

## **EWARS Weekly Bulletin**

# Week No.14: (29 March - 4 April 2015)



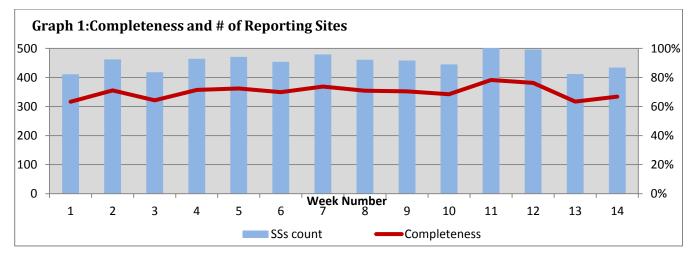
Syria: The PH&CCD Directorates-MOH & WHO

### Highlights:

- ❖ 1 AFP case was detected in Damascus.
- ❖ A notable decrease in number of AJS cases was noticed this week
- ❖ A slight decrease in number of SARI cases was noticed this week.

#### Completeness& Timeliness of Reporting

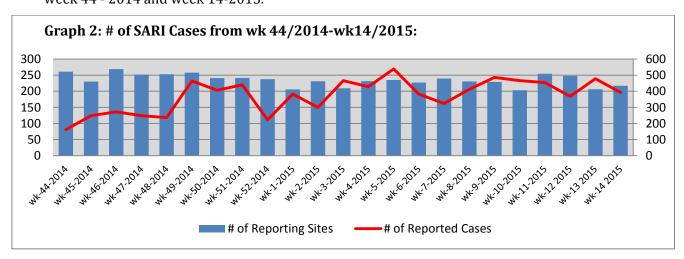
The overall completeness of reporting was 67%; (434 out of total 650 EWARS sentinel sites). (See Graph 1). 14 governorates have reported this week.



Timeliness of reporting is 70%.

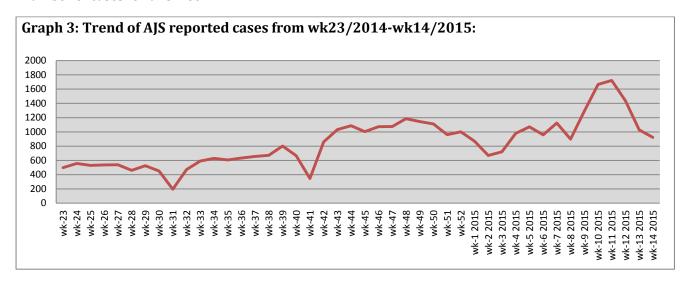
#### The Morbidity Cases

- Out of the 159,948 total consultations, a total of 16,123 cases were reported; of which 9,233 cases were Influenza like Illness (57%), 3,395 cases were Acute Diarrhoea (21%), 924 cases of AJS, 196 cases of Sever Acute Respiratory Infection, 83 cases of Bloody Diarrhoea, 36 cases of Suspected Measles, 23 cases of Meningitis, and 1 AFP case.
- ❖ Below chart reflects the trend in the number of SARI cases in 2014 and 2015 in the period between week 44 2014 and week 14-2015.

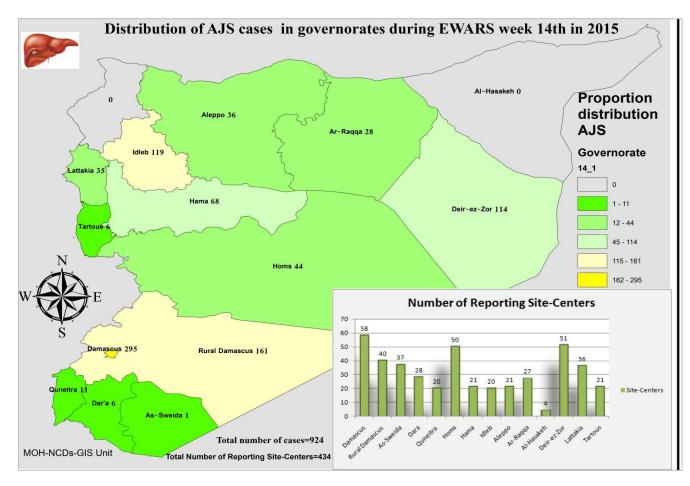


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❖ Graph 3 displays the trend of the (37,274) AJS cases between wk23/2014-wk14/2015. The distribution of the cases per governorates shows that Damascus, Rural Damascus, and Idleb have the highest number of cases for this week.



