Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) Situation Report 34 Philippines 22 May 2020

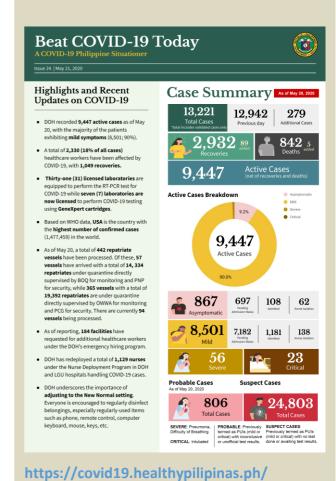


Data reported by the Department of Health on 22 May 2020

Highlights

- Out of the total 13,597 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 54% are male, with the most affected age group 30-39 years (21.8%) followed by 20-29 (17.5%)
- 64.5% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by Central Visayas (14.1%), CALA-BARZON (10.7%), and Central Luzon (3.5%)
- Out of the 857 confirmed deaths, 65% are male,
 with the most affected age group over 70 years
 (36.9%) followed by 60-69 years (31.2%)
- 73.4% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CAL-ABARZON (11.5%), Central Luzon (3.5%), and Central Visayas (3.3%)
- Department of Health (DOH) strongly emphasizing the importance of adherence to minimum precautionary measures, especially in areas transiting from (Modified) Enhanced Community Quarantine to General Community Quarantine
- According to DOH among all confirmed cases, 90% are mild
- The Cotabato Regional Medical Centre (CRMC) was accredited for COVID-19 testing using GeneXpert technology. Current total 31 laboratories using PCR and 7 GeneXpert in the country.
- WHO preparing to step up mitigation efforts in preparation of possible relaxation of Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine in NCR
- 100% of all health facilities are regularly reporting to DOH's DataCollectApp showing less than 35% occupancy rate of ward beds, ICU beds and isolation beds for COVID-19 patients





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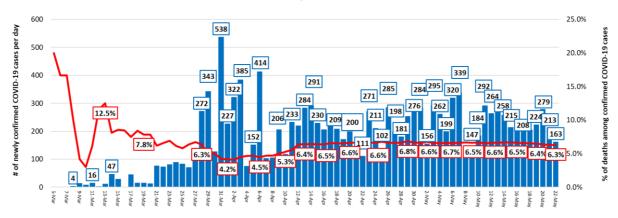
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Current Situation

As of 22 May, a total of 13,597 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 857 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines

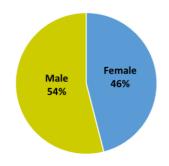
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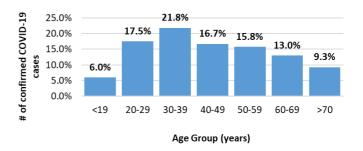
Gender distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

18 January-22 May 2020 (N=13,597)



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

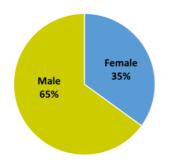
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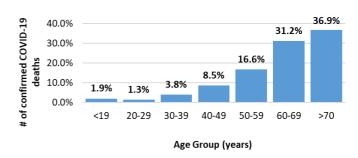
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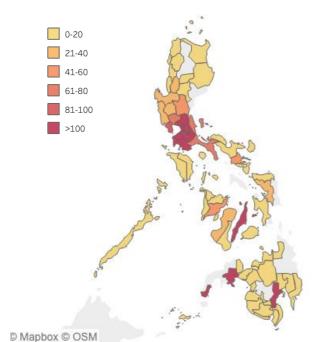
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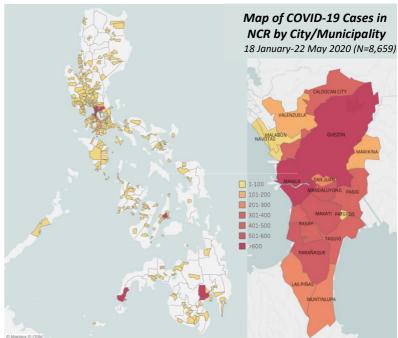


Map of confirmed C OVID-19 cases by province

18 January-22 May 2020 (N=13,597)



Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by city/municipality 18 January-22 May 2020 (N=13,597)



Country readiness and response operations

Country-level coordination

While NCR is currently under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine, Quezon City still has 11 areas in 5 barangays under "special concern lockdown". Quezon City will put Extreme Enhanced Community Quarantine in place in barangays with two or more confirmed COVID-19 cases, to be reviewed on a daily basis. Parañaque City put 10 areas in barangay Baclaran under a 3-day "calibrated lockdown" due to the high number of cases.

