



Morbidity Week 3 - January 18 - 24, 2015

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### Introduction

Influenza-like Illness is an acute viral disease of the respiratory tract characterized by fever, headache, myalgia, prostration, coryza, sore throat and even cough. The incubation period is usually 1-3 days.

Influenza-like Illness may be clinically indistinguishable from disease caused by acute respiratory viruses, such as common cold, croup, bronchiolitis, viral pneumonia and undifferentiated acute respiratory disease.

Disease transmission is through airborne spread among crowded populations in enclosed spaces wherein the influenza virus may persist for hours, particularly in the cold and in low humidity.

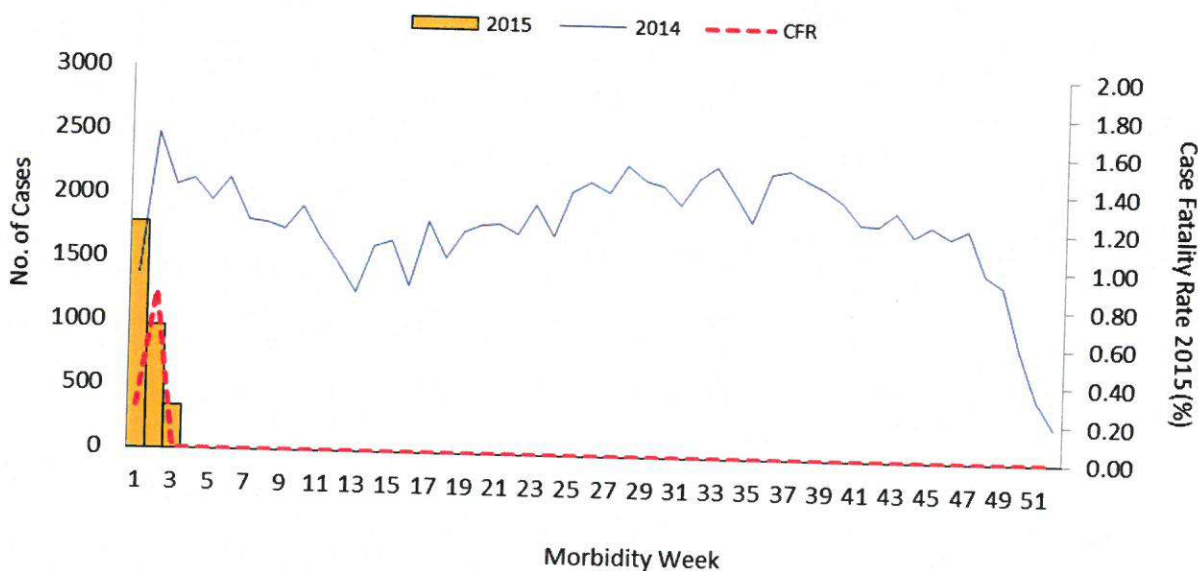
### Trend in the Philippines

A total of **3,081** suspect influenza-like illness cases was reported nationwide from January 1 to 24, 2015. This is **48%** lower compared to the same time period last year (**5,928**).

### Geographic Distribution

Most of the cases were from the following regions: **Region XII** (26%), **Region X** (20.7%), **Region IV-A** (18.5%), **Region XI** (16.5%) and **Region I** (4.5%).

Fig. 1 Suspect Influenza-like Illness Cases by Morbidity Week, Philippines, as of January 17, 2015  
2015\* vs 2014 (N=3,081)



\*NOTE: Case counts reported here do NOT represent the final number and are subject to change after inclusion of delayed reports and review of cases.



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### Profile of Cases

Ages of cases ranged from less than 1 month to 94 years old (median = 5 years). Majority of cases were male (51.3%). Most of the cases belonged to the 1 to 4 years age group (32.6%) (Fig. 2). There were 12 deaths (CFR=0.39%).

