

# Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

## Situation Report 33 Philippines 20 May 2020

Data reported by the Department of Health on 20 May 2020

### Highlights

- **Out of the total 13,221 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 54% are male, with the most affected age group 30-39 years (21.6%) followed by 20-29 (17.3%)**
- **65.0% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by Central Visayas (13.8%), CALABARZON (11.0%), and Central Luzon (3.4%)**
- **Out of the 842 confirmed deaths, 64% are male, with the most affected age group over 70 years (37.0%) followed by 60-69 years (31.3%)**
- **73.2% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CALABARZON (11.6%), 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**
- **DOH and National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRMMC) developing guidelines for typhoon preparedness in COVID- context 19, to reduce risk of transmission in evacuation shelters as experienced during Tropical Storm Ambo**
- **Currently 31 laboratories using PCR and 6 for GeneXpert accredited for COVID-19 testing. Latest addition: Lucena United Doctors Hospital and Medical Center in Quezon Province, and Dr Jose N Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium in Caloocan City**
- **According to DOH among all confirmed cases, 89.4% are mild**
- **100% of all health facilities are regularly reporting to DOH's DataCollectApp showing less than 38% occupancy rate of ward beds, ICU beds and isolation beds for COVID-19 patients**

### PHILIPPINES SITUATION IN NUMBERS



### Beat COVID-19 Today

A COVID-19 Philippine Situationer

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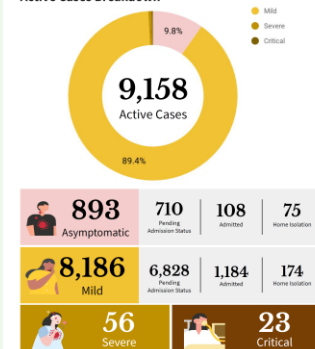
#### Highlights and Recent Updates on COVID-19

- DOH recorded **9,158 active cases** as of May 18, with majority of the patients exhibiting **mild symptoms** (8,186; 89.4%).
- There are now **31 licensed laboratories** performing RT-PCR test while there are **six (6) licensed laboratories** using GeneXpert cartridges for COVID-19 testing.
- A total of 2,315 (19% of all cases) healthcare workers have been affected by COVID-19, with 974 recoveries and 35 deaths.
- DOH has approved a total of 6,225 slots for hiring in 135 health facilities. A total of 2,406 health workers have been hired in 168 hospitals and quarantine facilities (COVID referral hospitals, DOH hospitals, LGU hospitals, private diagnostic facility, airport units).
- As of May 18, a total of 408 repatriate vessels have been processed. Of these, 56 vessels arrived with a total of 14,333 repatriates under quarantine directly supervised by BOQ for monitoring and PNP for security; while 352 vessels with 19,240 repatriates are under quarantine directly supervised by OWWA for monitoring and PCG for security. At present, 68 vessels are being processed.
- DOH reiterates to the public the importance of embracing the New Normal in their everyday lives. Following the minimum health standards in hotels and inns is essential to keep everyone healthy and safe. Everyone is further advised to maintain a healthy diet and to exercise regularly. Wearing of face masks at all times and frequent washing of hands using soap and water for at least 20 seconds should be practiced.

#### Case Summary As of May 18, 2020

<b>12,718</b> Total Cases	<b>12,513</b> Previous day	<b>205</b> Additional Cases
<b>2,729</b> Recoveries	<b>94</b> Added	<b>831</b> Deaths
<b>9,158</b> Active Cases	(net of recoveries and deaths)	

#### Active Cases Breakdown



#### Probable Cases

As of May 18, 2020

<b>801</b> Total Cases
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SEVERE: Pneumonia, Difficulty of Breathing  
CRITICAL: Intubated

#### Suspect Cases

<b>24,332</b> Total Cases
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SUSPECT CASES: Previously termed as PUIs (mild or critical) with no test done or awaiting test results.

