



HIV and AIDS REGISTRY

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Monthly Update

National HIV Sentinel Surveillance System (NHSSS)

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HIV Ab Seropositive Cases for the month of December

For the month of December 2006, there were 17 new HIV Ab seropositive cases reported. Eleven (65%) were male and six (35%) were female. The median age was 30 years (range 18-50 years). More than half (59%) was in the 25-39 year age group. Of the 17 HIV Ab seropositive cases, twelve (71%) were from the National Capital Region (NCR). Reported mode of transmission was sexual contact (17) [*heterosexual (9), homosexual (5) and bisexual (3)*].

AIDS cases reported for the month of December

There was no AIDS case reported for the month of December.

Cumulative No. of HIV Ab Seropositive and AIDS Cases

From January 1984 to December 2006, there were 2,719 HIV Ab seropositive cases reported (Figure 1), of which 1,966 (72%) were asymptomatic and 753 (28%) were AIDS cases. More than half (58%) of the cases was in the 25-39 years age group (Figure 2). Sixty-four percent (1,748) were males. Sexual intercourse (87%) was still the leading mode of transmission (Table 1). Of the AIDS cases, 298 (40%) were already dead at the time of the report due to AIDS related complications.

Figure 1. HIV Ab Seropositive Cases by Year
HIV/AIDS Registry, January 1984-December 2006 (N=2,719)

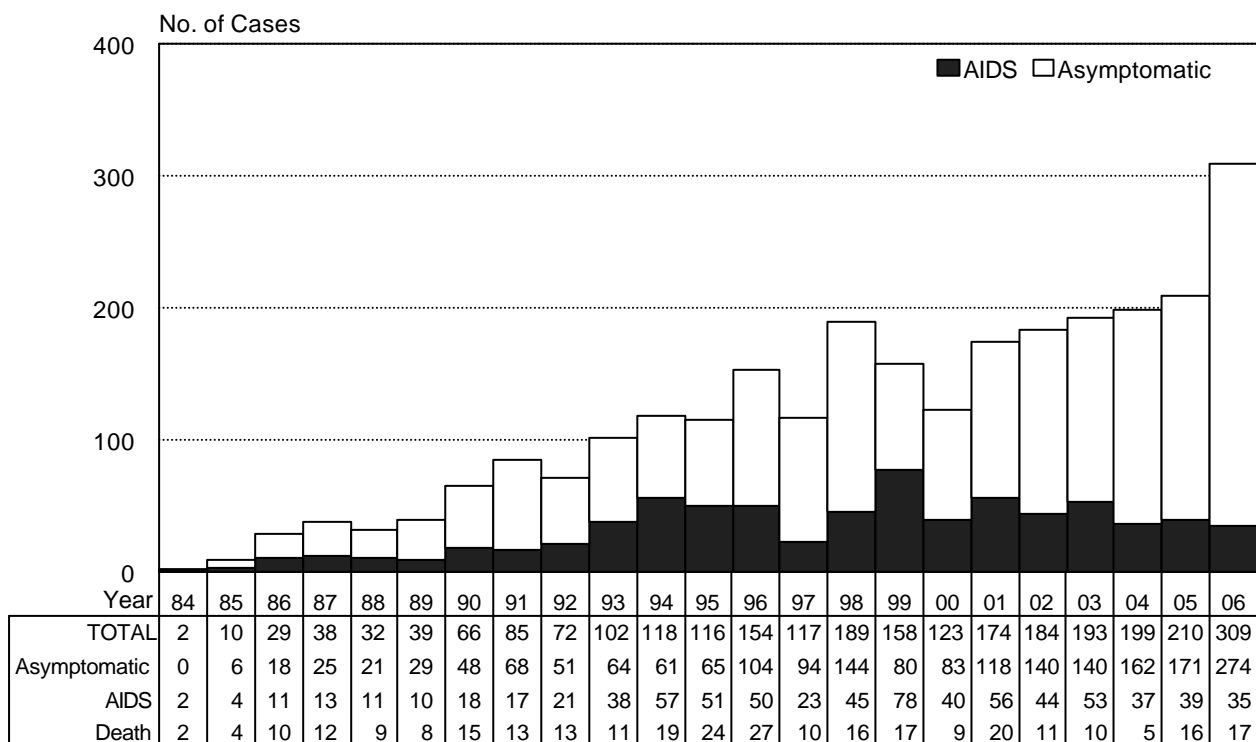
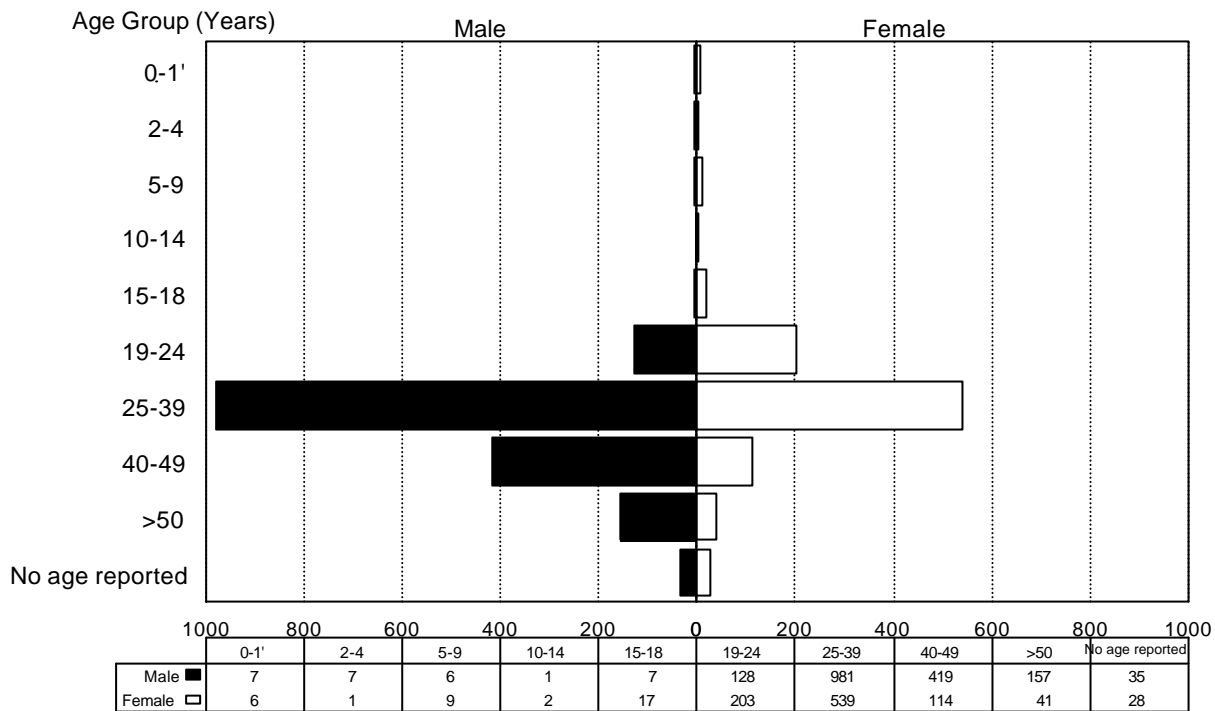


