

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report No. 59 - Kuwait

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 19 May 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1,073 new cases, bringing total to 16,764. Of the new cases 231 are nationals.
- All new cases are contacts of cases or are under investigation.
- 3 new mortalities, bringing total to 121.
- 11,962 cases remain under treatment, 179 of them are in ICU.
- Recovery of 342 coronavirus cases bringing total to 4,681.
- Officials examine plans for repatriating illegal residents.
- Kuwait Football Association: Sports activity will return on September 11th after approval of health authorities.
- Ministry of Awqaf: Muslims can perform Eid Prayers at home.
- 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

4,731,458 cases (112,637)

316,169 deaths (4,322)

Eastern Mediterranean Region

356,749 cases (18,189)

10,149 deaths (170)

Kuwait

16,764 confirmed (1,073)

121 deaths (3)

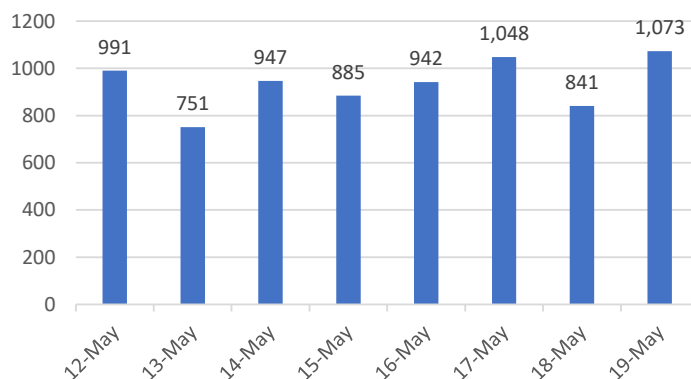
IMPORTANT LINKS

- **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/default-source/coronaviruse/covid-strategy-update-14april2020.pdf?sfvrsn=29da3ba0_19
- **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/cleaningand-disinfection-of-environmental-surfaces-inthecontext-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

