

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

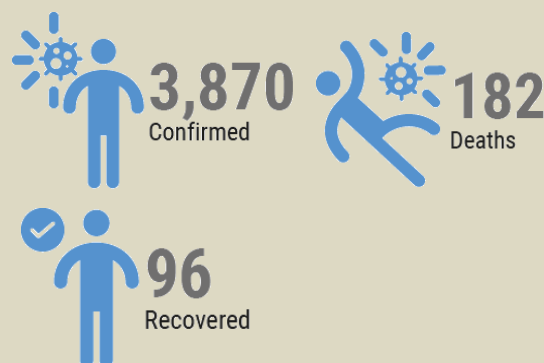
Situation Report 16 Philippines 8 April 2020

Data reported by the Department of Health on 8 April 2020

Highlights

- **Out of the total 3,870 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 58% are male, with the most affected age group 60-69 years (21.8%)**
- **56% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by CALABARZON (9.5%) and Central Luzon (4%)**
- **Out of the 182 confirmed deaths, 64.4% reported from NCR, 69% are male, with ages ranging from 7 to 90, and the median age being 66**
- **Luzon-wide community quarantine was extended until 30 April to stop COVID-19 spread**
- **DOH now providing free 24/7 telemedicine consultations through its hotline**
- **Ongoing distribution of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) to priority hospitals in close collaboration between the Department of Health (DOH) and the Office of Civil Defence (OCD), with more PPE expected soon**
- **After Ilocos, laboratory assessments currently ongoing in Mindanao to further expand the public and private laboratory network for COVID-19 testing on top of the currently 10 fully certified laboratories**
- **Government in the process of preparing large-scale quarantine facilities, while Local Government Units (LGU) with support from NGOs and private sector are setting up community isolation centres.**
- **Online IPC trainings ongoing for both private and public hospitals and community health workers**

PHILIPPINES SITUATION IN NUMBERS



24/7 DOH Hotlines

FOR COVID-19 HEALTH CONCERNS:

DOH COVID-19 Hotline

(02) 894-COVID (26843) 1555

NCR DEDICATED TELEMEDICINE HOTLINES:

Telimed Management Inc., and Medgate Hotline

(02) 8424-1724

Global TeleHealth, Inc. (KonsultaMD)

(02) 7798-8000

FOR MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS:

NCMH Crisis Hotline

0917-899-USAP (8727)

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<https://ncovtracker.doh.gov.ph/>

<http://bit.ly/COVID19PHdashboard>

<http://www.covid19.gov.ph/>

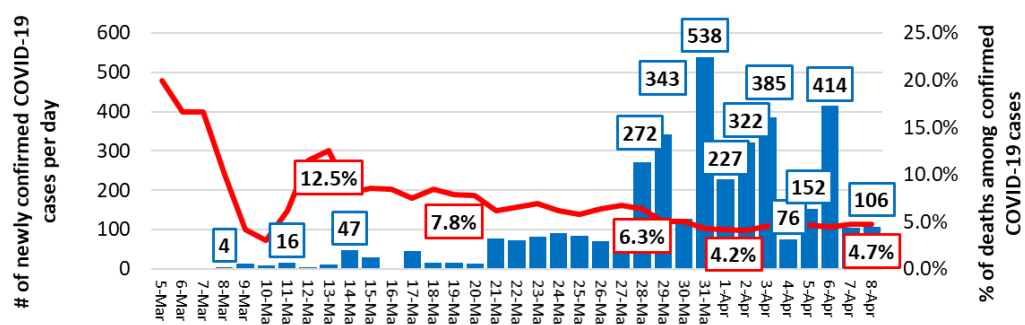
Current Situation

As of 8 April, a total of 3,870 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 182 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

Out of total 182 confirmed deaths, 69% are male, with ages ranging from 7 to 90, and the median age being 66. 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

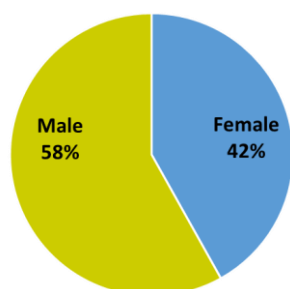
5- 8 April 2020 (N=3,870)



Among the 3,870 confirmed cases, 2,245 are male (58%) and 1,625 are female (42%). The most affected age groups are 60-69 (21.8%) followed by 50-59 years (19.7%).

