



### Highlights of the week

As of week 30, **709,931** samples have been tested for COVID-19 by both public and private laboratories. Of this number, **438,105 (62%)** samples were tested through public confirmatory laboratories.

In week 30, **3,685** new cases of COVID-19 and **294** new deaths were reported. This is a **32%** increase in cases and **11%** increase in deaths compared to week 29 (**Table 1**).

Cumulatively, **147,985** confirmed cases of COVID-19 with **6,774** associated deaths (**CFR=4.5%**) have been reported in Afghanistan since Feb 2020.

**Table 1: Afghanistan's COVID-19 epidemiological overview, as of week 30**

Indicators	New number in week 30	% of change compared to week 29	Cumulative number
# of COVID-19 samples tested in both public & private labs	18,796	64%	709,931
# of COVID-19 samples tested in public labs	10,914	60%	438,105
# of COVID-19 lab confirmed cases (both public and private)	3,685	32%	147,985
# Recovered/discharged	6,125	40%	99,091 (66.9%)
# of COVID-19 associated death	294	11%	6,774 (CFR=4.5)

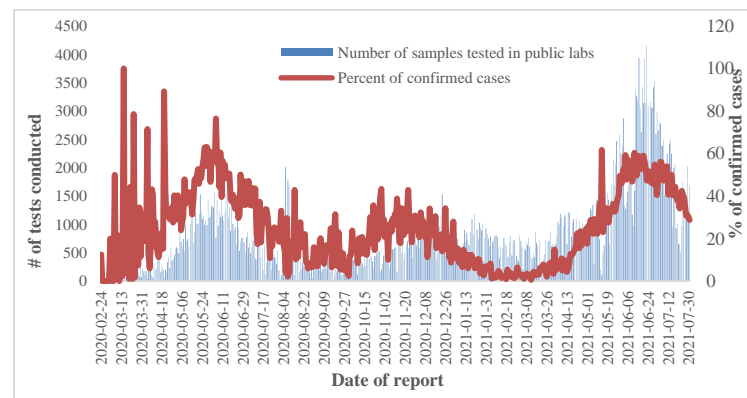
In week 30, the highest number of COVID-19 cases were reported in the west and north east (**1,104** cases, **530** cases, respectively) (**Table 2**). The top five provinces that reported positive cases include Herat (**839** cases), Kabul (**426** cases), Nangarhar (**232** cases), Badakhshan (**156** cases), and Hilmand (**153** cases).

Overall, Afghanistan has reported **4,639** confirmed cases and **93** associated deaths among healthcare workers (HCWs) since 2020. To date, Herat, Kabul, Nangarhar, Balkh and Kunar reported the highest number of positive cases among HCWs.

**Table 2: COVID-19 cases by region, as of week 30**

Region	# of new cases in week 30 (%)	% of change compared to week 29	Cumulative number (%)
Central East	505 (14%)	24%	43407(29.3%)
Central West	355 (10%)	-23%	12450 (8.4%)
East	350 (9%)	-5%	15999 (10.8%)
North	187 (5%)	78%	13156 (8.9%)
North East	530 (14%)	115%	15896 (10.7%)
South	257 (7%)	-15%	15269 (10.3%)
South East	397 (11%)	13%	9779 (6.6%)
West	1104 (30%)	102%	22029 (14.9%)
National	3685(100%)	32%	147985 (100%)

**Figure 1: Number of PCR tests conducted and percent of confirmed cases, as of 31 July 2021**

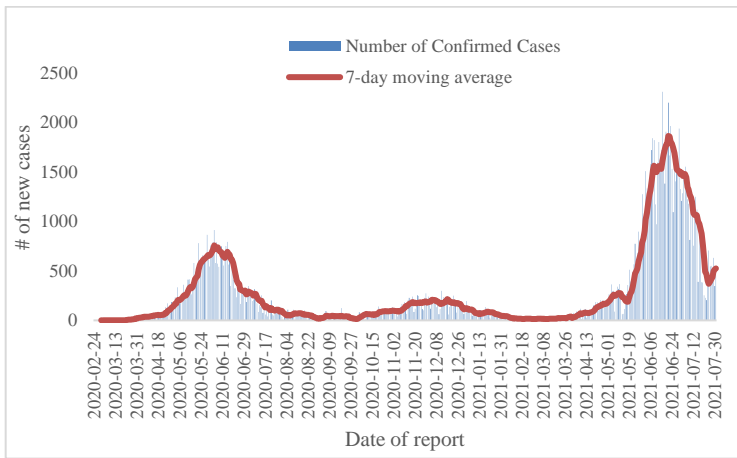


### COVID-19 vaccination highlights:

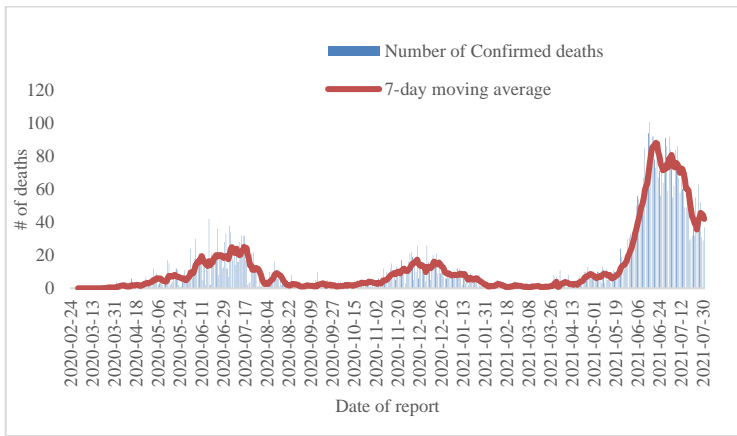
As of 31 July 2021, **1,458,471** individuals have been vaccinated against COVID-19. Of this number, **694,234 (48%)** individuals are fully vaccinated, and **764,237 (52%)** are partially vaccinated.

