

# Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

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

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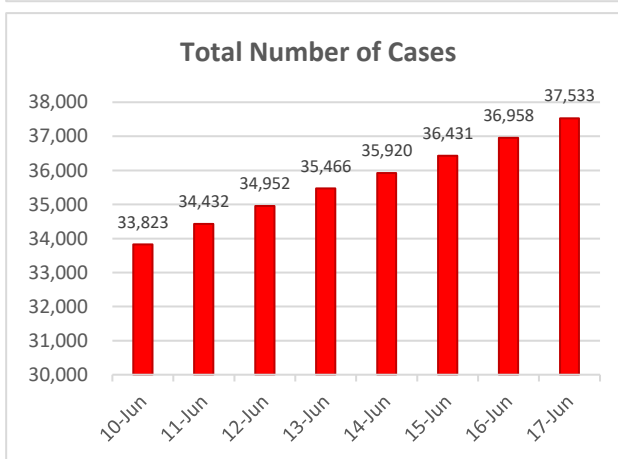
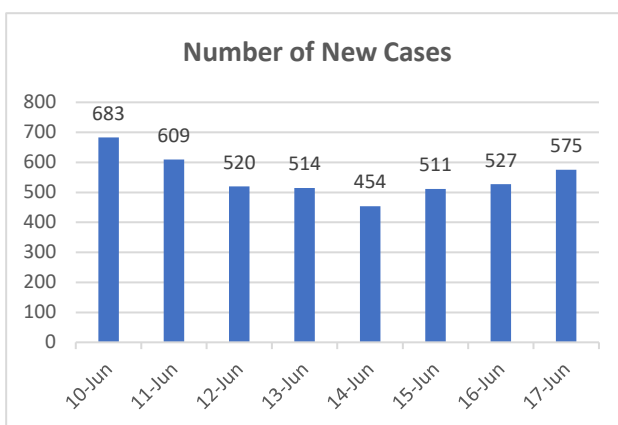
	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	8,061,550	440,290	817,458	18,057
New	119,759	5,494	20,699	499

## State of Kuwait

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	37,533	28,896	306	8,331	190	343,027
New	575	690	3	-	-	2,885

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Of the new cases 317 (55.1%) are nationals.
- New infections by health area: Al Ahmadi (144), Al Jahra (139), Al Farwaniyah (128), Hawally (96) and Capital Area (68).
- 65 tons of medical equipment and devices imported from China.
- MOI starts Immigration, Traffic and Residency Affairs departments at 30% capacity.
- Red Crescent distributes food parcels to residents in Sabah Al-Salem.
- WHO stops the hydroxychloroquine arm of the solidarity study as results show that it doesn't reduce mortality in hospitalized patients.
- WHO welcomes initial results on dexamethasone which **reduces mortality only among seriously ill patients** with no benefits observed in patients with milder disease (see link below).
- WHO clarifies comments made earlier regarding COVID-19 transmission: transmission is known to occur by symptomatic cases and pre-symptomatic cases (who later develop symptoms). More data is still needed about transmission via asymptomatic cases (who never develop symptoms). See link below.



## IMPORTANT LINKS

- **MoH update of COVID-19:** <https://corona.e.gov.kw/en/>
- **WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports:** <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>
- **WHO prevention and management of COVID-19 across long-term care services:** [http://www.euro.who.int/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0004/443605/Tech-guidance-6-COVID19-eng.pdf?ua=1](http://www.euro.who.int/__data/assets/pdf_file/0004/443605/Tech-guidance-6-COVID19-eng.pdf?ua=1)
- **WHO welcomes initial results on Dexamethasone:** <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/16-06-2020-who-welcomes-preliminary-results-about-dexamethasone-use-in-treating-critically-ill-covid-19-patients>
- **WHO clarification regarding transmission of COVID-19 by asymptomatic cases:** <https://twitter.com/WHOEMRO/status/1270769638922768387>

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