

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

Situation Report 36 Philippines 28 May 2020

Data reported by the Department of Health on 28 May 2020

Highlights

- **Out of the total 15,588 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 54% are male, with the most affected age group 30-39 years (21.9%) followed by 20-29 years (18.0%)**
- **64.6% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by Central Visayas (13.4%), CALABARZON (10.3%), and Central Luzon (3.4%)**
- **Out of the 921 confirmed deaths, 64% are male, with the most affected age group over 70 years (36.3%) followed by 60-69 years (30.6%)**
- **74.0% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CALABARZON (11.5%), Central Luzon (3.3%), and Central Visayas (3.1%)**
- **From the newly reported cases, the majority are from NCR (63.5%), followed by repatriated Overseas Filipino Workers (15.2%) and Central Visayas (9.7%)**
- **According to DOH among all confirmed cases, 91.6% are mild**
- **Department of Health (DOH) strongly emphasizing the importance of adherence to minimum precautionary measures, with NCR expected to transition into General Community Quarantine after 1 June**
- **Currently 34 laboratories using RT-PCR accredited for COVID-19 testing, as well as 8 laboratories using GeneXpert**
- **100% of health facilities are regularly reporting to DOH's DataCollectApp showing less than 38.1% occupancy rate of ward beds, ICU beds and isolation beds for COVID-19 patients**

PHILIPPINES SITUATION IN NUMBERS



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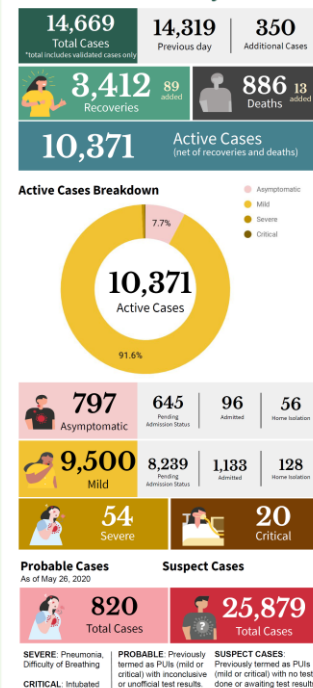
A COVID-19 Philippine Situationer

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Highlights and Recent Updates on COVID-19

- DOH recorded **10,371 active cases** as of May 26, with the majority of the patients exhibiting **mild symptoms** (9,500; 91.6%).
- A total of **2,437** (17% of all cases) **healthcare workers** have been affected by COVID-19, with 1,193 recoveries and 31 deaths.
- As of May 26, a total of **517 repatriate vessels** have been processed. Of these, **58 vessels** have arrived with a total of **14,393 repatriates** under quarantine directly supervised by BOQ for monitoring and PNP for security, while **459 vessels** with a total of **21,862 repatriates** are under quarantine directly supervised by OWWA for monitoring and PCG for security. There are currently **87 vessels** being processed.
- The current **DOH-managed cash** for COVID-19 health response is **P52 billion**. Majority of the total managed cash is allocated for case management related commodities such as **PPEs and medication** (P23.57 B; 45%).
- As of reporting, **204 health facilities** have requested for additional healthcare workers under the DOH's emergency hiring program.
- DOH has approved a total of **6,806 slots** for hiring in **204 facilities**. DOH has redeployed a total of **1,221 NDP nurses** (181 in Luzon and 1,036 in Visayas and Mindanao) to DOH and LGU hospitals handling COVID-19 cases.
- DOH reiterates the need for the public to **embrace the New Normal setting**. Everyone is encouraged to maintain good health in the midst of a pandemic by **exercising at home**.

