



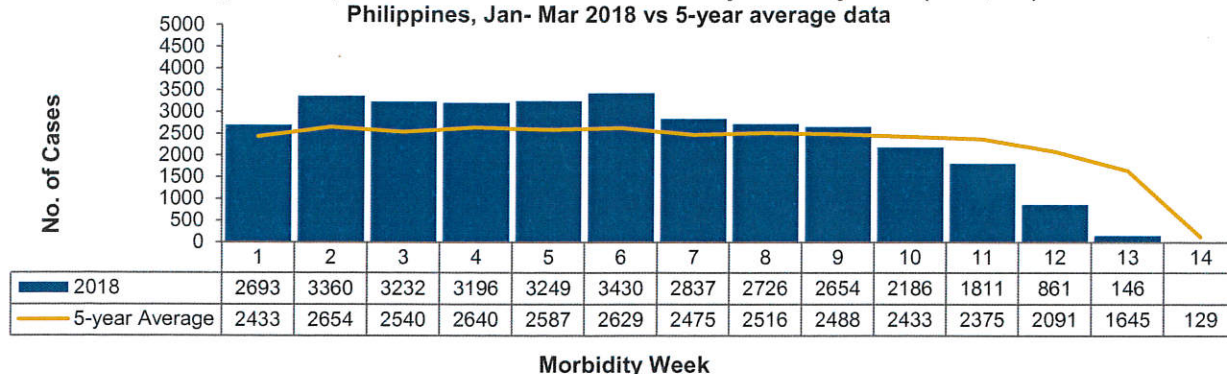
PIDSR Case Definition

Case Classification	Case Definition
Influenza-like Illness (Suspect) Case	a person with sudden onset of fever of $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$ AND cough or sore throat in the absence of other diagnoses
Influenza (Confirmed) Case	a patient with Influenza-like Illness or SARI (Severe Acute Respiratory Infection) and laboratory confirmation of influenza infection through Ribonucleic Acid (RNA) detection, antigen detection or virus isolation

I. Trends in the Philippines

A total of **32,381** Influenza-like Illness cases were reported nationwide from January 1 to March 31, 2018 or Morbidity weeks 1 to 13 (Figure 1). This is **17% lower** compared to the same time period last year (39,034).

Figure 1. Reported Influenza-like Illness cases by Morbidity Week (N=32,381) Philippines, Jan- Mar 2018 vs 5-year average data



II. Geographic Distribution of Cases

Most of the Influenza-like Illness cases reported were from CARAGA (6,351, 20%), Region 4A (3,999, 12%) and Region 10 (3,273, 10%). There were 4 reported deaths with Case Fatality Ratio (CFR) of less than 1% (Table 1).

Table 1. Reported Influenza-like Illness Cases and Deaths by Region (N=32,381) Philippines, Jan- Mar 2017 vs Jan- Mar 2018

Region	2017			2018*			% Change
	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)	
PHILIPPINES	39,034	13	<1	32,381	4	<1	↓ 17
I	3,642	0	0	2,410	1	<1	↓ 34
II	370	0	0	228	0	0	↓ 38
III	991	0	0	1,032	0	0	↑ 4
IV-A	5,491	1	<1	3,999	0	0	↓ 27
MIMAROPA	1,504	0	0	1,973	0	0	↑ 31
V	91	0	0	21	0	0	↓ 77
VI	40	0	0	16	0	0	↓ 60
VII	1,509	0	0	3,213	0	0	↑ 113
VIII	3,200	5	<1	1,963	0	0	↓ 39
IX	288	0	0	170	0	0	↓ 41
X	2,135	0	0	3,273	2	<1	↑ 53
XI	2,967	0	0	2,617	0	0	↓ 12
XII	4,767	0	0	2,639	0	0	↓ 45
ARMM	193	0	0	226	0	0	↑ 17
CAR	2,356	1	<1	1,796	0	0	↓ 24
CARAGA	9,207	6	<1	6,351	1	<1	↓ 31
NCR	283	1	<1	454	0	0	↑ 60

