

SITUATION IN NUMBERS (as of midnight GMT+2, 09 April 2022)



3

country reporting biweekly increase in numbers of cases



2

country reporting biweekly increase in number of deaths



21 635 719

Total laboratory-confirmed cases



21 011 450

Total reported recovered cases



341 450

Total reported deaths



368 688 446

Total tests



With WHO support, COVID-19 vaccination is ongoing in Afghanistan, where over 4.1 million people are fully vaccinated.

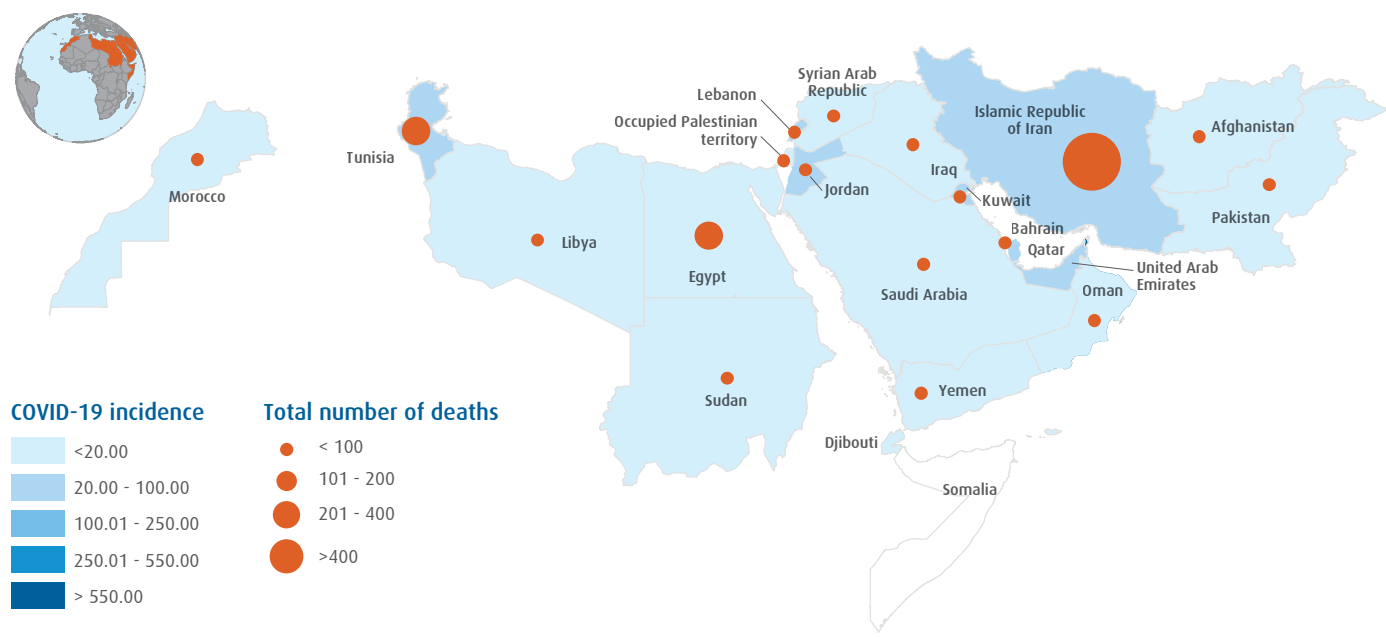
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EPIDEMIOLOGICAL HIGHLIGHTS

- **COVID-19 cases and deaths:** As of 9 April 2022, the Eastern Mediterranean Region has reported 21 635 719 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 341 450 deaths since the start of the pandemic.
- **Epidemiological trend:** during the reporting period, in comparison with the previous two weeks:
 - The number of reported cases decreased by 22%
 - The number of reported deaths decreased by 43%
 - The number of conducted tests decreased by 18%
 - 3 countries reported an increase in cases
 - 2 countries reported an increase in deaths
 - 14 countries reported a simultaneous decrease in cases and deaths
- **COVID-19 testing:** The total number of tests in the Region has reached 368 688 446 with a median cumulative positivity ratio of 10.2% (range from 0.6% to 34.3%).
- **Variants of concern (VOCs):**
 - 21 countries/territories in the Region have officially reported the detection of the Alpha VOC.
 - 18 countries/territories in the Region have officially reported the detection of the Beta VOC.
 - 6 countries/territories in the Region have officially reported the detection of the Gamma VOC.
 - 20 countries/territories in the Region have officially reported the detection of the Delta VOC.
 - 17 countries/territories in the Region have officially reported the detection of the Omicron VOC.