Fig. 2 Suspect Influenza-like Illness Cases by Agegroup and Sex  
Philippines, as of January 24, 2015 (N=3,081)

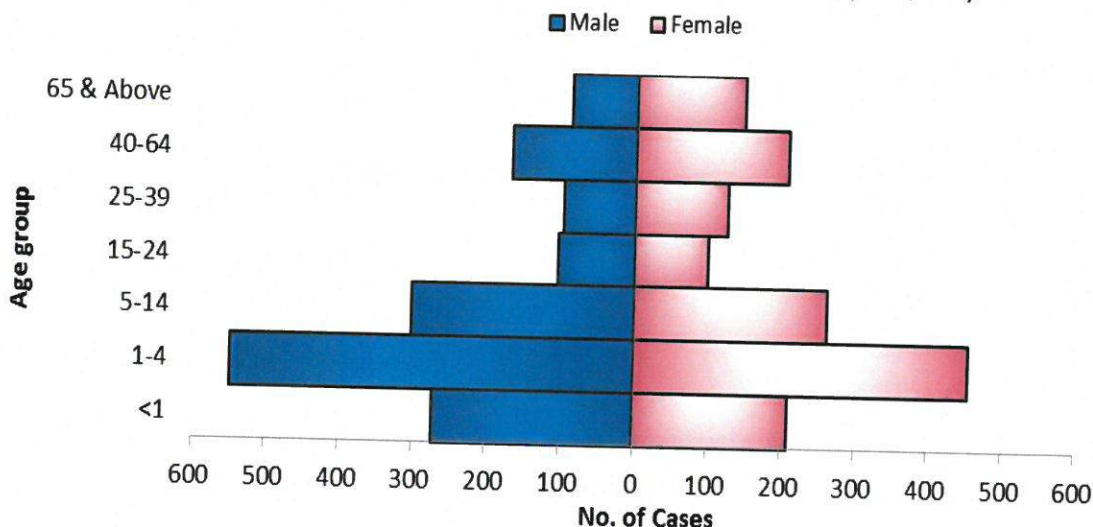
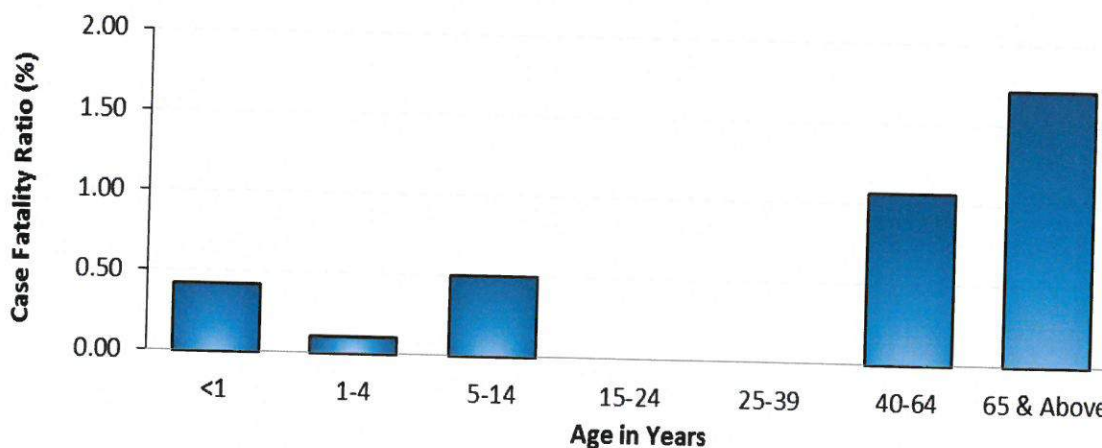


Fig. 3 Suspect Influenza-like Illness Case Fatality Rate (CFR) by Age Group,  
Philippines, as of January 24, 2015



