

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 17 October 2020

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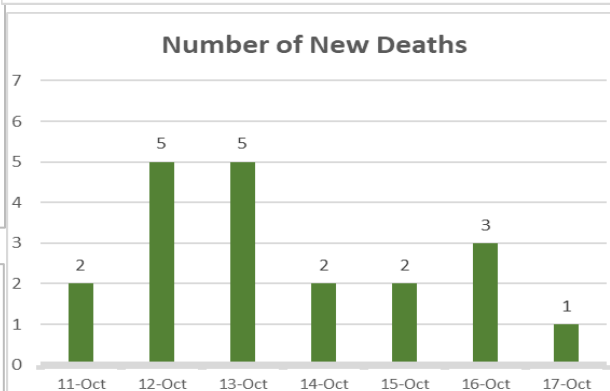
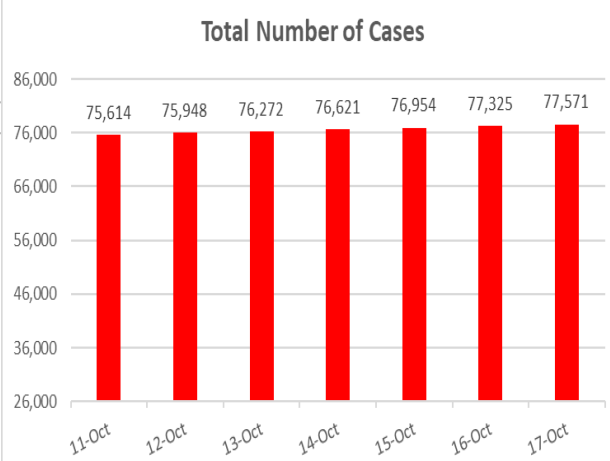
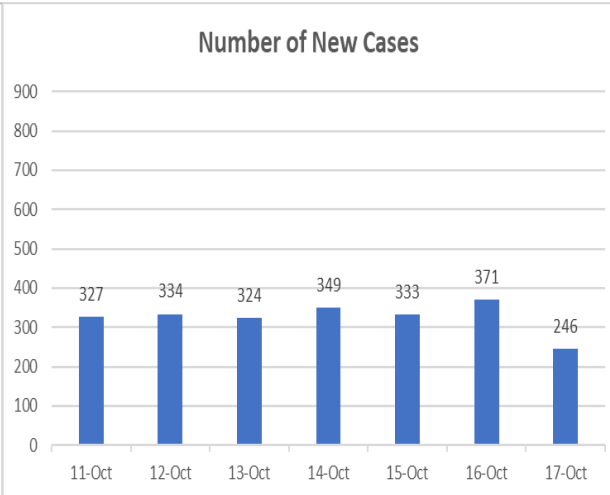
	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	39,196,259	1,101,298	2,725,600	69,245
New	1,115,038 in 3 days	17,450 in 3 days	65,150 in 3 days	1,495 in 3 days

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	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
	Total	77,571	73,841	293	3,437	46
New	950 in 3 days	1,280 in 3 days	6 in 3 days	-	-	30,192 in 3 days

HIGHLIGHTS

- The mortality were: 5 Bahraini Citizens (2 female (68 and 80 years old) and 3 male (70, 70 and 76 years old)) and a 62 years old male expatriate.
- HRH the Crown Prince revealed that the Kingdom has seen a 45% decrease in active COVID-19 cases during the last four weeks, expressing thanks to the efforts of citizens and residents.
- Under the Chairmanship of HE the Ministry of Health, the Jury of "Khalifa bin Salman Award for Bahraini Doctor" held its second meeting virtually.
- Ministry of Health launched rapid COVID-19 tests on a trial basis.
- World Health Organization (WHO) clinical study concluded that the anti-viral drug "Remdesivir" (amongst others) has little or no impact on a COVID-19 patient's chances of survival, triggering wide debates.
- Secretary General of the Supreme Council for Women (SCW) highlighted measures for supporting women during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Ministry of Education announced that schools are ready for partial reception of students, while precautionary measures are already assured for safe return of teachers and administrators.
- Ministry of Education supplied private schools with national subject textbooks, urging compliance with the mandatory precaution measures for preventing and combating COVID-19.
- Validity of all visit visas were extended until 21 January 2020 as a part of measures to face the coronavirus disease.
- Several restaurants and tourist cafes were closed for violating public health requirements to prevent spread of the Corona virus.
- WHO: New research helps to increase understanding of the impact of COVID-19 for pregnant women and their babies; see link below.
- WHO: Considerations for school-related public health measures in the context of COVID-19; see link below.
- WHO: Guidance on Informing vaccination programs: a guide to the design and conduct of dengue serosurveys; see link below.
- WHO: COVID-19 could reverse decades of progress toward eliminating preventable child deaths, agencies warn; see link below.
- WHO: COVID-19 pandemic response in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, progress report of the incident management support team, January-July 2020; see link below.
- WHO and UNICEF recommit to accelerating health and well-being at all ages; see link below.
- WHO: Boost for global response to COVID-19 as economies worldwide formally sign up to COVAX facility; see link below.
- WHO: Guidance on returning to school safely during the COVID-19 pandemic; see link below.
- WHO: Global partnership to make available 120 million affordable, quality COVID-19 rapid tests for low- and middle-income countries; see link below.
- WHO: Responding to non-communicable diseases during and beyond the COVID-19 pandemic; see link below.
- WHO: the Infection Prevention and Control Course Series; see link below.
- WHO survey: COVID-19 disrupting mental health services in most countries; see link below.
- WHO: Annual report of the Regional Director 2019; see link below.
- WHO: Emergency Global Supply Chain System (COVID-19) catalogue; see link below.
- WHO: Interim guidance on Antigen-detection in the diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection using rapid immunoassays; see link below.
- WHO: Solidarity Therapeutics Trial produces conclusive evidence on the effectiveness of repurposed drugs for COVID-19 in record time; see link below.