Of the total number vaccinated, **60.6%** are males and **39.4%** are females, **149,664 (10.3%)** are HCWs, **19,154 (1.3%)** are IDPs living inside camps, and **9,718 (0.6%)** are returnees from neighboring countries.

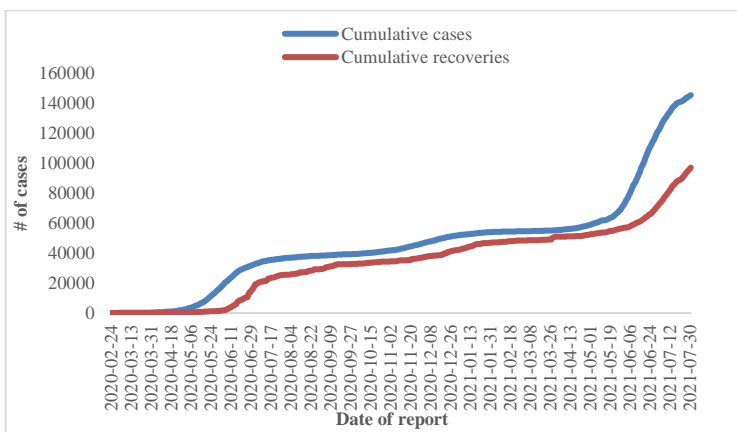
**Figure 2: Epidemiological curve of COVID-19 cases in Afghanistan, as of 31 July 2021**



**Figure 3: Epidemiological curve of COVID-19 associated deaths, as of 31 July 2021**

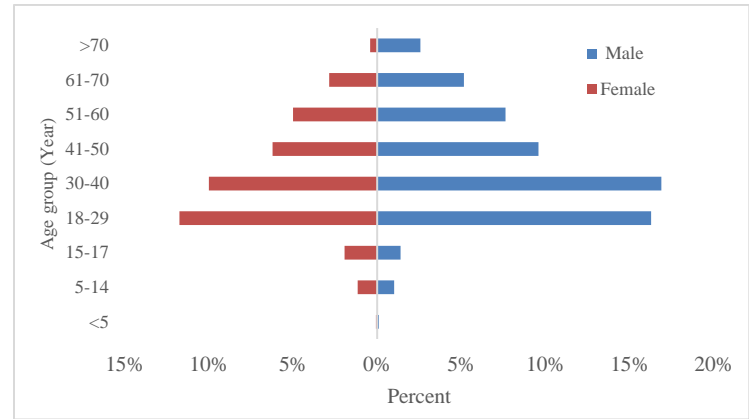


**Figure 4: Cumulative COVID-19 confirmed cases and recoveries, as of 31 July 2021**



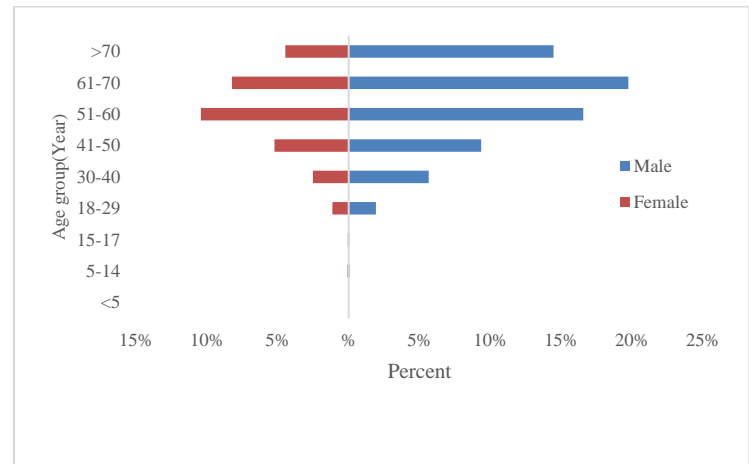
Of the confirmed COVID-19 cases, **60.0%** have been reported among males and **40.0%** among females. Majority of cases have been reported among those aged 18-40 years.

**Figure 5: Age distribution percentage of COVID-19 cases, 24 Feb 2020 to 31 July 2021**



Of the COVID-19 associated deaths, **67.0%** were reported among males and **33.0%** among females. The trend indicates that deaths increased by age group, with most reported among 61-70 years old.

**Figure 6: Age distribution percentage of COVID-19 associated deaths, 24 Feb 2020 to 31 July 2021**



**Figure 7: Proportion underlying conditions among COVID-19 associated deaths, as of 31 July 2021**