Case Summary As of May 26, 2020



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

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

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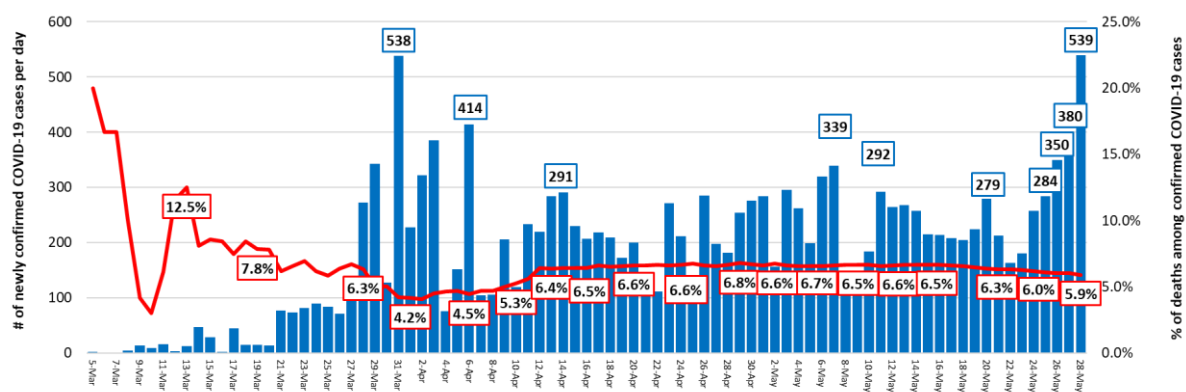
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Current Situation

As of 28 May, a total of 15,588 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 921 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines

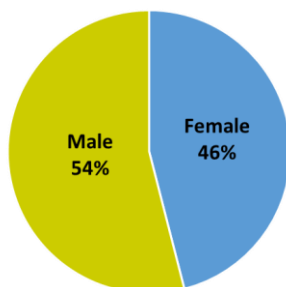
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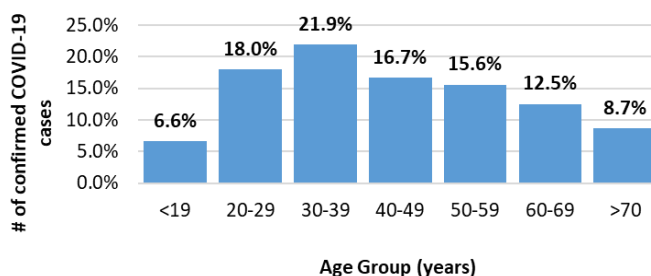
Gender distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

18 January-28 May 2020 (N=15,588)



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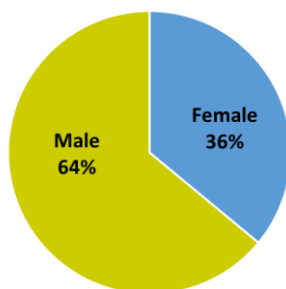
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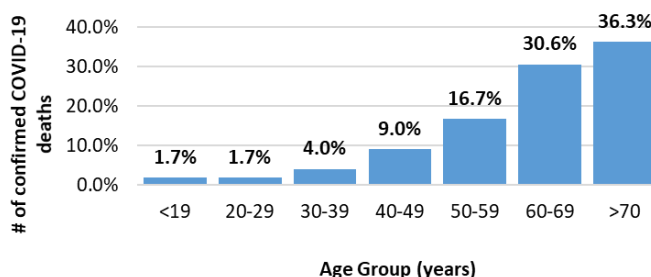
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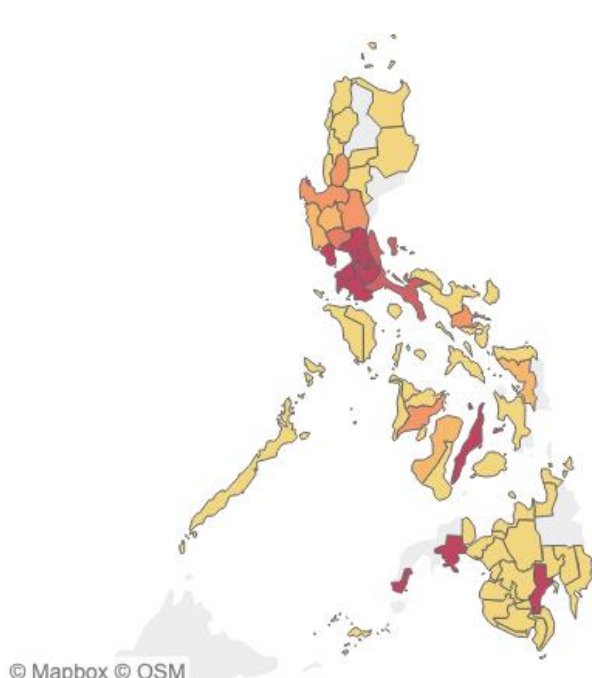


