



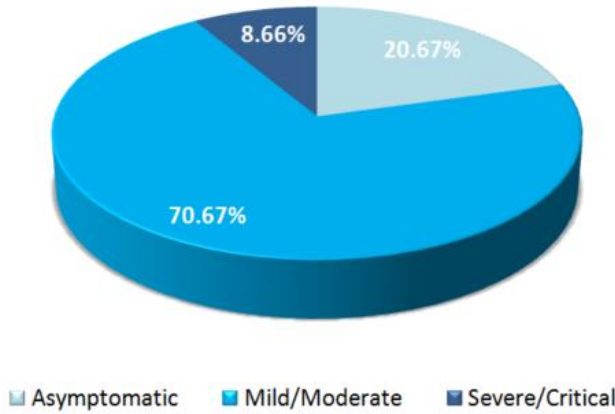
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Thursday, April 9, 2020

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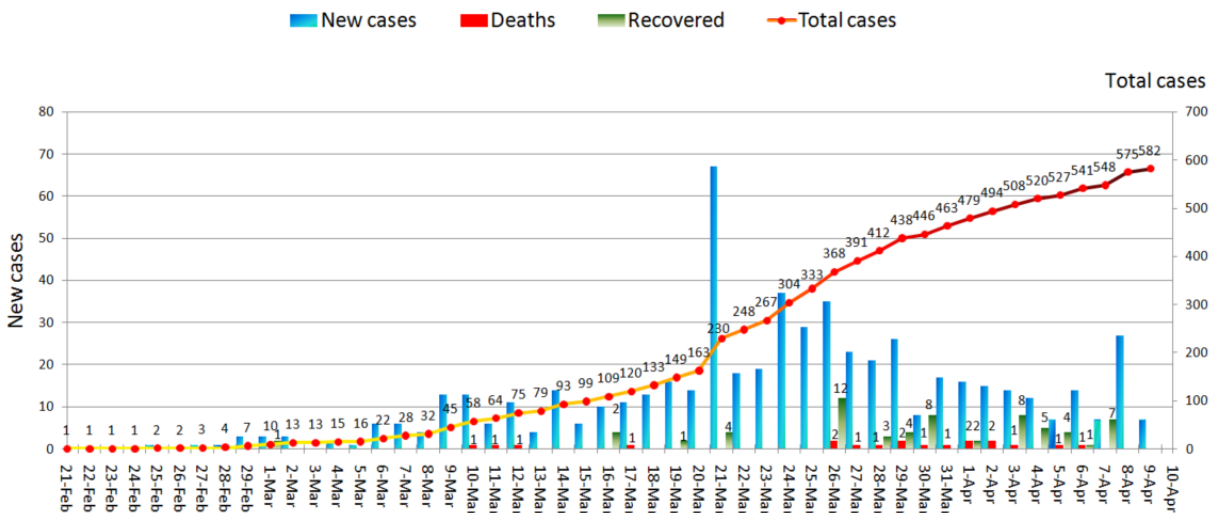
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Status of cases