<https://covid19.healthphilippines.ph/>

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

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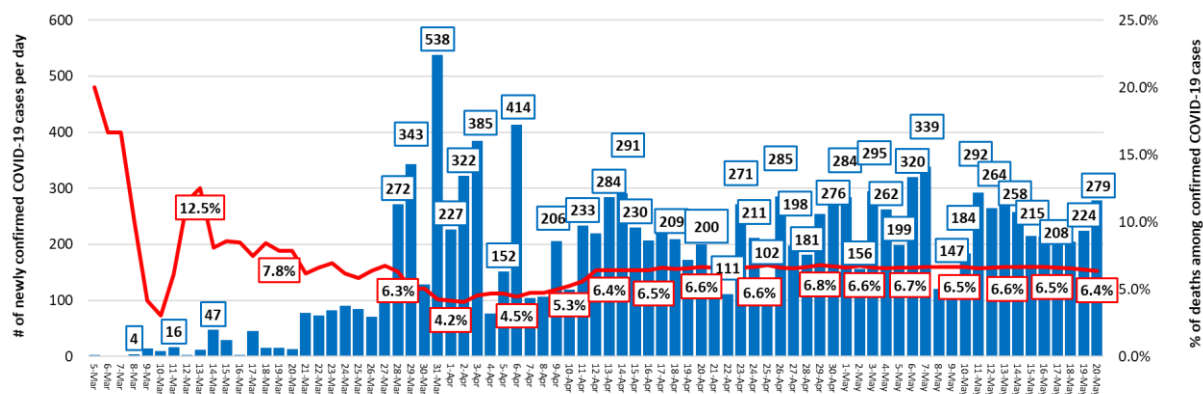
<https://www.lguvsocovid.ph/>

## Current Situation

As of 20 May, a total of 13,221 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 842 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

### Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines

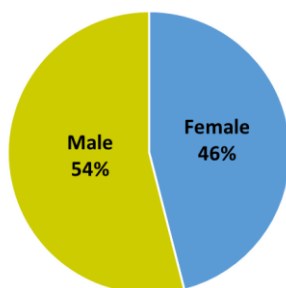
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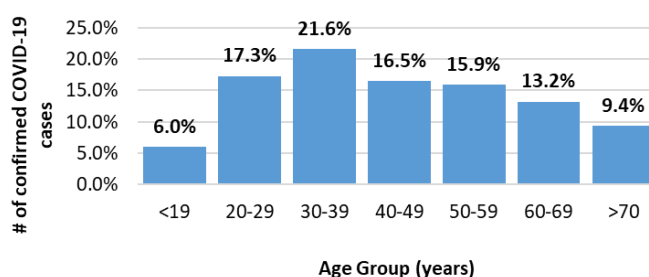
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18 January-20 May 2020 (N=13,221)



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

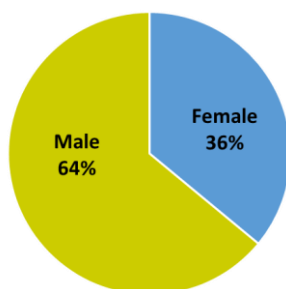
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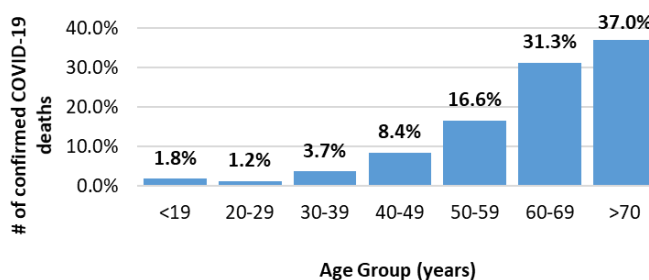
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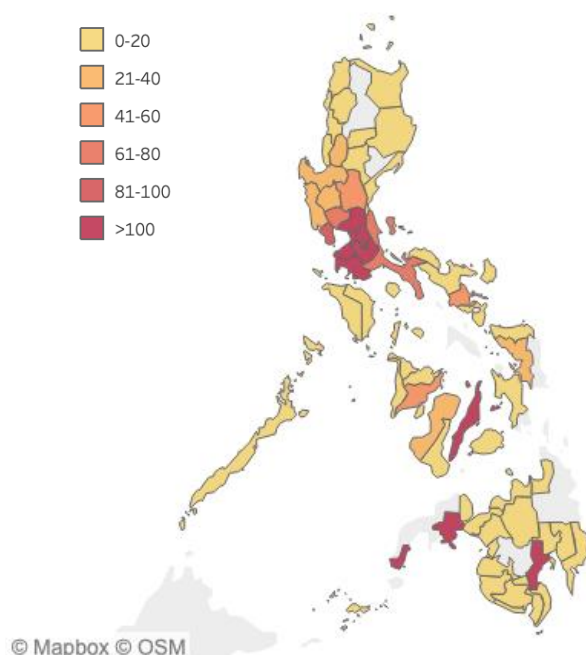


