At the end of April 2019, a total of 2428 laboratory-confirmed cases of Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS) were reported globally. The highest number of cases were reported from Saudi Arabia (2037 cases, including 760 related deaths with a case-fatality rate of 37.3%). During the same corresponding period of 2013 to 2019, do not show any significant difference or change, except for the increase in the number of secondary cases and household contact history.

The demographic and epidemiological characteristics of reported cases, when compared with the number of deaths is higher in the age group 50–59 years for primary cases and 70–79 years for secondary cases. The age group 30–39 years is most at risk for secondary cases. The age group 50–59 years continues to be at highest risk for acquiring infection of healthcare worker cases due to the current hospital outbreak.

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