



**“The situation can reverse but the experience of cities and countries that have pushed back this virus gives hope and courage to the rest of the world. Our recommendation from WHO was very, very clear; that all countries should be able to test all suspected cases.”- Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus**

## Highlight

- A total of 113,410 (2,228 today) confirmed cases from 22 countries in the East Mediterranean Region and total deaths are at 5,625 (106 today).
- Lebanon is still in level 3 of COVID 19 transmission scenarios “Lebanon is experiencing cases clusters in time, geographic location and/or common exposure (Clusters of cases)”.
- Currently, **137** COVID-19 cases have been reported as recovered by hospitals; this number might however underestimate the true number of recoveries in self-isolation.
- A total of 855 tests performed today. The breakdown is as follows:
  - 855 residents 5 tested positive (0.6%)
  - 0 expatriates 0 tested positive

## Global update

as per [WHO dashboard](#) 16 April 2020 at 6pm

Globally cases	1,991,562 (69,728 new)
Countries, areas or territories with cases	209 countries (0 new)
Total deaths	130,885 (7,875 new)
Confirmed cases in China	83,797 (50 new)
Confirmed cases in USA	604,070 (25,802)
Confirmed cases in Spain	177,633 (5,092)
Confirmed cases in Italy	165,155 (2,667)
<b>WHO RISK ASSESSMENT</b> Global Level - Very High	

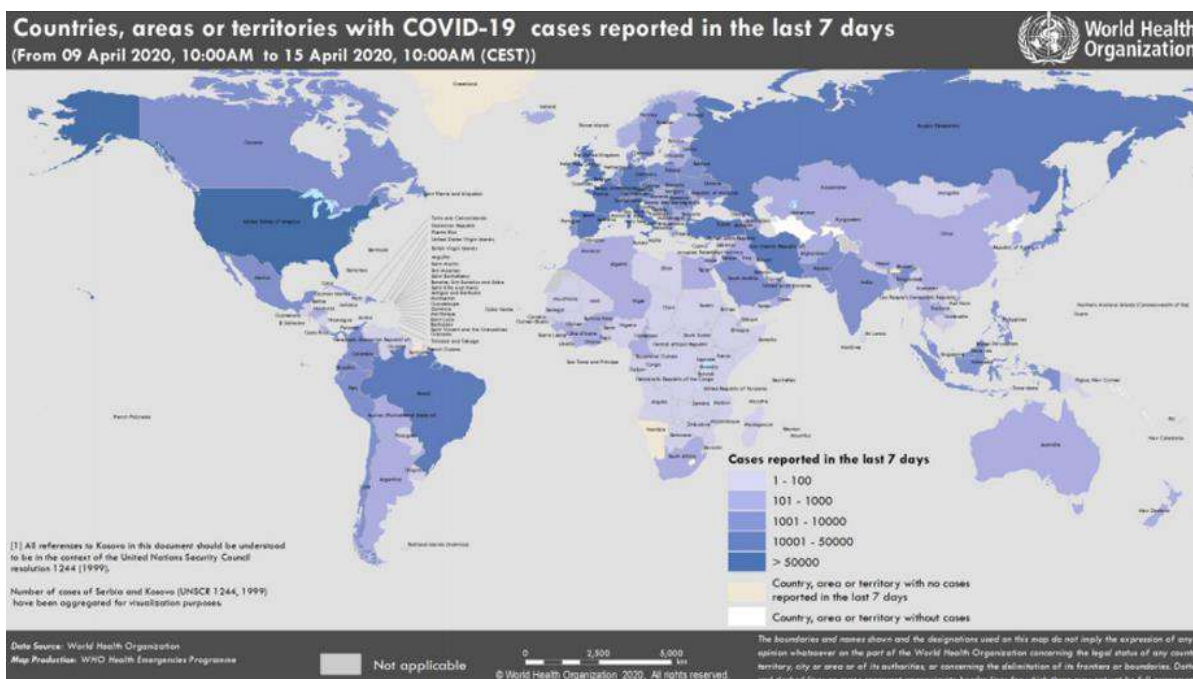


Figure 1. Countries, territories or areas with reported confirmed cases of COVID-19, 16 April 2020 WHO sitrep



# Distribution of COVID-19 cases as reported by the Epidemiological Surveillance Unit at the MOPH dashboard at 4pm

## COVID-19 Surveillance in Lebanon

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Figure 1: Cases by age group