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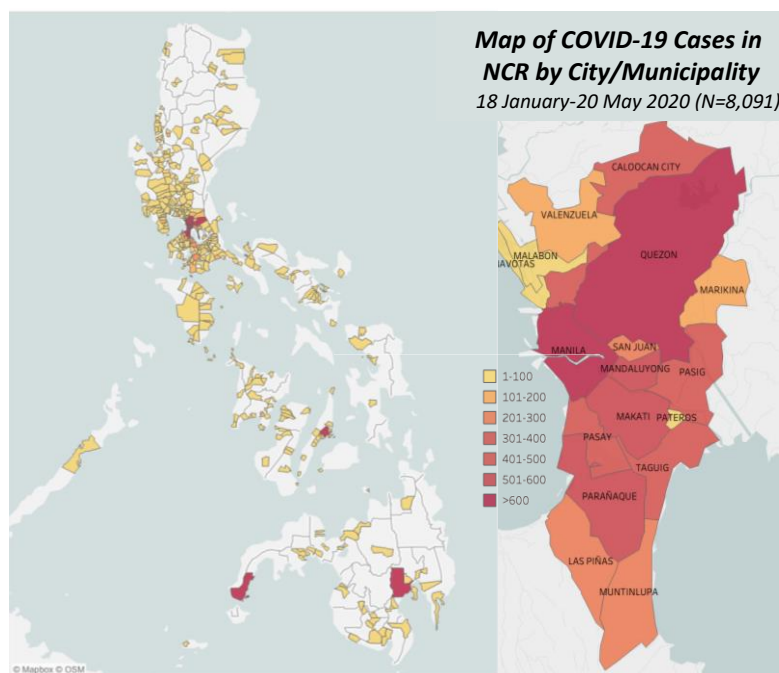
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**Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by province**  
18 January-20 May 2020 (N=13,221)



**Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by city/municipality**  
18 January-20 May 2020 (N=13,221)



**Map of COVID-19 Cases in NCR by City/Municipality**  
18 January-20 May 2020 (N=8,091)

## Country readiness and response operations

### Country-level coordination

DOH issued Department Memorandum 0220 *Interim Guidelines on the Return-to-Work* on 11 May 2020, aimed to prevent, control, and reduce infection in the workplace, including proper social distancing and disinfection in place, as well as effective screening and testing of staff.

The Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) issued the *Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine* on 15 May 2020, further clarifying the differences between the different types of community quarantine in place in the country, as outlined in the below table.

Type	Details	Until May 31
ECQ	Enhanced Community Quarantine: temporary measures imposing stringent limitations on movement and transportation of people, strict regulation of operating industries, provision of good and essential services, and heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce community quarantine protocols	Cebu City, Mandaue City
MECQ	Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ): transition phase between ECQ and GCQ, when these temporary measures are relaxed: stringent limiting [of] movement and transportation of people, strict regulation of operating industries, provision of food and essential services, and heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce community quarantine protocols become less necessary	Metro Manila, Bataan, Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, Zambales, Angeles City, Laguna
GCQ	General Community Quarantine: temporary measures limiting movement and transportation, regulation of operating industries, and presence of uniformed personnel to enforce community quarantine protocols.	rest of the country
MGCQ	Modified General Community Quarantine: transition phase between GCQ and New Normal, when these temporary measures are relaxed: limiting movement and transportation, the regulation of operating industries, and the presence of uniformed personnel to enforce community quarantine protocols become less necessary.	None

The latest DOH situationers are available here:

- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer019](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer019) 16 May 2020
- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer020](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer020) 17 May 2020
- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer021](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer021) 18 May 2020
- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer022](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer022) 19 May 2020
- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer023](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer023) 20 May 2020

## Risk communication

With many parts of the country transiting from (Modified) Enhanced Community Quarantine to General Community Quarantine, a large influx of people is returning back to work, proportionally increasing the risk of transmission of COVID-19. Avoiding of overcrowding, maintaining minimum hygiene and social distancing standards are crucial in reducing chances of infection.



4,000 people attended an online forum on Redefining "Learning" organized by the Department of Education with support from UNICEF, through a Facebook Live session on 12 May →

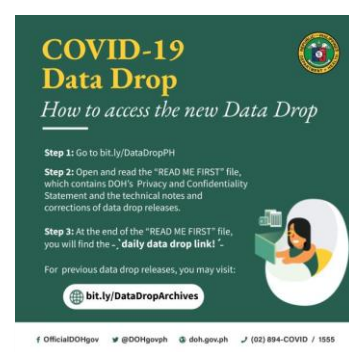
← DOH issued guidelines developed jointly with WHO, UNICEF, USAID and other partners on *Communicating with Communities on COVID-19* for frontliners such as Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERT), community health workers, volunteers and social mobilizers.