Figure 2. HIV Ab Seropositive Cases by Gender and Age Group
HIV/AIDS Registry, January 1984-December 2006 (N=2,719)



Note: 10 cases had no reported age and gender. (1 in 1991, 3 in 1993, 3 in 1994 and 3 in 2000)
1 case had no reported gender (2003)

Table 1. Reported Modes of Transmission
HIV/AIDS Registry, January 1984-December 2006 (N= 2,719)

Reported Modes of Transmission	Jan.1984-December 2006 N= 2,719	December 2006 n= 17
Sexual Transmission:		
<i>Heterosexual contact</i>	1,698	9
<i>Homosexual contact</i>	514	5
<i>Bisexual contact</i>	156	3
Blood/blood products	19	0
Injecting Drug Use	7	0
Needle prick injuries	3	0
Perinatal	37	0
Unknown	285	0

The Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs)

For the month of December 2006, there were 7 OFWs HIV Ab seropositive cases reported. Six (86%) were male and one (14%) was female. The median age was 34 years (range 23-50 years). All acquired infection through sexual contact (3 heterosexual, 3 homosexual and 1 bisexual). More than half (57%) were in the 25-39 year age group. Of the 7 OFWs who were HIV positive, 5 were from NCR. Occupations vary (seafarer, waiter, architect, caregiver, fitness instructor, and document controller). Among the countries traveled were Singapore, Malaysia, Hongkong, USA, Europe and Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. All travels were work-related.