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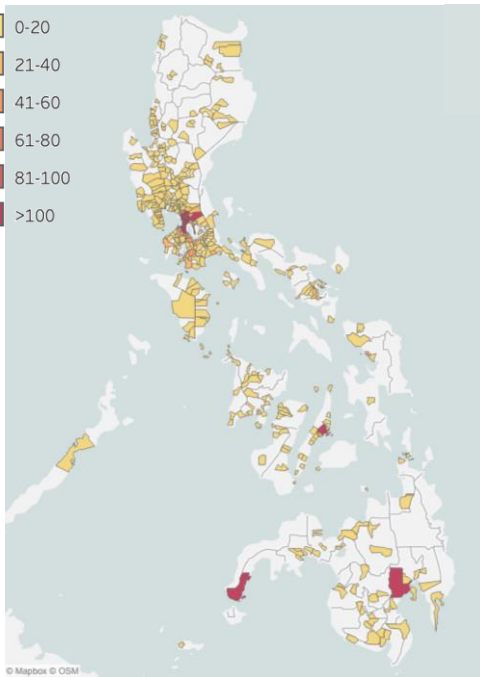
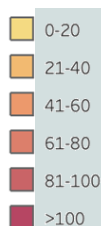
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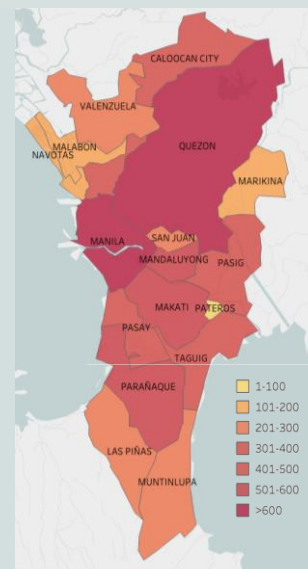
Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by province
18 January-28 May 2020 (N=15,588)



Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by city/municipality
18 January-28 May 2020 (N=15,588)



Map of COVID-19 Cases in NCR by City/Municipality
18 January-28 May 2020 (N=9,721)



Country readiness and response operations

Country-level coordination

The Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) issued Resolution #40 recommending transition to General Community Quarantine of the majority of the country with the exception of Cebu City, pending approval by the President.

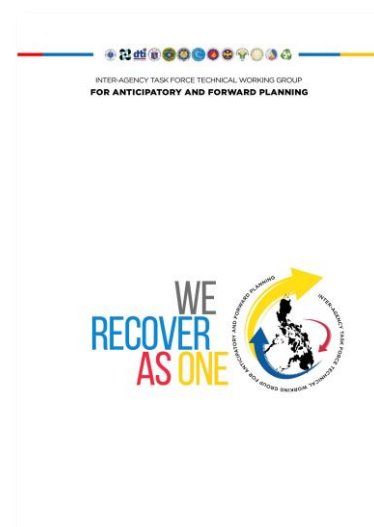
The Technical Working Group for Anticipatory and Forward Planning (TWG for AFP) of the IATF-EID led by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) issued **We Recover as One** with proposed priority policies, strategies, and legislative actions for the recovery in the 'new normal', downloadable at

<http://www.neda.gov.ph/we-recover-as-one/>

DOH organised a **Health Quad Cluster meeting** on 28 May, with the active participation of 84 health partners from government, NGO and UN, discussing ways to adapt ongoing response interventions to the COVID-19 pandemic to the 'New Normal in the middle to longer term, among the WASH, Nutrition, and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support clusters and the Sexual and Reproductive Health working group.

The latest DOH situationers are available here:

- bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer029 26 May 2020
- bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer030 27 May 2020
- bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer031 28 May 2020



Risk communication

Over 180 community workers and health education and promotion officers (HEPOs) throughout the country attended 2 online trainings on Risk Communication and Community Engagement organised by DOH, WHO, UNICEF and USAID Breakthrough Action using the **Communicating with Communities on COVID-19: Guide for Community Health Workers, Volunteers and Social Mobilizers** guidelines.



