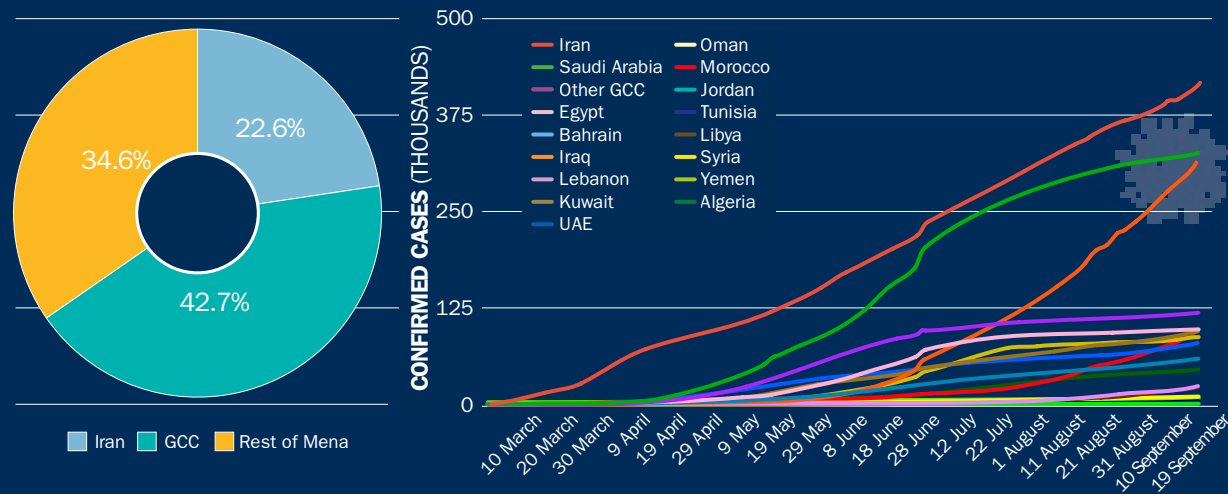


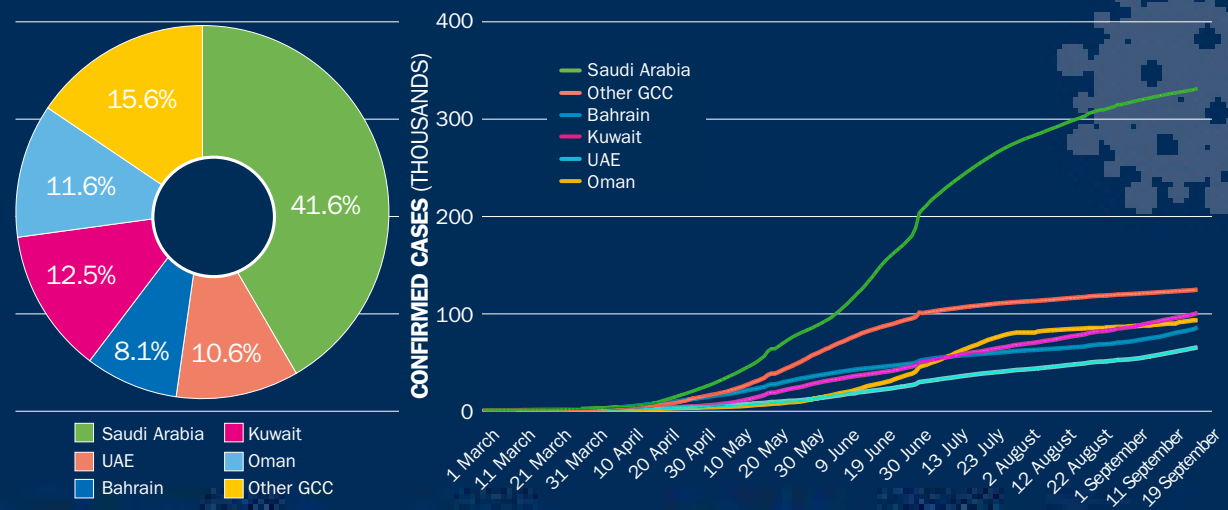
COVID-19 TRACKER

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COVID-19 CASES IN THE MENA REGION