Cumulative No. of HIV Ab Seropositive and AIDS Cases among OFWs

Of the 2,719 HIV seropositive cases, 954 (35%) were OFWs (Figure 3), of which 320 (34%) were seafarers, 163 (17%) were domestic helpers, 82 (9%) were employees, 74 (8%) were entertainers and 62 (6%) were health workers (nurses, caregivers, health educator, medical technologist, midwife, pharmacist, physical therapist and physician). Seventy three percent (699) of OFWs were males. More than half (57%) of the cases was in the 25-39 year age group (Figure 4). Sexual intercourse (93%) remains to be the predominant mode of transmission (Table 2).

Figure 3. HIV Ab Seropositive Cases among OFWs
HIV/AIDS Registry, January 1984-December 2006 (N= 954)

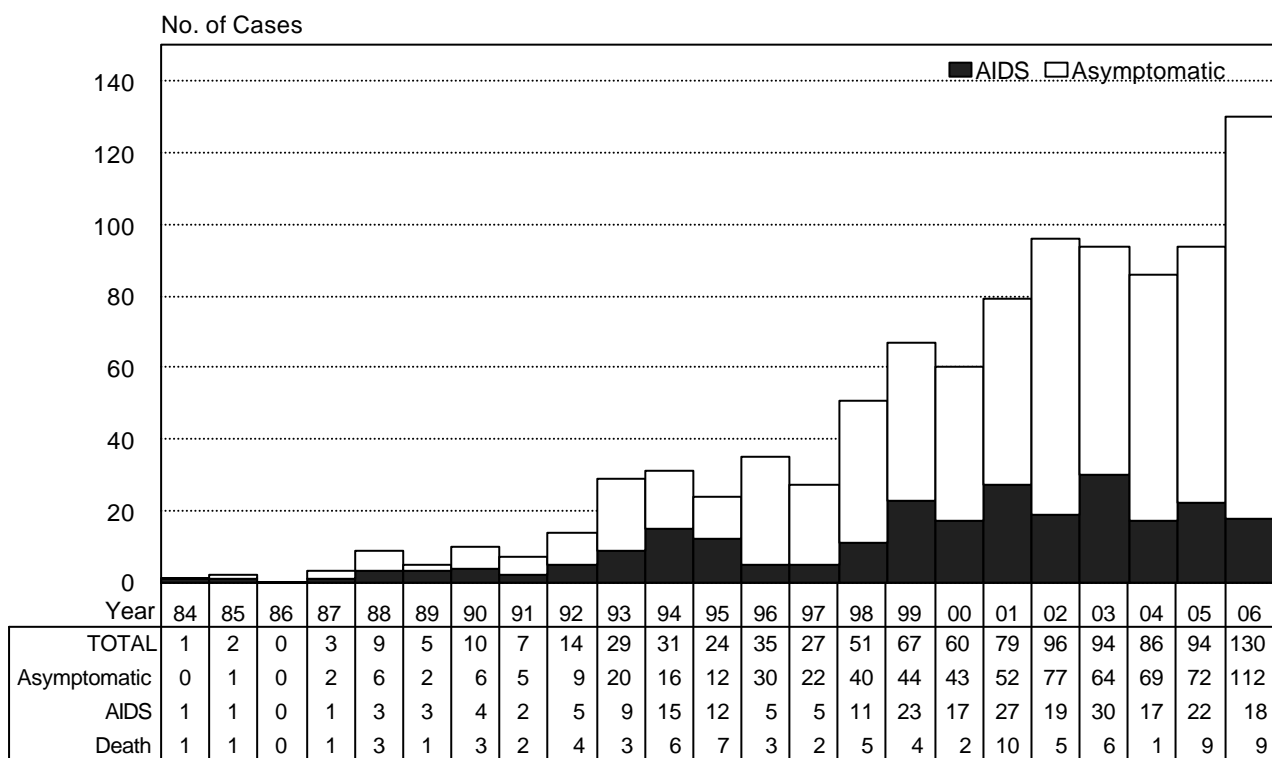


Figure 4. HIV Ab Seropositive Cases by Gender and Age Group among OFWs
HIV/AIDS Registry, January 1984-December 2006 (N=954)

