



Lebanon National Operations Room

Daily Report on COVID-19

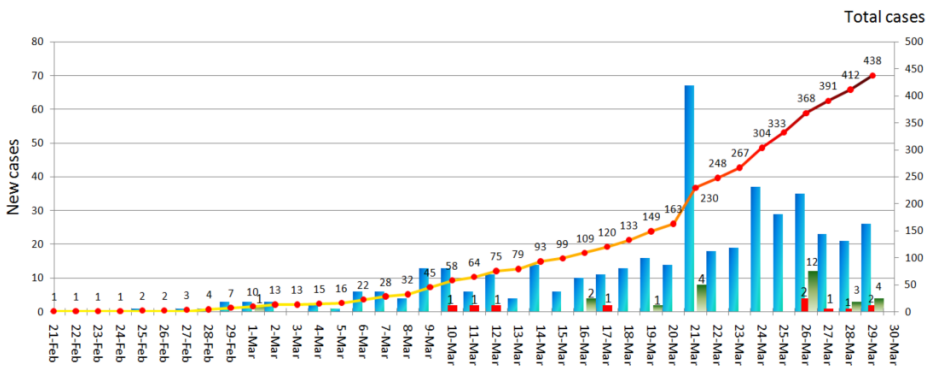
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Cases per day



438

Total number of cases since Feb. 21

26

New cases recorded on March 29

4

Patients in critical condition

10

Total deaths

27

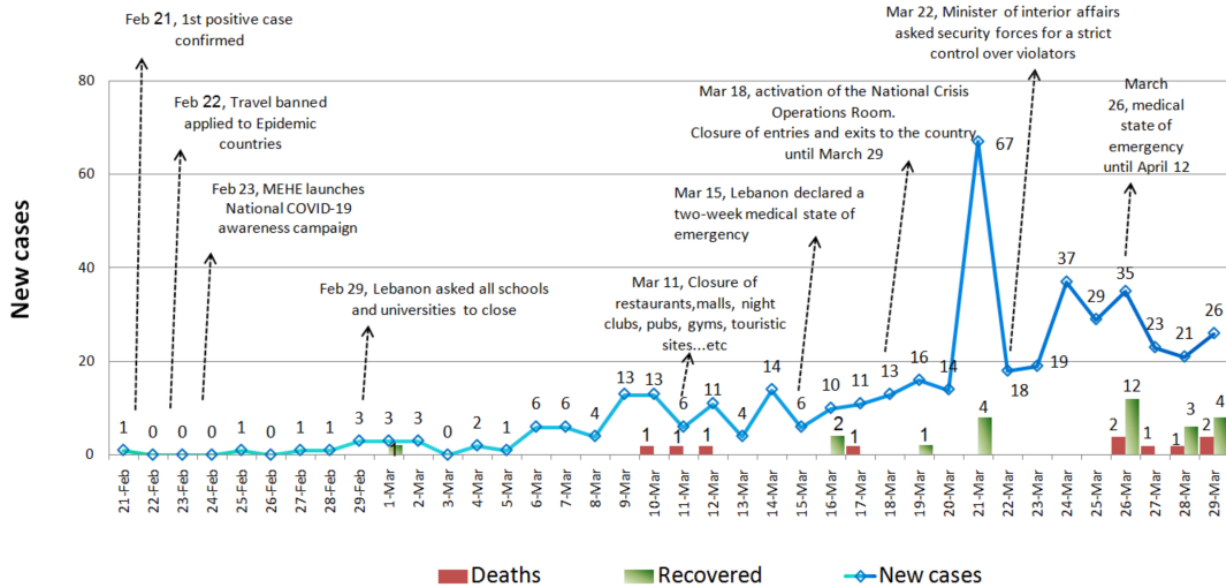
Number of cured patients

6397

Total Coronavirus tests conducted between Feb. 21 and March 29

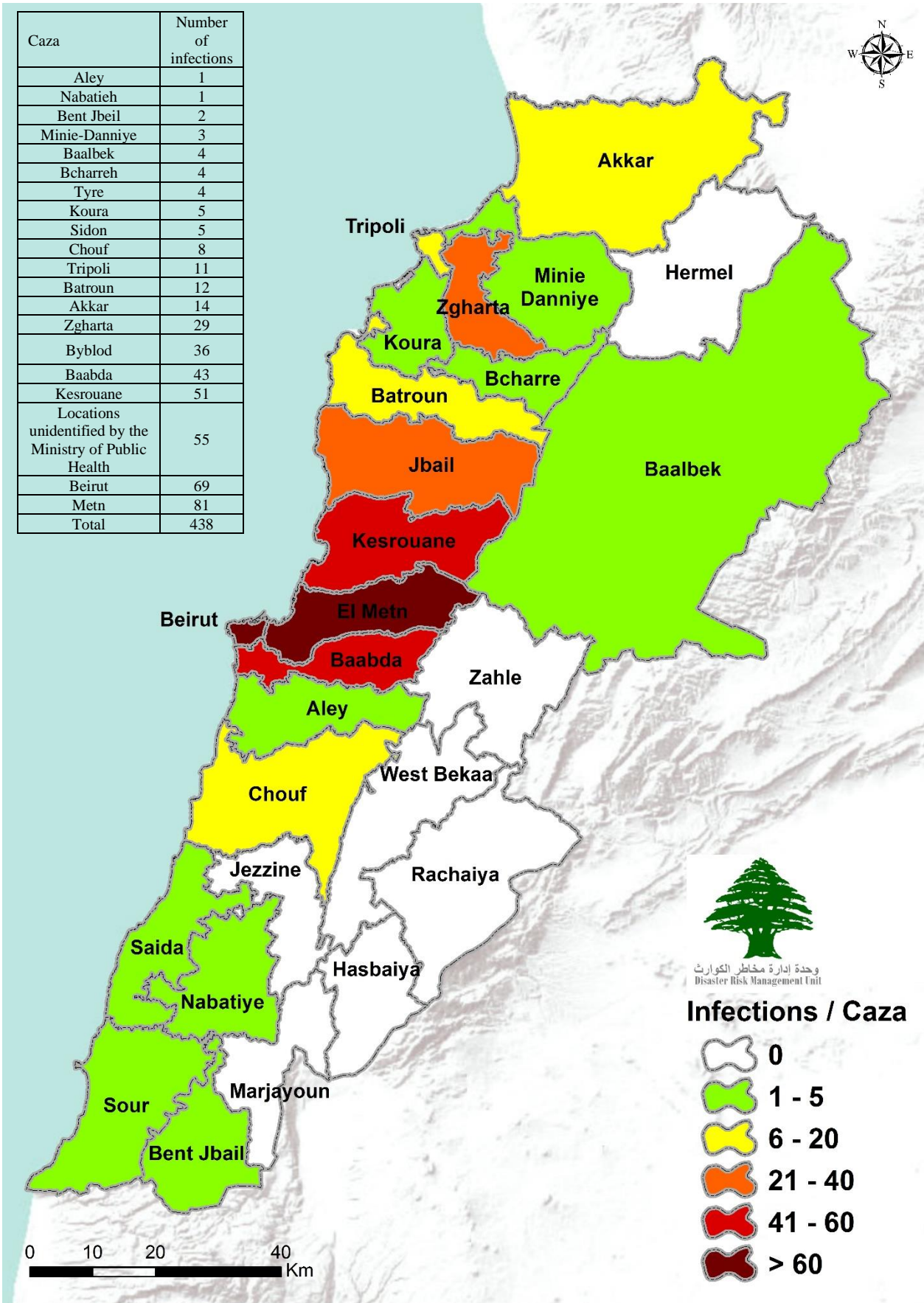
Source: Ministry of Public Health

Trend of cases vis-à-vis precautionary measures introduced by Government

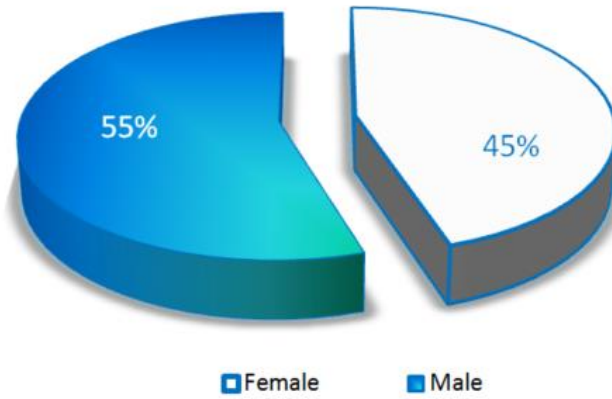


Number of Cases by Location

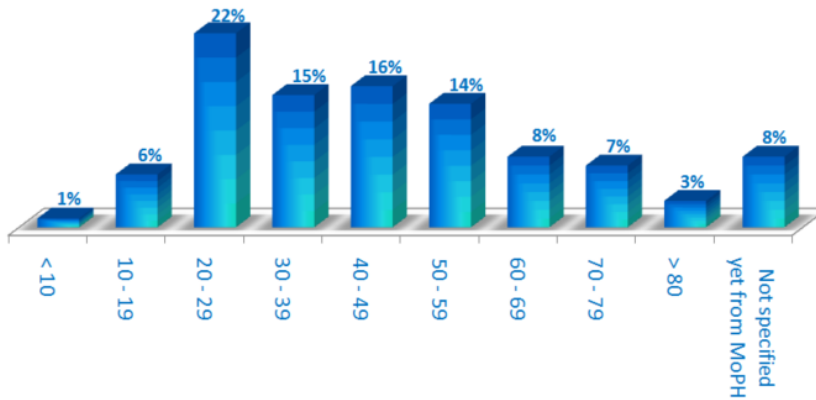
Caza	Number of infections
Aley	1