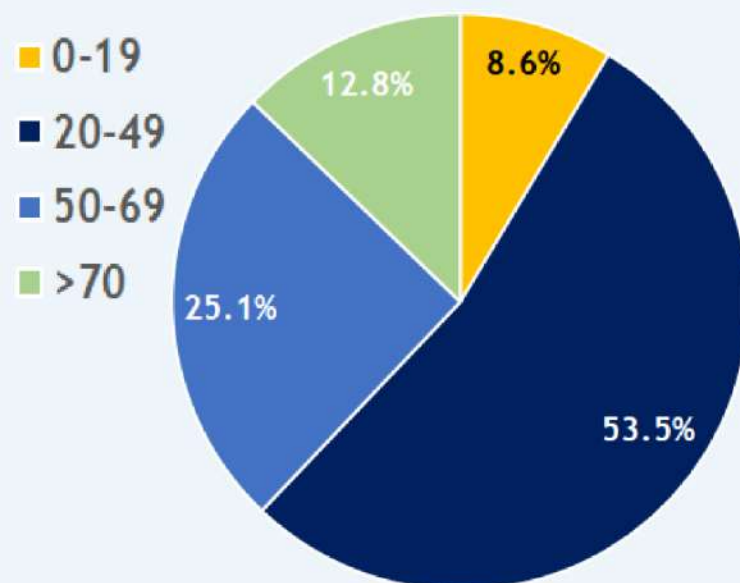


Figure 2: Cases by source of exposure

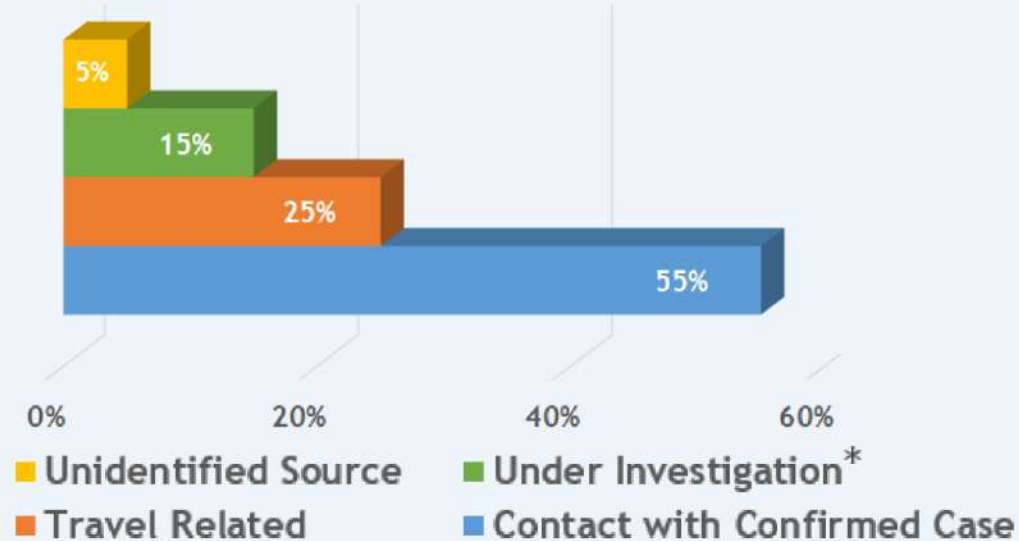


Figure 3: Cases by clinical presentation

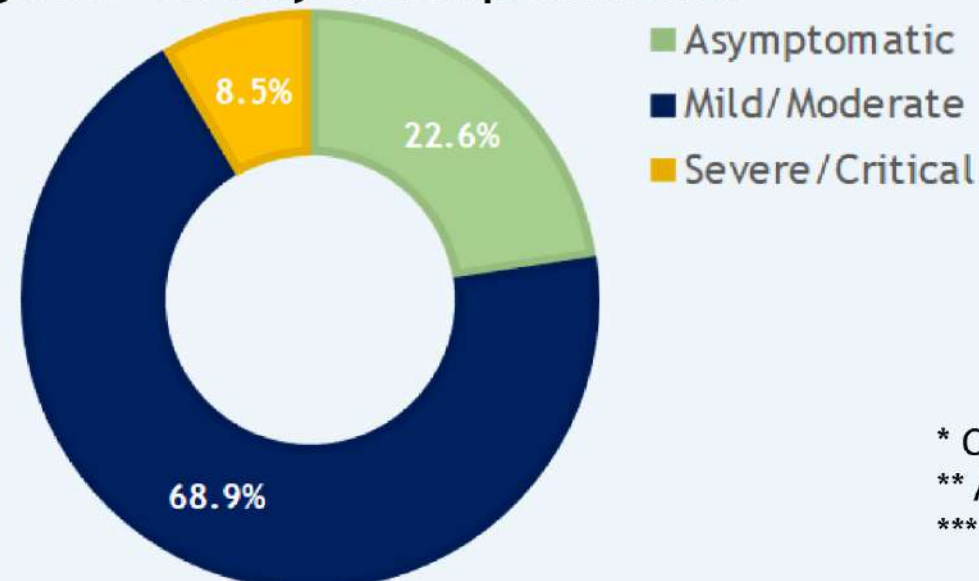


Figure 4: Cases by date of confirmation

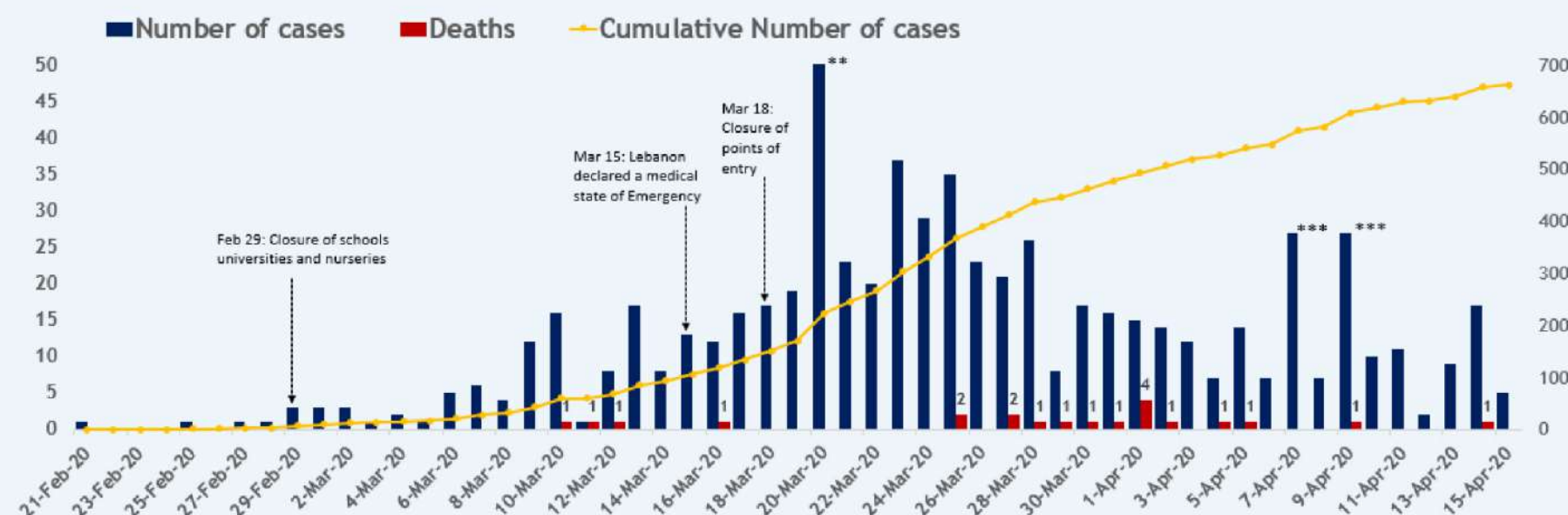


Table 1: Distribution of fatalities by age group

Age (years)	Deaths (n)	CFR
<10y	0	0.0%
10-19y	0	0.0%
20-29y	0	0.0%
30-39y	0	0.0%
40-49y	1	1.0%
50-59y	4	3.9%
60-69y	3	4.7%
70-79y	7	13.7%
80+y	6	17.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3.2%</b>

