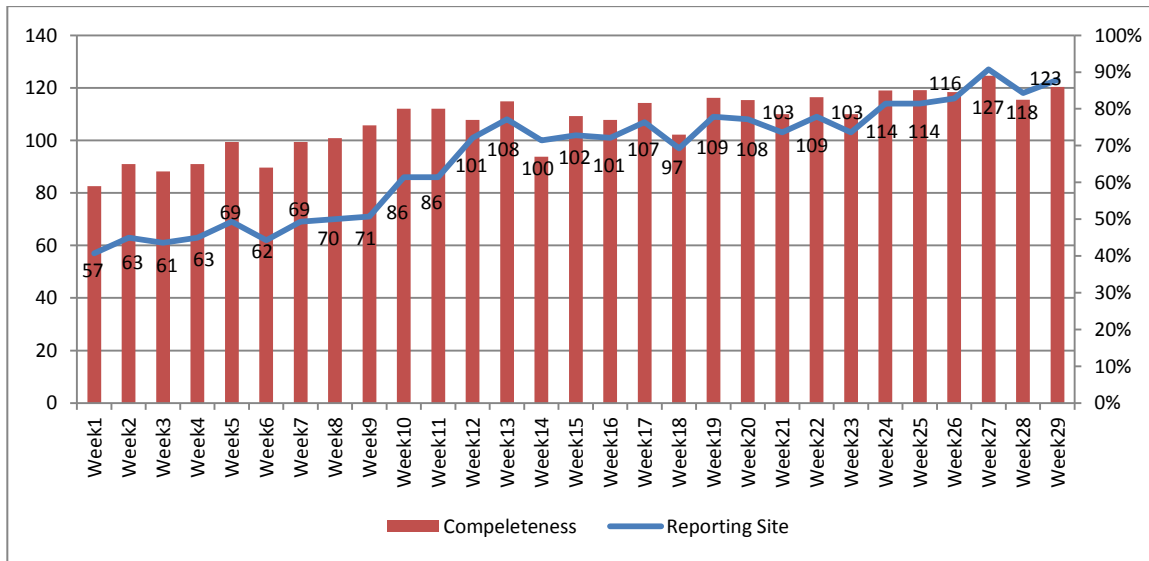


**Highlights:**

- ❖ No significant issue was reported this week.

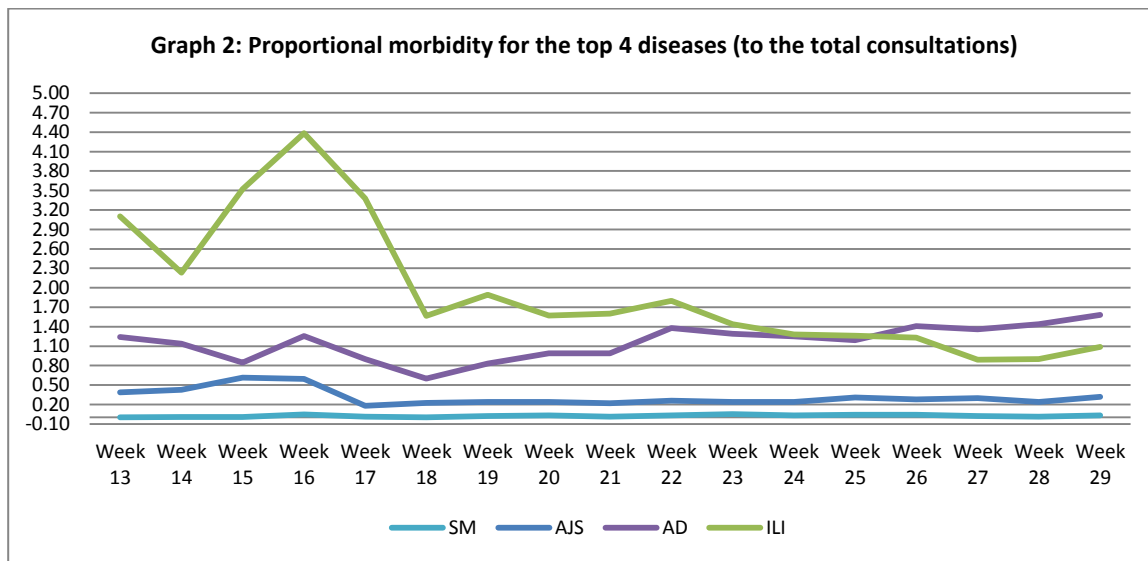
**I. Completeness & Timeliness of Reporting**

- ❖ The overall completeness of reporting was 86%; (123 out of total 143 EWARS sentinel sites) (See Graph 1). 12 out of 14 governorates have reported this week with completeness reached (89%).
- ❖ Timeliness of reporting is 100%.

