Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 6th of December 2020

Situation Report No. 193 - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia 7th of December, 2020



	Glo	bal	Eastern Mediterranean Region		
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	
Total	65,870,030	1,523,583	4,288,324	107,247	
New	605,211	10,264	31,277	619	

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	358,713	348,879	5,965	3,869	600	10,106,659
New	187	317	11	-	-	32,790

HIGHLIGHTS

- Regions with the highest new infections: Riyadh (52), Makkah (38), Madinah (33), Eastern (25), Al Qassim (13) and Asir (9).
- A registration mechanism for taking the COVID-19 vaccine will be announced soon.
- 13,549 violations of COVID-19 mitigation measures recorded in one week.
- WHO provides updated guidance on COVID-19 therapeutics, see link.
- WHO produces guide on developing a national deployment and vaccination Planning for COVID-19 vaccines, see link.
- WHO updated guidance on mask use in the context of COVID-19, 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 MoH COVID-19 dashboard: https://covid19.my.gov.sa/ar/Pages/default.aspx
- WHO's COVID-19 Therapeutics:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/therapeutics-and-covid-19-living-guideline

- WHO guide on developing a national deployment and vaccination Plan: https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-Vaccine_deployment-
- 2020.1 WHO updated guidance on mask use in the context of COVID-19:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/advice-on-the-use-of-masks-in-the-community-during-home-care-and-in-healthcare-settings-in-the-context-of-the-novel-coronavirus-(2019-ncov)-outbreak

IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

How will we know if a COVID-19 vaccine is safe?

There are many strict protections in place to help ensure that COVID-19 vaccines will be safe. Like all vaccines, COVID-19 vaccines should go through a rigorous, multistage testing process, including large (phase III) trials that involve tens of thousands of people. These trials are specifically designed to identify any common side effects or other safety concerns.

If clinical trials shows that a vaccine is safe and effective, a series of independent reviews of the efficacy and safety evidence is required, including regulatory review and approval in the country where the vaccine is manufactured, before WHO considers a vaccine product for prequalification. Part of this process also involves a review of all the safety evidence by the Global Advisory Committee in Vaccine Safety. An external panel of experts convened by WHO will analyse the results from clinical trials. After a COVID-19 vaccine is introduced, WHO will support monitoring for any safety concerns on an ongoing basis.



- The National Focal Person for COVID-19 is Dr Abdullah Asiri, Assistant Deputy for Preventive Health, MoH, email: AbdullahM.Asiri@moh.gov.sa