In Region I, Pangasinan province placed barangay Dupac in Asingan town on total lockdown for 14 days after two residents tested positive for COVID-19.

In Region III, Concepcion town in Tarlac province was placed under a 24-hour "extreme general community quarantine" after a 2nd coronavirus case was recorded.

In Region VII, Cebu City lifted the total lockdown in Sitio Zapatera, Barangay Luz after 43 days.

In Region XII, South Cotabato province placed Polomolok municipality under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine for 7 days after one resident tested positive for COVID-19, with similar measures taken in barangay Mabay, Maitum town in Sarangani province.

The latest DOH situationers are available here:

- bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer024 21 May 2020
- bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer025 22 May 2020



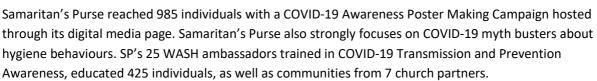
Risk communication

UNICEF reached an estimated 2.8 million adolescents and young people in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) with sermons on COVID-19, written by Regional Darul Iftah and developed with UNICEF support. Muslim religious leaders in Mindanao are using radio and small group Friday prayers to disseminate key messages on COVID-19.

Through airing in three radio stations, UNICEF reaches 122,000 individuals in BARMM and 100,000 in nearby provinces on a weekly basis. Through its BARMM-based health partner (HOM), UNICEF trained 743 frontline health workers on risk communications for better communicate with patients and families, totalling 931 in 37 health facilities.

UNICEF is supporting the BARMM Bureau of Public Information, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Social Services and Development, Ministry of Education and the Interagency Task Force with technical advice on COVID-19 response, including on the need to continue routine health and nutrition services for children and Safe Motherhood.

A total of 5,750 comic flyers on positive parenting and COVID-19 prevention were distributed via insertion in the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) food packs.



Surveillance

DOH jointly with the University of the Philippines College of Nursing and WHO developed an online course on the appropriate implementation of contact tracing for local government units (LGUs). The course includes Training of Trainers for RESU as well as replication trainings focused on the identification of potential COVID-19 cases and their close contacts and the need for their immediate isolation.

Anyone interested can do the online course *here*. An instructive video on contact tracing can be seen *here*.

Online training in the COVID KAYA mobile application continues for Epidemiological Surveillance Units at regional, provincial, city and municipal level (M/C/P/RESU). DOH and WHO are looking into the API integration of different, relevant mobile applications including COVID KAYA, StaySafe, TanodCOVID, and FASSTER.

IOM reported a worrying shortage in the availability of quarantine facilities for returning Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW). As of now, 26,700 OFW have returned to the Philippines, with at least 45,000 more to follow. While the government is its utmost best to fine appropriate accommodation, the number of returnees are overwhelming, and is currently being limited to 400 individuals per day.

DoH and ICRC conducted joint outbreak investigation in the Zamboanga City jail. ICRC is supporting the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) and the Zamboanga City government with PPE, medical items and hygiene and cleaning materials, as well as with technical guidance on how to improve the isolation area within the jail and training BJMP staff on the proper use of PPE.

The Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) supported with a chartered plane for the 4th time in a row.





ICRC supporting BJMP in Zamboanga City Jail

22 May 2020

National laboratory system

There are currently 31 laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH using RT-PCR technology, as well as 7 GeneXpert machines, with as most recent addition the Cotabato Regional Medical Centre (CRMC).

Daily testing capacity now exceeds 10,000 between all 38 certified laboratories throughout the country.

WHO is supporting DOH and the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) with ongoing assessments of an additional 119 public and private laboratories which applied for accreditation.

The USAID-supported Infectious Disease Detection and Surveillance (IDDS) program helped to speed up the transport of 194 specimens from Davao City, Davao del Sur, Davao del Norte, North Cotabato, and Lanao del Sur to the Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC) in Davao City, the only PCR-based certified COVID-19 laboratory in Mindanao. IDDS transported 21 specimens collected from indigenous populations of the Bajao tribe to the SPMC laboratory.

IDDS also delivered 17,500 units of viral transport media (VTM) to Region XI, with more expected to come.



Healthcare staff from Davao Swabbing Center endorses specimen package from Bajao for transport to SPMC

Infection prevention and control

UNICEF has so far trained 3,433 health and community workers with its online IPC trainings for home and community settings. Training are continuing and anyone can sign up for free at https://forms.gle/WAVzGvMFC4geofdU9.

An additional 900 cleaners and sanitary workers were trained through webinars on Cleaning and Disinfection for LGUs and Communities. Anyone can sign up for free at https://bit.ly/2YBGijZ

The USAID-funded Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) program trained 5,424 hospitals workers on IPC, 1,730 on health care waste management, and 283 on supply chain management. Trainings are continuing and anyone can sign up at *landing page for the virtual training*.