Nabatieh	1
Bent Jbeil	2
Minie-Danniye	3
Baalbek	4
Bcharreh	4
Tyre	4
Koura	5
Sidon	5
Chouf	8
Tripoli	11
Batroun	12
Akkar	14
Zgharta	29
Byblod	36
Baabda	43
Kesrouane	51
Locations unidentified by the Ministry of Public Health	55
Beirut	69
Metn	81
Total	438



Cases by gender

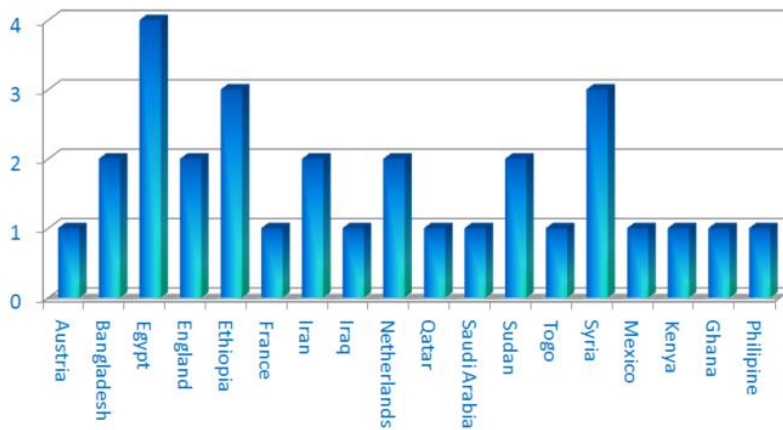


Distribution of cases by age group (%)



Distribution of cases by nationality

Lebanese: 408 Cases out of 438 (93%)



Total Artificial Respirators in Public and Private Hospitals

	Public Hospitals	Private Hospitals	Total
Children	42	237	279
Adults	123	783	906
Total	165	1020	1185

Existing available beds in emergency units and ICUs (both in public and private hospitals)

	Private Hospitals	Public Hospitals	Total
Number of beds in emergency units	878	215	1093
Number of beds in ICU	1972	336	2308
Total number of beds (of all kinds)	12749	2446	15195

Level of Preparedness of Public and Private Hospitals



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



Status of Public Hospitals
 Green: Ready
 Red: Not Ready
 Yellow: District

Public hospitals ready: RHUH & Baalbek Governmental Hospital, and Bouar Governmental Hospital
 Public hospitals in the process of becoming ready: as Al Hrawi Hospital, Fattouh hospital, Nabatieh Governmental Hospital, Halba Governmental Hospital, Bshareh Governmental Hospital, Tripoli Governmental hospital, Saïda Governmental Hospital, Hermet Governmental Hospital, bint Jbeil Governmental Hospital, Mashghara Governmental Hospital.