Below map display the distribution of AJS cases for week 14, per governorate:

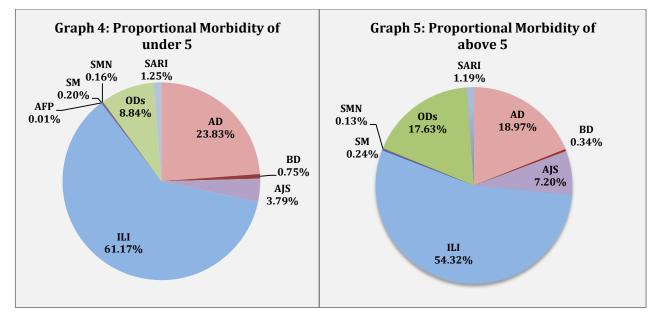


❖ In total, 2,232 cases were reported as "other diseases". The most important diseases reported within this group were: 437 cases of Leishmaniasis (most of which were reported from Idleb 23%, Hamah 22% and Homs 16%), 172 cases of Brucellosis (most of which were reported from Raqua 50%, DierEzor 17%,

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and Damascus 16%), 135 cases of Typhoid (most of which were reported from DierEzor 46% and Rural Damascus 21%), 30 cases of Pertussis, and 20 cases of TB.

- ❖ 57% of the cases were distributed among≥ 5 age group.
- ❖ ILI consists (61,17%) of the cases among <5 and (54,32%) among ≥ 5, while AD cases consists (23,82%)among <5 and (18,97%) among ≥ 5.
- Graphs 4 and 5 below show the proportional morbidity among < 5 and  $\ge 5$  year age groups respectively.



❖ 52% of cases were distributed among males.

#### The Response

**AFP:** Stool samples were collected from the AFP case and sent to the reference lab in Damascus. last national vaccination campaign was implemented between 22th and 26th March.

**AJS and water and food borne diseases:** The awareness campaign on food and water borne diseases and its prevention measures continued in public health centres, the IDPs shelters, and schools through daily educational sessions, in addition to weekly sessions in schools and monthly sessions in the educational centres to raise the awareness of the public on the prevention measures with intense focus on hand hygiene.

**Meningitis:** Meningitis cases detected are not clustered. Cases were managed properly; and investigation forms were filled for some cases but not all; it shows that most of the cases are viral meningitis not bacterial. Preventive therapy was provided as necessary for contacts of the probable bacterial meningitis cases.

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Table-1: Distribution of cases per age group, and by Governorate-week-14, 2015:

Code	age group	Idleb	Hassaka	Raqua	Sweida	Qunaitra	Lattakia	Aleppo	Hamah	Homs	Daraa	Damascus	DierEzor	Rural Damascus	Tartous	Grand Total	
AD	< 5	107	13	87	80	72	103	105	87	56	118	210	335	240	40	1653	3395
	≥ 5	96	11	41	119	105	100	81	69	44	96	380	294	256	50	1742	
BD	< 5	0	0	10	5	3	6	0	1	0	7	2	15	3	0	52	83
	≥5	0	0	2	4	3	3	0	1	0	3	2	12	1	0	31	
AWD	< 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	≥ 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
AJS	< 5	69	0	11	0	2	6	11	11	13	1	57	55	26	1	263	924
	≥ 5	50	0	17	1	9	29	25	57	31	5	238	59	135	5	661	
ILI	< 5	179	12	11	367	84	809	282	168	36	153	459	922	434	328	4244	9233
	≥ 5	167	27	10	629	204	495	215	173	32	199	826	886	553	573	4989	
AFP	< 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
	≥ 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
SM	< 5	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	14	36
	≥ 5	18	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	22	
SMN	< 5	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	11	23
	≥ 5	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	4	0	0	0	12	
SARI	< 5	1	0	0	8	0	1	0	25	0	0	24	28	0	0	87	196
	≥ 5	1	0	0	15	0	5	0	19	0	0	63	6	0	0	109	
Others	< 5	18	6	47	0	55	7	55	27	74	75	44	58	142	5	613	2232
	≥ 5	198	4	108	6	97	50	124	179	180	67	173	133	276	24	1619	
Total Su	Total Sum of < 5		31	169	460	216	933	453	322	181	354	797	1415	846	374	6938	16123
Total Su	Total Sum of $\geq$ 5		42	182	775	418	682	445	500	288	370	1687	1391	1221	652	9185	
Total		919	73	351	1235	634	1615	898	822	469	724	2484	2806	2067	1026	16123	

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