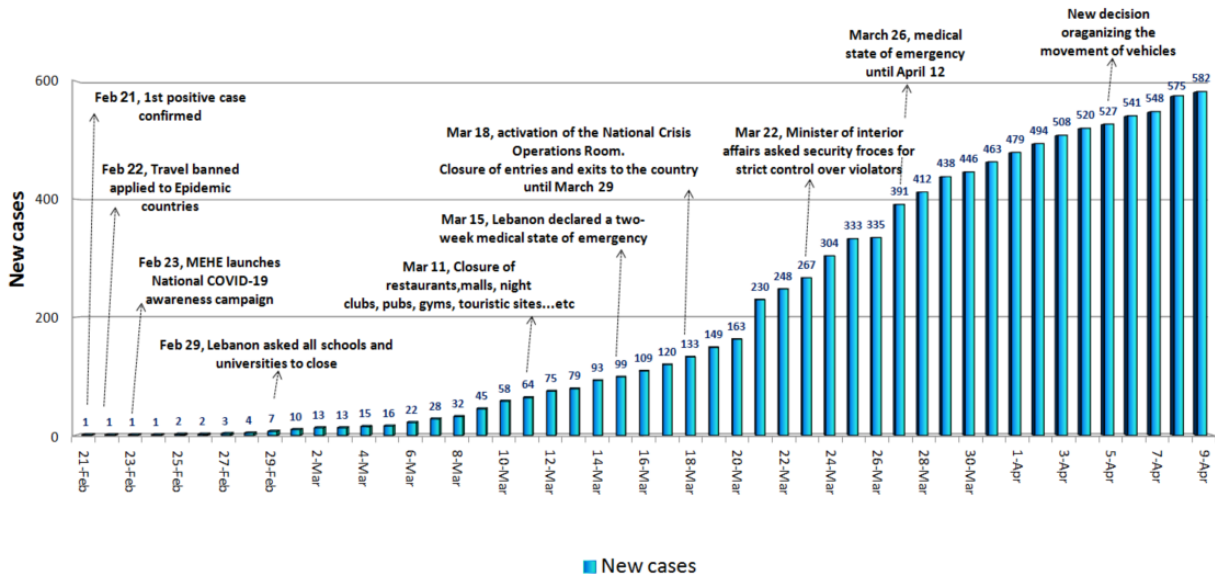


Registered Cases since Feb. 21	582	
62	19	7
Recoveries	Deaths	1 expatriates 6 Locales
Conducted PCR tests since Feb. 21	11,507	
PCR tests conducted in the past 24 hrs	699	
PCR tests conducted in the airport since April 5	853	
PCR tests conducted in the airport in the last 24 hours	147	

