

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

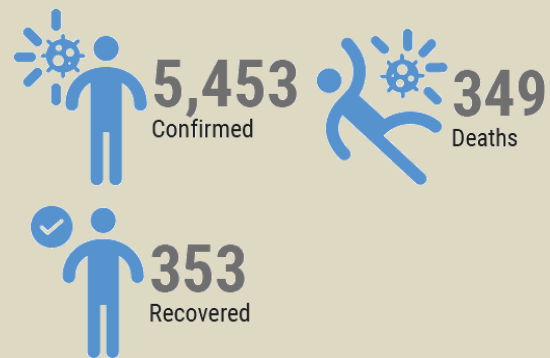
Situation Report 19 Philippines 15 April 2020

Data reported by the Department of Health on 15 April 2020

Highlights

- **Out of the total 5,453 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 55% are male, with the most affected age group 60-69 years (19.7%)**
- **72% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by CALABARZON (15%) and Central Luzon (5%)**
- **Out of the 349 confirmed deaths, 69.5% are male, with the most affected age group over 70 years (33.7%)**
- **57% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CALABARZON (20%) and Central Luzon (8%)**
- **Laboratory network expanded to 16 certified laboratories currently able to conduct COVID19 tests.**
- **Ten tons of raw materials arrived in Manila to start with the local manufacturing of high quality Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), thanks to support from the private sector through UPS and the Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF)**
- **Online IPC trainings already reached 225 healthcare workers from over 100 facilities in 10 regions and over 700 community health workers between 6 and 15 April**
- **Government continuing its efforts to set up community quarantine and treatment centres.**

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://covid19.healthphilippines.ph/>

<https://www.doh.gov.ph/covid19tracker>

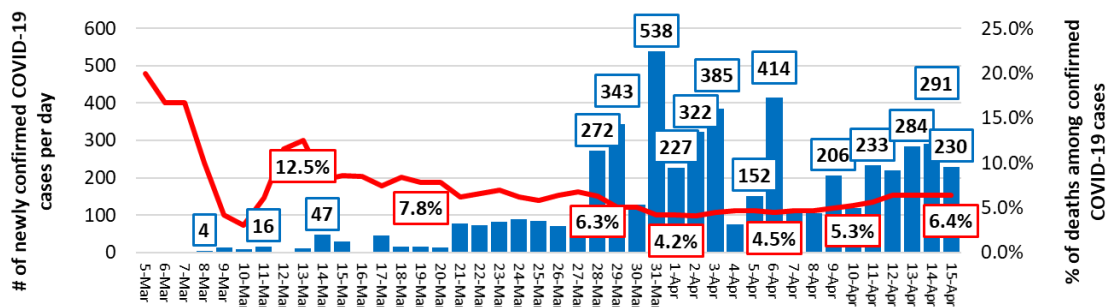
<http://www.covid19.gov.ph/>

Current Situation

As of 15 April, a total of 5,453 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 349 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

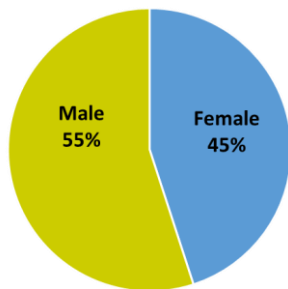
Out of total 349 confirmed deaths, 69.5% are male, with most affected age group over 70 (33.7%), followed by 60-69 years of age (33%). 78% of deaths had either one or several known co-morbidities like diabetes, kidney disease, hypertension, and cardiac disease.

Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines
5- 15 April 2020 (N=5,453)

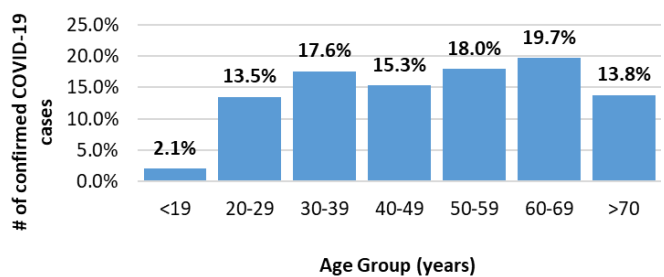


Among the 5,453 confirmed cases, 2,999 are male (55%) and 2,454 are female (45%). The most affected age groups are 60-69 (19.7%) followed by 50-59 years (18.0%).