UNICEF distributed 5,750 comic flyers on parenting and 8,775 fans for caregivers. A total of 44.7 million Facebook users were reached with COVID-19 information and protective messages.



Specific messages on joint support to DoH from UNICEF, USAID, Government of Japan, Government of Korea, and the UN Solidarity Response Fund, as well as Eid al-Fitr greetings with a reminder to practice physical distancing during the celebration reached 30.3 million people last week. Additionally, UNICEF health, nutrition and child protection experts delivered messages through interviews on DOH's daily presser and on regional radio.

Also, 594 frontline health workers were trained on risk communications in 37 health facilities/municipalities, totalling 1,525 health workers.



Surveillance

With an increasing number of regions in the country placed under General Community Quarantine, City Health Offices are placing localized areas with known confirmed cases of COVID-19 under lockdown, including 3 puroks in Barangay Zone 2 in Zamboanga City, 4 streets in Barangay 28 in Caloocan City, and 2 areas in Quezon City.

Investigation into a cluster of cases in Davao City found the source of infection to originate from Agdao Public Market, prompting the city government to close the market for thorough disinfection and initiate health screening among vendors and other workers. Similarly, hospitals temporarily close for thorough disinfection after cluster of cases are confirmed among health workers, including Novaliches District Hospital in Quezon City.

A COVID-19 cluster was also reported among the Cebu City Police Office (CCPO), allowing for immediate action in isolation and treatment of confirmed cases.

Best contact tracing practices at the community level confirm the importance of good collaboration among key stakeholders from different sectors, and appropriate guidance from LGU leadership.

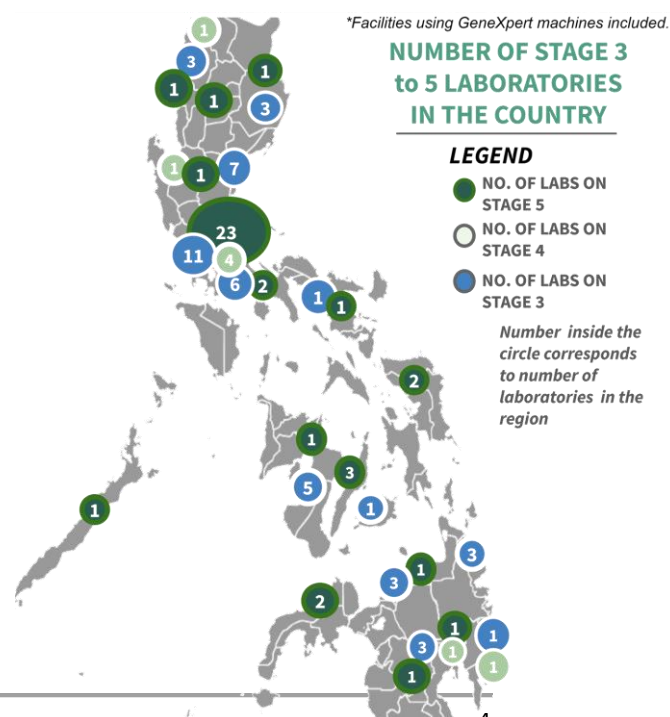
Training on the proper use of the COVID KAYA mobile application is ongoing.

National laboratory system

There are currently 34 laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH using RT-PCR technology, as well as 8 GeneXpert machines. WHO is supporting DOH and the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) with ongoing assessments of an additional 123 public and private laboratories which applied for accreditation.

DOH is emphasizing that up to today, no rapid antibody test has been validated and approved in the Philippines. WHO does not currently recommend the use of rapid antibody-detecting tests for patient care but encourages the continuation of work to establish their usefulness in disease surveillance and epidemiologic research.

Whereas RT-PCR and GeneXpert technology are testing whether someone currently has the infection, rapid antibody tests detect the presence of antibodies in the blood of people believed to have previously been infected with COVID-19.



