# **Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)**

# Situation Report No. 17 - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 31 March 2020



# **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Out of a total of 1,563 confirmed cases, 165 recovered and were discharged, 31 are in critical condition, and 2 expatriates died in Madinah;
- 2 out of the new cases were travel related, and 108 were contacts of cases;
- Distribution of new cases: 33 in Riyadh, 29 in Jeddah, 20 in Makkah, 16 in the cities of the Eastern Province; remaining cases are distributed in other localities;
- Since the beginning of the pandemic, the distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the major cities of the Kingdom is as follows: 567 in Riyadh, 257 in Makkah, 222 in Jeddah, 128 in Dammam, 108 in Qatif, and 74 in Madinah;
- The government announced that all nationals and residents will receive free COVID-19 care in public and private facilities regardless of their legal status;
- The Saudi Food and Drug Authority analysed 204 samples of sanitizers since the beginning of the epidemic in the Kingdom;
- The Minister of Hajj has urged Muslim countries to postpone conducting arrangements and contracts for the Hajj season until the progression of the epidemic becomes clearer.

## SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Total (new) cases in last 24 hours

# **Globally**

750,890 confirmed (57,610)

36,405 deaths (3,301)

# **Eastern Mediterranean Region**

50,349 confirmed (4,020)

2,954 deaths (142)

## **Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

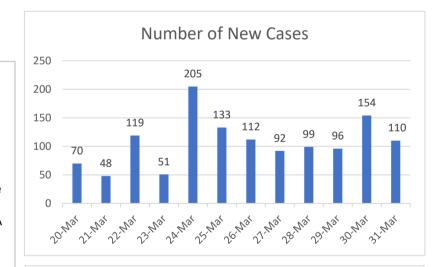
1,563 confirmed (110) 10 deaths (2)

### **IMPORTANT LINKS**

- Daily COVID-19 updates on MoH Twitter account: https://twitter.com/saudimoh
- WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports: https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports
- Ministry of Health website:

https://www.moh.gov.sa/en/Pages/default.aspx

- To download "Mawid" application, go to App store or Google play, the Ministry of Health web page: https://www.moh.gov.sa/en/Support/Pages/MobileA pp.aspx



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