

Morbidity Week 15 - April 12 - April 18, 2015

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#### Introduction

Dengue fever and the more severe form, dengue hemorrhagic fever, are caused by any of the four serotypes of dengue virus (types 1, 2, 3 and 4). An infected day-biting female Aedes mosquito transmits the viral disease to humans.

In the Philippines, Aedes aegypti and Aedes albopictus are the primary and secondary mosquito vectors, respectively. The mosquito vectors breed in the small amount of water collected in such as storages such as tanks, cisterns, flower vases, plant axils and backyard litter.

The incubation period is from 3 to 14 days, commonly 4-7 days.

#### Signs and Symptoms

- Sudden onset of high fever which may last from 2 to 7 days.
- Joint and muscle pain and pain behind the eyes.
- Weakness
- Skin rashes
- Nosebleeding when fever starts to subside
- Abdominal pain
- Vomiting of coffee-colored matter
- Dark-colored stools
- · Difficulty breathing.

### Trend in the Philippines

A total of **21,962** suspect dengue cases was reported nationwide from January 1 to April 18, 2015. This is **7.28**% higher compared to the same time period last year **(20,472)**.

Philippines, as of April 18, 2015

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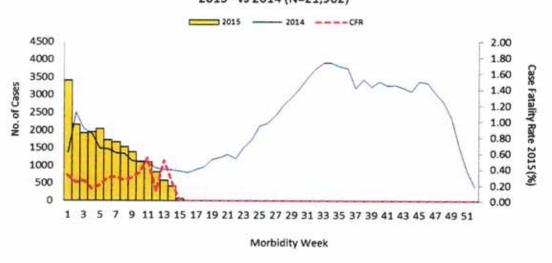
Fig. 1 Distribution of Suspect Dengue Cases by Morbidity Week



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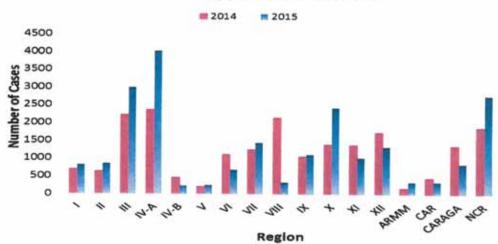
Fig. 2 Suspect Dengue Cases by Morbidity Week, Philippines, as of April 18, 2015 2015\* vs 2014 (N=21,962)



### Geographic Distribution

Most of the cases were from the following regions: Region IV-A (18.4%), Region III (13.7%), NCR (12.6%), Region X (11.1%) and Region VII (6.6%).

Fig. 3 Suspect Dengue Cases by Region Philippines, 2015 vs 2014



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Fig. 4 Suspect Dengue Cases, as of January 1 to April 18, 2015

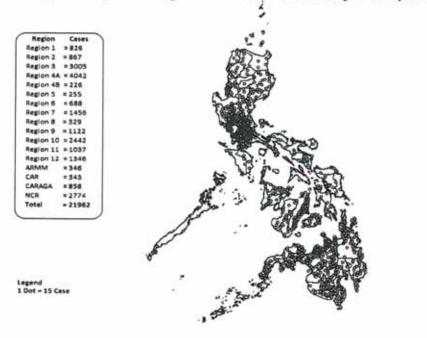
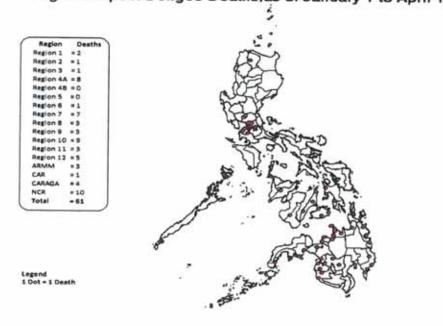


Fig. 5 Suspect Dengue Deaths, as of January 1 to April 18, 2015





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### **Profile of Cases**

Ages of cases ranged from less than 1 month to 97 years old (median = 13 years). Majority of cases were male (54.3%). Most (38.5%) of the cases belonged to the 5 to 14 years age group (Fig. 6). There were 61 deaths (CFR = 0.28%).

Fig.6 Suspect Dengue Cases by Agegroup and Sex Philippines, as of April 18, 2015 (N=21,962)

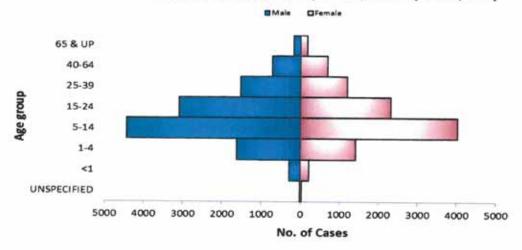
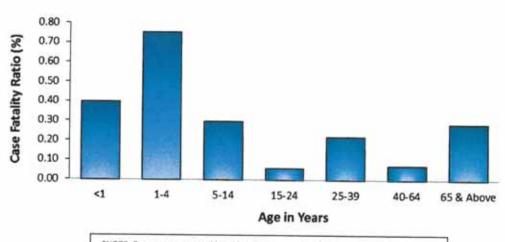


Fig. 7 Suspect Dengue Case Fatality Rate (CFR) by Age Group, Philippines, as of April 18, 2015



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#### Dengue Virus Serotype Distribution in the Philippines

Based from the Sentinel Based Active Dengue Surveillance, there were 93 laboratory confirmed dengue cases in the Philippines, in which all four DENV serotypes were present from January 1 to April 18, 2015. The predominant serotype during the first four months of 2015 is DENV-1 followed by DENV-2, mostly occurring in the NCR region.

