

EWARS Weekly Bulletin

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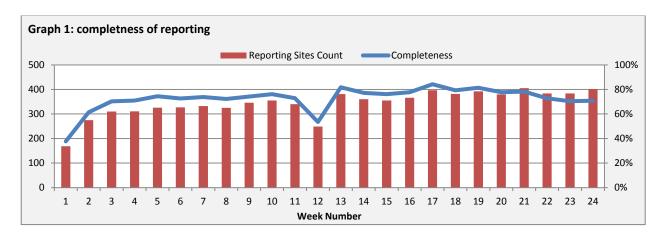


Highlights:

- ❖ 2 AFP cases were detected, in Damascus and Hamah.
- New sentinel sites include private health care providers (clinics and hospitals) and NGOs health facilities were added to the system.

* Completeness& Timeliness of Reporting

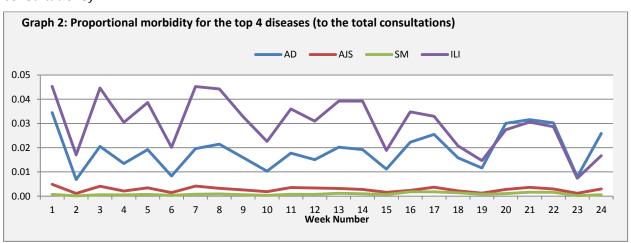
❖ The overall completeness of reporting was 71 %; (401 out of total 566 EWARS sentinel sites). (See Graph 1). 14 governorates have reported this week



❖ Timeliness of reporting is 70%.

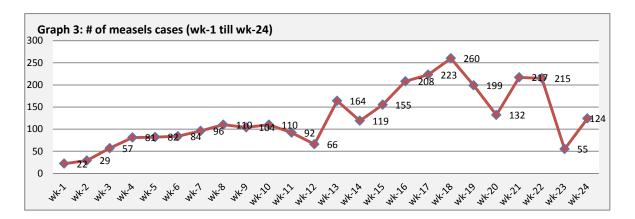
The Morbidity Cases

Out of the 137,668 total consultations, a total of 9,362 cases were reported; of which 4,168 cases were Acute Diarrhoea (45%), and 2,498 cases were Influenza like Illness (27%), 557 cases of AJS, 124 cases of Suspected Measles, 115 cases of Sever Acute Respiratory Infection, 100 cases of Bloody Diarrhoea, 39 cases of Meningitis, and 2 AFP cases. (Graph 2 shows the proportional morbidity for the top 4 diseases (to the total consultations, after excluding the data of 74 health facilities that did not report total consultations)

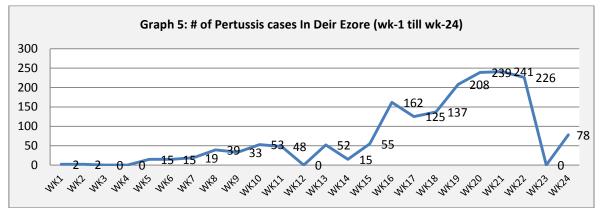


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❖ The number of suspected measles cases reported for this week is still not reflecting the real situation due the reduction in the number of sites reporting from DierEzor. The missing data from DierEzor is already collected but not sent to the central level for analysis due to poor communication caused by the evolving security situation on Iraqi border (See graph 3 below). The delayed data will be compiled in the data sheet once received in order to get the real picture of measles and other diseases in the area.



