP2/N95, no valve, nonster			48,000
	Mask, surgic, typelIR, ear loop, disp.			409,200
	Gloves, w/opowder, nitr			100,000
	Gloves, heavy-duty, rubber/nitrile			1,000
	Goggles, protective, indirect-side-venti			500
	Apron, protection, plastic, reusable			500
	Boots, rubber/PVC, reusable, pair			500
	Sprayer, compression type, 7.4 litres			160
	Sanitation and cleaning kit			500
WFP	Tent		2	300
	50 kVA generator		2	
NHO (with USAID	Laboratory supplies	E-gene EAV kits	115	
funding)		RdRP-gene kits	95	
	Napno	/E gene/RdRp gene vials	12	
	Universal Transport Media viral kit		2,350	
	Regular Flocked Swab		2,000	
	Flexible Mini Tip		_,000	2,000
	Extraction kits	QIAgen Qlamp Viral	14	11
	LATIGOTION AILS	RNA Mini Kit	± r	**
	SuperScrint III Dla		3	2
World Vision	SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR Mobile Storage Unit 10 v 32m		4	
	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m Tents (child friendly space) 7 x 6m		17	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m PPE (4 goggles, 4 aprons, 4 N95 masks, 200 surgical		458	
	caps, 100 gloves, 200 shoe covers)		470	
	Disinfectant kits			

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