

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report No. 57 - Kuwait

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 17 May 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1,048 new cases, bringing total to 14,850. Of the new cases 242 are nationals.
- All new cases are contacts of cases or are under investigation.
- 5 new mortalities, bringing total to 112.
- 10,645 cases remain under treatment, 168 of them are in ICU.
- Recovery of 250 coronavirus cases bringing total to 4,093.
- MoI apprehends an Arab expat who violated curfew rules and quarrelled with army personnel.
- MoH launches drive-thru coronavirus testing site.
- WHO: Smokers are more likely to develop severe disease with COVID-19, compared to non-smokers; WHO has published new guidance on "Cleaning and disinfection of environmental surfaces in the context of COVID-19"; WHO provided guidance on school related public health measures (see links below).

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Total (new) cases in last 24 hours

Globally

4,525,497 cases (100,012)
307,395 deaths (5,336)

Eastern Mediterranean Region

326,568 cases (10,900)
9,841 deaths (140)

Kuwait

14,850 confirmed (1,048)
112 deaths (5)

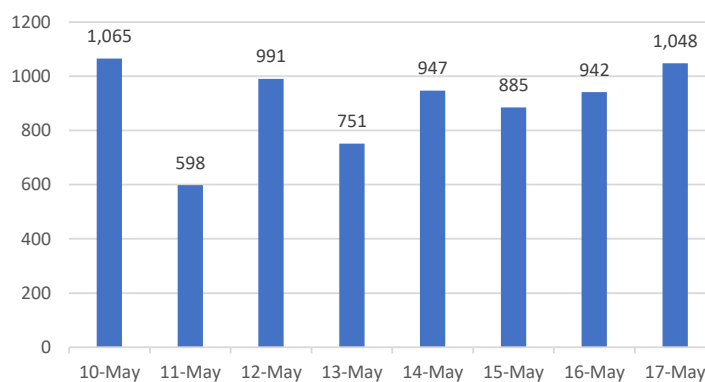
IMPORTANT LINKS

- **For updated information on the spread of COVID-19 in Kuwait:** <https://corona.e.gov.kw/en/>
- **To obtain WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports:** <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>
- **WHO 14th of April update of the COVID-19 strategy:** https://www.who.int/docs/defaultsource/coronavirus/covid-strategyupdate14april2020.pdf?sfvrsn=29da3ba0_6
- **Immunization programme in context of COVID-19:** <https://iris.paho.org/handle/10665.2/51992>
- **WHO's statement on tobacco and COVID-19:** <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/11-052020who-statement-tobacco-use-and-covid-19>
- **WHO guidance on cleaning and disinfection of environmental surfaces:** <https://www.who.int/publications-detail/cleaning-and-disinfection-of-environmental-surfaces-in-the-context-of-covid-19>
- **WHO school related public health measures:** <https://www.who.int/publicationsdetail/considerations-for-school-related-public-healthmeasures-in-the-context-of-covid-19>

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Number of New Cases



Total Number of Cases