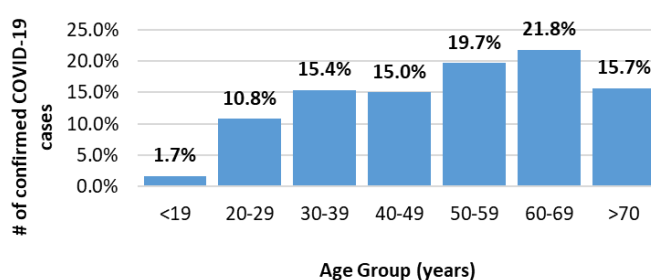
Gender distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

18 January-8 April 2020 (N=3,870)

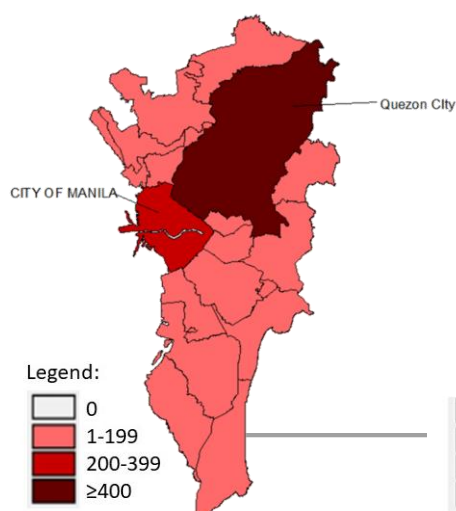


Age distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

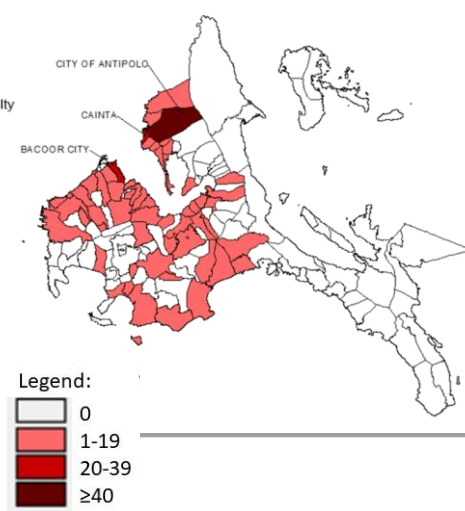
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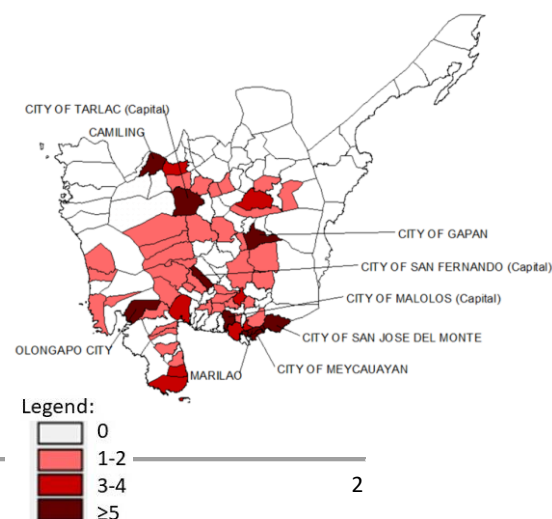
56% of cases are reported from NCR



9.5% of cases are reported from CALABARZON



4% of cases are reported from Central Luzon



Country readiness and response operations

Country-level coordination

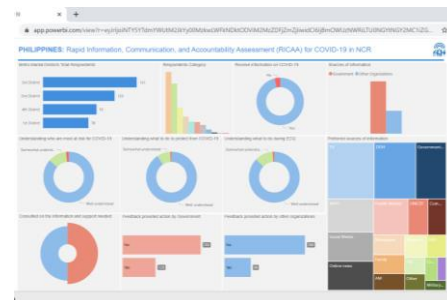
The government is extending the Luzon-wide community quarantine until 30 April to stop COVID-19 spread. Additional measures are being considered to release the pressure on economically vulnerable groups negatively affected by the ongoing restrictions.