Internews, together with Translators without Borders, Standby Taskforce and BBC Media Action, released a *third rumours bulletin*, with analysis of 2,163 rumours collected from 23 January to 8 May in different languages, including Tagalog.

## Surveillance

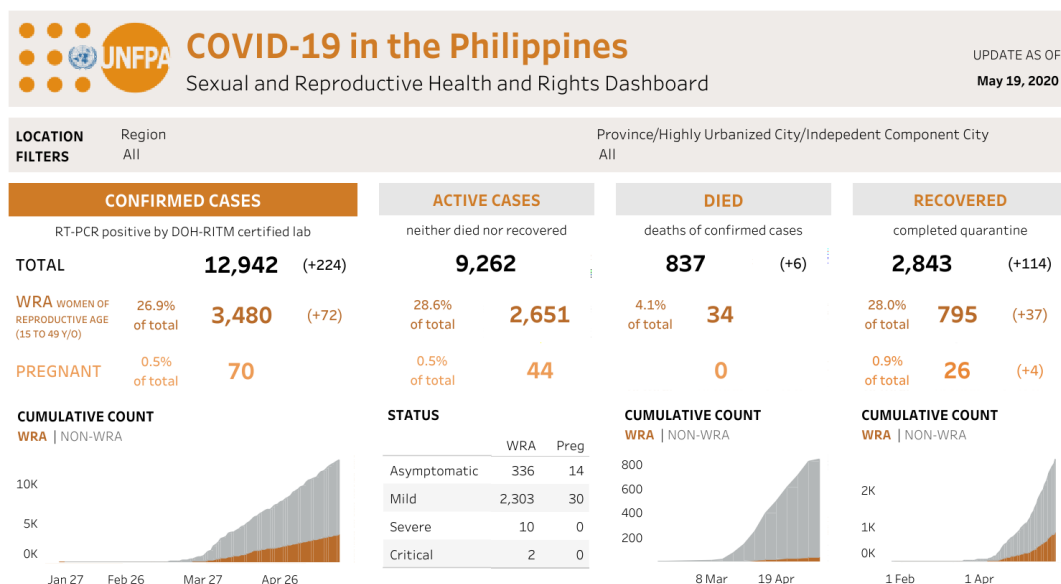
DOH updated the COVID-19 Data Drop, with all relevant statistics regularly updated freely and broadly accessible to all at: [bit.ly/DataDropPH](https://bit.ly/DataDropPH)



WHO is supporting DOH in conducting training sessions on the mobile application COVID KAYA to Regional, Provincial, City, and Municipal Epidemiological Surveillance Units (ESUs). COVID KAYA aims to speed up data collection, analysis and reporting on suspect, probable, and confirmed cases, as well as identified contacts, directly linking case-based data with laboratory data.

Training efforts are being strengthened thanks to support from the USAID-supported ReachHealth in their respective target areas. The app is expected to significantly improve both timeliness and accuracy of all COVID-19 surveillance data.

UNFPA launched a Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Dashboard, in partnership with DOH, providing sex and age disaggregated data analysis of COVID-19 including the specific situation of women of reproductive age (15-49) especially pregnant women, available at <https://public.tableau.com/profile/unfpa.philippines>





## National laboratory system

The list of laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH expanded to 31. The latest laboratory added is the Lucena United Doctors Hospital and Medical Center in Quezon Province. In addition, there currently are 6 GeneXpert machines certified to conduct COVID-19 testing, with as most recent addition the Dr Jose N Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium in Tala, Caloocan City.

Daily testing capacity now exceeds 10,000 between all 37 certified laboratories throughout the country.

With support from the Global Fund, the Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP) delivered 21,000 GeneXpert cartridges, with an additional 139,000 cartridges in the pipeline.

WHO is supporting DOH and the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) with ongoing assessments of an additional 110 public and private laboratories which applied for accreditation.

WHO and DOH have not endorsed any rapid antibody tests, in spite of an increasing number being certified by the Food and Drug Administration. The gold standard for laboratory testing in the Philippines remains PCR.

