

EWARS Weekly Bulletin

Week No. 47: (18 to 24 November 2018)



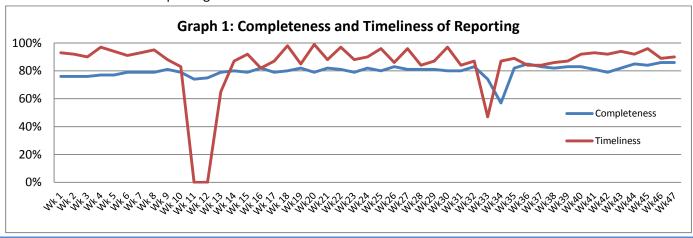
Syria: The PH&CCD Directorates-MOH & WHO

Highlights:

- ❖ 42 suspected acute jaundice syndrome were reported in Daraa in week 47.
- ❖ 3 cases of acute paralysis flaccid reported from Dair Zour (2), and Quniatera (1).

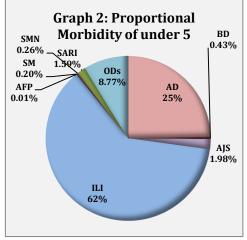
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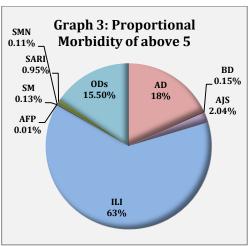
- The overall completeness of reporting was 84 %; (1084 out of total 1295 EWARS sentinel sites).
 14 governorates have reported this week.
- Timeliness of reporting was 90%.



The Morbidity Cases

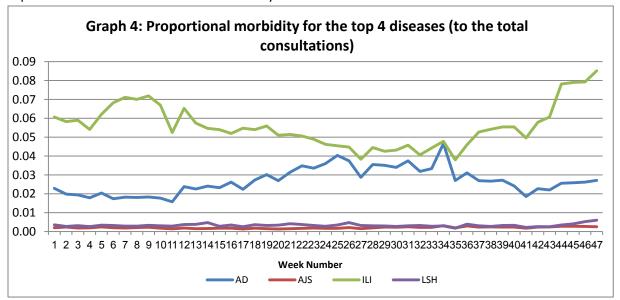
- Out of a total of 224,140 consultations, 32,089 EWARS notifiable cases were reported; of which 20,072 cases were influenza like illness (63%), 6,709 cases were acute diarrhoea (21%), 647 were acute jaundice syndrome, 390 were severe acute respiratory infection, 51 were suspected measles, 85 were bloody diarrhoea, 56 were suspected meningitis, and 3 case of acute flaccid paralysis.
- ❖ Graphs 2 and 3 below show the proportional morbidity among < 5 and ≥ 5 year age groups respectively.</p>



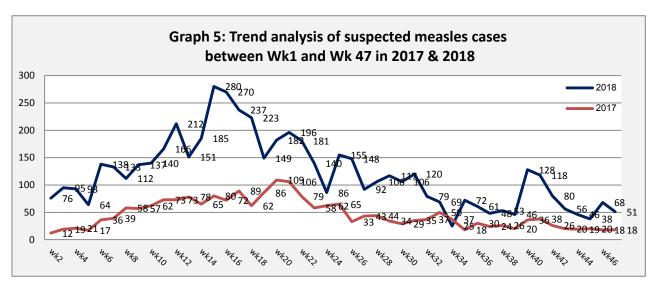


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- Acute diarrhoea constitutes (25%) among < 5 and (18%) among \ge 5, while influenza-like illness constitutes (62%) of the cases among < 5 and (63%) of the cases among \ge 5 years old.
- 50% of the cases were distributed among males. 58% of the cases were distributed among ≥5 age group.
- ❖ In total 4,076 cases were reported as "other diseases". The most important diseases reported within this group were; 929 cases of leishmaniasis (mostly from Deir Ezzor and Aleppo), 125 cases of brucellosis, 188 cases of typhoid, 2 cases of tuberculosis, 23 pertussis, and 29 mumps.
- Graph 4: shows the trend analysis of top four diseases to total consultations. An increase of ILI is reported which is in line with the seasonality of the disease.

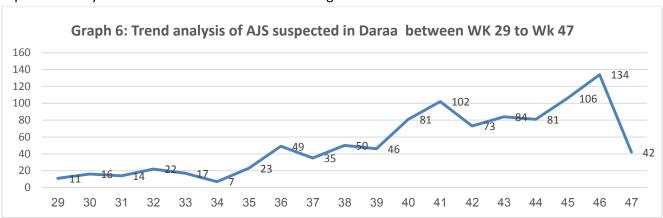


Graph 5: the below graph shows the trend analysis of suspected measles cases reported through EWARS.



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❖ Graph 6 shows the trend analysis of acute jaundice syndrome cases, the increase started in week 35, and reported mainly from the eastern rural areas of Daraa governorates.



❖ Table 1 shows comparison between reported cases in week-46 and week-47 2018.

Table 1: Comparison between reported cases for week 46 and week 47 in 2018.