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

Risk communication and community engagement

A Rapid Information Communication Accountability Assessment (RICAA) on COVID-19 was conducted in vulnerable sectors in NCR, showing that the majority of 454 respondents understand well how to protect from COVID-19 and know what to do during the community quarantine, while using the government as their key information source. For more details please see:

<https://bit.ly/2XaSZlk>.



Further assessments are planned in other parts of the country.

UNICEF is supporting DOH in the implementation of its Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) plan focusing on:

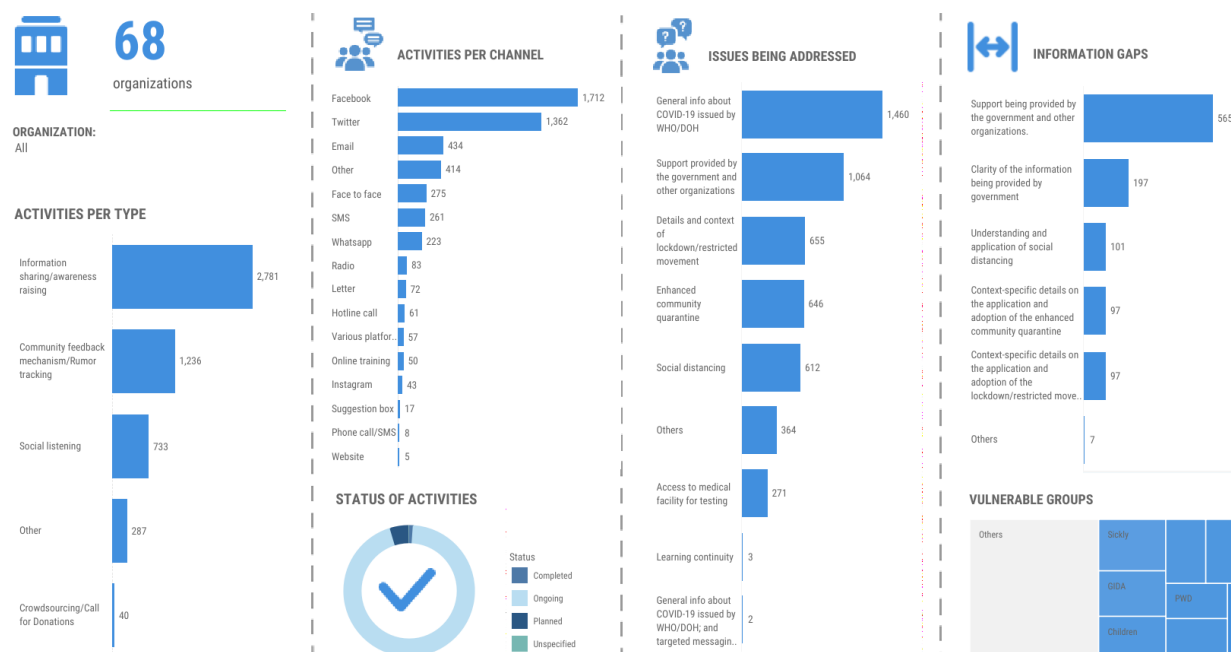
1. Development of 5 public service announcements (PSAs) for LGUs on preventive actions, sign and symptoms and what to do, mental health, and preventing the spread of fake news, to be disseminated through community public address systems and radio stations. Other materials in the pipeline are infographic videos and short radio dramas on the same topics. All PSAs are available here: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1tU8tt6IH7eHZzpHL7NwCN_ahYlYj9zS
2. Design and layout for **Communicating with Communities on COVID-19 guide for community health workers** is ongoing.
3. Posters on proper use of PPEs are being finalized.
4. Ongoing recruitment of a team to develop training videos on IPC and RCCE for health workers.



