

# Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2020

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	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
<b>Total</b>	39,944,882	1,111,998	2,768,846	70,339
<b>New</b>	338,096	4,556	19,240	518

## Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
<b>Total</b>	342,583	328,895	5,201	8,487	844	7,403,020
<b>New</b>	381	357	16	-	-	48,884

## HIGHLIGHTS

- 41% of the new cases are female and 10% are children.
- Cities with highest new infections: Madinah (60), Yanbu (42), Makkah (27), Riyadh (27), Al Mobarraz (19), Hufuf (18), Hail (18), Abha (10), and Najran (9).
- Prophet's Mosque witnessed the second phase of gradual resumption of performing prayers within Al-Rawdah Al-Sharifah.
- Minister of Health warns of a spike in coronavirus cases during the upcoming weeks if people do not adhere to health measures.
- Minister of Health: we are following closely development of COVID-19 vaccines to provide the vaccine once we are convinced of its safety and effectiveness.
- WHO publishes public health considerations while resuming international travel, see link.
- WHO and UNICEF provide advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19, see link.
- WHO publishes SAGE seasonal influenza vaccination recommendations during the COVID-19 pandemic interim guidance, see link.

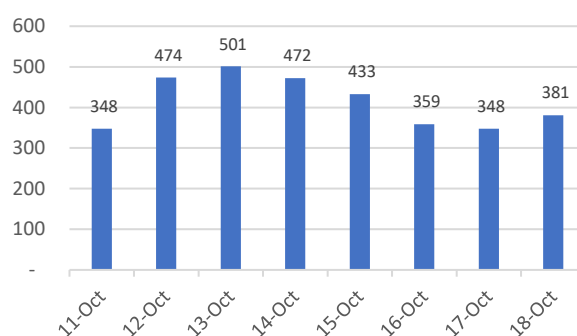
## IMPORTANT LINKS

- MoH COVID-19 updates: <https://twitter.com/saudimoh>
- WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>
- WHO's COVID-19 dashboard: <https://covid19.who.int/>
- New Ministry of Health COVID-19 webpage and dashboard: <https://covid19.my.gov.sa/ar/Pages/default.aspx>
- Precautions while resuming international travel: <https://www.who.int/news-room/articles-detail/public-healthconsiderations-while-resuming-international-travel>
- WHO and UNICEF: Advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19 <https://www.who.int/news-room/q-a-detail/q-a-children-and-masksrelated-to-covid-19>
- WHO SAGE seasonal influenza vaccination recommendations during the COVID-19 pandemic interim guidance: [https://www.who.int/immunization/policy/position\\_papers/Interim\\_SAGE\\_influenza\\_vaccination\\_recommendations.pdf](https://www.who.int/immunization/policy/position_papers/Interim_SAGE_influenza_vaccination_recommendations.pdf)

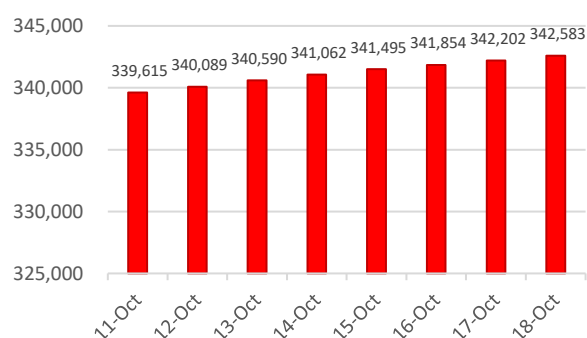
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Number of New Cases



Total Number of Cases



Number of New Deaths