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|---------|----------|---------|
| Disease | Week 46 | Week 47 |
| AD | 7,021 | 6,709 |
| BD | 114 | 85 |
| AWD | 0 | 0 |
| AJS | 712 | 647 |
| ILI | 20,506 | 20,072 |
| AFP | 3 | 3 |
| SM | 68 | 51 |
| SMN | 70 | 56 |
| SARI | 304 | 390 |
| TYF | 258 | 205 |
| PER | 57 | 59 |
| LSH | 1377 | 1377 |
| BRU | 175 | 136 |
| TB | 10 | 2 |
| SCA | 451 | 398 |
| LIC | 902 | 741 |
| СНР | 173 | 188 |
| MUM | 49 | 56 |
| Others | 840 | 914 |
| Total | 33090 | 32089 |

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The Response

Acute Flaccid paralysis

The sub national polio campaign was conducted from 4 - 8 November in 7 governorates targeting 912,908 children under 5, The results of the campaign indicate that 549,104 children were vaccinated with OPV in 7 targeted governorates (59.6%) and 348,549 children were vaccinated with IPV (72%). The campaign was still on hold in rural Deir-ez-Zor as the local authority refused to conduct the campaign by DOH staff. MoH is continuing the negotiations with the local authority to get their approval. Low coverage rate with IPV in Raqqa governorate (51%) due to inaccurate target for children under 2. A high coverage rate in rural Damascus (more than 100%) is reported, as DoH has added the number of vaccinated children in Rukban camp.

Acute Jaundice Syndrome, Daraa Governorate

Increase of suspected Hepatitis A cases has been reported in Dar'a governorate since week 35. The increase reported mainly from the eastern rural areas. The cumulative number of cases reported through EWARS between weeks 35 to 46 is 877; in week 46 the number of reported AJS cases was 132. The diagnosis was made according to clinical symptoms and liver functions tests. In addition WHO documented 324 probable hepatitis A cases from one area Jeza in Busa district (laboratory diagnosis SGPT test above 50). To confirm HAV or HEV outbreak, 12 specimens of (blood and serum) were tested at WHO reference lab, the specimens were analyzed both by serology (Hepatitis A IgM) and real-time RT-PCR for Hepatitis A and E. Additional sequence-base genotyping is in progress. The lab results were positive HAV for 5 out of 6 samples, and negative HEV for 6 samples.

Acute Jaundice Syndrome, among Afrin IDPs, Aleppo Governorate.

Cases of Acute Jaundice Syndrome among Iferin IDPs in the northern rural of Aleppo have been reported to WHO. Number of AJS cases reported between 21 July to 12 November is 638 cases predominantly among schoolchildren under 15 years. To confirm HAV or HEV outbreak, 26 specimens of (blood and serum) were tested at WHO reference lab, the specimens were analyzed both by serology (Hepatitis A IgM) and real-time RT-PCR for Hepatitis A and E. Additional sequence-base genotyping is in progress. The lab results were positive HAV for 10 out of 13 samples, and negative HEV for 13 samples.

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Table-2: Distribution of cases per age group, and by Governorate-week-47, 2018:

| Code | age group | Idleb | Hassaka | Raqqa | Sweida | Qunaitra | Lattakia | Aleppo | Hama | Homs | Daraa | Damascus | DierEzor | Rural Damascus | Tartous | Grand Total | |
|----------|----------------------|-------|---------|-------|--------|----------|----------|--------|-------|------|-------|----------|----------|-------------------|---------|-------------|--------|
| AD | < 5 | 542 | 127 | 77 | 89 | 57 | 479 | 324 | 97 | 64 | 107 | 474 | 539 | 277 | 154 | 3,407 | 6,709 |
| | ≥ 5 | 578 | 156 | 180 | 85 | 60 | 288 | 363 | 141 | 66 | 115 | 369 | 579 | 269 | 53 | 3,302 | |
| BD | < 5 | 0 | 9 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 28 | 85 |
| | ≥ 5 | 0 | 11 | 16 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 21 | 2 | 0 | 57 | |
| 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 | 20 | 21 | 49 | 23 | 11 | 25 | 41 | 38 | 24 | 29 | 29 | 45 | 17 | 10 | 382 | 647 |
| | ≥ 5 | 24 | 12 | 84 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 14 | 6 | 5 | 13 | 5 | 77 | 6 | 1 | 265 | |
| ILI | < 5 | 891 | 394 | 44 | 302 | 642 | 1,444 | 1,745 | 265 | 244 | 620 | 717 | 1,530 | 1,131 | 1,818 | 11,787 | 20,072 |
| | ≥ 5 | 912 | 256 | 71 | 220 | 264 | 1,380 | 1,096 | 327 | 168 | 264 | 469 | 1,438 | 800 | 620 | 8,285 | |
| AFP | < 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| | ≥ 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | |
| SM | < 5 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 51 |
| 3141 | ≥ 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 27 | |
| SMN | < 5 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 56 |
| 31-114 | ≥ 5 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 17 | 0 | 1 | 35 | |
| SARI | < 5 | 1 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 46 | 0 | 3 | 178 | 390 |
| SAKI | ≥ 5 | 0 | 53 | 18 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 56 | 0 | 1 | 18 | 60 | 0 | 2 | 212 | 390 |
| Others | < 5 | 292 | 118 | 47 | 13 | 23 | 201 | 409 | 195 | 52 | 18 | 45 | 1,083 | 372 | 36 | 2,904 | 4,076 |
| | ≥ 5 | 50 | 60 | 40 | 7 | 9 | 18 | 142 | 25 | 22 | 6 | 5 | 520 | 263 | 5 | 1,172 | |
| Total Su | m of < 5 | 1,750 | 695 | 241 | 445 | 735 | 2,152 | 2,524 | 629 | 385 | 775 | 1,327 | 3,251 | 1,801 | 2,022 | 18,732 | 32,089 |
| Total Su | $m 	ext{ of } \ge 5$ | 1,566 | 549 | 417 | 320 | 334 | 1,703 | 1,616 | 560 | 261 | 402 | 869 | 2,738 | 1,340 | 682 | 13,357 | 32,009 |
| To | otal | 3,316 | 1,244 | 658 | 765 | 1,069 | 3,855 | 4,140 | 1,189 | 646 | 1,177 | 2,196 | 5,989 | 3,141 | 2,704 | 32, | 089 |

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