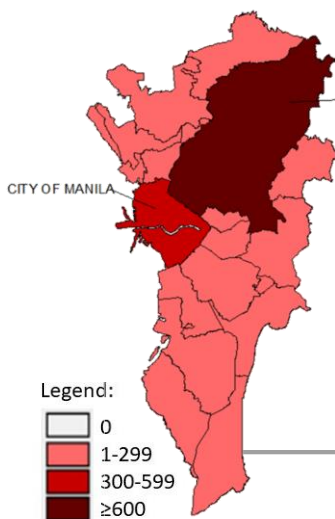
Gender distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %
18 January-15 April 2020 (N=5,453)



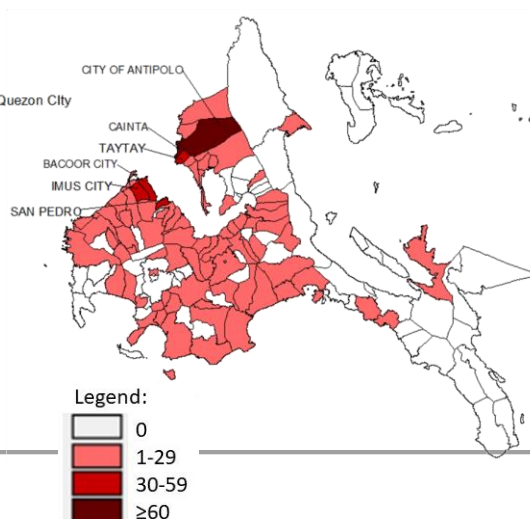
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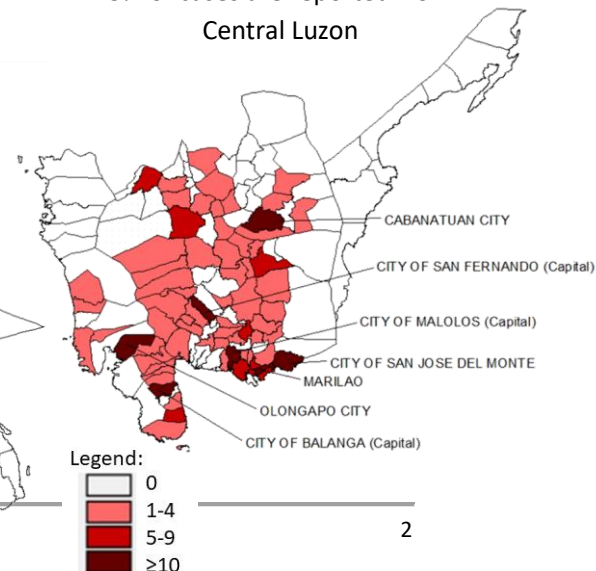
72% of cases are reported from NCR



15% of cases are reported from CALABARZON



5% of cases are reported from Central Luzon



Country readiness and response operations

Country-level coordination

Health cluster coordination meetings are ongoing between government, UN, NGO, donor and private sector. All clusters are aiming for an integrated approach among health, WASH, Nutrition, Sexual and Reproductive Health, and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) sub-clusters, as well as specific health cluster coordination for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM).

The Department of Health (DOH) has requested partners specifically for support with MHPSS, particularly focusing on mental health and wellbeing aspects of health workers.

DOH issued the following guidelines:

- [*Interim Guidelines on the Manufacture of Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\), Ventilators, and Respirators in Light of the COVID-19 Situation*](#) Department Circular April 13, 2020
- [*Revised Administrative Order No. 2020-0012 Guidelines for the Inclusion of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) in the list of Notifiable Diseases for Mandatory Reporting to the Department of Health dated March 17 2020*](#) Administrative Order April 09, 2020
- [*Guidance on Misting or Spraying for COVID-19*](#) Department Circular April 09, 2020
- [*Interim Guidelines on Expanded Testing for COVID-19*](#) Department Circular April 09, 2020
- [*Guidelines on the Use of Telemedicine in COVID-19 Response*](#) Memorandum Circular April 07, 2020
- [*Guidance on Use of COVID-19 Rapid Antibody-based Test Kits*](#) Department Circular March 31, 2020

Guidelines for Primary Care, Hospital Care, and PPE Use by Healthcare Workers have been made available online by the Philippine Society for Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (PSMID). The documents are summarized and comprehensive compilation of DOH, WHO and other guidelines that will aid in management of COVID-19 patients by healthcare workers from both the community and hospital levels

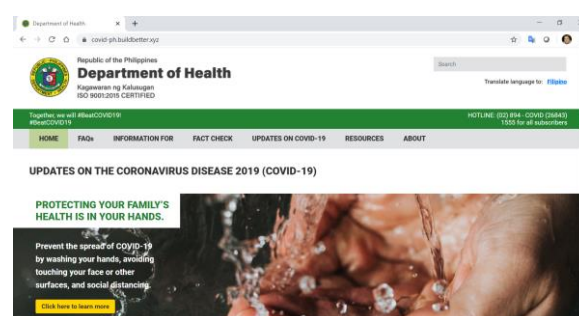
<https://www.psmid.org/unified-covid-19-algorithms-1/>.