Samaritan's Purse donated 1,300 sets of PPE to Manila City. Eight hundred sets will be distributed to Tondo High School Emergency Quarantine Facility and 500 sets to Manila Health Department, to be used by the medical health personnel working at the quarantine facilities and other health facilities in Manila City. Each set contains a KN95 mask, Face shield, gown, Gloves, and Surgical mask.



Samaritan's Purse hand-over of PPEs to LGU Manila Vice Mayor

Case management and continuity of essential services

Between 1 January and 9 May 2020, a total of 29,903 cases of Influenza Like Illness (ILI) were reported in the Philippines, including 76 deaths. This is a 46% decrease compared to the same period last year, when 55,585 cases were reported including 7 deaths.

Between 1 January and 9 May 2020, a total of 3,408 measles cases were reported in the Philippines, including 35 deaths. This is a 91% decrease compared to the same period last year, when 39,311 cases were reported including 556 deaths. Among the newly reported cases in 2020, 62% was not vaccinated, with 16% not knowing the vaccination status.

Similarly, between 1 January and 9 May 2020, 48,652 dengue cases were reported, including 170 deaths. This is a 42% decrease compared to the same period last year, when 83,168 cases were reported, including 401 deaths.

There is an average decrease of 40% in routine immunization coverage, comparing the number of children vaccinated in March 2019 and March 2020 across all antigens. The total number of polio cases in the country remains at 16. WHO and UNICEF are looking into picking up pending polio outbreak immunization campaigns.

OCHA provided a snapshot of the damage caused by Typhoon Ambo, which did not significantly hit COVID-19 hotspot areas. WHO is supporting DOH in developing guidelines on adjusting disaster preparedness measures to the new normal.





ICRC opening isolation centre in District Jail in Quezon Province 1



Samaritan's Purse-supported 44-bed capacity Emergency Quarantine Facility in Tondo High School, Manila City \uparrow Turn Over Ceremony by Samaritan's Purse Country Director to Manila City Mayor \downarrow





ICRC and BJMP opened a COVID-19 isolation center in the Quezon Province District Jail with a capacity of 80 beds, as a preventative measure for a possible outbreak in detention facilities in Region IV-A. The facility is set up in line with high IPC standards to protect patients, personnel and surrounding community.

Samaritan's Purse constructed one 16-bed emergency quarantine facility in Caloocan City, two 22-bed facilities at Tondo National High School in Manila City, and one 12-bed facility in Novaliches in Quezon City, while building a Triage Center at the same location. SP also distributed 200 mattresses to Caloocan North Medical Center, Caloocan Drug Rehabilitation Center, Ospital ng Muntinlupa and the Philippine General Hospital.

SP's Leader Mothers in Lanao Del Sur now have 246 women in 17 Mother-To-Mother Support Group, discussing safety for pregnancy, childbirth, and breastfeeding in the context of COVID-19.

SP launched a series of online IEC materials to promote the elimination of child pornography in the Philippines, including hotline numbers for reporting child pornography cases. The material was posted on the digital media accounts and reached 894 individuals.

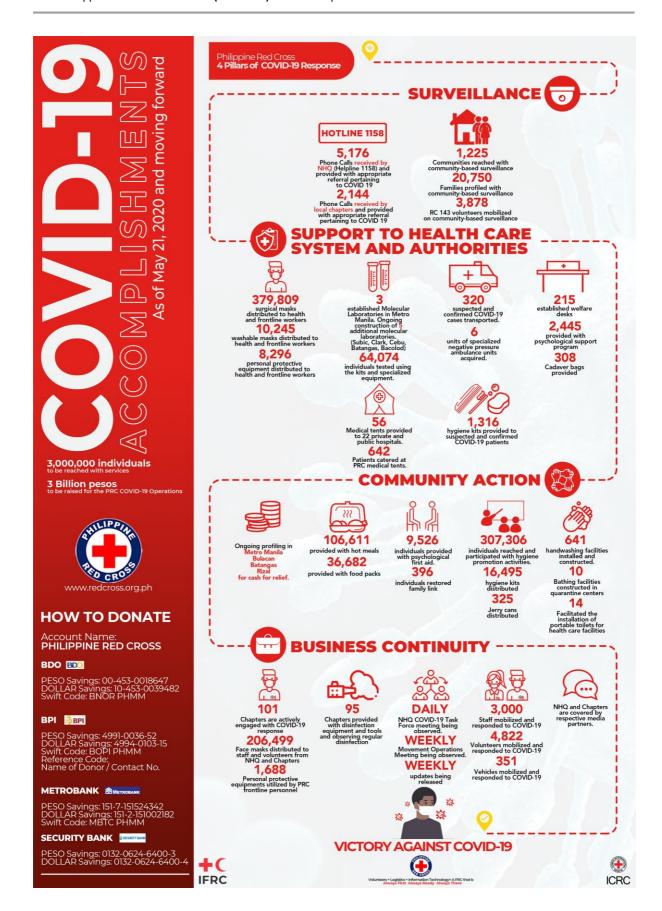
UNICEF's proprietary digital polling platform, U-Report, received responses from 1,485 adolescents and young people to the survey on mental health, showing the majority felt worried and scared.