Laboratories Allowed to Conduct COVID-19 Tests (Ministry of Public Health)

Name of Laboratory	Location
Rafic Hariri University Hospital	Beirut
AUB	Beirut
Merieux / USJ	Beirut
Saint Georges Roub	Wata A'mara Shalhoub
Bouar Governmental Hospital	Kesrouane
Rizk LAU	Beirut
Baalbek Governmental Hospital	Baalbek

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.

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.
- Continues to equip government hospitals in aim of raising bed capacities.

Lebanese Red Cross

- 412 new suspected cases were transferred to hospitals (14 new cases)
- 729 trained paramedics (93 new)
- 520 volunteers
- 31 trained ambulance centers (2 new)

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 104 shops, dispersed 27 public gatherings in Bekaa Akkar, Tripoli, and Beirut. The army also supported 4 municipalities in implementing precautionary measures. Two helicopters also traveled from Beirut to Cairo to return ten officers who were on a training mission in Egypt.
- 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](#).
- ISF issued 376 of written warnings to institutions and individuals that violated the [decisions of the Council of Ministers](#).
- The General Directorate of Civil Defense aided 23 different municipalities in making sure that the temperature of those entering and exiting the area is in the safe range. They also aided municipalities in sterilizing roads and buildings' entrances. The General Directorate of Civil Defense also ensured that citizens are adhering to the terms of home isolation and sterilized a number of public and private facilities within various Lebanese governorates.
- State Security Forces collected information from various Lebanese regions, closed 46 commercial stores because they not adhere to health standards and issued a number of warnings to companies that did not close.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- Issued Circular No. 1601/5 on 27/3/2020 regarding the forms that Lebanese abroad need to fill in case they want to return to Lebanon.

- Shared the hot line of all Lebanese embassies and consulates its website and social media platforms and asked the diplomatic missions to ensure daily communication with Lebanese expatriates and students, to secure their needs.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Emigrants continues to communicate with other countries to ask for medical assistance on a daily basis.

Ministry of Public Works and Transport

- A cargo plane from the Emirates arrived to Beirut at 10:50 and left at 13:00.
- - Beirut Port: Two ships loaded with containers and an oil ship entered the port, and one ship loaded with containers left.
- Tripoli Port: One ship arrived from Greece loaded with gasoline and diesel.
- Sidon Port: No entry or departure was recorded.
- Tire Port: No entry or departure was recorded.
- - Jounieh Port: A ship arrived from Spain loaded with fuel.
- **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.

Ministry of Education and Higher Education

- The Minister of Education and Higher Education issued a circular specifying how the ministry will be calculating the hours of staff working in public schools during the closure period.
- The Minister of Education and Higher Education issued a circular specifying how the hours of contractors in public schools will be calculated.

Others

- The Order of Pharmacists of Lebanon issued a circular requesting pharmacist to take all preventive measures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus and to provide maximum protection for workers in the pharmaceutical sector and customers alike. Medicine distributors were also requested not to enter pharmacies, but rather to present the order at the pharmacies' entrances.

Actions Taken at the Governorate and Municipal Level

Governorate	Total number of individuals in home isolation	level of commitment to circulars by governorates
		General Percentage
North	143	100%
Akkar	319	75%
Baalbek-Hermel	35	88%
Bekaa	59	95%
Mount Lebanon	310	90%
South	122	95%
Nabatieh	86	95%

Governorate	Level of commitment to the decision to close all businesses	Sectors violating closure decision
Beirut	95%	Commercial stores
North	85%	Protest and mosques
Akkar	85%	Vegetable market, gatherings in front of ATM machines
Baalbek-Hermel	85%	Supermarkets, gatherings in front of ATM machines
Bekaa	90%	Commercial stores

Mount Lebanon	90%	Commercial stores
South	90%	Commercial stores
Nabatieh	95%	Commercial stores

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.
- 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 76/592699

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