## Infection prevention and control

DOH's *Interim Guidelines on the Rational Use of PPE for COVID-19* issued on 2 April 2020 are available at [bit.ly/RationalUsePPE](https://bit.ly/RationalUsePPE)

UNICEF has so far trained over 3,500 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 3,500 hospitals workers on IPC and 900 on health care waste management. Trainings are continuing and anyone can sign up at [landing page for the virtual training](#).

WHO issued interim guidance on *Cleaning and disinfection of environmental surfaces in the context of COVID-19*, stating:

- Spraying individuals with disinfectants is **not** recommended as it can be physically and psychologically harmful
- Routine application of disinfectants to environmental surfaces by spraying or fogging in indoor spaces is **not** recommended
- Spraying or fumigation of outdoor spaces, such as streets or marketplaces is **not** recommended to kill because disinfectant is inactivated by dirt and debris.

Americares distributed 3,800 N95 masks in Cebu to the Provincial Health Office, Bogu and Danao Provincial Hospitals, Sogod District Hospital, Metro Cebu Kidney Dialysis Centre, and Inayawan Birthing Centre.

**Rational Use of PPE for COVID-19**

USE THE LINK BELOW:  
[bit.ly/RationalUsePPE](https://bit.ly/RationalUsePPE)

As of April 23, 2020

How can our hospital request for PPE?  
Request letter addressed to "Sec. Francisco T. Duque III, Secretary of Health" then email to [covid19logistics@gmail.com](mailto:covid19logistics@gmail.com).

**For public/private hospitals WITHIN NCR:**  
Email request letter to [covid19logistics@gmail.com](mailto:covid19logistics@gmail.com)

**For public/private hospitals OUTSIDE NCR:**  
Email request letter to Center for Health Development (CHDs) who will collect, collate and send to the DOH Central Office

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UNICEF supported IPC training in Tongkil RHU in Sulu ↑



Americares distributed 3,800 N95 masks in Cebu ↑

ICRC trained 173 graduates from the BJMP National Jail Management and Training Institute in Calamba on IPC and Management of the Dead ↓





United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) is conducting a Webinar On Infectious Waste Management on 21 May 2020. Registration [here](#).

With funding from the Australian government (Australian Aid), UNFPA handed over 130,000 sets of PPE to the Ministry of Interior and Local Government (MILG) in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), while WHO provided a large quantity of PPE to DOH's Drug Recovery Clinics and Rehabilitation Centers. UNICEF also delivered a large number of PPE and 32 tents to DOH (details in the logistics table).



### Case management and continuity of essential services

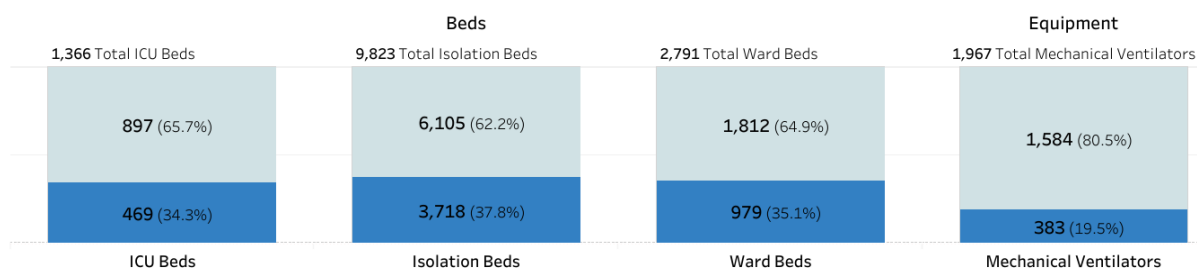
Between 1 January and 2 May 2020, a total of 29,343 cases of Influenza Like Illness (ILI) were reported in the Philippines, including 66 deaths. This is a 45% decrease compared to the same period last year, when 53,652 cases were reported including 7 deaths.

Between 1 January and 2 May 2020, a total of 3,359 measles cases were reported in the Philippines, including 33 deaths. This is a 91% decrease compared to the same period last year, when 38,586 cases were reported including 548 deaths. Among the newly reported cases in 2020, 61% was not vaccinated, with 16% not knowing the vaccination status.

Similarly, between 1 January and 2 May 2020, 48,194 dengue cases were reported, including 169 deaths. This is a 40% decrease compared to the same period last year, when 80,444 cases were re-reported, including 387 deaths.