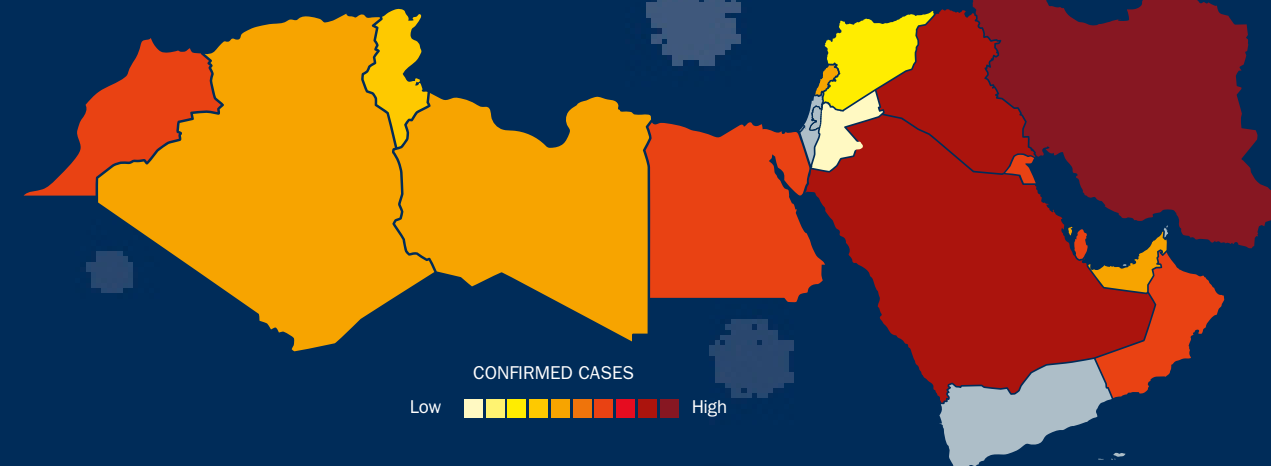


COVID-19 CASES WITHIN THE GCC



COVID-19 SITUATION AND LATEST UPDATES

Country	Total Cases	Latest Update
ALGERIA	49,410+	Prime Minister Abdelaziz Djerad chairs government meeting to discuss implementation of economic recovery plan, which includes measures to be rolled out by the end of 2020, in 2021 and in 2022-24.
BAHRAIN	63,880+	Education and health ministries to conduct Covid-19 tests for all public school administrators, teachers and technicians. On-arrival visa issuance resumes for citizens of 68 countries.
EGYPT	101,770+	President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi urges precautionary measures be implemented as archaeological sites reopen and schools prepare to resume in October.
IRAN	419,040+	President Hassan Rouhani says Covid-19 and other economic shocks will impact next year's budget.
IRAQ	311,690+	Health ministry warns it may "lose control" of the pandemic if people do not comply with the precautionary measures that have been put in place. Border control precautionary measures have been tightened.
JORDAN	4,340+	Commercial flights resume at Queen Alia International airport after six months of closures. Additional precautionary measures have been launched at Kuwait International airport.
KUWAIT	98,530+	Cabinet discusses draft law encouraging local banks to offer finance to clients impacted by Covid-19. Additional precautionary measures have been launched at Kuwait International airport.
LEBANON	27,520+	General mobilisation extended until 31 December to curb Covid-19. Cinemas allowed to reopen for the first time since March.



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LIBYA	26,440+	Head of the National Centre for Disease Control, Bader al-Din al-Najjar, says health centres are under extreme pressure in Tripoli.
MOROCCO	97,265+	Remote education to be implemented in phases for schools in Marrakech. Economy minister signs agreements for \$357m in loans from the European Bank for Reconstruction & Development.
OMAN	91,750+	Companies warned of fines if precautionary measures and rules are flouted. International flights planned to resume from 1 October.
OTHER GCC	123,150+	Sea vessels and metro services allowed to resume operations at limited capacity. Private sector incentives extended as part of a relief programme valued at \$20.6bn.
SAUDI ARABIA	328,720+	Limited international flights resume with precautions. There are plans for the suspension of the Umrah pilgrimage to be gradually lifted.
SYRIA	3,730+	UN Security Council told 45 per cent of Syrian businesses have temporarily shut down. Another 25 per cent are operating at reduced levels and 15 per cent have closed permanently.
TUNISIA	9,110+	Government launches e-portal to book Covid-19 tests. Newly appointed Prime Minister Hichem Mechichi pledges to continue supporting institutions impacted by Covid-19.
UAE	84,240+	Emergency vaccine use authorised for frontline workers. The vaccine was developed by China's Sinopharm. The UAE is involved through an agreement with local technology company Group 42.