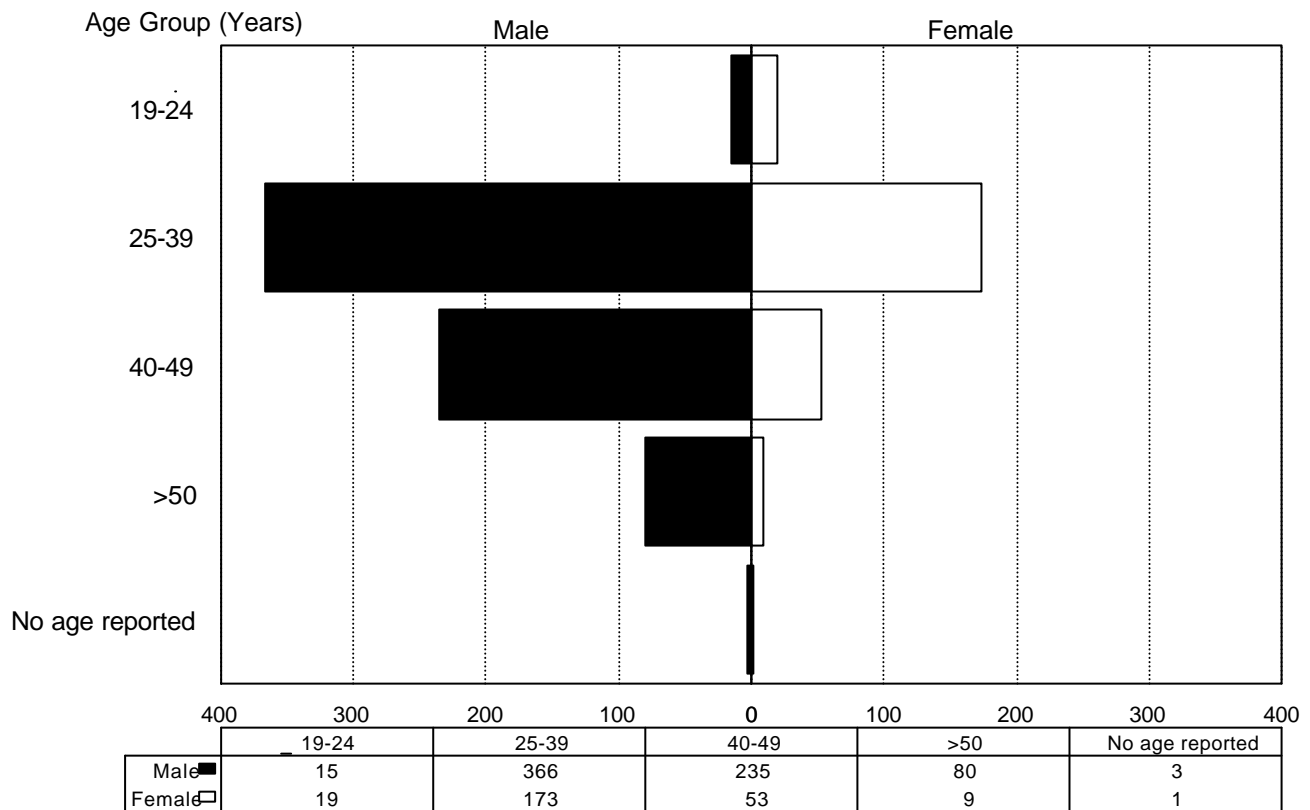


Table 2. Reported Modes of Transmission among OFWs
HIV/AIDS Registry, January 1984-December 2006 (N= 954)

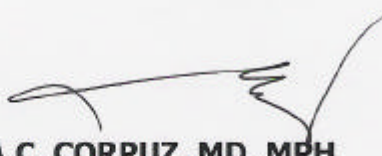
Reported Modes of Transmission	Jan. 1984-December 2006 N= 954	December 2006 n= 7
Sexual Transmission:		
<i>Heterosexual contact</i>	685	3
<i>Homosexual contact</i>	155	3
<i>Bisexual contact</i>	52	1
Blood/blood products	10	0
Injecting Drug Use	1	0
Needle prick injuries	3	0
Unknown	48	0

Program-Related Information

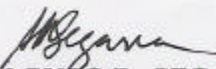
Of the 17 HIV Ab seropositive cases for the month of December, all of the cases were classified as stage I. Eleven of the 17 HIV Ab seropositive cases received information on HIV prevention, services available for HIV cases, implications of an HIV positive result from screening and confirmation. Other sources of information were the pre-departure orientation seminar (PDOS), one-on-one and group counseling and through pamphlets.

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