IMPORTANT LINKS

- Daily COVID-19 updates on MoH website: <https://www.moh.gov.bh/>
- WHO's COVID-19 weekly situation reports: https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronavirus/situation-reports/20200817-weekly-epi-update-1.pdf?sfvrsn=b6d49a76_4
- WHO's COVID-19 Dashboard: <https://covid19.who.int/>
- WHO: New research helps to increase understanding of the impact of COVID-19 for pregnant women and their babies: <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/01-09-2020-new-research-helps-to-increase-understanding-of-the-impact-of-covid-19-for-pregnant-women-and-their-babies>
- WHO: 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>
- WHO: Guidance on Informing vaccination programs: a guide to the design and conduct of dengue serosurveys: <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/978-92-4-151258-9>
- WHO: COVID-19 could reverse decades of progress toward eliminating preventable child deaths, agencies warn: <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/09-09-2020-covid-19-could-reverse-decades-of-progress-toward-eliminating-preventable-child-deaths-agencies-warn>
- WHO: COVID-19 pandemic response in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, progress report of the incident management support team, January-July 2020: <https://bit.ly/3c1WYpI>
- WHO and UNICEF recommit to accelerating health and well-being at all ages: <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/18-09-2020-who-and-unicef-recommit-to-accelerating-health-and-well-being-at-all-ages>
- WHO: Boost for global response to COVID-19 as economies worldwide formally sign up to COVAX facility: <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/21-09-2020-boost-for-global-response-to-covid-19-as-economies-worldwide-formally-sign-up-to-covax-facility>
- WHO: Guidance on returning to school safely during the COVID-19 pandemic: <https://t.co/KsDKF06wt?amp=1>
- WHO Regional Director's press briefing statement on vaccine development and COVAX Facility for COVID-19, 30 September 2020: <https://bit.ly/36leWT1>
- WHO: Global partnership to make available 120 million affordable, quality COVID-19 rapid tests for low- and middle-income countries: <https://bit.ly/3CU77oQ>
- WHO: Responding to non-communicable diseases during and beyond the COVID-19 pandemic: <https://bit.ly/25vds0r>
- WHO: the Infection Prevention and Control Course Series: <https://openwho.org/channels/ipc>
- WHO survey: COVID-19 disrupting mental health services in most countries: <https://bit.ly/3ny7ZEg>
- WHO: Annual report of the Regional Director 2019: <http://www.emro.who.int/annual-report/2019/index.html>
- WHO: Emergency Global Supply Chain System (COVID-19) catalogue: [https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/emergency-global-supply-chain-system-\(covid-19\)-catalogue](https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/emergency-global-supply-chain-system-(covid-19)-catalogue)
- WHO: Interim guidance on Antigen-detection in the diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection using rapid immunoassays: bit.ly/2f0JVF
- WHO: Solidarity Therapeutics Trial produces conclusive evidence on the effectiveness of repurposed drugs for COVID-19 in record time: <https://www.who.int/news/item/15-10-2020-solidarity-therapeutics-trial-produces-conclusive-evidence-on-the-effectiveness-of-repurposed-drugs-for-covid-19-in-record-time>

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