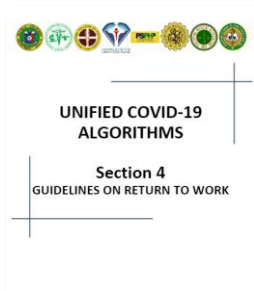
AVAILABILITY OF BEDS & MECHANICAL VENTILATORS IN DIFFERENT FACILITIES

Reported Daily by Facilities  
Status: Occupied | Available



Note: These are beds dedicated exclusively for COVID-19 patients. 100% of facilities (1,877 out of 1,877) have reported bed availability on the DOH DataCollect app.  
Disclaimer: As of 18 May 2020, there are 13,980 total dedicated beds for COVID-19 in facilities, and 1,967 mechanical ventilators. The graph above shows utilisation in facilities that have submitted to the DOHDataCollect App only. Please interpret with caution as we improve data submission of all hospitals through the app.





WHO organised its 3<sup>rd</sup> **Facebook Live Session** on the availability of COVID-19 treatments and vaccines, to address the many rumours and misinformation existing on these topics.

The unified COVID-19 algorithms for healthcare workers from both community and hospital levels, issued **Section 4: Guidelines on Return to Work** <https://www.psmid.org/unified-covid-19-algorithms-4/>. Earlier issued sections include guidelines for Primary Care, Hospital Care, and PPE Use by Healthcare Workers.

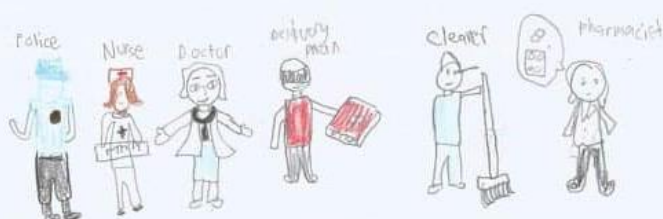
620 participants from LGUs, civil society organizations, and UN attended a webinar on **Reimagining Resilience: The Role of LGUs on Early Recovery and Resilience Planning and Programming for COVID-19** on 12 May co-facilitated by the University of the Philippines School of Urban and Regional Planning and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG).

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) conducted a 2<sup>nd</sup> Webinar on Drug Use and Prison Health in Times of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

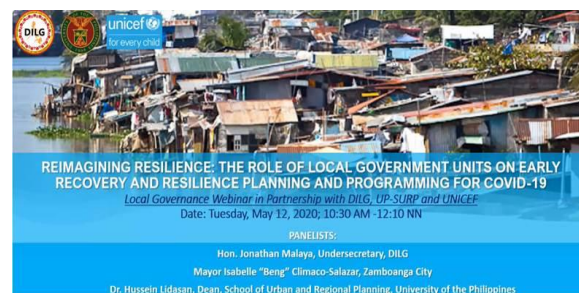
The Philippine Red Cross (PRC) and ICRC are assisting Cotabato Regional and Medical Center (CRMC) in the setup of 2 additional isolation tents which will cater up to 20 patients. ICRC delivered construction materials for sanitation facilities (4 Air Coolers, 8 sinks for handwashing, 4 showers and 4 toilets, installation of 2 septic tanks).

Americares reached 36 frontliners for Psychological First Aid from 10 health facilities in Cebu Province. Americares also distributed gratitude messages through art from children to frontliners during the visits to health facilities and in online support messaging through Facebook to boost their morale.

Thank you for  
Your Hardwork Frontliners



From: Jesu



The Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) donated ventilators and PPE to the Philippine General Hospital through Zuellig and Metro Drug ↓



PRC setting up isolation facility and ICRC delivering construction materials for sanitation facilities





# COVID-19 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

As of May 17, 2020 and moving forward

3,000,000 individuals to be reached with services

3 Billion pesos to be raised for the PRC COVID-19 Operations



[www.redcross.org.ph](http://www.redcross.org.ph)

## HOW TO DONATE

Account Name:  
PHILIPPINE RED CROSS

**BDO**

PESO Savings: 00-453-0018647  
DOLLAR Savings: 10-453-0039482  
Swift Code: BNOR PHMM

**BPI**

PESO Savings: 4991-0036-52  
DOLLAR Savings: 4994-0103-15  
Swift Code: BOPH PHMM  
Reference Code:  
Name of Donor / Contact No.