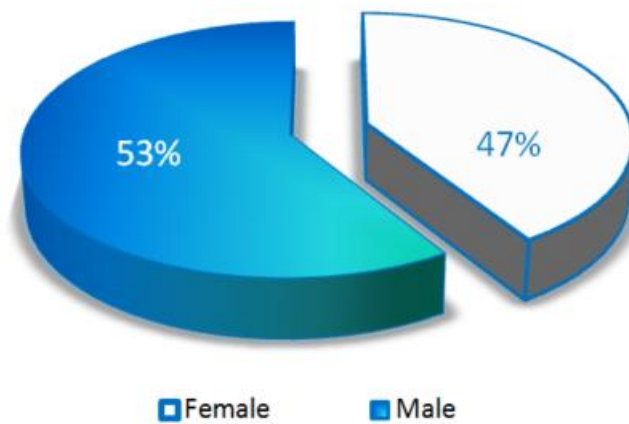
Cases per day



Chronology of decisions according to number of cases

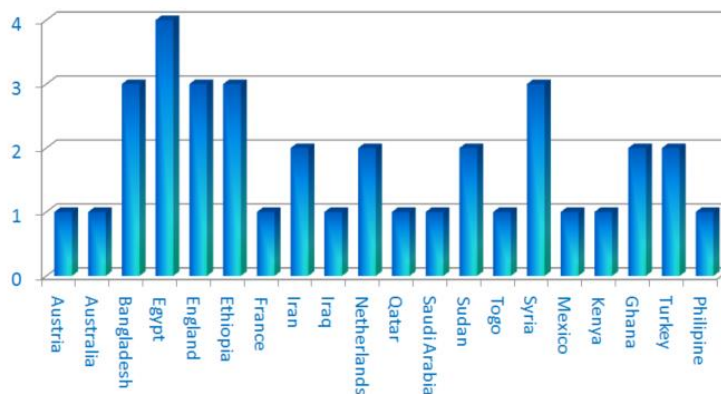


Cases by Gender

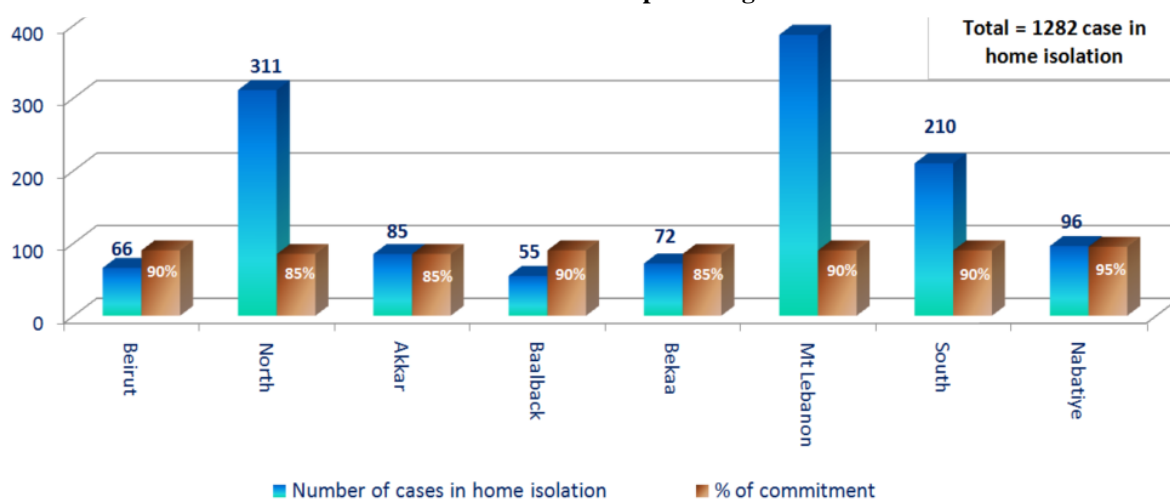


Distribution of cases by nationality

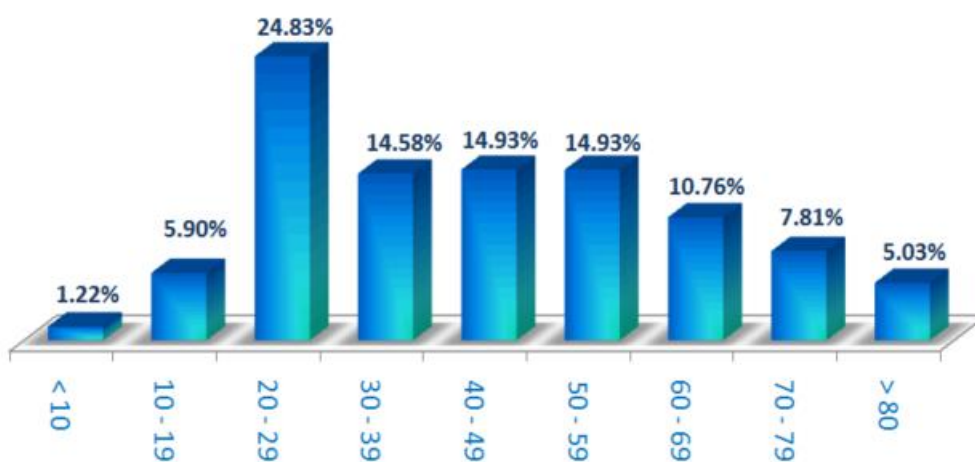
Lebanese: 546 Cases out of 582 (94%)



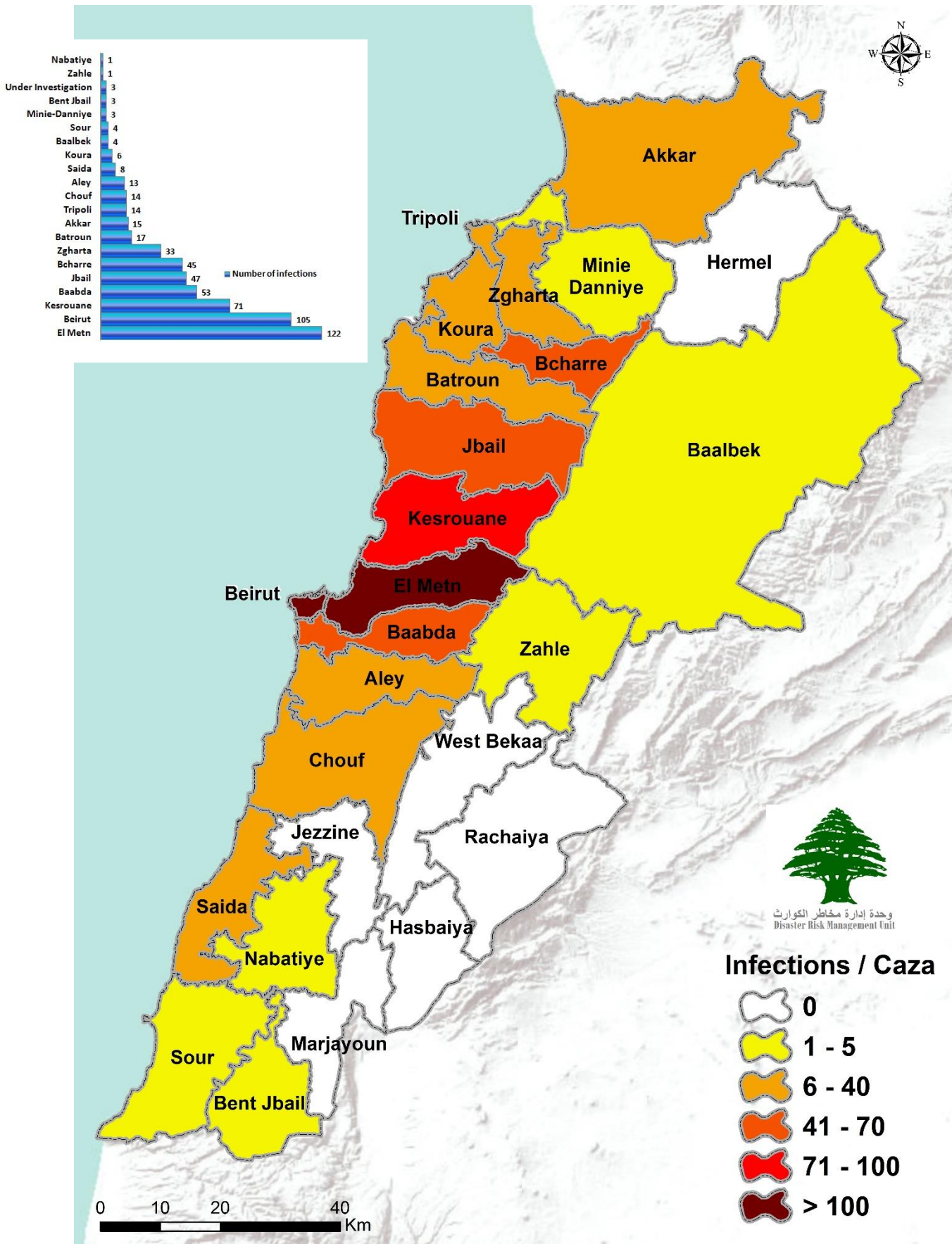
Number of individuals in home isolation and percentage of commitment to isolation



