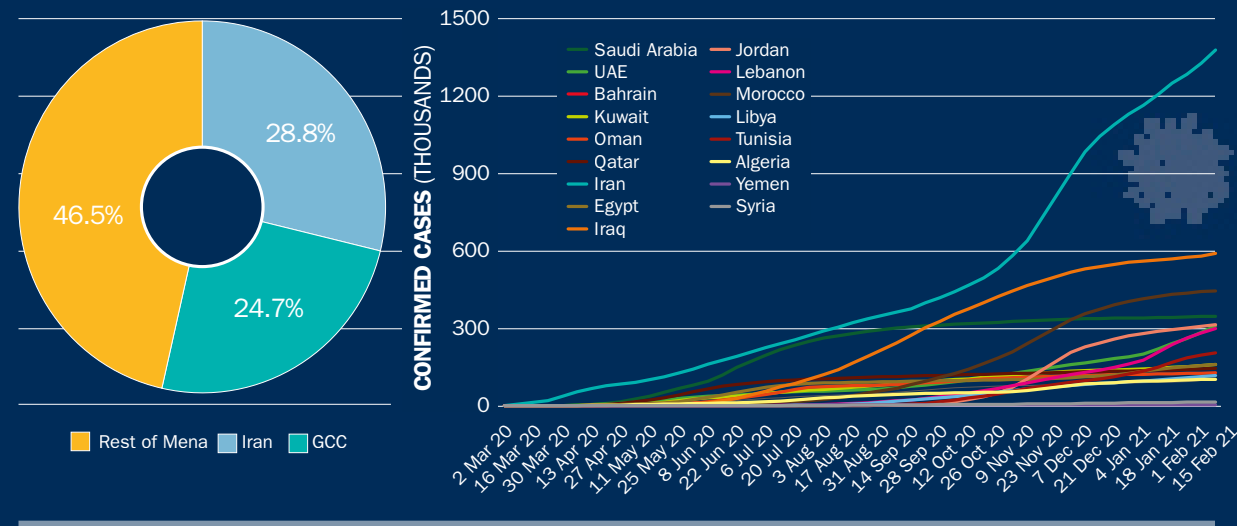


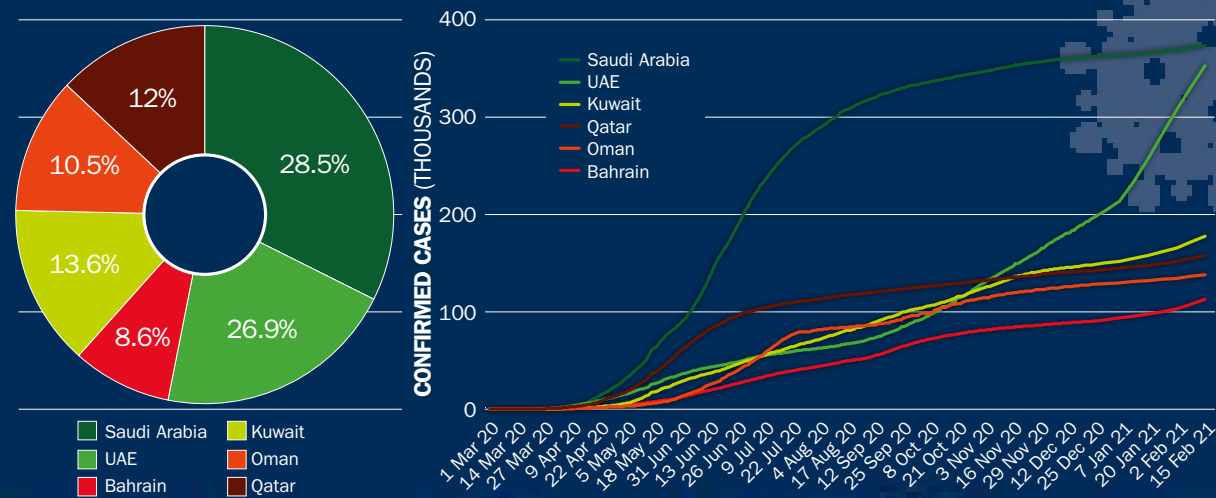
COVID-19 TRACKER

Saudi Arabia extends movement and capacity restrictions and Iran braces for a potential 'fourth wave' as the number of Covid-19 cases in the Middle East and North Africa region crosses 5,297,115

