

# Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)



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## Situation Report No. 60 - Kuwait

WHO Office - Riyadh

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 20 May 2020

### HIGHLIGHTS

- 804 new cases, bringing total to 17,568. Of the new cases 170 are nationals.
- All new cases are contacts of cases or are under investigation.
- 3 new mortalities, bringing total to 124.
- 12,559 cases remain under treatment, 167 of them are in ICU.
- Recovery of 204 coronavirus cases bringing total to 4,885.
- MoH: Gates and sterilization rooms in public places are ineffective against Coronavirus.
- Kuwaiti Fire Service Directorate: Opening of quarantine for firefighters.
- Citizens returns to Kuwait from Mexico on special flights.
- 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

4,789,205 cases (57,804)

318,789 deaths (2,621)

##### Eastern Mediterranean Region

361,902 cases (5,153)

10,303 deaths (154)

##### Kuwait

17,568 confirmed (804)

124 deaths (3)

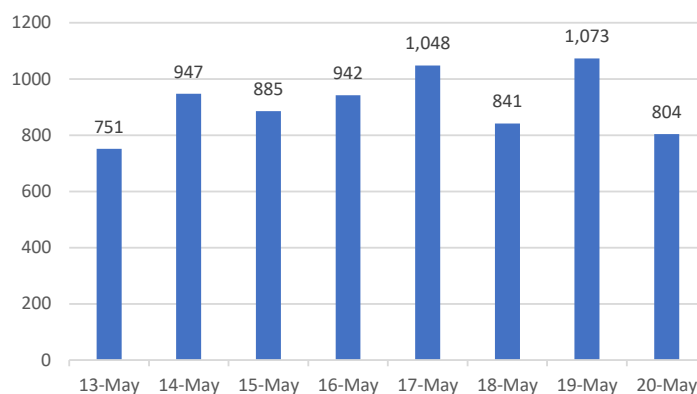
### IMPORTANT LINKS

- **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](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