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

Risk communication

The second round of community-based listening has begun this week, with improved and expanded the questions to monitor compliance to preventive behaviours. This activity is done by WHO, OCHA, UNICEF and Community of Practice and Community Engagement (CoPce) partners.

With support from USAID, DOH launched a new website dedicated to COVID-19, including all relevant advisories, educational materials, infographics, etc. <https://covid19.healthphilipinas.ph/>



Surveillance

Besides the DOH COVID-19 Case Tracker available at <https://www.doh.gov.ph/covid19tracker>, DOH also launched the COVID-19 Data Drop, where all data is available for download bit.ly/DOHDataDrop



National laboratory system

An additional 6 public and private hospital laboratories were added to the network of laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing, all located in NCR, currently totalling 16.

Among the newly added laboratories are the Philippine Red Cross (PRC) and the Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences (AFRIMS) Molecular Laboratory at the Victoriano Luna Medical Centre support from the (AFPMC-AFRIMS Collaborative) in Quezon City.

Further assessments are ongoing in Eastern Visayas, Cotabato and Caraga between joint teams from the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM), DOH, and WHO.

DOH issued a Department Circular on 8 April on the **Designation of National Training Centre for Biosafety and Biosecurity (NTCBB) of the University of the Philippines National Institute for Health (UP NIH) as a training provider for Biosafety and Biosecurity** to support RITM in ensuring the continuation of training of laboratory staff. The NTCBB Online Biosafety Education and Awareness Training (BEAT) is offered for free on 14 April-14 May 2020 for laboratory personnel who will be handling COVID-19. For further information please click [here](#).

The Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP) is providing 3,000 Xpert SARS CoV 2 cartridges this week to support with laboratory testing for COVID-19 using Xpert technology.

Infection prevention and control

Online Infection, Prevention and control (IPC) trainings for hospital workers conducted by the USAID-funded Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) program already reached 225 healthcare workers from over 100 facilities from 10 regions. Trainings continue until the end of April. Interested partners can sign up for [online registration](#), or visit the [landing page for the virtual training](#)

UNICEF already reached over 700 community health workers with its online IPC trainings between 6 and 15 April. Trainings are free and anyone interested is able to attend.

PDRF also supported with online trainings for over 90 health care professionals all over the country from public and private sector.

Ten tons of raw materials arrived in Manila to start with the local manufacturing of high quality PPE, thanks to support from the private sector through UPS and PDRF.

Case management and continuity of essential services

Besides local production of PPE, PDRF is also planning to start manufacturing mechanical ventilators locally in the Philippines, aiding the local economy badly affected by the ongoing quarantine.

PDRF furthermore reached over 7.6 million vulnerable people affected by the ongoing community quarantine through its Project Ugnayan, in close collaboration with the Archdiocese of Manila through priests, nuns and lay volunteers.

PhilHealth issued circulars on COVID-19 related benefit packages covering (1) testing, (2) community-based isolation of mild cases, and (3) inpatient care of severe to critical cases; also, one for the full financial risk protection of health care workers.

CERTIFIED LABORATORIES FOR COVID-19 TESTING

Region	City	Health Facility/Laboratory
NCR	Muntinlupa	Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM)
CAR	Baguio	Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center (BGHMC)
NCR	Manila	San Lazaro Hospital (SLH)
VII	Cebu	Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center (VSMC)
XI	Davao City	Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC)
NCR	Manila	UP National Institutes of Health (UP NIH)
NCR	Quezon City	Lung Center of the Philippines (LCP)
VI	Iloilo City	Western Visayas Medical Center (WVMC)
V	Legazpi City	Bicol Regional Diagnostic and Reference Laboratory
NCR	Quezon City	St. Luke's Medical Center- QC
NCR	Pasig	The Medical City - Ortigas
NCR	Quezon City	Victoriano Luna Hospital (in coord. w AFRIMS)
NCR	Mandaluyong City	Detoxicare Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory
NCR	Taguig City	St. Luke's Medical Center - BGC
NCR	Makati	Makati Medical Center
NCR	Mandaluyong City	Philippine Red Cross

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PROJECT PAGASA
COVID-19 TRAINING OF TRAINER (TOT)
FOR PHILIPPINE HEALTH WORKERS

PROJECT PAGASA is a joint initiative of the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies at the Watson Institute of Brown University, Project HOPE, and Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation.

This COVID-19 training will teach and evaluate trainees on core competencies, including biology and transmission mechanisms; infection prevention and control; contact tracing; screening and triage; diagnosis and management; stabilization and resuscitation; health facility operations and surge capacity; and risk communication and public health messaging.

Classes will start on April 13 to April 16, 2020 (6:30 PM to 10:00 PM) via Zoom Webinar.

