

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 14th of September 2020

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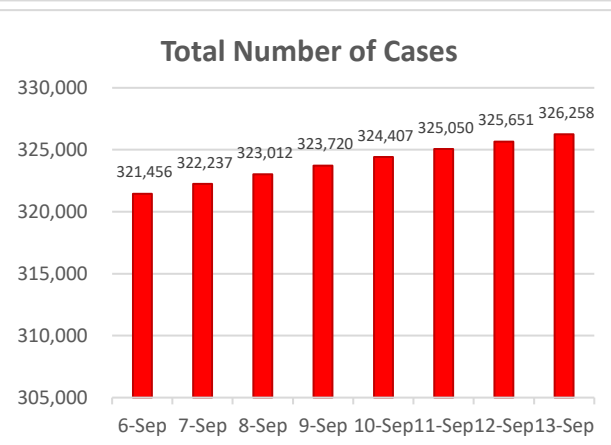
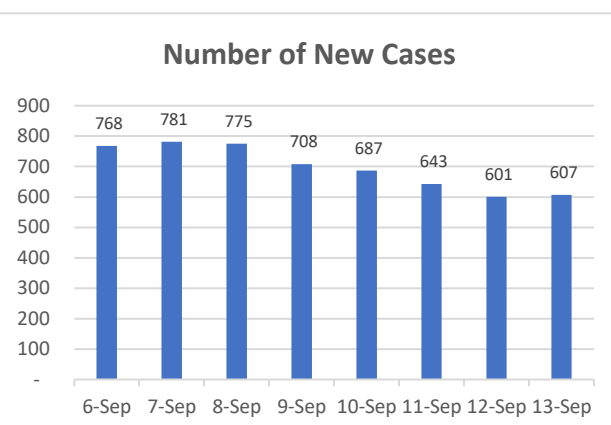
	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	28,918,900	922,252	2,116,189	55,320
New	267,257	4,771	14,513	308

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	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	326,258	303,930	4,305	18,023	1,293	5,766,502
New	607	1,060	37	-	-	44,025

HIGHLIGHTS

- 44% of the new cases were female and 11% children.
- Cities with highest new infections were: Makkah (73), Jeddah (65), Hufuf (46), Riyadh (42), Madinah (38), Al Mobarraz (26), Dammam (26), and Hail (21).
- Umrah to resume with limited number of domestic pilgrims; Umrah permit and coronavirus-free certificate are mandatory.
- A joint scientific cooperation between KACST and Noura Medical Services for the molecular detection of SARS-CoV2 virus by creating a laboratory to examine Corona for those wishing and traveling through the Kingdom's airports.
- The Kingdom ranked 2nd among G20 countries in the speed of conducting COVID-19 tests, results take on average of 31 hours.
- WHO publishes updated guidance on home care for patients with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 and management of their contacts, 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.
- WHO: Considerations for school-related public health measures 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/>
- New Ministry of Health COVID-19 webpage and dashboard: <https://covid19.moh.gov.sa/ar/Pages/default.aspx>
- 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)
- 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
- Considerations for school-related public health measures in the context of COVID-19: <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/considerations-for-school-related-public-health-measures-in-the-context-of-covid-19%20%EF%BB%BF>

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