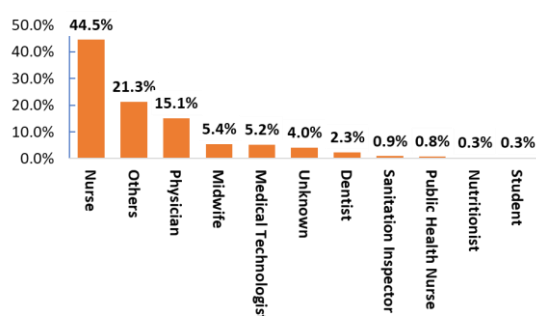
Infection prevention and control

According to DOH, there currently are 1,213 health care workers infected with COVID-19, out of which 76% have mild symptoms, 24% are asymptomatic, and less than 0.2% have severe symptoms. Out of the accumulative total of 2,437 confirmed cases among health care workers, 31 have died.

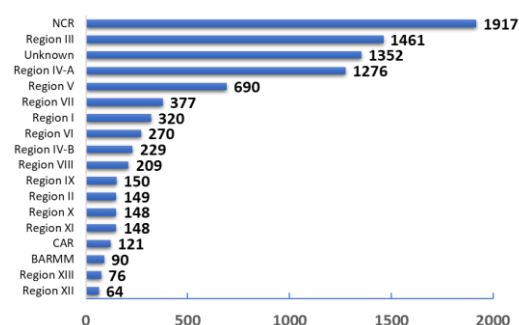
Over 9,000 health workers have now been trained on IPC:

- UNICEF with online IPC trainings for home and community settings. Anyone can sign up for free at <https://forms.gle/WAVzGvMFC4geofdU9>.
- MTaPS with online IPC trainings for hospitals workers. Anyone can sign up for free at <https://bit.ly/2YBGijZ>

IPC training attendees by profession



IPC training attendees by region



MTAPS is also conducting online trainings on health care waste management, and supply chain management. Trainings are continuing and anyone can sign up at [landing page for the virtual training](#).

UNICEF trained 911 cleaners and sanitary workers through 12 webinars on Technical Guidance for cleaners and sanitary personnel.

The WASH Cluster Strategic Advisory Group (SAG), composed of DOH, UNICEF, WHO and selected NGO partners, held a virtual meeting on 26 May to start the development of New Normal Plan for WASH in line with IATF directives.

UNICEF will be delivering 350 sets of cleaning and disinfection kits, including PPEs for sanitation frontliners, with another 150 sets expected soon. UNICEF is also continuing its support to the Department of Education (DepED) in the preparation of a Memo on IPC for schools and development of options for physically-distanced group handwashing facilities.

Americares shipped an additional 1,800 N95 masks to Camarines Norte Provincial Hospital and Naga City Hospital through the Thriving Partnerships Project in Bicol Region. Americares is assessing further needs in Bicol as well as in Cebu Province and Cebu City.

The International Medical Corps (IMC) updated the donated items list (see logistics table). Most items have been delivered to the Manila Health Department, while 50 cadaver bags were donated to the East Avenue Medical Center and 200 N95 mask to the Southern Philippines Medical Center in Davao City.



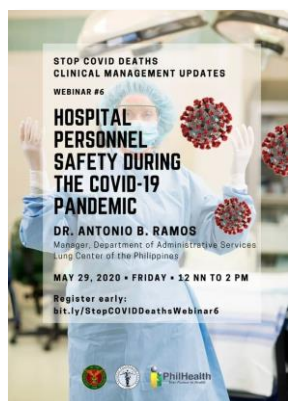
Case management and continuity of essential services

WHO issued the 3rd version of the **Clinical Management Guidance of COVID-19**, with some major revisions including the discontinuation of transmission-based precautions (including isolation). This update was expanded to meet the needs of frontline clinicians and promotes a multi-disciplinary approach to care for patients with COVID-19, including those with mild, moderate, severe, and critical disease. The guidance now also includes sections on: COVID-19 care pathway, treatment of acute and chronic infections, management of neurological and mental manifestations, noncommunicable diseases, rehabilitation, palliative care, ethical principles, and reporting of death.

<https://www.who.int/publications-detail/clinical-management-of-covid-19>

Clinical management of COVID-19

Interim guidance
27 May 2020



The University of the Philippines, in partnership with the National Telehealth Center and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation are conducting the 6th webinar in the series **Stop COVID deaths clinical management updates** on Hospital Personnel Safety during the COVID-19 Pandemic on 29 May at bit.ly/StopCOVIDDeathsWebinar6

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) MHPSS expert team, composed of international and national staff, along with Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) psychologists

provide mental health support to prison frontliners (nurses and hygiene promoters) at the Quezon city jail. Utilizing their own coping skills, prison staff now manage their psychosocial well-being better through new peer support groups. This program targets 20 BJMP staff over 6 sessions in 3 weeks' time.