Map 1: COVID-19 biweekly cumulative incidence rate per 100,000 population and numbers of new deaths per country in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

27 March-09 April



Map 2: Countries reporting SARS-CoV-2 Variants of Concern (VOCs) in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

27 March-09 April

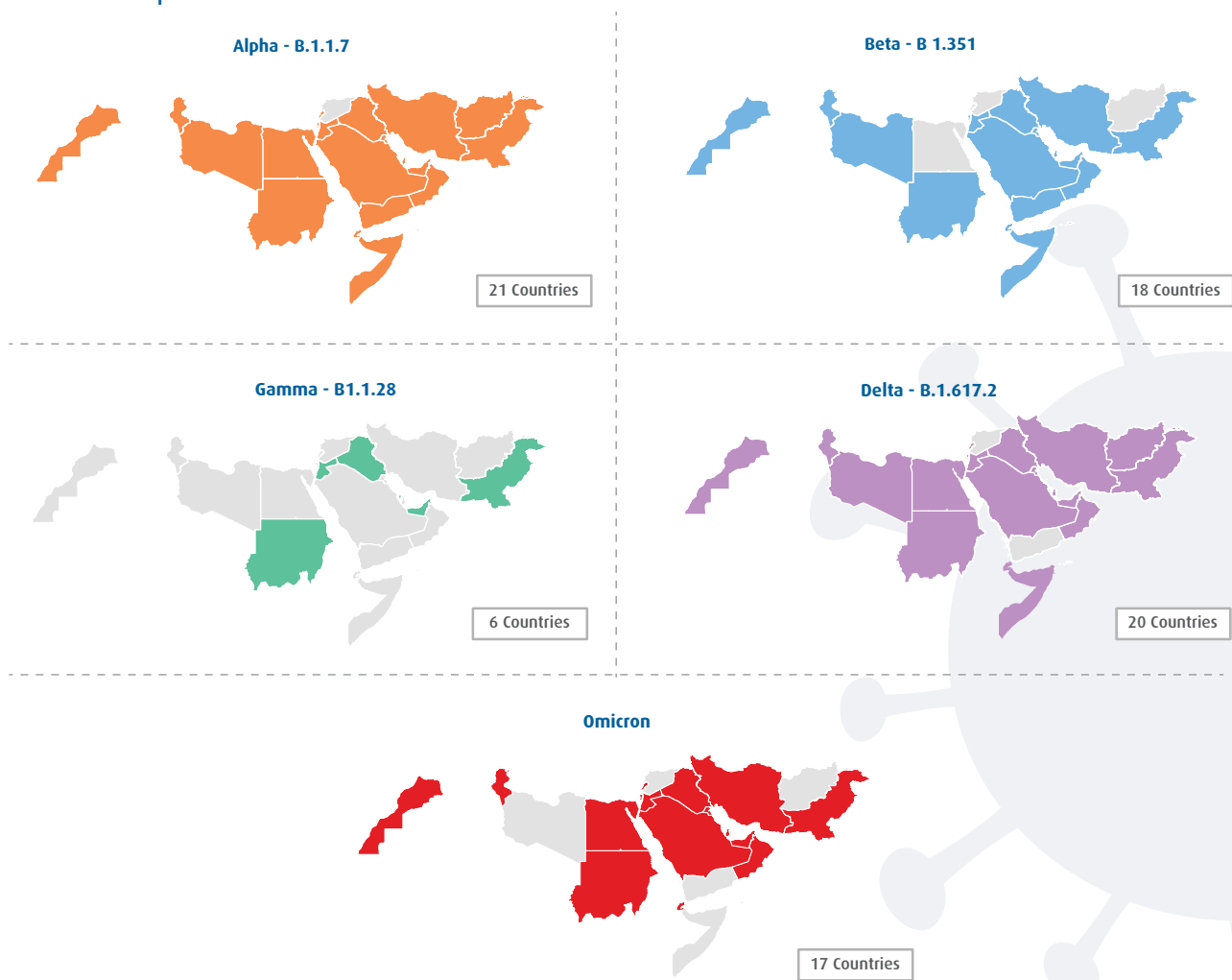


Table 1: Epidemiological situation in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