\* Cases under investigation have not yet been classified by exposure

\*\* Addition of new reporting laboratories

\*\*\* Massive testing of repatriates

**663 Cumulative cases of COVID-19**

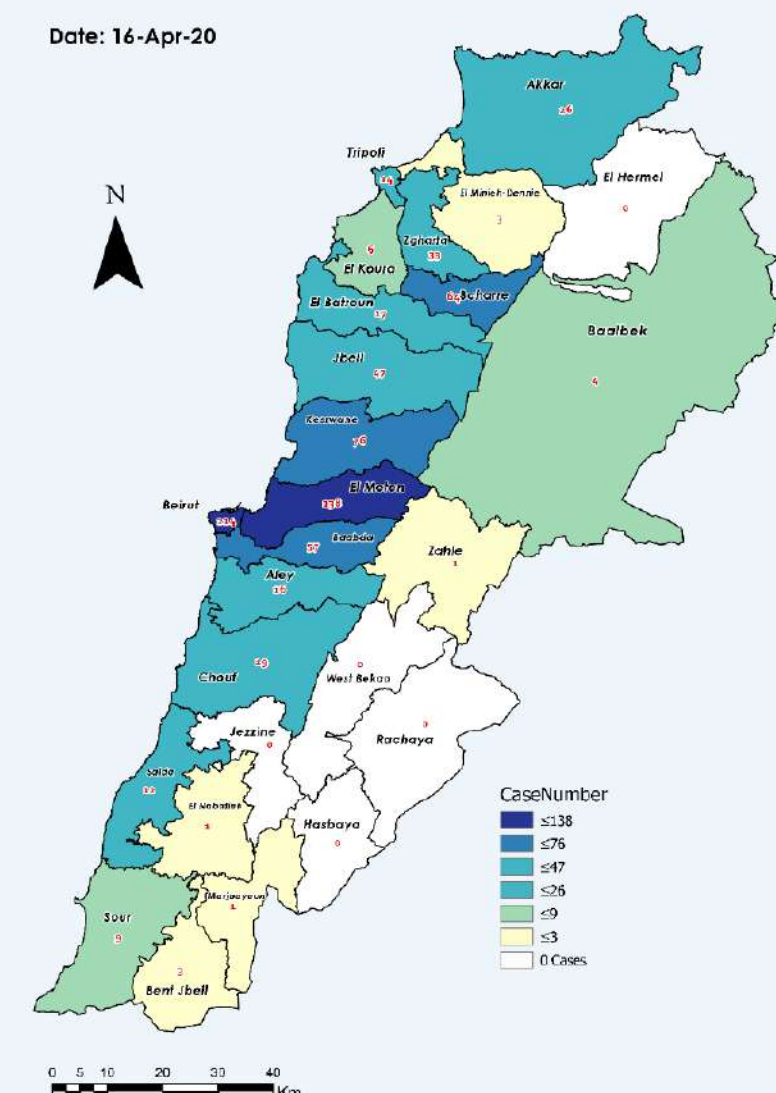
- 5 new cases
- 50 healthcare workers
- 21 associated deaths

**Call center:**

- 5704 Cumulative calls received
- 400 referred to RHUH

Map 1 : Cases by district of residence

Date: 16-Apr-20







## WHO accelerates capacity building for COVID-19 outbreak health response in Lebanon

Since the advent of the COVID-19 outbreak in December 2019, the World Health Organization in Lebanon geared its efforts into supporting the Ministry of Public Health in building the capacity of healthcare workers at hospitals, primary healthcare centers, land crossings and frontline workers to sensitize and strengthen preparedness and response of the healthcare sector to COVID-19.

WHO supported:

The epidemiological surveillance unit in conducting a training of trainers on surveillance and reporting of COVID-19, which was followed by 9 trainings for 528 hospital staff in all governorates; The epidemiological surveillance unit in collaboration with UNICEF and the order of nurses in training 45 registered nurses and supervisors at all 5 land borders on COVID-19 surveillance and infection, prevention and control;

- The MoPH Primary Healthcare department in collaboration with the order of nurses in training 243 registered nurses working in 175 primary health care centers and field staff from partner organizations (IMC and PU) on infection, prevention and control measures;
- The MoPH preventive medicine department in collaboration with the national infectious disease committee in training 86 participants from local NGOs, MoPH 1214 hotline responders on triage of and psychosocial support to calls received at their call centers and transportation of suspected cases;
- The MoPH preventive medicine department in collaboration with the Order of Nurses in conducting a training of trainers on infection, prevention and control measures for 140 hospital nurses (from 115 hospitals) and 243 PHC nurses (from 175 PHCs);
- Implementation of 2 training of trainers sessions for 50 front-liners from 22 NGOs working in the health sector.
- Development and dissemination of a virtual version of the IPC training to around 919 primary healthcare centers and dispensaries in collaboration with YMCA.



Photo: Dr Iman Shankiti, WHO Lebanon representative during one of the capacity building trainings

### Useful Links

- WHO real time [dashboard](#)
- WHO [COVID-19 page](#)
- Protect yourself ([English/Arabic](#))
- Q&A ([English/Arabic](#))
- WHO Lebanon [website](#)
- WHO Lebanon [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)

### Important numbers

- MOPH Hotline 1214
- Airport quarantine section 01-629352
- Preventive medicine center 01-843769 | 01830300

- **Call Centre 01-594459**
- Preventive medicine center 01-843769 | 01-830300
- Epidemiological Surveillance Unit 01-614194 | 01-614196