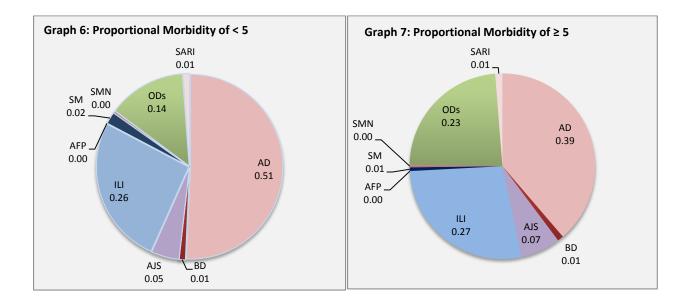
Below graph reflects the trend in the number of suspected pertussis cases in DierEzor since January 2014. The low number of cases reported in week 23 and 24 is explained by the remarkable decrease in the number of reports received from this area due to poor communication as mentioned above



- ❖ In total, 1759 cases were reported as "other diseases". The most important diseases reported within this group were: 142 cases of Leishmaniasis (most of which were reported from Hama 34%),127 cases of Pertussis(most of which were reported from DierEzor 61%), 103 cases of Brucellosis, 53 cases of Typhoid, and 21 cases of TB.
- ❖ 52% of the cases were distributed among \ge 5 age group.
- The most common cases among <5: AD cases were (51%) and ILI (26%). Graphs 6 and 7 below show the proportional morbidity among < 5 and ≥ 5 year age groups respectively.</p>

❖ 52% of the cases were reported among males.

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The Response

AFP: Stool samples were collected from the AFP case and sent to the reference lab in Damascus. The new round of vaccination campaign will be implemented between 15th and 19th of June through the global vaccination week.

Measles: the measles vaccination campaign will be implemented from 15-23 June 2014, This is in addition to supporting of routine vaccination programs. Further outreach by health partners to better respond to this outbreak is required

Typhoid and other water borne diseases: A mass media campaign will be conducted to raise population awareness on simple method for water decontamination, safe food handling and hand hygiene. The camping is expected to be launched in the third week of Ramadan and will continue throughout the year using different communication channels

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.

BD: cases are not clustered. All cases were managed properly.

Other response measures were also taken with regard to case management of Leishmaniasis, Hepatitis, TB and BRU cases. In addition to ensuring the availability of medicines and the implementation of sanitation measures in accordance with available capacity.

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 $Table \hbox{-} 1: Distribution of cases per age group, and by Governorate-week-\hbox{24, 2014}:$

Code	Age group	Sweida	Hamah	Daraa	Aleppo	Damascus	DierEzor	Idleb	Homs	Lattakia	Rural Damascus	Tartous	Qunaitra	Raqua	Hassaka	Grand Total	
AD	< 5	150	166	124	257	468	162	99	83	105	236	52	97	216	63	2278	4168
	≥ 5	104	130	78	342	465	65	73	86	50	166	88	67	112	64	1890	
BD	< 5	3	2	6	4	3	5	0	0	5	0	0	4	6	11	49	100
	≥ 5	3	3	0	4	7	6	0	0	3	0	0	5	7	13	51	
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	1	19	12	11	17	6	51	58	13	16	0	7	8	0	219	557
	≥ 5	6	46	19	8	65	14	64	49	14	14	0	15	18	6	338	
ILI	< 5	113	90	38	67	205	4	83	57	140	126	159	32	36	8	1158	2498
	≥ 5	114	87	40	42	217	10	234	70	61	135	252	42	15	21	1340	
AFP	< 5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
	≥ 5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
SM	< 5	2	3	0	0	5	37	13	0	4	2	0	1	26	0	93	124
	≥ 5	0	0	0	1	5	6	2	0	4	1	0	1	10	1	31	
SMN	< 5	2	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	18	39
	≥ 5	0	4	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	9	0	21	
SARI	< 5	1	11	0	11	24	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	53	115
	≥ 5	7	7	0	22	22	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	
ODs	< 5	1	9	6	91	33	40	8	161	5	171	0	60	27	0	612	1759
	≥ 5	23	83	35	156	205	87	10	213	5	215	10	73	24	8	1147	1/3/
Total < 5		273	305	186	441	759	254	257	359	273	551	211	202	328	82	4481	9362
Total ≥ 5		257	360	172	575	992	188	387	418	137	531	351	205	195	113	4881	
Total		530	665	358	1016	1751	442	644	777	410	1082	562	407	523	195	9362	

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