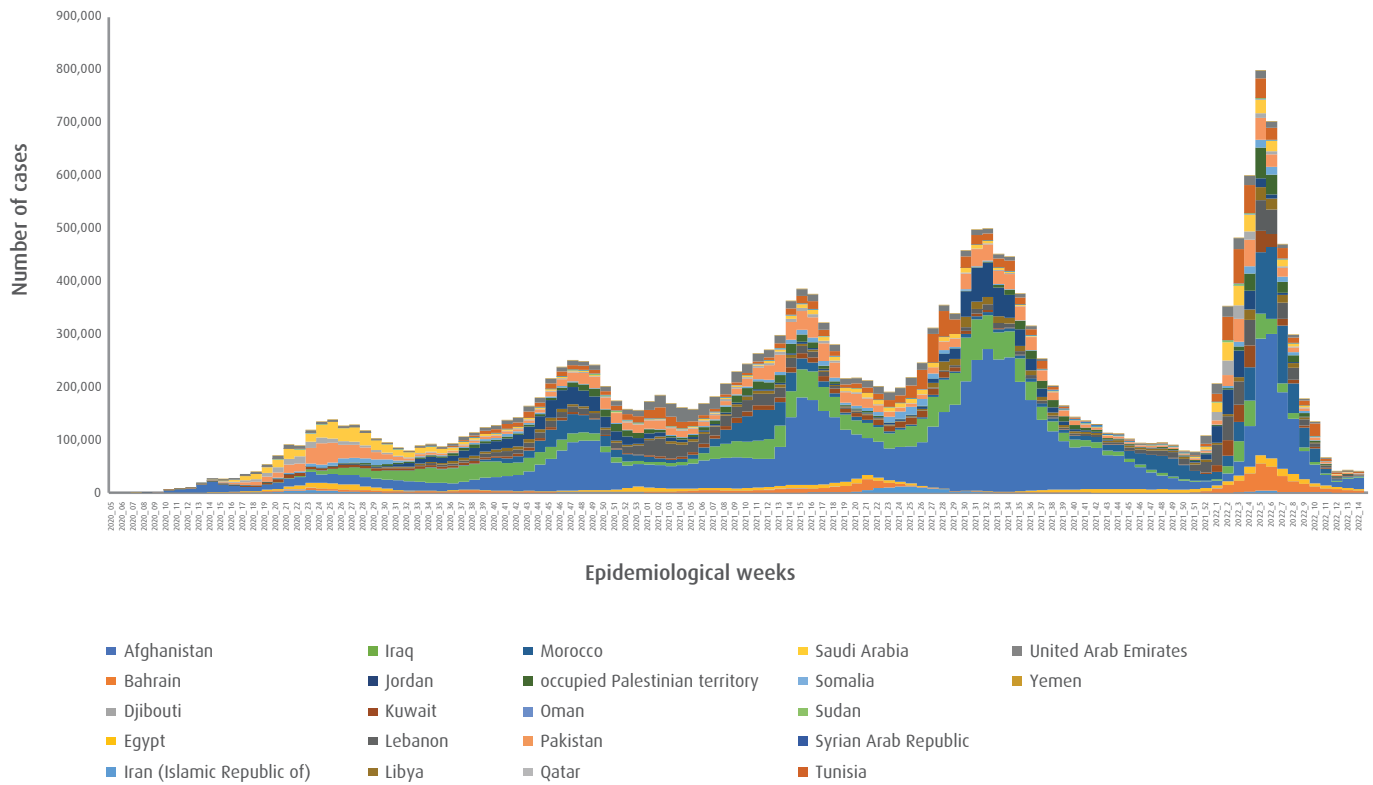
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Country	New Confirmed Cases	Total Confirmed Cases	New Deaths	Total Deaths	CFR	Total Recovered
Afghanistan	597	178,141	13	7,675	4.3%	161,343
Bahrain	9,069	559,431	4	1,472	0.3%	553,343
Djibouti	14	15,594	0	189	1.2%	15,401
Egypt	6,713	511,977	105	24,522	4.8%	442,182
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	39,960	7,188,749	606	140,577	2.0%	6,913,934
Iraq	4,034	2,321,781	34	25,183	1.1%	2,288,012
Jordan	2,472	1,694,957	24	14,055	0.8%	1,680,409
Kuwait	1,862	630,322	2	2,555	0.4%	626,431
Lebanon	4,005	1,094,503	59	10,337	0.9%	1,072,082
Libya	339	501,834	25	6,429	1.3%	490,837
Morocco	1,039	1,163,962	4	16,061	1.4%	1,147,128
Occupied Palestinian territory	867	656,617	1	5,656	0.9%	650,179
Oman	623	388,662	3	4,253	1.1%	383,492
Pakistan	2,668	1,526,568	16	30,361	2.0%	1,486,820
Qatar	1,919	362,623	0	677	0.2%	360,728
Saudi Arabia	1,459	751,717	17	9,055	1.2%	736,910
Somalia		26,471		1,361	5.1%	13,182
Sudan	123	62,052	23	4,928	7.9%	30,928
Syrian Arab Republic	89	55,739	13	3,146	5.6%	51,847
Tunisia	2,784	1,038,668	186	28,509	2.7%	1,023,814
United Arab Emirates	3,741	893,538	0	2,302	0.3%	873,449
Yemen	10	11,813	5	2,147	18.2%	8,999
Total	84,387	21,635,719	1,140	341,450	1.6%	21,011,450