Fig. 8 Confirmed Dengue Cases by Region and Serotype Philippines, as of April 18, 2015 (N=93)

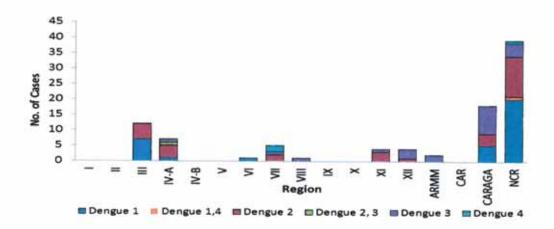
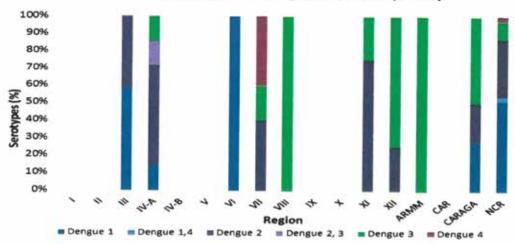


Fig. 9 Dengue virus serotype distribution in the Philippines, as of April 18, 2015 (N=93)



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Table 1. Dengue Cases & Deaths by Region

Philippines, 2015\* vs 2014

Danier.		Cases		Deaths			
Region	2015	2014	% Change	2015	CFR (%)	2014	CFR (%
1	826	684	20.8	2	0.24	0	0.00
11	867	625	<b>1</b> 38.7	1	0.12	3	0.48
III	3005	2221	<b>1</b> 35.3	1	0.03	2	0.09
IV-A	4042	2360	71.3	8	0.20	7	0.30
IV-B	226	460	-50.9	0	0.00	4	0.87
V	255	199	<b>1</b> 28.1	0	0.00	1	0.50
VI	688	1108	-37.9	1	0.15	4	0.36
VII	1456	1249	16.6	7	0.48	6	0.48
VIII	329	2145	-84.7	3	0.91	6	0.28
IX	1122	1048	<b>1</b> 7.1	3	0.27	6	0.57
Х	2442	1397	<b>1</b> 74.8	9	0.37	9	0.64
XI	1037	1384	-25.1	3	0.29	8	0.58
XII	1346	1743	-22.8	5	0.37	19	1.09
ARMM	346	164	111.0	3	0.87	0	0.00
CAR	343	449	-23.6	1	0.29	1	0.22
CARAGA	858	1361	-37.0	4	0.47	9	0.66
NCR	2774	1875	<b>1</b> 47.9	10	0.36	4	0.21
Total	21962	20472	7.28	61	0.28	89	0.43

Table 2. Weekly Dengue Summary Report by Region

Philippines, as of April 18, 2015

Region	Morbidity Week				15th Morbidity Week		Cumulative Total 1st wk to 15th wk	
	1	30	33	35	18	0	18	826
H	48	29	15	13	0	24	867	625
111	150	132	84	68	9	51	3005	2221
IV-A	192	138	113	90	21	53	4042	2360
IV-B	10	6	3	2	0	16	226	460
V	10	9	5	5	0	11	255	199
VI	34	26	8	11	0	48	688	1108
VII	57	44	37	15	1	34	1456	1249
VIII	22	7	5	12	2	98	329	2145
IX	83	48	23	13	0	62	1122	1048
х	116	113	85	84	31	109	2442	1397
XI	46	30	28	30	2	67	1037	1384
XII	120	78	74	30	4	98	1346	1743
ARMM	30	18	19	8	0	12	346	164
CAR	15	8	6	4	0	14	343	449
CARAGA	36	18	11	9	1	93	858	1361
NCR	106	85	40	13	0	45	2774	1875
Total	1105	822	591	425	71	853	21962	20472



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Table 3. Disease Reporting Unit with Reported Dengue Cases by Region as of January 1 to April 18, 2015

Region	No. of DRU's				
1	63				
II	59				
III	59				
IV-A	153				
IV-B	23				
V	8				
VI	64				
VII	64				
VIII	26				
IX	37 123 10				
X					
XI					
XII	74				
ARMM	3				
CAR	39				
CARAGA	28				
NCR	88				
Total	921				

### Treatment

- Do not give aspirin for fever.
- Give sufficient amount of water or rehydrate a dengue suspect.
- If fever or symptoms persist for 2 or more days, bring the patient to the nearest hospital.

#### Prevention and Control

Follow the 4-S against Dengue:

- 1. Search and Destroy
  - · Cover water drums and pails.
  - Replace water in flower vases once a week.
  - Clean gutters of leaves and debris.
  - Collect and dispose all unsuable tin, cans, jars, bottles and other items that can collect and hold water.
- 2. Self-protection Measeures
  - · Wear long pants and long sleeved shirt.
  - · Use mosquito repellant every day.
- 3. Seek Early Consultant
  - Consult the doctors immediately if fever persist after 2 days and rashes appears.
- 4. Say Yes to Fogging When There is an Impending Outbreak or a Hotspot.



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