

# COVID-19 MONTHLY UPDATE | APRIL 2021

## Highlights

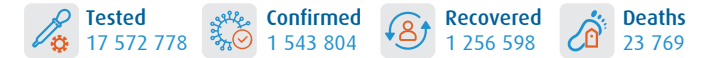
- In April 2021, a total of 1 543 804 COVID-19 cases were reported from 22 countries of the Eastern Mediterranean Region. There was a 25% increase in overall reported cases as compared to the previous month when it was 1 151 256. The highest number of cases was reported from Islamic Republic of Iran followed by Iraq and Pakistan.
- During April 2021, a total of 23 769 related deaths were reported from the Region with Islamic Republic of Iran reporting the highest number of deaths followed by Pakistan and Jordan. There was a 40% increase in reported deaths compared to previous month when it was 14 192.
- Fifteen of the 22 countries in the Region reported an increase in COVID-19 cases and deaths during the month of April as compared to March.
- Since the start of the pandemic, a total of 7 572 341 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 159 139 related deaths (case-fatality rate 2.1%) were reported from the 22 countries.
- Sixteen countries have reported one or more new variants of concern (VOC) in the Region (B.1.1.7 in 16 countries, B.1.351 in 6 countries and B.1.1.28 in 2 country).
- In April 2021, WHO listed Moderna COVID-19 vaccine for emergency use. Vaccination has started in 22 countries of the Region. The total number of doses administered is 40 946 189.

## COVID-19 cases and deaths by EMR Countries, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021

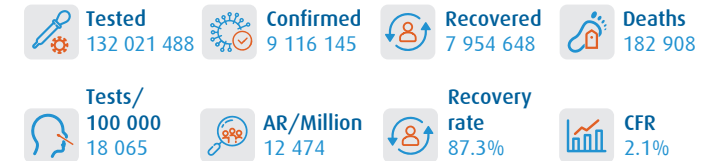
Countries	April		Cumulative figures			Trend*
	New cases	New deaths	Cases	Deaths	CFR%	
Afghanistan	3550	142	60 122	2637	4.4	↑
Bahrain	32 489	125	176 934	646	0.4	↑
Djibouti	3098	73	11 100	143	1	↑
Egypt	25 421	1344	227 552	13 339	5.9	↑
Islamic Republic of Iran	613 513	9093	2 499 077	71 758	2.9	↑
Iraq	214 275	1142	1 065 199	15 465	1.5	↑
Jordan	99 796	1978	711 373	8836	1.2	↓
Kuwait	41 888	250	273 991	1563	1	↑
Lebanon	58 178	1044	526 578	7278	1.4	↓
Libya	17 528	349	177 508	3029	2	↑
Morocco	15 152	205	511 249	9023	1.8	↑
Occupied Palestinian territory	54 425	636	325 303	3517	1.1	↓
Oman	34 035	332	193 253	2010	1.0	↑
Pakistan	152 588	3427	825 519	17 957	2.2	↑
Qatar	25 688	167	205 652	458	0.2	↑
Saudi Arabia	27 356	288	417 363	6957	1.7	↑
Somalia	2517	184	13 915	713	5	↓
Sudan	2305	270	34 433	2365	6.9	↑
Syrian Arab Republic	3824	327	22 733	1592	7.0	↑
Tunisia	55 426	1965	310 734	10 808	3.5	↑
United Arab Emirates	58 792	90	520 236	1587	0.3	↓
Yemen	1960	338	6321	1227	19.4	↑
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 543 804</b>	<b>23 769</b>	<b>9 116 145</b>	<b>182 908</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>↑</b>

\*trend refers to % changes in the cases compared to previous month

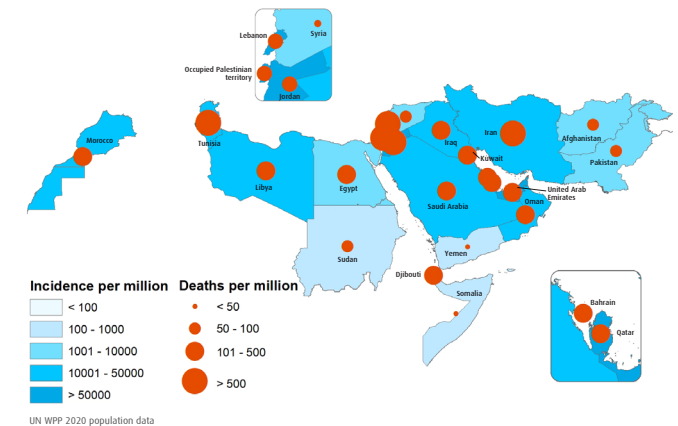
## Key figures, April 2021



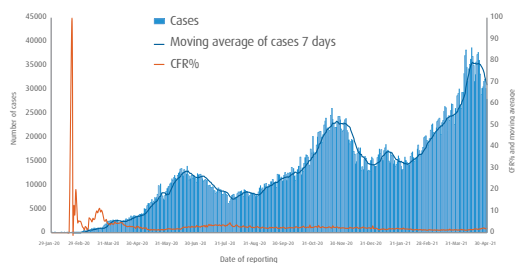
## Cumulative key figures, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021



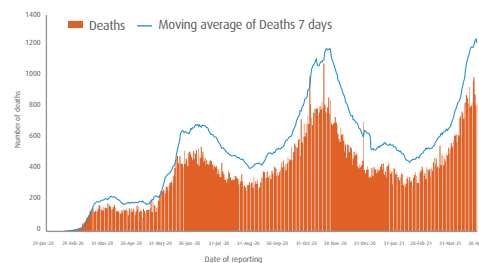
## COVID-19 cases and deaths per million in the EMR countries, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021



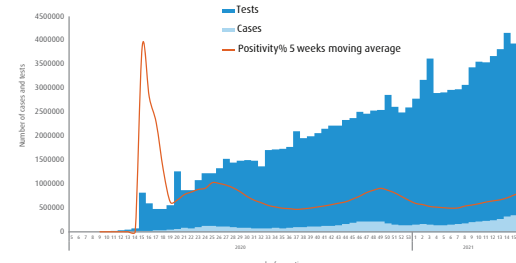
## Distribution of weekly COVID-19 tested in EMR, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021



## Distribution of daily deaths in EMR, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021



## Distribution of weekly COVID-19 tested in EMR, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021



## Distribution of COVID-19 cases by age and gender in EMR, 29 January 2020 to 30 April 2021