ICRC providing mental health support to prison frontliners at the Quezon city jail ↑

FundLife distributing food packs ↓



FundLife in partnership with the Bayanihan Mission distributed food packs and education sessions to over 800 families as well as 80 tricycle and bicycle drivers, 450 street children, and 30 blind masseurs affected by the COVID-19 outbreak interventions in Mandaue, Talisay, and Cebu City. FundLife also distributed 20 face-masks and faceshields, and 900 hygiene kits in Olango, Cebu, as well as to 43 pregnant Badjao woman.

PREVENTING AND MITIGATING COVID-19 TRANSMISSION IN EVACUATION CENTERS

2 JUNE 2020, TUESDAY 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. A Webinar on Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) COVID-19 Protocols in Displacement Setting

TOPICS | Moderator: Conrad Navidad, National Program Coordinator, IOM

- CCCM COVID-19 Protocols for Evacuation Centers
- Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC - UN) COVID-19 Operational Guidance in Humanitarian Settings
- Typical Ambio Evacuation COVID-19 Response
- COVID-19 Referral Pathway for Evacuation Centers
- COVID-19 Protection Protocols for Evacuation Centers
- North Sulawesi Earthquake CCCM COVID-19 Response

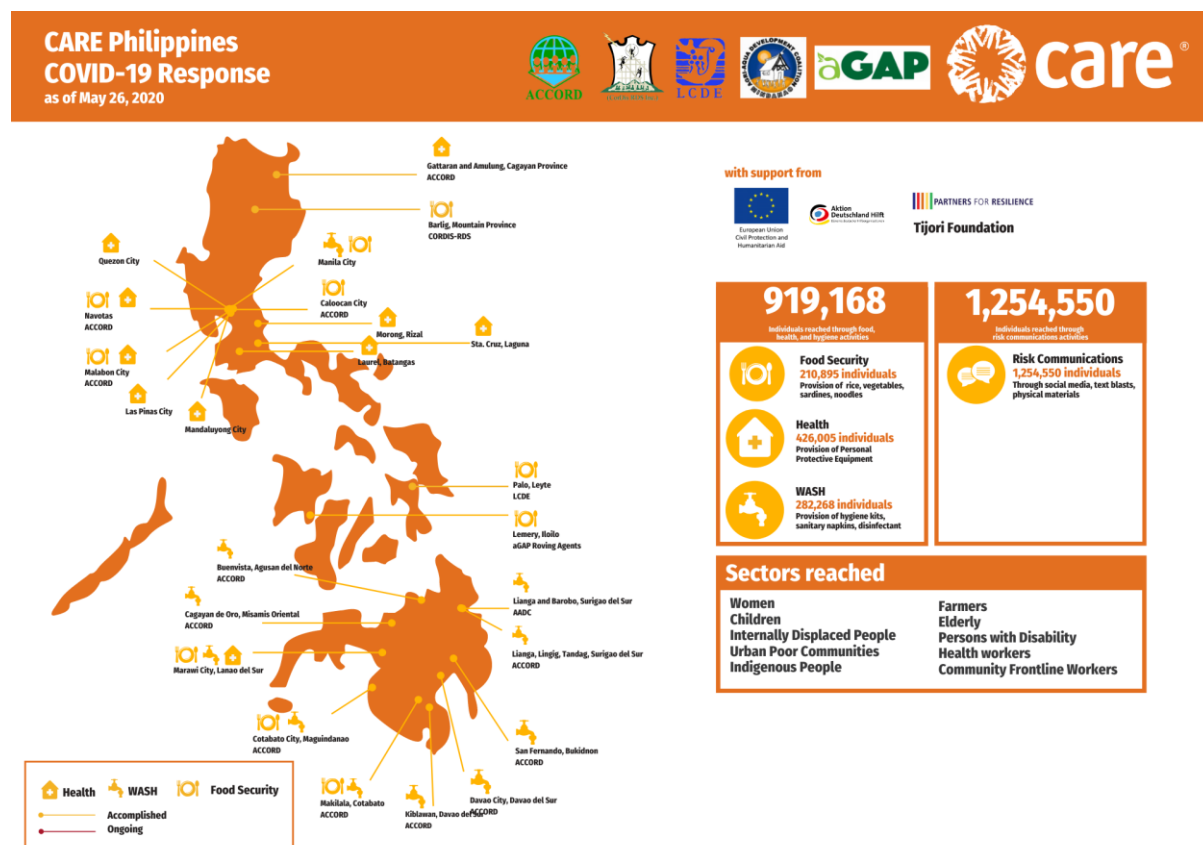


A joint initiative by DSWD, DOH, Province of Albay, IOM and UNFPA - CCCM Cluster



The Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster (led by the Department of Social Welfare and Development and IOM), in partnership with DOH, UNFPA and the Province of Albay, is organizing a webinar on CCCM COVID-19 Protocols for Evacuation Centers on 2 June, to prepare participants for future evacuation emergencies and prevent/mitigate COVID-19 transmission in Evacuation Centers at: <https://unfpa.zoom.us/j/95020714890>

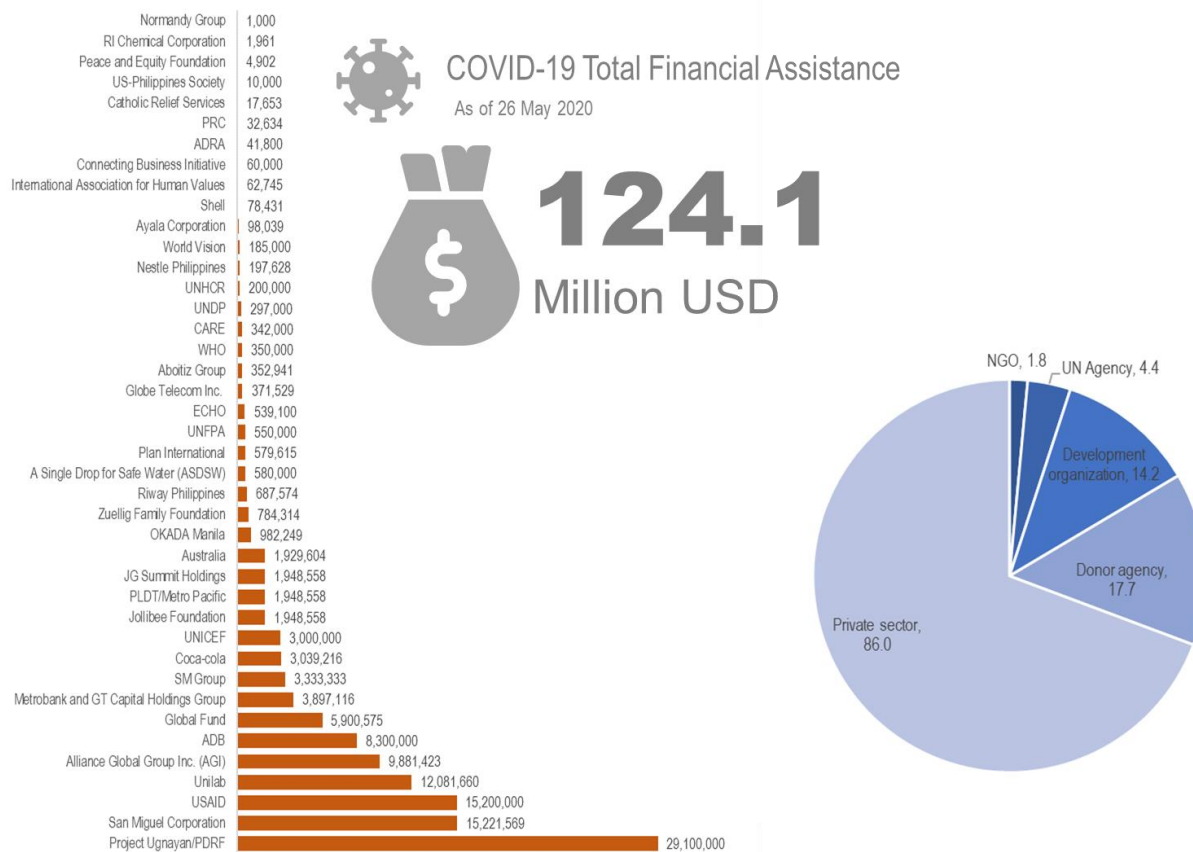
Click [here](#) for the CCCM COVID-19 Protocols video teaser.