PHILIPPINES RCCE - COVID-19 OPERATIONAL PRESENCE

As of 05 April 2020

The World Health Organization announced the global COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic. On 12 March, the government raised the COVID-19 Alert System to Code Red sublevel 2, imposing stringent social distancing measures in the National Capital Region (NCR) for 30 days, including the suspension of classes until 12 April, public offices, and mass gatherings, as well as flexible work arrangements in the private sector, and community quarantine in NCR and on 16 March to the whole Luzon Island. This dashboard shows the **Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE)** COVID-19 related humanitarian activities in the Philippines. *Click on the charts (bar, pie and tree map) to filter the rest of the chart sections.*



Surveillance

The COVID-19 cases and deaths dashboard using the latest DOH data is providing helpful analysis of the epidemiological situation in the country, including epidemic curves, distribution by age and sex, cases admitted by facility and confirmed cases by city and municipality. The dashboard is a courtesy of Jason Haw and Jhanna Uy and can be visited here: <http://bit.ly/COVID19PHdashboard>



National laboratory system

Joint teams from the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM), DOH, and WHO are conducting assessments in an increasing number of public and private laboratories to further expand the network for COVID-19 testing on top of the currently 10 fully certified laboratories.

The latest laboratories are the Bicol Public Health Laboratory and Saint Luke's Medical Center in Quezon City.

Infection prevention and control

The USAID-funded Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) program started conducting online Infection, Prevention and control (IPC) trainings for hospital workers on Mondays and Wednesdays for the month of April.



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.

UNICEF finalized guidelines for community and customized training modules with input from DOH, WHO and USAID. The guidelines can be downloaded [here](#).



UNICEF started rolling out IPC training modules in community settings, in coordination with WHO and Centers for Health Development in 10 Regions targeting 2,500 health workers. Materials will be made available soon. As of today, 299 health staff were trained in the first 3 sessions in NCR, BARMM and Region 3. Over 10 panelists from UNICEF, WHO, USAID and DOH responded questions from the participants.

World Vision distributed 458 PPE kits and 30 disinfectant kits to the Lung Center of the Philippines, DJNRM Hospital, and Malabon City Hospital, as well as different city and village health units in Malabon, Manila, and Quezon City.

Thanks to local radio stations regularly airing World Vision's IPC messages on handwashing, social distancing and helping children deal with stress stay safe messages (including in Bisaya), a total of 266,614 individuals were reached with an additional 129,165 individuals reached through face-to-face orientations and printed IEC materials).

Case management and continuity of essential services

The government is currently preparing a series of large-scale quarantine facilities, including the Rizal Memorial Center, with 120 beds, the Ninoy Aquino Stadium with 112 Beds, the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) with 294 beds, and the World Trade Center with 502 beds. Other facilities are being converted into dedicated treatment centers for either confirmed and suspected cases, including drug rehabilitation centers.

UNDP is supporting the BARMM government in its ongoing preparedness to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. UNDP is procuring licenses for all BARMM ministries of the Office of the Chief Minister for the Zoom video communication app.

To ensure the continuation of the joint peace mechanisms in BARMM, UNDP is also providing administrative and logistics support to both the Committee on the Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH) and the Ad Hoc Joint Action Group (AHJAG). UNDP will be working with the Coalition of Moro Youth Movement and identified faith-based leaders in BARMM in risk communication and community engagement initiatives focused on the following:

- (1) promoting measures to prevent COVID-19 transmission in BARMM,
- (2) strengthening social cohesion/solidarity in response to COVID-19,
- (3) collecting information regarding COVID-19 impacts as well as recommendations and feedback on COVID-19 response, and
- (4) enhancing timeliness, accuracy and cultural sensitivity of communication and advocacy initiatives on COVID-19 prevention and response, especially in geographically-isolated and disadvantaged areas in BARMM.

The Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP) and UNDP, through the joint Support to Peacebuilding and Normalization (SPAN) project furthermore:

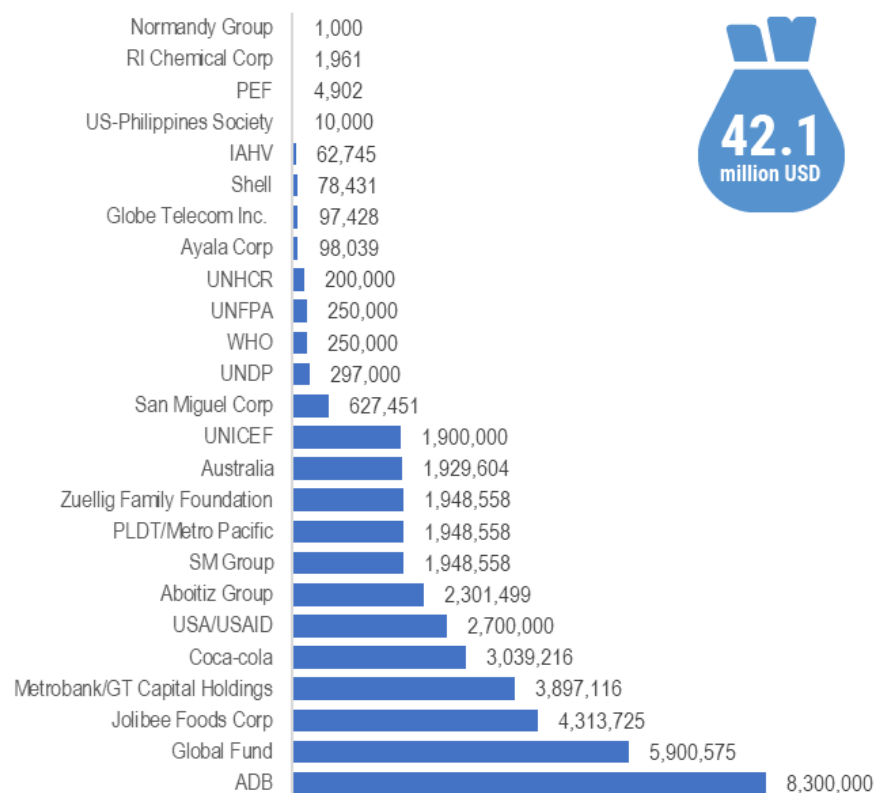
- Delivered 144 sacks of rice for the Joint Peace and Security Teams (JPSTs) in Cotabato City. JPSTs are composed of contingents from the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), the MILF's Bangsamoro Islamic Armed Forces (MILF-BIAF), the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and the Philippine National Police, and are tasked with maintaining peace and security. The JPSTs are also providing support in the response against COVID-19.
- Continuous support to 111 decommissioned MILF combatants currently stranded in Simuay, Maguindanao, after community quarantines in Cotabato, Zamboanga, and Sulu were implemented due to the spread of COVID19, as well as suspension of air, land, and sea travel. OPAPP and UNDP are jointly facilitating accommodation, meals, and basic necessities, including hygiene kits and health supplies, including for transportation back to Sulu once quarantines are lifted.

World Vision provided 3 Mobile Storage Units (MSU) to the Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (QCDRRMO), the Hope II Community Caring Facility and to the Office of Civil Defense (OCD). World Vision also donated 9 42m² tents the Lung Center of the Philippines (3), the East Avenue Medical Center (2), Dr Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital (3), and the New Bilibid Prison Hospital (1).

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 3 April, WHO received more than US\$ 274.1 million and an additional US\$ 46.6 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

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	
IAHV	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	
Japan 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, CatIII, type 4b		72,380
	Faceshield, fog-resistant, fullface, disp		33,000
	Mask, high-fil, FFP2/N95, no valve, nonster		48,000
	Mask, surgic, typellR, 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	
	50 kVA generator	2	
WHO (with USAID funding)	Laboratory supplies	<i>E-gene EAV kits</i>	115
		<i>RdRP-gene kits</i>	95
		<i>N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials</i>	12
		<i>Universal Transport Media viral kit</i>	2,350
		<i>Regular Flocked Swab</i>	2,000
		<i>Flexible Mini Tip</i>	2,000
	Extraction kits	<i>QIAgen Qlamp Viral RNA Mini Kit</i>	14
		<i>SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR</i>	3
World Vision	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (4 goggles, 4 aprons, 4 N95 masks, 200 surgical caps, 100 gloves, 200 shoe covers)	458	
	Disinfectant kits	30	