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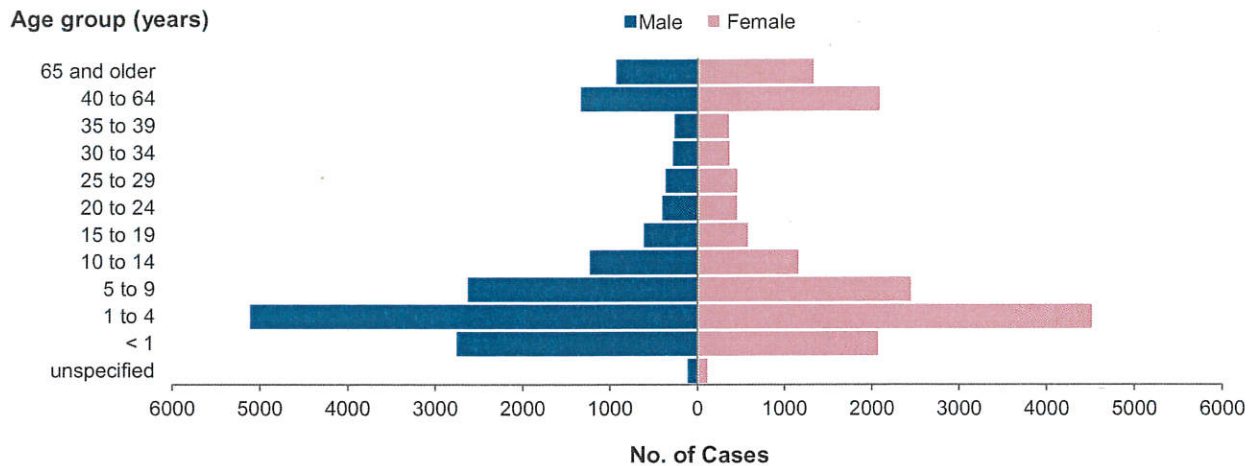


III. Profile of Cases

a. Age Group and Sex

Among the 32,381 *Influenza*-like illness cases, there were 16,248 (50%) males and 16,113 (50%) females. Age ranges from less than 1 month to 102 years (median: 6 years). Most of those affected belong to the 1 to 4 age group (9,664, 30%) (Figure 2).

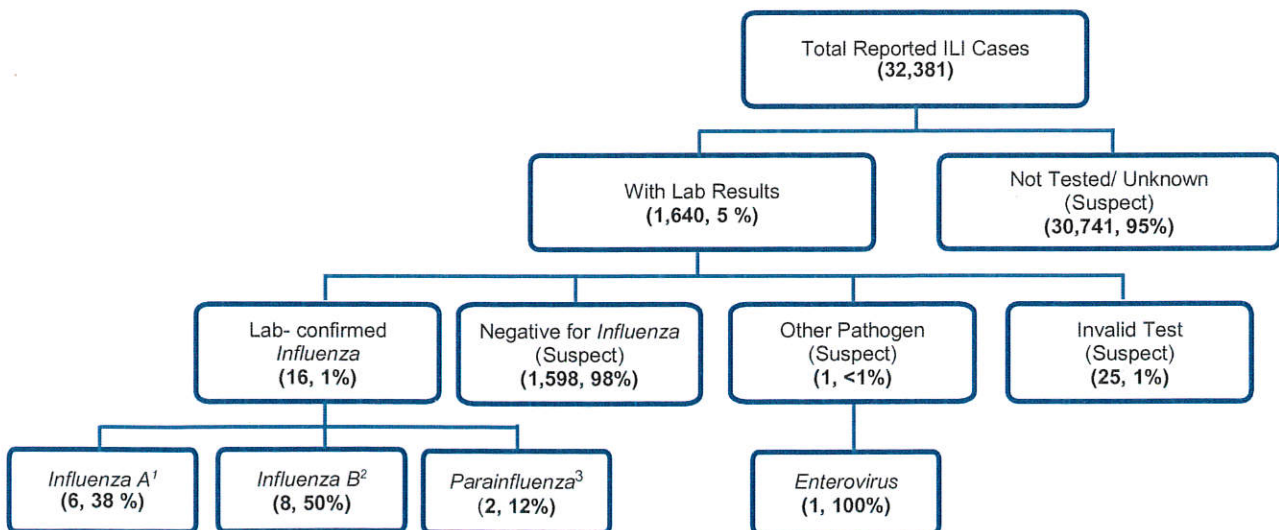
Figure 2. Reported *Influenza*-like illness cases by Age group and Sex (N=32,381) Philippines, Jan- Mar 2018



b. Laboratory Status and Case Classification

Out of the 32,381 *Influenza*-like illness cases, a total of 16 laboratory-confirmed *Influenza* cases were reported from January 1 to March 31, 2018. Among the 16 confirmed *influenza* cases, *influenza B* was the most common isolated pathogen (8, 50%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3. Laboratory status of ILI cases and Isolated Pathogens of confirmed Influenza Cases (n=16) Philippines, Jan- Mar 2018



¹ Influenza A: H3N2 (4); unspecified subtype (2)

² Influenza B: Yamagata- lineage (5), Victoria- lineage (1), unspecified subtype (2)

³ Parainfluenza: type 1 (1), type 3 (1)