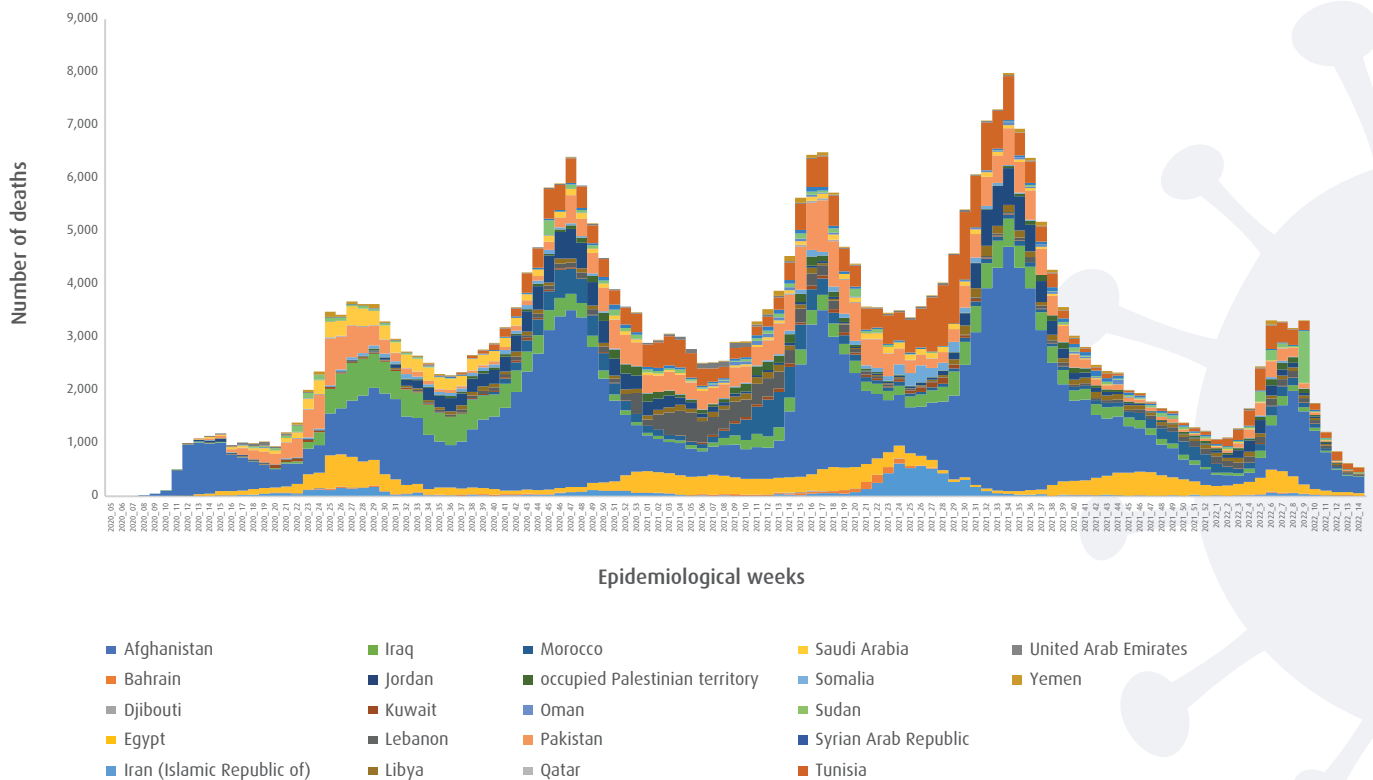
Graph 1: Weekly distribution of COVID-19 cases in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

26 January 2020-09 April 2022



Graph 2: Weekly distribution of COVID-19 deaths in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

26 January 2020-09 April 2022



REGIONAL RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS

Health Operations and Technical Expertise

Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)

- Reviewed the national IPC preparedness and response activities for COVID-19 in Egypt, Iraq, Syria and the occupied Palestinian territory.
- Reviewed and updated the occupied Palestinian territory's national IPC guidelines and documents in the context of COVID-19.

Essential Health Services and Systems

- Initiated internal collaboration to provide technical support to Libya regarding the country's Universal Health Coverage Priority Benefits Package (UHC PBP).
- Produced the first draft of the Frontline Service Readiness Assessment report for Afghanistan.

COVID-19 Vaccine

- Advocated at the highest levels through calls with the WHO Regional Director and virtual meetings with ministers of health and WHO Country Representatives in priority countries where low vaccination coverage subsists.
- Supported countries in responding to the vaccine allocation letters for round 15 through uploads on the COVAX Collaboration Platform (CCP).

COVID-19 vaccination coverage in the Eastern Mediterranean Region 7 April 2022

Over 692 million vaccine doses have been administered in the Region.



20% of the population is fully vaccinated.

Regional COVID-19 website:

<http://www.emro.who.int/health-topics/corona-virus/index.html>

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