Training Instructors from Brown University (USA)

- Alexis Kearney, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, Clinical Education
- Adam C. Levine, MD, MPH, Director, Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies, Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine
- Adam Alaliso, MD, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
- John Foggie, MD, MBA, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine

For inquiries: PREPLAB@PDRF.ORG.PH

The Social Action Network COVID-19 Response raised more than 1 billion pesos for the establishment of the Community Caritas Kindness Stations, distribution of relief goods, providing phone counselling, shelter, transportation and foods to frontliners and families, and fundraising for PPEs and medical supplies.

The Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) signed a Joint Memorandum Circular 2020-001 on the **Reiteration of Protocols on Reaching Out to Children, Including Those in Street Situations, In Need of Special Protection, Children at Risk, and Children in Conflict with the Law during the Enhanced Community Quarantine.**

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ePch2Yu4cOI_9dRpO-Cxxj82obuLsQJ3

UNICEF is planning to conduct webinars to advocate for child protection and adolescent health.

CWC also developed social media cards for children and adolescents affected by and/or living with HIV.

<https://www.facebook.com/CWCgovph/posts/2754024251387563>.

Mga Gabay at Panuntunan para sa Proteksyon ng mga Kabataang Namumuhay na may HIV Laban sa COVID-19



Ang COVID-19 ay isang bagong diskubrenang sakit na dulot ng corona virus. Ang mga sintomas nito ay ubo't sipon, lagnat, pag-iksi ng paghinga o hirap sa paghinga.

Karamihan (80%) ng positibo sa COVID-19 ay nakararanas ng "mild" na sintomas. Ngunit ang ilan ay maaring magresulta sa malubhang sakit tulad ng Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome, pneumonia, problema sa bato at pagkamatay.

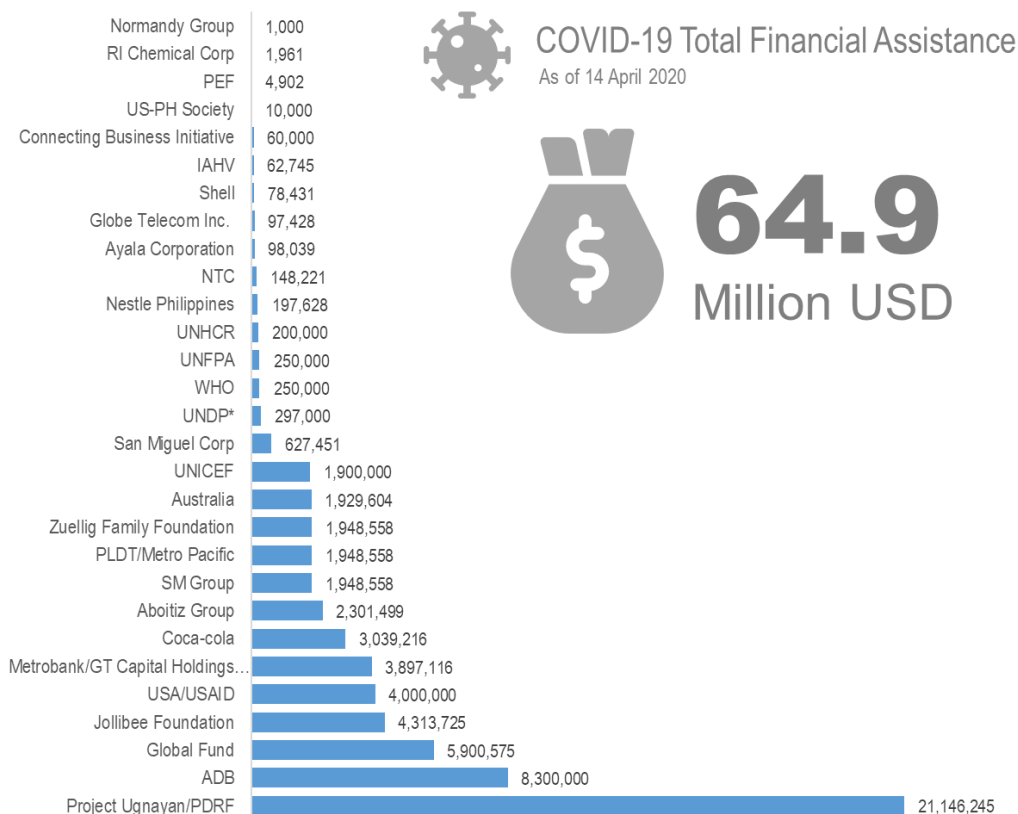


in partnership with 

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 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

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	
UNFPA	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
	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
UNICEF	Women and Child Protection Unit equipment		1
	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	2
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	