

# Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 23 August 2020

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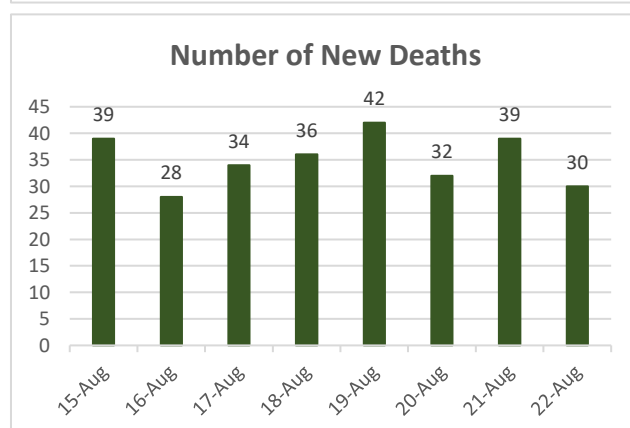
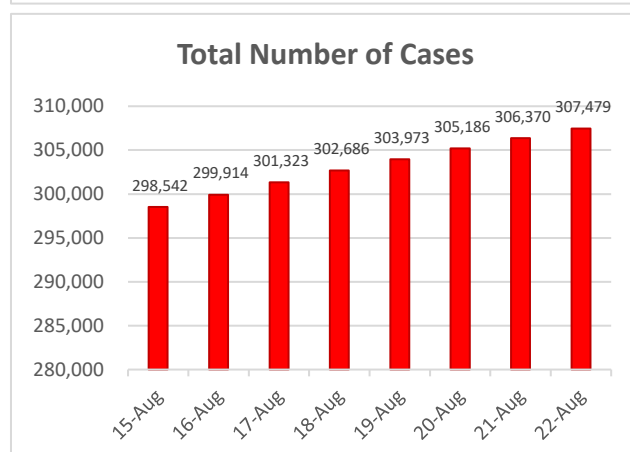
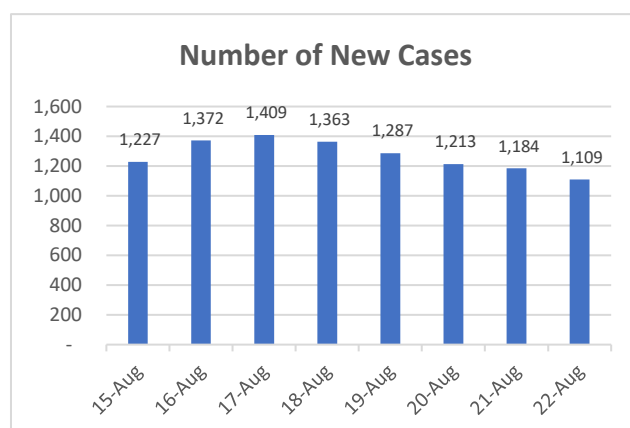
	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
<b>Total</b>	23,057,288	800,906	1,816,207	48,193
<b>New</b>	244,223	5,772	12,847	332

## Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
<b>Total</b>	307,479	280,143	3,649	23,687	1,644	4,674,950
<b>New</b>	1,109	1,702	30	-	-	52,313

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Cities with highest new infections were: Makkah (65), Madinah (61), Jazan (57), Jeddah (52), Hail (40), Riyadh (40), Al-Qunfutha (38), Baish (35) and Tabouk (35).
- 525,000 teachers return to schools today, at the beginning of the school year which starts virtually.
- Closure of three COVID-19 units in King Khaled Hospital in Kharj due to decline in new cases.
- WHO publishes updated guidance on home care for patients with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 and management of their contacts, see link.
- WHO publishes public health considerations while resuming international travel, see link.
- WHO and UNICEF provide advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19, see link.



## IMPORTANT LINKS

- MoH COVID-19 updates: <https://twitter.com/saudimoh>
- WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>
- WHO's COVID-19 dashboard: <https://covid19.who.int/>
- Ministry of Health COVID-19 Dashboard: <https://covid19.moh.gov.sa/>
- WHO publishes updated guidance on home care of COVID-19: [https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/home-care-forpatients-with-suspected-novel-coronavirus-\(ncov\)-infectionpresenting-with-mild-symptoms-and-management-of-contacts](https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/home-care-forpatients-with-suspected-novel-coronavirus-(ncov)-infectionpresenting-with-mild-symptoms-and-management-of-contacts)
- Precautions while resuming international travel: <https://www.who.int/news-room/articles-detail/public-healthconsiderations-while-resuming-international-travel>
- WHO and UNICEF: Advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19 [https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-IPC\\_Masks-Children-2020.1](https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-IPC_Masks-Children-2020.1)

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