**METROBANK**

PESO Savings: 151-7-151524342  
DOLLAR Savings: 151-2-151002182  
Swift Code: MBTC PHMM

**SECURITY BANK**

PESO Savings: 0132-0624-6400-3  
DOLLAR Savings: 0132-0624-6400-4

Philippine Red Cross  
4 Pillars of COVID-19 Response

## SURVEILLANCE

**HOTLINE 1158**

**3,968**

Phone Calls received by NHQ (Helpline 1158) and provided with appropriate referral pertaining to COVID-19

**855**

Phone Calls received by local chapters and provided with appropriate referral pertaining to COVID-19



**1,065**

Communities reached with community-based surveillance

**20,287**

Families profiled with community-based surveillance

**3,762**

RC 143 volunteers mobilized on community-based surveillance



## SUPPORT TO HEALTH CARE SYSTEM AND AUTHORITIES



**379,809**

surgical masks distributed to health and frontline workers

**9,843**

washable masks distributed to health and frontline workers

**7,328**

personal protective equipment distributed to health and frontline workers



**3**

established Molecular Laboratories in Metro Manila. Ongoing construction of 4 additional molecular laboratories. (Subic, Clark, Cebu, Batangas)

**57,774**

individuals tested using the kits and specialized equipment.



**285**

suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases transported.

**6**

units of specialized negative pressure ambulance units acquired.



**195**

established welfare desks

**2,277**

provided with psychological support program

**275**

Cadaver bags provided



**57**

Medical tents provided to 22 private and public hospitals.



**1,223**

hygiene kits provided to suspected and confirmed COVID-19 patients

## COMMUNITY ACTION



Ongoing profiling in 2 cities in Metro Manila for cash for relief.



**97,211**

provided with hot meals

**36,197**

provided with food packs



**8,211**

individuals provided with psychological first aid.

**345**

individuals restored family link



**182,477**

individuals reached and participated with hygiene promotion activities.

**15,387**

hygiene kits distributed

**392**

Jerry cans distributed



**610**

handwashing facilities installed and constructed.

**10**

Bathing facilities constructed in quarantine centers

**14**

Facilitated the installation of portable toilets for health care facilities



## BUSINESS CONTINUITY



**101**

Chapters are actively engaged with COVID-19 response

**181,110**

Face masks distributed to staff and volunteers from NHQ and Chapters

**1,688**

Personal protective equipments utilized by PRC frontline personnel



**95**

Chapters provided with disinfection equipment and tools and observing regular disinfection



**DAILY**

NHQ COVID-19 Task Force meeting being observed.

**WEEKLY**

Movement Operations Meeting being observed.

**WEEKLY**

updates being released



**3,000**

Staff mobilized and responded to COVID-19

**4,822**

Volunteers mobilized and responded to COVID-19

**351**

Vehicles mobilized and responded to COVID-19



NHQ and Chapters are covered by respective media partners.



## VICTORY AGAINST COVID-19



Volunteers + Logistics + Information Technology + PRC that is Always First Always Ready Always There