Distribution of cases by age group (%)



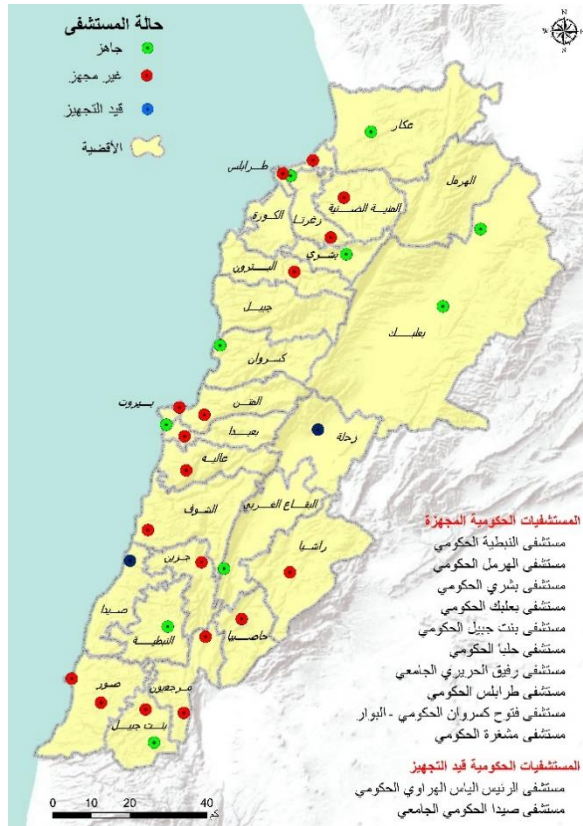
Number of Cases by Location



Level of Preparedness of Public and Private Hospitals



Status of Private Hospitals (AUBMC, Hotel Dieu Hospital, Jbeil Maounat Hospital, and Al Roum Hospital)
 Green: Ready
 Yellow: District



Status of Public Hospitals
 Green: Ready
 Red: Not Ready
 Yellow: District
 Blue: Will be ready in a week

Public hospitals ready: RHHU & Baalbek Governmental Hospital, and Bouar Governmental Hospital. Halba Governmental Hospital, Bsharh Governmental Hospital, Tripoli Governmental Hospital, bint Jbeil Governmental Hospital, Mashghara Governmental Hospital, Nabatieh Governmental Hospital, Hermel Governmental Hospital
 Public hospitals in the process of becoming ready: as Al Hnawi Hospital, Fattouh hospital, Saida Governmental Hospital.