Resource mobilization

Grant

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

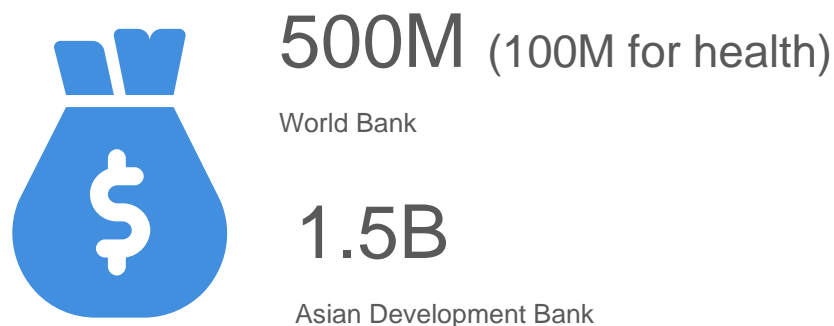


Please see for details of all items distributed so far by DOH: <https://bit.ly/DOHCommDistribution>.

As of 27 May, WHO received more than US\$ 651.9 million and an additional US\$ 232.5 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	
Americares	N95 masks	54,920	2,000
	Surgical masks	4,000	
	Face shields	60	
	Thermal scanners	3	
	Disinfectant alcohol (1 gallon)	6	
	Oxygen tanks with accessories	3	
CARE	PPE (full set)	2,029	
	Thermal scanners	23	
	Hygiene kits	9,364	
	Water station facilities	5	
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	
	Examination gloves	767,184	
	Surgical masks	666,200	
	N95 masks	150,445	
	Surgical gowns	5,115	
	Goggles	470	
	Electric fans	20	
	HTH Chlorine (Kg)	225	
	Stethoscope	2	
	Sphygmomanometer	2	
	Digital thermometer	6	
	Sprayer	2	
	Sanitizer (Lt)	225	
	Body bags	50	
	Hospital Beds	2	
	Cot beds	10	
	Breast milk container, 180ml	160	
	Electric fan	20	
	Scrub suits	90	
	Folding table, 72in x 30 in	2	
	Rubber apron	40	
	Stretcher	2	
	Metal bench, 3 seater	6	
	Tent, 6mx 10m, x 2m	1	
	Tent, 11ft x 11 ft x 7ft	2	
	Canopy tents, 3m x 3m	3	
IOM	Surgical mask	12,000	
	Gloves	2,500	
	Face shields	200	
	Multipurpose tents	3	
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	200	
	KN95 mask	1,300	
	Face Shield	1,300	
	Gown	1,300	
	Gloves	54,000	
	Surgical Mask	3,600	
	Hygiene kits	810	

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
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 ²	32	24
	Coveralls	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
	Sanitation and cleaning kit		500
US government	Cots	1,300	
	Disposable shoe cover	14,000	
	Disposable head cap	14,000	
	Disposable surgical gown	12,600	
	KN95 mask	9800	
	Face shield	2800	
	Goggles	2800	
	Nitrile gloves	119,000	
	Pulse oximeter	210	
	Infrared thermometer	210	
WFP	Mobile Storage Unit	3	
	50 kVA generator	2	
	Shower/toilet unit	1	
WHO (with USAID funding)	Laboratory supplies		
	<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
	Extraction kits		
WHO (with DFAT funding)	<i>QIAgen QIamp RNA Kit</i>	59	36
	<i>SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR</i>	39	
	Goggles	1,200	
	Gloves	31,000	
	N95 masks	900	
	Surgical masks	100,000	
	Surgical gowns	817	
	Hand sanitizer	240	
World Vision	Face shields	640	
	Bio bags	400	
	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (full set)	458	
	Disinfectant kits	30	