COVID-19 CASES IN THE MENA REGION



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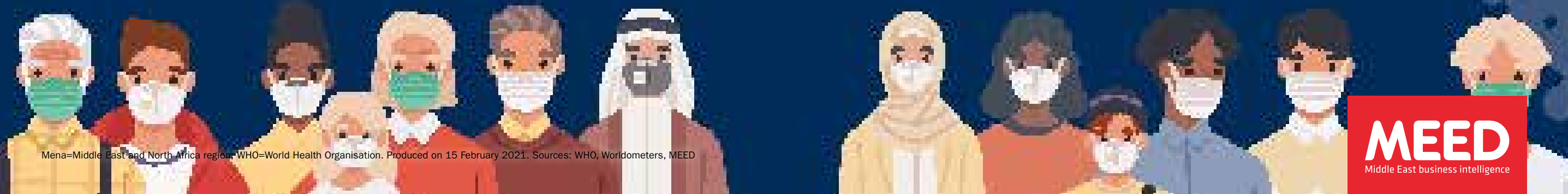


COVID-19 SITUATION AND LATEST UPDATES

Country	Total Cases	Latest Update
ALGERIA	110,711+	China donates 200,000 Sinopharm doses as vaccination campaign begins. Local production of Russian vaccine Sputnik-V planned for later this year.
BAHRAIN	112,742+	Sputnik-V vaccine becomes fourth job approved in the country after Pfizer-BioNTech, Sinopharm, and Oxford-AstraZeneca.
EGYPT	173,813+	President Abdul Fattah el-Sisi says "the money is available" for vaccines and "there is no problem".
IRAN	1,526,023+	Vaccination programme begins with Sputnik-V. Four million Oxford-AstraZeneca shots are also expected to be received under the WHO-led Covax scheme.
IRAQ	643,852+	Health Minister Hassan al-Tamimi says the country will receive 2.5-3 million doses of coronavirus vaccine by the end of February.
JORDAN	347,250+	Amman discusses procurement of Sputnik-V vaccine for citizens and refugees with Russia.
KUWAIT	177,701+	Local media has reported that Kuwait planned to receive its fifth batch of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine in February.
LEBANON	339,129+	Vaccination rollout is under way following the arrival of the first batch of the Pfizer-BioNTech jabs in mid-February.



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LIBYA	127,705+	Local media reports that Libya has secured 55,000 Pfizer and 920,000 Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine doses.
MOROCCO	478,474+	Rabat receives 2 million doses of Oxford-AstraZeneca's vaccine from India as the country's inoculation programme gets under way.
OMAN	137,592+	Administration of second dose of Pfizer-BioNTech's vaccine begins for groups including those aged over 65 years.
QATAR	157,244+	National Covid-19 vaccination programme begins with a focus on high-risk groups such as the elderly.
SAUDI ARABIA	372,732+	Imam Abdul Rahman bin Faisal University starts first phase clinical trials with the Education Ministry to produce a Covid-19 vaccine.
SYRIA	14,863+	Local media reports that the WHO plans to roll out Covid-19 vaccines across Syria from April.
TUNISIA	223,244+	First batch of 93,600 Pfizer-BioNTech doses expected in March, according to Ahlem Gzara, a member of the national vaccination committee.
UAE	351,895+	More than 5.5 million doses administered as of 20 February. Vaccines approved for use include Sinopharm, Pfizer-BioNTech, Sputnik-V, and Oxford-AstraZeneca.



Mena=Middle East and North Africa region. WHO=World Health Organisation. Produced on 15 February 2021. Sources: WHO, Worldometers, MEED