https://philippines.ureport.in

The Asia Pacific Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) Working Group will be conducting a 60-minute webinar for safer return to schools on 28 May at: https://unicef.zoom.us/j/97867577072.



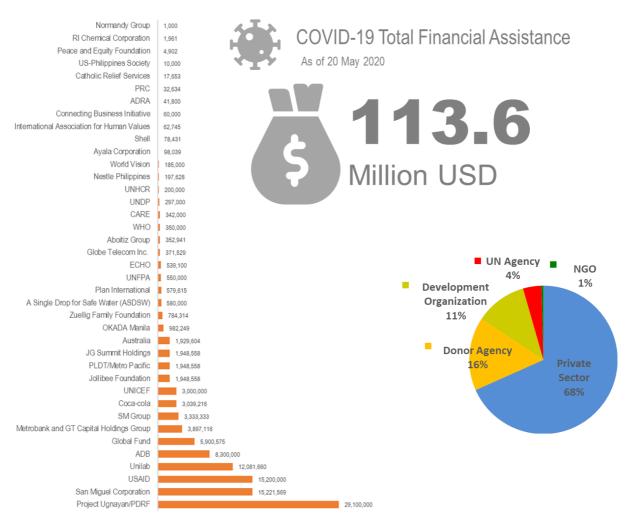
The webinar for social workers and community service providers on MHPSS organised by the Philippines Red Cross, UNICEF, and DSWD reaches 600-900 participants per module



Resource mobilization

Grant

Overall donations received to date (data compiled by OCHA):



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

As of 20 May, WHO received more than US\$ 637 million and an additional US\$ 159.5 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.

The French government through its Development Agency AFD donated €2 million to fight COVID-19 in Southeast Asia, including laboratory strengthening support for RITM.

Loan



Logistics, procurement, and supply management

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
ADB	Laboratory facility for 45,000 tests	1 52.420	2.000
Americares	N95 masks	53,120	3,800
	Surgical masks	4,000	
	Face shields	60	
	Thermal scanners	3	
	Disinfectant alcohol (1 gallon)	6	
	Oxygen tanks with accessories	3	
Chinese government	COVID-19 test kits	100,000	
	PPE (full set minus goggles)	10,000	
	N95 masks	10,000	
	Surgical masks	100,000	
AHV	N95/KN95 Masks	34,922	
	PPE (full set)	200	
IMC			
	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 (full set)	2,000	
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	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
amaritan's Purse	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	3	
	Mattresses	200	
	KN95 mask	1,300	
	Face Shield	1, 300	
	Gown	1, 300	
	Gloves	54,000	
	Surgical Mask	3,600	
	Hygiene kits	810	
JNDP	Ventilators	810	15
		440.000	15
JNFPA	Face masks	110,000	
	Handheld thermometers	1,130	
	PPE (full set)	386,355	
	Medical Triage Tents and equipment sets	4	2
	Hygiene kits for women	750	350
	Clean delivery packs		500
	Women Friendly Space Tents	1	2
	Women and Child Protection Unit equipment	1	
UNICEF	Tents for triage and isolation purposes 42 m ²	32	24
	Coveralls		
	<u> </u>	20,860	51,520
	Face shields	33,000	
	N95 masks	35,680	
	Surgical masks	38,750	370,450
	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
			500
IC	Sanitation and cleaning kit	1 200	300
JS government	Cots	1,300	
WFP	Mobile Storage Unit	3	
	50 kVA generator	2	
	Shower/toilet unit	1	
VHO (with USAID funding)	Laboratory supplies E-gene EAV kits	335	
, , , ,	RdRP-gene kits	99	
	N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials	12	7
	Sanger sequencing reagents vials	3	
	Universal Transport Media viral kit	14,350	
	Flexible Mini Tip	2,000	10,000
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	Extraction kits QIAgen Qlamp RNA Kit	59	36
	SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR	15	24
WHO (with DFAT funding)	Goggles	1,200	
	Gloves	31,000	
	N95 masks	900	
	Surgical masks	100,000	
	Surgical gowns	817	
	Hand sanitizer	240	
	Face shields	640	
	Bio bags	400	
World Vision	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (full set)	458	