Laboratories Designated by the Ministry of Public Health to Conduct COVID-19 Tests

Name of Laboratory	Location
Rafic Hariri University Hospital	Beirut
AUB	Beirut
Merieux / USJ	Beirut
Saint Georges Roum	Wata A'mara Shalhoub
Bouar Governmental Hospital	Kesrouane
Rizk LAU	Beirut
Notre Dames de Secours	Byblos
Baalbek Governmental Hospital	Baalbek
New Mazloum Hospital	Tripoli
Haykel Hospital	Koura
Serhal Hospital/ Hopital Dr. S. Serhal	Metn
Hospital of Bhanes Hospitality Center for Charity Sisters	Metn
Lebanese Hospital Geitaoui	Beirut
Mount Lebanon Hospital	Baabda

Saint George Hospital University Medical Center	Baabda
Ain Wazain Hospital	Chouf
Hammoud Hospital University Medical Center	Sidon

Measures Introduced in Dealing with the Pandemic of COVID-19

Ministry of Public Health

- Issued a [daily report](#) on new cases and the status of existing cases in government and private hospitals.
- Implemented the health measures agreed upon within the Lebanese government's plan to return Lebanese expatriates during flights and at the airport, and defined the required isolation procedures according to the health status of expatriates in coordination with the Committee for the Follow up on Coronavirus Preventive Measures and Procedures, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Public Works and Transport, the General Directorate of Public Security and Middle East Airlines.
- Continues to equip government hospitals and others.
- Field examination of the hospitals and laboratories designated by the ministry to deal with the emerging coronavirus.
- Following up on the health situation of expatriates who have returned to Lebanon.

Lebanese Red Cross

- 596 new suspected cases were transferred to hospitals (24 new cases)
- 840 trained paramedics (4 new)
- 520 volunteers
- 34 trained ambulance centers

Details on the Lebanese Red Cross' [official website](#)

Security services (Internal Security Forces, General Security, State Security, Army, General Directorate of Civil Defense)

- The Lebanese army and other security services implemented strict measures on all Lebanese territory to ensure public mobilization.
- The army closed 105 shops, dispersed 32 public gatherings. The army also supported a number of municipalities in implementing precautionary measures. The army also shared the names of the 115 blocked roads by the municipalities.
- General Security Forces tracked potential cases in various Lebanese regions and ensured that they're adhering to the terms of home isolation. In addition, they dispersed several gatherings and aided several municipalities in issuing several written warnings to institutions and individuals that did not adhere to the [decisions of the Council of Ministers](#). The forces also raised awareness on the virus among refugees.
- ISF issued 965 written warnings, of which 569 directed at cars that violated the decision of the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities, 96 warnings were directed at institutions and 300 were directed at individuals who violated the [decisions of the Council of Ministers](#). Since March 8, ISF has issued a total of 9408 written warnings.
- The General Directorate of Civil Defense carried out 15 transportation missions for dialysis patients to hospitals based on the Minister of Interior and Municipalities Decision No. 479/2020. The team transported 5 expatriates who arrived to Lebanon from their hotels to their houses after making sure that they did not test positive for the virus. It also prepared 50 personnel and 10 ambulances, to interfere, when necessary, and transport those infected with the emerging coronavirus. It also carried out sterilization missions in public and private areas that were excluded from the decision to close.
- State Security Forces visited different Lebanese regions and closed a number of shops as well as organized gatherings in front of banks and ATMs. The forces also issued warnings institutions that violated the public mobilization decision and dispersed public gatherings.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- The ministry was informed that several expatriates donated money to governmental hospitals and the medical staff.
- The ministry is working on resolving students' issues with transferring money from Lebanon to the country they reside in.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs continues to communicate daily with Lebanese missions and external parties regarding the provision of medical assistance.

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- The ministry is working in direct coordination with the Committee for the Follow up on Coronavirus Preventive Measures and Procedures, the Ministry of Public Health, the General Directorate of General Security, the General Directorate of Civil Aviation and the Middle East Airlines to ensure that all agreed procedures are being implemented when it comes to returning Lebanese expatriates.

- Note:

Website for Lebanese expatriates who wish to return to Lebanon: <https://mfa.gov.lb/arabic/return-to-lebanon>

