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Case Summary

Cases worldwide: 9,100,090

Deaths worldwide: 472,172

Countries affected: 188

(Data taken from [Coronavirus COVID-19 Global Cases dashboard](#) from Johns Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering)

Introduction

Global cases have passed 9 million with over a million new cases reported in the last seven days. Europe has confirmed over 2.5 million cases and the US recorded over 2.2 million.

Saudi Arabia has banned international visitors from performing the Hajj, or Islamic pilgrimage, in order to control the spread of COVID-19. However, a limited number of people who are residents in the country will be allowed to attend the pilgrimage.

News

WHO News

As influenza season will be starting in the southern hemisphere, WHO warns countries to stay vigilant and [prepare](#) for influenza during the COVID-19 pandemic. WHO advises countries to optimise their [Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System](#) (GISRS), a system promoting global confidence and trust, for both influenza and COVID-19. Countries should sustain and report surveillance data to regional platforms and maintain vaccination programs based on WHO guidance.

Public health experts have been [sent](#) to Tajikistan through the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN) to improve surveillance of COVID-19 and increase laboratory testing to support the ongoing work by Tajikistan response team.

WHO has provided [support](#) to Uzbekistan's health authorities to determine the possible options for COVID-19 testing and to determine available resources to improve laboratory capacities.

Evolution Worldwide

ASIA & PACIFIC

Bangladesh: 3,480 new cases and 38 deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 115,786 cases and 1,502 deaths.

China: 22 new cases have been identified, 9 of which were imported, 7 in Gansu province, 1 in Jiangsu province, 1 in Shaanxi province, and 13 in Beijing. The total number of cases is 83,418 including 4,634 deaths.

India: 14,933 new cases and 312 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 440,215 cases and 14,011 deaths.

Japan: 56 new cases have been reported, bringing the total to 17,916 cases and 953 deaths. Japan prepares flood shelters to prevent further spread of COVID-19 as the nation heads into its rainy season.

Nepal: At least 9,561 cases and 23 deaths have been confirmed. Flights will be suspended until 5 July.

Philippines: 630 new cases and eight deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 30,682 cases and 1,177 deaths. At least 174 of the cases were reported in Metro Manila, and 257 in the Central Visayas region in central Philippines.

Singapore: 218 new cases and no deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 42,313 cases and 26 deaths. The number of new cases reported has decreased from an average of eight cases per day to four cases over the last two weeks.

Thailand: Five new cases have been reported, all imported, bringing the total to 3,156 cases and 58 deaths. Thailand has gone 29 days without local transmission of the disease.

Vietnam: No new cases were reported. The total number of cases is 349 with no deaths. Vietnam has gone 68 consecutive days without community transmission of the virus.

EUROPE

France: 373 new cases have been reported, bringing the total to 160,750 cases including 29,663 deaths. Cinemas have reopened after three months of closure. Screenings cannot be more than half full with a free seat on either side of each customer. Disneyland Paris will reopen in phases from 15 July.

Germany: 503 new cases have been reported, bringing the total to 190,862 cases including 8,895 deaths.

Ireland: Four new cases and two deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 25,383 cases and 1,717 deaths.

Italy: 218 new cases and 23 deaths have been confirmed, bringing the total to 238,720 cases and 34,657 deaths. Italian Prime Minister and the Health and Regional Affairs ministers thanked the Civil Protection staff and health volunteers in an official ceremony for their support in fighting the pandemic.

Netherlands: 69 new cases were confirmed, bringing the total to 49,658 cases and 6,090 deaths. No deaths were reported in the last 24 hours for the first time since early March. Gyms, saunas and casinos will reopen on 1 July.

Russia: 7,425 new cases and 153 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 599,705 cases and 8,359 deaths. This was the highest daily increase in cases reported.

Spain: 125 new cases have been reported, resulting in a total of 246,504 cases and 28,324 deaths. Tourists have begun to arrive in Spain as they fill up the beaches. However, three districts in the Aragonese province of Huesca had to return to Phase 2 of de-escalation plan due to an outbreak of 25 new cases.

United Kingdom: 958 new cases and 15 deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 305,289 cases and 42,647 deaths. This was the lowest death toll recorded since mid-March. Groups of up to six people can meet indoors in Northern Ireland, making it the first part of the UK to allow limited indoor gatherings.

MIDDLE EAST

Afghanistan: 324 new cases and 20 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 29,481 cases and 618 deaths.

Iran: 2,573 new cases and 119 deaths have been reported. The total number of cases is 207,525, including 9,742 deaths. The Khuzestan province, as well as several other provinces, have seen an increase in trend in daily infections.

Iraq: 1,808 new cases and 67 deaths were reported. A total of 32,676 cases and 1,167 deaths have been confirmed. The Basra and Maysan provinces have reimposed full curfew. The health minister stated that Iraq is approaching its peak stage if COVID-19 infections after the constant increase in number of cases over the past few days.

Kazakhstan: 499 new cases have been reported, an increase of 2.8%, and seven deaths have been confirmed. The total number of cases is 18,231 with 127 deaths. Majority of new cases were reported in Shymkent (61), followed by Nur-Sultan (59).

Saudi Arabia: 3,393 new cases and 40 deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 161,005 cases and 1,307 deaths. Saudi Arabia has banned international visitors from performing the Islamic pilgrimage, or Hajj, this year in order to control the spread of COVID-19.

United Arab Emirates: 372 new cases and one death have been reported, bringing the total to 45,303 cases and 303 deaths.

AFRICA

Angola: At least 186 cases and 10 deaths have been confirmed.

Democratic Republic of Congo: The total number of cases has reached 5,924 with 135 deaths.

Ghana: A total of 14,154 cases and 85 deaths have been confirmed.

Kenya: 59 new cases have been reported, bringing the total to 4,797 cases and 125 deaths. Nairobi, Mombasa and Busia continue to record surges in cases.

Madagascar: A total of 1,640 cases and 15 deaths have been confirmed.

Mozambique: At least 737 cases and five deaths have been reported.

Nigeria: 675 new cases and 7 deaths were reported, bringing the total to 20,919 cases and 525 deaths. The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) is helping with the expansion of testing capacity by rolling out the GeneXpert (equipment currently used for diagnosis of tuberculosis) testing sites for COVID-19 in every state in the country.

South Africa: 4,288 new cases and 61 deaths have been reported. The total number of cases has reached 101,590 with 1,991 deaths. One of the new cases was reported in Limpopo, three in KwaZulu Natal, 18 in Eastern Cape and 39 in Western Cape.

AMERICAS

Brazil: At least 1,106,470 cases and 51,271 deaths have been confirmed.

Chile: 4,608 new cases and 23 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 246,963 cases and 4,502 deaths.

Mexico: 4,577 new cases and 759 deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 185,122 cases and 22,584 deaths. Mexico City and the Valley of Mexico are the most affected regions.

Peru: A total of 257,447 cases and 8,223 deaths have been confirmed. Shopping malls have reopened, and shoppers are only allowed to enter after having their temperature checked and hands and shoes sanitised.

United States: 27,616 new cases and 308 deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 2,275,645 cases and 119,923 deaths.

NEW COUNTRIES

No new countries have reported their first case(s) of COVID-19.