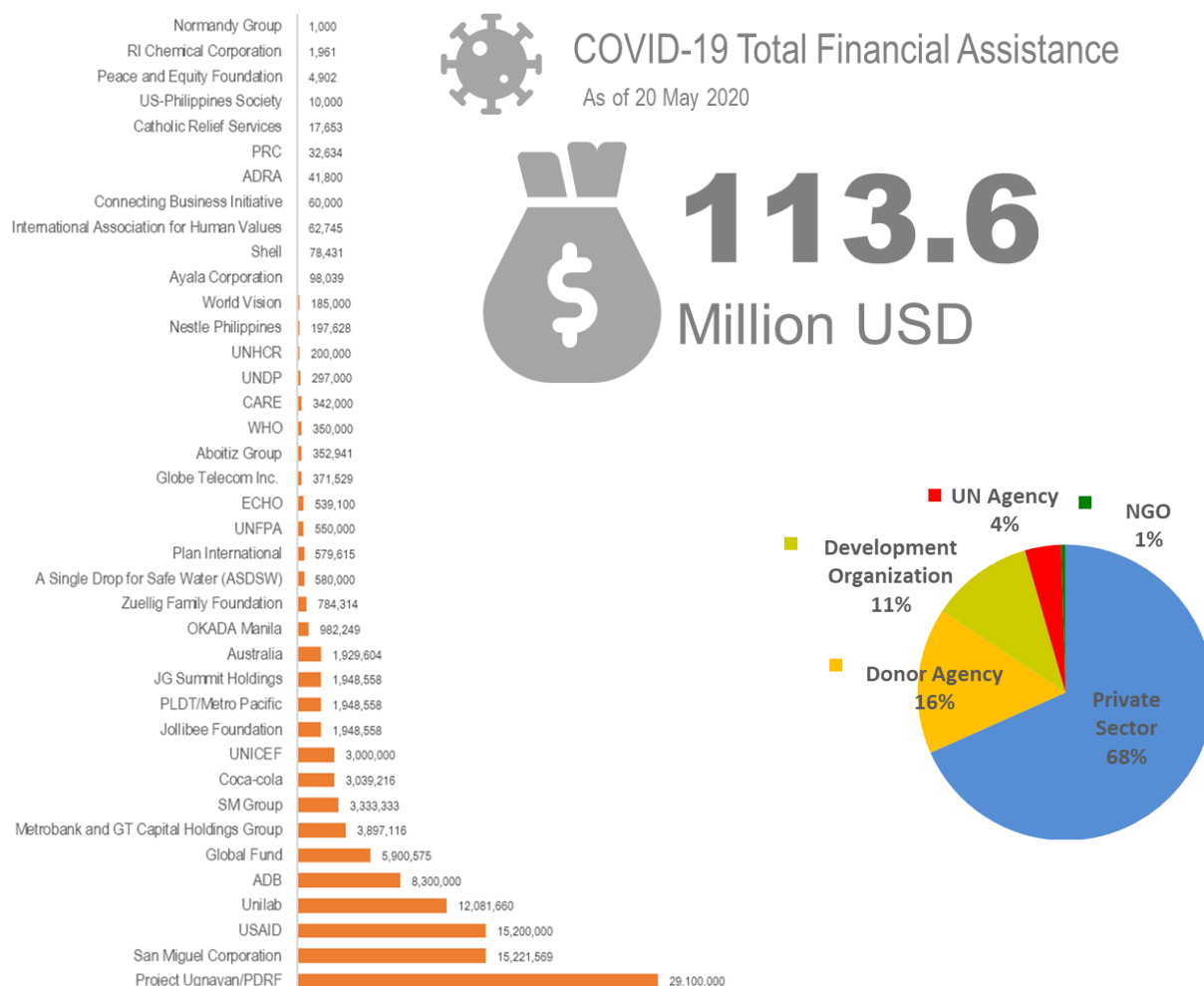
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## Resource mobilization

### Grant

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

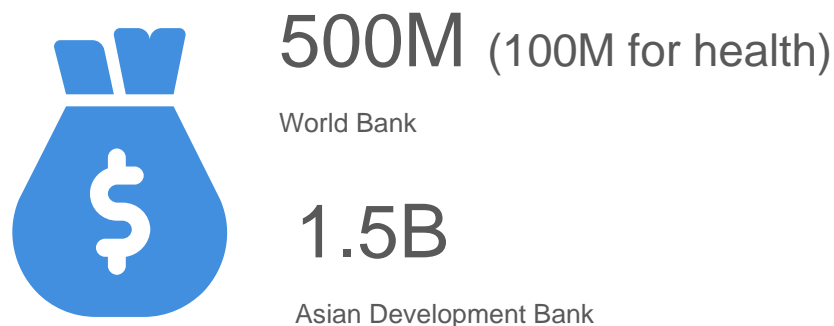


Please see for details of all items distributed so far by DOH: <https://bit.ly/DOHCommDistribution>.

As of 15 May, WHO received more than US\$ 624.5 million and an additional US\$ 167.1 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	
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	
IAHV	N95/KN95 Masks	34,922	
IMC	PPE (full set)	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 (full set)	2,000	
	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
Samaritan's Purse	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	3	
	Mattresses	150	
	PPE		1,500
UNDP	Ventilators		15
UNFPA	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 <sup>2</sup>	32	24
	Coveralls	20,860	51,520
	Faceshields	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
	Sanitation and cleaning kit		500
US government	Cots	1,300	
WFP	Mobile Storage Unit	3	
	50 kVA generator	2	
	Shower/toilet unit	1	
WHO (with USAID funding)	<b>Laboratory supplies</b>		
	<i>E-gene EAV kits</i>	335	
	<i>RdRP-gene kits</i>	99	
	<i>N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials</i>	12	7
	<i>Sanger sequencing reagents vials</i>	3	
	<i>Universal Transport Media viral kit</i>	14,350	
	<i>Flexible Mini Tip</i>	2,000	10,000
	<b>Extraction kits</b>		
	<i>QIAgen QIamp RNA Kit</i>	59	36
	<i>SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR</i>	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	
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