Website for student expatriates: <https://mfa.gov.lb/arabic/students-abroad>

Ministry of Public Works and Transport

- A private MEA plane arrived from AZUR airport at 13:00 with 8 Lebanese citizens on board.
- A private MEA plane arrived from the UAE at 6:50 with 4 Lebanese citizens on board.
- A private MEA plane arrived from London at 1:00 with 6 Lebanese citizens.
- A private MEA plane arrives from London at 22:00 with 7 Lebanese citizens.
- A private plane arrived from Istanbul at 12:15 am with two Lebanese citizens.
- Flight MEA576 arrives from Ghana at 21:35 with 114 Lebanese citizens on board.
- Flight MEA218 arrives from Frankfurt at 18:35 with 75 Lebanese citizens on board.
- Flight MEA437 arrives from Doha at 15:35 with 116 Lebanese citizens on board.
- Flight MEA202 arrives from London at 00:35 with 122 Lebanese citizens on board.
- A DHL cargo plane arrives at 19:05 and departs at 20:05.
- A Qatar cargo plane arrives at 20:05 and departs at 21:05.
- A Qatari cargo plane arrived at 07:08 and left at 08:08.
- Beirut Port: One ship from Latakia one from Larnaca arrived. One ship left.
- Tripoli Port: One ship arrived from Turkey loaded with various goods.
- No entry or exits has been recorded in other ports.

Note:

- Before allowing any ship to enter the port, the entire crew on the ship are examined by the Ministry of Public Health to ensure that there are no coronavirus cases on board.
- The airport: All arrivals through Rafic Hariri International Airport are subject to health and security measures approved in the plan for the return of Lebanese expatriates by the Ministry of Public Health, the General Directorate of General Security and the General Directorate of Civil Aviation.

Ministry of Interior and Municipalities

- The ministry is following up on the issued Decree No. 479 on April 5, 2020, stating the new regulation allowing the mobilization of cars and trucks on specific days of the week according to their number plates.

Ministry of Public Works

- The ministry issued Circular No. 21/1 on 8/4/2020 related to the occupational safety measures that should be taken by bakeries.
- The ministry issued Circular No. 22/1 on 8/4/2020, related to the occupational safety measures that should be taken by sterilization companies.
- Ministry Circular No. 23/1 dated 8/4/2020 related to the occupational safety measures that should be taken by the cleaning sector.

Ministry of Social Affairs

- The ministry is addressing the repercussions of the coronavirus. Within the first stage of the plan, the ministry collects all the data available through a national program in aim of supporting the poor families, the disabled and those with special needs, and citizens who lost their jobs due to the crisis. Information is collected in coordination with the Presidency of the Council of Ministers and the municipalities.
- Announced 1766 as its hotline to receive citizen complaints.

Actions Taken at the Governorate and Municipal Level

Isolation centers approved by The Committee for the Follow up on Coronavirus Preventive Measures and Procedures

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

The committee responsible for specifying potential isolation centers includes an officer from the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council of Defense, a medical doctor in the army, an engineer from the army, and a representative from the Order of Nurses in Lebanon.

The committee aims to inspect possible isolation centers in coordination with the concerned governorates and municipalities.

Governorate	Number of isolation centers
Mount Lebanon	10
North	2
South	1
Akkar	5
Bekaa	5
Total	23

Governorate	Level of commitment to the decision to close all businesses	Sectors violating closure decision
Beirut	85%	Commercial stores, violating the car mobility decision
North	85%	Public gatherings in Tripoli
Akkar	85%	Syrian refugees' gatherings in front of ATM machines.
Baalbek-Hermel	85%	Gatherings, commercial stores and private businesses.
Bekaa	85%	Public gatherings, individual crowds in farming fields, and commercial stores.
Mount Lebanon	90%	Commercial stores
South	85%	Syrian refugees' gatherings in front of ATM machines.
Nabatieh	85%	Syrian refugees' gatherings in front of ATM machines.

Objectives of the National Operations Room

The National Operations Room works on coordinating efforts in order to accomplish the following goals:

First Objective: Control the spread of the virus through the application of precautionary measures, minimize direct contact among people, and increase awareness of the population and access to information.

Second Objective: Ensure the continuity of services at the national level and adopt and encourage remote working.

Third Objective: Increase health sector capacity by continuously assessing available resources, gaps and look for funding and technical assistance to build up capacities and case management.

General Directions and Recommendations

- Implement the decisions issued by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers at the level of public and private institutions and municipalities.

Risks that Might Result in the Rapid Spread of the Virus

- Lack of adherence to the medical advisories.
- Disrespecting to compulsory home quarantine.
- The spread of the virus in crowded places.
- Allowing gatherings to take place

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- Stay at home and don't go out unless it is necessary.
 - Frequently wash hands and follow all safety measures set by the Ministry of Public Health.
 - Avoid crowded places and social contact and commit to a safe distance between individuals.
 - Seek medical care if you feel fever, cough and difficulty of breathes. Call the Ministry of Public Health hotline 1214 or 01-594459