Additional file 1.

Detailed population characteristics, malaria parasite and risk-factor survey,

Northern Lao PDR (N= 5,082) (Part 1).

characteristic		n	% of total (95% CI)
Sex	male	2,380	46.8 (45.7 to 48.0)
	female	2,702	53.2 (52.0 to 54.3)
Age	0-9	830	16.3 (14.8 to 18.0)
	10-19	1,022	20.1 (18.6 to 21.7)
	20-29	909	17.9 (16.6 to 19.2)
	30-39	788	15.5 (14.4 to 16.6)
	40-49	636	12.5 (11.4 to 13.7)
	50-59	515	10.1 (9.2 to 11.2)
	60+	382	7.5 (6.6 to 8.6)
District	Paktha	1,038	20.4 (13.9 to 29.0)
	Muang Et	1,442	28.4 (19.9 to 38.8)
	Nambak	1,219	24.0 (16.5 to 33.6)
	Khua	1,383	27.2 (19.0 to 37.4)
Education	No schooling	1,102	21.7 (19.2 to 24.4)
	Some primary	1,996	39.3 (37.3 to 41.3)
	Completed primary	709	14.0 (12.5 to 15.6)
	(grade 5)		
	Some secondary	896	17.6 (15.4 to 20.1)
	Completed secondary	267	5.3 (4.2 to 6.6)
	(grade 11 or 12)		
	More than secondary	112	2.2 (1.7 to 2.9)
Primary	Small-scale farmer	2,014	39.6 (37.4 to 41.9)
occupation			
	Student	1,391	
	Not of working	1,102	21.7 (19.2 to 24.4)
	age/homemaker		
	Manual labor	216	4.3 (3.2 to 5.6)
	Plantation work (for	130	2.6 (1.8 to 3.6)
	cash)		
	Small business owner	84	1.7 (1.1 to 2.5)
	Not working	81	1.6 (1.2 to 2.1)
	Teacher	58	1,1 (0.80 to 1.6)
	Collecting plants or	6	0.12 (0.047 to 0.30)
	hunting in forest		
Household	Visitor	10	0.20 (0.087 to 0.44)
residency status			

	Resident	5,072	99.8 (99.6 to 99.9)
Wealth quintile	Highest	1,126	22.2 (18.2 to 26.7)
	Middle high	1,238	24.4 (20.9 to 28.2)
	Middle low	1,288	25.3 (21.9 to 29.1)
	Lowest	1,430	28.1 (22.0 to 35.2)
Resident of household with ownership of bednet (any type)	No	22	0.43 (0.013 to 0.15)
	Yes	5,060	99.6 (98.5 to 99.9)
Resident of household with at least one treated bednet for every two residents	No	2,368	46.6 (40.5 to 52.8)
	Yes	2,692	53.0 (46.7 to 59.2)

## Detailed population characteristics, malaria parasite and risk-factor survey, Northern Lao PDR (N= 5,082) (Part 2).

characteristic		n	% of total (95% CI)
Resident of household with any forest-goers	No	3,172	62.4 (56.5 to 68.0)
	Yes	1,970	37.6 (32.0 to 43.5)
Resident of household where source of malaria information is brochures or posters	No	5,056	99.5 (98.8 to 99.8)
Have you ever heard of malaria?	Yes	3,702	72.9 (68.9 to 76.5)
	No	1,286	25.3 (21.6 to 29.4)
	Don't know	94	1.9 (1.2 to 2.8)
Presence of other PCR-positives in village, but not in household	No	4,178	82.2 (73.8 to 88.4)

	Yes	904	17.8 (11.6 to 26.2)
Presence of other	No	4,973	97.9 (96.2 to 98.8)
cases in			
household			
	Yes	109	2.1 (1.2 to 3.8)
Mosquito nets	mean	-	4.3 (4.2 to 4.5)
(any type) per			
household			
	range	-	1 to 14
	person per net ratio	-	1.5 (1.4 to 1.6)
Treated mosquito	mean	-	2.6
nets (any type)			
per household			
	range	-	0 to 12
	person per net ratio	-	1.9 (1.7 to 2.0)