

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)



WHO Office - Riyadh

Situation Report No. 64 - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 31 May 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1,877 new cases bringing total cases to 85,261. Of the new cases, 43% were Saudis, 30% were females and 12% were children.
- 3,559 new recoveries, bringing total to 62,442.
- 23 new mortalities bringing total to 503. Mortalities were in Makkah, Riyadh, Jeddah, Madinah, Dammam an Hofuf.
- There are 22,316 active cases, 453 of them in critical condition.
- A total of 822,800 PCR tests were conducted.
- The MoH Call Centre "937" stated in its Twitter account: "Donning the Niqab (for women) or the Shmaagh (for men) is deemed an alternative for the cloth face mask, provided it is made of several layers of fabric. Furthermore, it should fit tightly when worn, specifically at the nose and mouth areas."
- The Council of Senior Scholars advised that old people or those suffering from chronic diseases or reduced immunity to pray at home include Friday prayer.
- 90,000 Mosques open to prayer with precautionary measures.
- WHO released two new documents: key planning recommendations for mass gatherings in the context of COVID-19; and, technical guidance for the prevention and control of COVID-19 across long-term care services (see links below).

IMPORTANT LINKS

- **Daily MoH COVID-19 updates on Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/saudimoh>
- **WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports:** <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>
- **Ministry of Health COVID-19 Dashboard:** <https://covid19.moh.gov.sa/>
- **WHO prevention and management of COVID-19 across long-term care services:** http://www.euro.who.int/__data/assets/pdf_file/0004/443605/Tech-guidance-6-COVID19-eng.pdf?ua=1
- **WHO key planning recommendations for mass gatherings:** <https://www.who.int/publications-detail/key-planning-recommendations-for-mass-gatherings-in-the-context-of-the-current-covid-19-outbreak>

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Total (new) cases in last 24 hours

Globally

5,934,936 cases (117,551)

367,166 deaths (4,461)

Eastern Mediterranean Region

505,001 cases (15,080)

12,353 deaths (275)

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

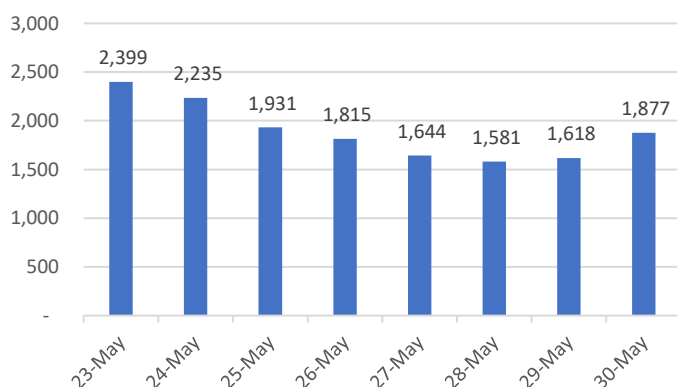
85,261 confirmed (1,877)

503 deaths (23)

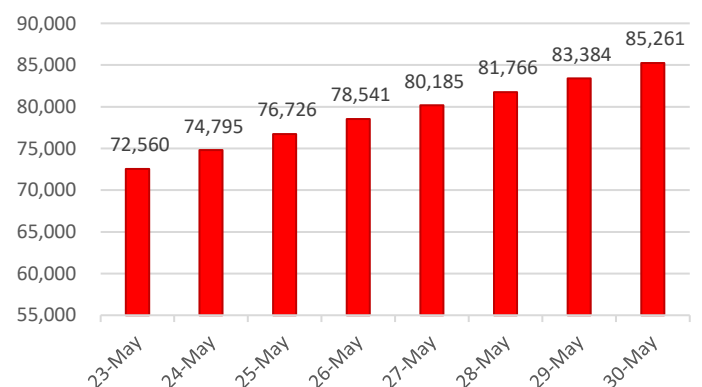
DAILY DISTRIBUTION OF CASES

#	City	New Cases	Recovered
1	Jeddah	586	590
2	Riyadh	504	788
3	Makkah	159	702
4	Dammam	110	92
5	Al-Madinah	95	412
6	Hofuf	55	48
7	Jubail	50	40
8	Khobar	33	42
9	Dahran	29	21
10	Buraidah	25	31
11	Taif	22	275
12	Al-Qatif	21	22
12	Al-Madah	18	0
13	Al-Mabraz	18	1
14	Hail	17	6
15	Kholais	13	2

Number of New Cases



Total Number of Cases



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