EWARS Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin: Al-Hol camp Epi week 20 (12th to 18th May 2019)

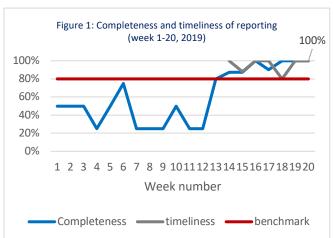


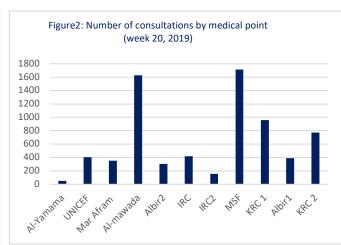
Highlights

- During epidemiological week 20 of 2019, 100% of the reporting sites in Al-Hol camp provided diseases surveillance data through the early warning alert and response system (EWARS), with 100% timeliness among those sites providing data.
- A total of 7146 consultations were recorded in 11 health facilities in the camp in week 20.
- The leading causes of morbidity among all age groups remained influenza-like illnesses (46.5%) and acute diarrhea (43.7%).
- The number of reported influenza-like illnesses increased, by 4 % to the previous week.
- There was an increase in the number of acute diarrhea cases by 10% to previous week. The number of reported cases during
 this week was 671.
- 7 suspected measles cases were reported. The cases were investigated by rapid response team. One case tested negative for measles while the result of the other four cases are still pending.
- A decreased number of suspected leishmaniasis cases were observed in week 20.

Performance Indicators

• A total of 11 out of 11 active health facilities in Al-Hol camp (Map) reported through EWARS submitted their data on time with 100% reporting completeness (Figure 1).





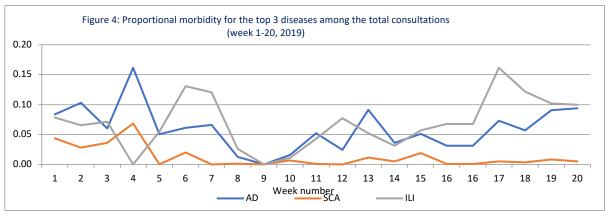
Morbidity

1. Proportional Morbidity

- A total of 7146 consultations were recorded from ten medical points in the camp in week 20. The number of consultations increased by 7% compared to the previous week, with 7146. Among them, 1534 cases were EWARS notifiable health conditions (Figure 2).
- Of the 1534 total reported cases, 51.4% (789) were female and 55.1% (845) were children under 5 years old.
- Among children under 5 years of age, 44% of cases were ILI, and AD representing 47% of the cases during this
 reporting period (Figure 3).
- Among all age groups, the leading causes of morbidity remained influenza-like illnesses (ILI) (46.5%) and acute diarrhea (AD) (43.7%), and scabies (SCA) (2.4%) (Figure 4).
- There was an increase in the trend of acute diarrhea cases reported this week due to the increase in temperature during the summer season, while a decrease in ILI trend was observed (Figure 4).

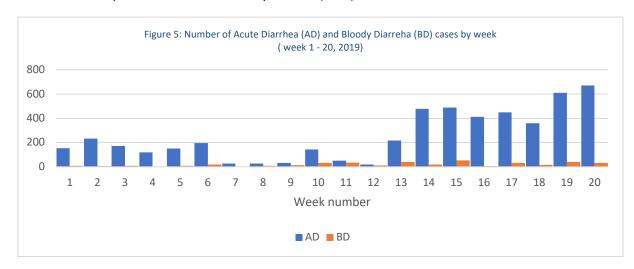
Figure 3: Proportional morbidity by age group in week 20, 2019





2. Waterborne Diseases

- There was an increase in the number of acute diarrhea cases by 10% compared to the previous week. The number of reported cases during this week was 671 (Figure 5).
- There were zero reported cases of acute watery diarrhea (AWD) in week 20.



3. Vaccine Preventable Diseases

- Seven suspected measles reported during this week.
- No cases of acute flaccid paralysis reported in week 20.

4. Other Diseases

- 104 cases were reported as "other diseases" through EWARS. The health conditions with the highest incidents were scabies (37 cases), leishmaniasis (18 cases), and typhoid (11 cases),
- There was an increase in number of suspected typhoid case.

Public Health Response Actions

Measles case

Seven suspected measles cases were reported through EWARS during the reporting period. All seven cases were investigated by the rapid response team deployed by DoH in Al-Hasakeh. Among the seven cases, five met all the case definitions. The blood samples from these five cases were collected and transferred to the reference laboratory in Damascus. All five cases are patients under the age of 5 years old. One case tested negative for measles while the result of the other four cases are still pending.

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Annex 1: Case Distribution by Age Group

Health Condition	Age Group		Total week 19	Age Group		Total week 20
Acute diarrhea (AD)	<5	352	611	<5	394	671
	≥5	259		≥5	277	
Bloody diarrhea (BD)	<5	30	39	<5	26	32
	≥5	9		≥5	6	
Acute watery diarrhea (AWD)	<5	0	0	<5	0	0
	≥5	0		≥5	0	
Acute jaundice syndrome (AJS)	<5	9	11	<5	6	7
	≥5	2		≥5	1	
Influenza like illness (ILI)	<5	337	688	<5	371	713
	≥5	351		≥5	342	
Acute flaccid paralysis (AFP)	<5	0	0	<5	0	0
	≥5	0		≥5	0	
Suspected measles (SM)	<5	0	0	<5	6	7
	≥5	0		≥5	1	
Suspected meningitis (SMN)	<5	0	1	<5	0	0
	≥5	1		≥5	0	
Severe acute respiratory infection (SARI)	<5	0	0	<5	0	0
	≥5	0		≥5	0	
Others	<5	107	174	<5	42	104
	≥5	67		≥5	62	
Total sum of <5	<5	835			845	
Total sum of ≥5	≥5	689			689	
Total		1524			1534	

Annex 2: Map of Al-Hol camp