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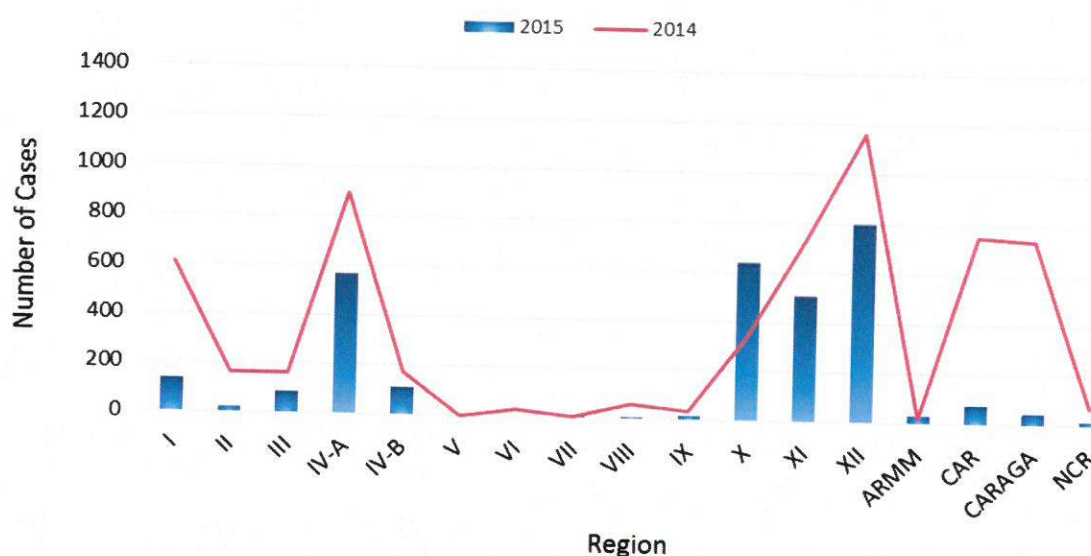




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**Fig. 4 Suspect Influenza-like Illness Cases by Region  
 Philippines, 2015 vs 2014\***



**Table 1. Influenza-like Illness Cases & Deaths by Region  
 Philippines, 2015\* vs 2014**

Region	Cases			Deaths			
	2015	2014	% Change	2015	CFR (%)	2014	CFR (%)
I	137	608	-77.5	0	0.00	0	0.00
II	25	160	-84.4	0	0.00	0	0.00
III	85	163	-47.9	0	0.00	0	0.00
IV-A	569	892	-36.2	0	0.00	0	0.00
IV-B	109	170	-35.9	0	0.00	0	0.00
V	0	1	-100.0	0	0.00	0	0.00
VI	0	29	-100.0	0	0.00	0	0.00
VII	10	5	100.0	0	0.00	0	0.00
VIII	10	58	-82.8	0	0.00	1	1.72
IX	19	36	-47.2	0	0.00	0	0.00
X	639	341	87.4	0	0.00	0	0.00
XI	509	731	-30.4	12	2.36	8	1.09
XII	801	1162	-31.1	0	0.00	0	0.00
ARMM	32	22	45.5	0	0.00	0	0.00
CAR	75	748	-90.0	0	0.00	0	0.00
CARAGA	45	734	-93.9	0	0.00	3	0.41
NCR	16	68	-76.5	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	3081	5928	-48.0	12	0.39	12	0.20

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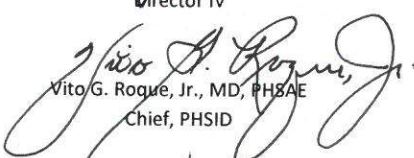
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**Table 2. Weekly Influenza-like Illness Summary Report by Region  
Philippines, as of January 24, 2015**


Region	Morbidity Week		3rd Morbidity Week		Cumulative Total 1st wk to 3rd wk	
	1	2	2015	2014	2015	2014
I	95	41	1	227	137	608
II	20	5	0	46	25	160
III	50	31	4	72	85	163
IV-A	283	204	82	309	569	892
IV-B	64	41	4	24	109	170
V	0	0	0	0	0	1
VI	0	0	0	17	0	29
VII	10	0	0	3	10	5
VIII	9	1	0	18	10	58
IX	11	3	5	7	19	36
X	272	172	195	106	639	341
XI	242	244	23	285	509	731
XII	575	211	15	361	801	1162
ARMM	20	8	4	10	32	22
CAR	75	0	0	300	75	748
CARAGA	38	6	1	270	45	734
NCR	13	2	1	21	16	68
<b>Total</b>	<b>1777</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>2076</b>	<b>3081</b>	<b>5928</b>


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