

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 25th of October 2020

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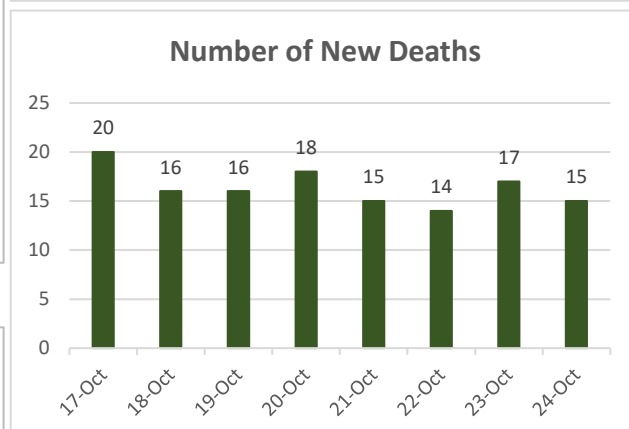
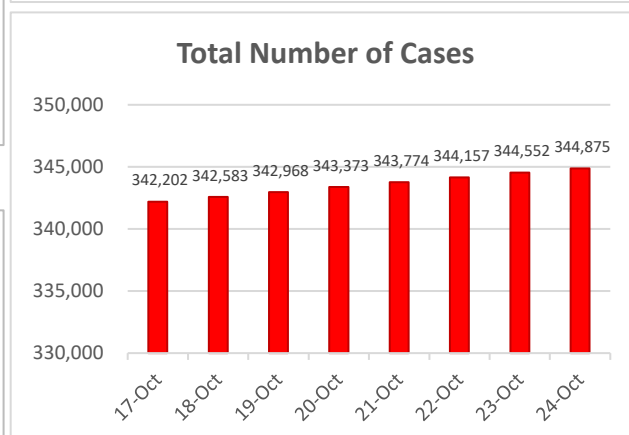
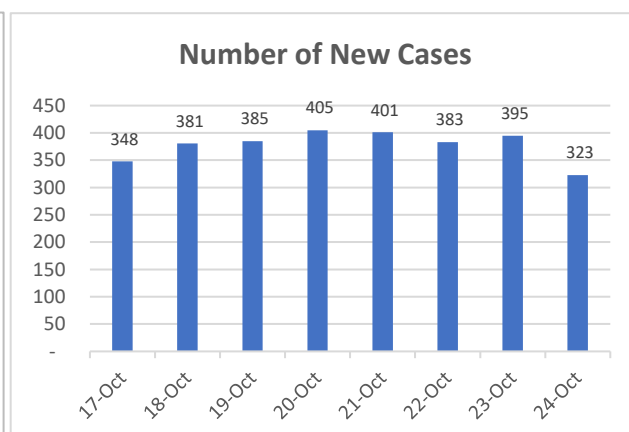
	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	42,512,186	1,147,301	2,908,574	73,848
New	438,633	5,669	23,677	583

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	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	344,875	331,330	5,296	8,249	767	7,720,362
New	323	335	15	-	-	50,014

HIGHLIGHTS

- 43% of the new cases are female and 12% are children.
- Cities with highest new infections: Madinah (62), Riyadh (41), Yanbu (29), Makkah (24), Buraidah (14), Hufuf (11), Riyadh AlKhabra (9), Unayzah (9), and Hail (9).
- Ministry of Hajj and Umrah issues guidelines for Umrah performers (between the ages of 18 and 50) from Outside Saudi Arabia starting next Sunday.
- Ministry of Education announced that final examinations for the first semester of 1442 (school year 2020 - 2021) will be conducted remotely.
- Ministry of Health: the current levels of coronavirus cases in Saudi Arabia do not necessitate reinstating a curfew in the Kingdom.
- 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 handbook for public health capacity-building at ground crossings and cross-border collaboration, 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-health-considerations-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/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-IPC_Masks-Children-2020.1
- WHO publishes handbook for public health capacity-building at ground crossings and cross-border collaboration: <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/handbook-for-public-health-capacity-building-at-ground-crossings-and-cross-border-collaboration>

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