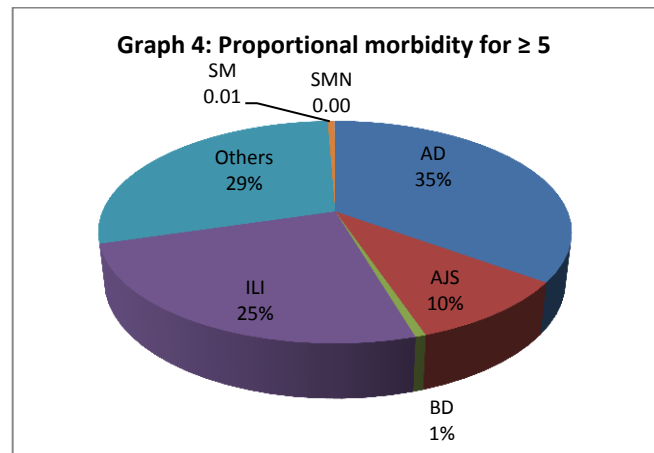
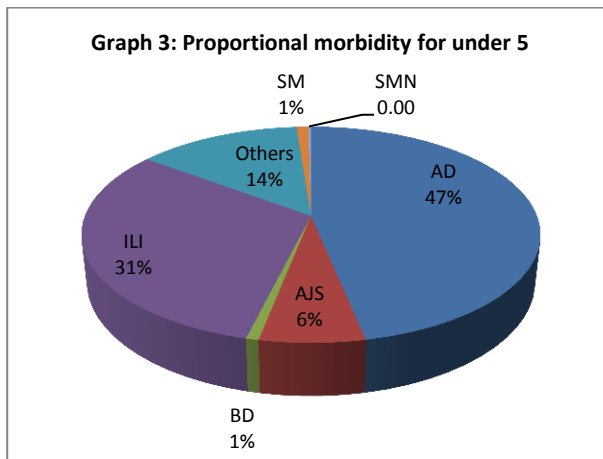


**II. The Morbidity Cases**

- ❖ Out of the total 71,518 consultations, a total of 2,783 cases were reported; of which 1131 cases was Acute Diarrhoea (41%) and 780 cases were Influenza like illness (28%). In addition, 226 cases of AJS, 21 cases of suspected measles, 19 bloody diarrhoea and 4 meningitis cases were reported this week. Graph 2 shows the proportional morbidity for the top 4 diseases (to the total consultations).



- ❖ Most of the AJS cases were reported among  $\geq 5$  years old (69%) and (54%) of AJS cases were reported among male. Most of the cases were distributed in Aleppo (20%), Hassakah (16%) and Rural Damascus (15.5%).
- ❖ 602 cases were reported as “other diseases”, 32% of it is Leishmaniasis (195) cases; 54% of the leishmaniasis cases were reported in Aleppo and 37% in Hama. 72% of the Leishmania cases were reported among above 5 year age group.  
Among other diseases of importance are 95 cases of Brucellosis, 54 of which were reported in Damascus. This is in addition to 5 Typhoid and 4 TB cases.
- ❖ 48% of the total cases were reported among under 5 year age group. The most common cases for this age group was AD (47%) followed by ILI cases (31%). Graph 3 and 4 below shows the proportion of morbidities among  $< 5$  and  $\geq 5$  year age groups respectively.
- ❖ 54 % of the cases were reported among males.



### III. The Response

- ❖ Suspected measles cases were investigated by the teams of the governorates; blood samples have been collected and sent to the reference lab to be tested in addition to the provision of Vit.A.
- ❖ BD cases were managed properly with antibiotics in addition to investigating the contacts, testing the water and providing health education sessions.
- ❖ The investigation of the high number of brucellosis cases which was reported in Damascus (for the third week) showed that these cases are originally from Rural Damascus. Communication with the health directorate and ministry of agriculture has been initiated for necessary action.
- ❖ Meningitis cases were managed; and investigation forms were filled. This is in addition to providing the preventive therapy for the contacts.
- ❖ Other response measures were also taken with regard to case management of Leishmaniasis, Brucellosis, and TB cases. In addition to ensuring the availability of medicines and the implementation of sanitation measures in accordance with available capacity.

**Table-1: Distribution of cases per age group, and by Governorate-week-29, 2013**

Code	Age group	Idleb	Hassakah	Sweida	Qunaitra	Lattakia	Aleppo	Hamah	Homs	Daraa	Damascus	Rural Damascus	Tartous	Grand Total	
AD	< 5	19	94	16	22	83	41	24	21	12	103	96	91	622	1131
	≥ 5	14	71	18	25	19	38	29	4	12	76	81	122	509	
AFP	< 5	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	
AJS	< 5	6	16	7	2	0	16	1	1	10	7	16	2	84	226
	≥ 5	6	21	0	7	9	30	9	8	9	22	19	2	142	
AWD	< 5	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	
BD	< 5	0	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	10	19
	≥ 5	0	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	9	
ILI	< 5	16	68	19	39	130	13	16	1	1	58	20	36	417	780
	≥ 5	20	16	10	55	90	9	7	1	1	102	23	29	363	
MAL	< 5	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	
SM	< 5	0	5	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	1	1	0	13	21
	≥ 5	0	2	1	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	
SMN	< 5	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	4
	≥ 5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
ODs	< 5	0	0	5	2	0	129	13	4	9	10	7	2	181	602
	≥ 5	0	0	2	12	0	160	60	13	34	79	27	34	421	
Total < 5		41	191	48	65	213	203	56	28	35	179	140	131	1330	2783
Total ≥ 5		40	117	31	99	118	240	108	26	58	279	150	187	1453	
<b>Total</b>		<b>81</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>2783</b>	