

Lebanon National Operations Room Daily Report on COVID-19

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Comparison between Lebanon and other countries

	Lebanon	Internationally
Total registered cases	891	4,55.016
Total deaths	26	304,119
Percentage of deaths	2.91%	6.68%
Number of recoveries	246	1,717,602



Chronology of decisions according to number of cases



Total cases



Distribution of cases by age group (%)



Distribution of cases by gender (%)



Location	Laboratories designated by MoPH to undertake testing
Beirut Beirut Beirut Kesrouane Beirut Byblos Baalbek Tripoli Koura Metn	Rafic Hariri University Hospital AUBMC HDF /Merieux / USJ Saint Georges Roum Bouar Governmental Hospital Rizk LAU Notre Dames de Secours Baalbek Governmental Hospital New Mazloum Hospital Haykel Hospital Hopital Dr. S. Serhal
Metn	Hospital of Bhannes
Beirut	Lebanese Hospital Geitaoui
Baabda	Mount Lebanon Hospital
Baabda	Saint George Hospital
Chouf	Ain Wazain Hospital
Sidon	Hammoud Hospital
Baalbek	Dar El Amar Hospital
Nabatieh	Al Shiekh Ragheb Hareb
Baabda	Al Hadi laboratories
byblos	Akiki Laboratories
Tyre	Al Mashrek
Beirut	Doctor's center
Sidon	Al Karim Labs
Nabatieh	SDC labs
Baabda	Inovie labs
Metn	TransMedical labs
Zahle	MCC Labs
Zahle	Elias Al Hrawi Hospital



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



Distribution of deaths by age





Number of Cases by Location



Level of Preparedness of Public and Private Hospitals



Status of prviate hospitals: AUBMC, Hotel Dieu Hospital, Jbeil Maounat Hospital, Al Roum Hospital

Status of public hospitals Green: Ready - Blue: Will be ready in a week Red: Not ready - Yellow: District Public hospitals ready: RHUH, Baalbek Governmental Hospital, Bouar Governmental Hospital, Halba Governmental Hospital, Bshareh Governmental Hospital, Tipoli Govern-mental Hospital, Bint Jbeil Governmental Hospital, Mashghara governmental Hospital, Nabatieh Governmental Hospital, Hermel Governmental Hospital, Al Hrawi Hospital, Fattouh Hospital. Fattouh Hospital. In process of becoming ready: Saida hospital

Green: Ready Yellow: District

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

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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 a ims to inspect possible isolation centers in coordination with the concerned governorates and municipalities.

The National Committee recommended that governors and municipalities should monitor the implementation and operation of refugees' isolation centers that were approved in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health, the Ministry of Social Affairs, the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) and through following the reference manual for the management of isolation centers that have been circulated by the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities.

Number of isolation centers	Number of isolation centers for refugees	
17	1	
2		
4	2	
11	2	
10	4	
	1	
44	10	
	isolation centers 17 2 4 11 10	

Governorate	Level of commitment to the decision to close all businesses	Sectors violating closure decision	
Beirut	70%	Commercial stores, private businesses, violating the car mobility decision, violating the curfew decision lack of adherence to precautionary measures	
North	70%	Protests, non-compliance with the preventive measures in some commercial establishments and shops, violations of the car mobility and curfew decisions, traffic	
Akkar	70%	traffic, gatherings in front of ATMs and banks, violations of the car mobility decision and general mobilization, gatherings in vegetable markets and i front of shops and food stores, non-compliance with preventive measures and violating of the curfew decision	
Baalbek-Hermel	65%	Violating the car mobility and curfew decision, gatherings in front of banks, gatherings in Labuwa and Ras al Ayn, mosque's lack of adherence to the closure decision, commercial stores, construction sites	
Bekaa	75%	traffic, restaurants, cafes, non-compliance of citizer with preventive measures, violation of the car mobility decision, shops, free professions	
Mount Lebanon	80%	traffic, gatherings in neighborhoods, gatherings in front of ATMs, gatherings in food stores and non- compliance with safety and preventive measures, shops, express shops, free professions	
South	65%	Violating the car mobility decision and the curfew decision, gatherings inside shops, traffic, gathering of citizens, gatherings in front of banks, free professions, commercial stores	
Nabatieh	75%	Gatherings in food stores, non-compliance of citize with preventive measures, gatherings and demonstrations, shops, free professions, violating th curfew decision	

Ministry of Public Health

- Implementing a wide campaign in various Lebanese regions to examine those who have been in contact with other cass in aim of updating the epidemiological curve.
- 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.
- Following up on the health situation of expatriates who have returned to Lebanon.
- Conducting and following up on conducted PCR tests for citizens in various Lebanese regions.
- The Ministry of Public Health has started increasing the number of PCR examinations and distributing medical supplies to government hospitals as part of its plan that focuses on random sampling every day in various Lebanese regions, which will allow to define the epidemic stage and take appropriate decisions.
- Follow-uped up on the PCR tests of citizens in different Lebanese regions and matched the results.
- Received medical assistance from other countries to increase the capacity of hospitals and medical personnel.

10,557 new: 96	Number of PCR tests transferred to laboratories	11	Number of additional ambulance centers ready to respond	36	ambulance centers	1.176 new: 13	cases transferred to hospitals
138	Number of volunteers trained to transfer PCR tests	1,344	Number of trained paramedics	2,051	total number of respondents	55,163	number of those benefiting from awareness *sessions
579	The number of university volunteers trained to follow up on prevention measures in companies and institutions	217	Number of university volunteers trained to conduct awareness sessions	520	total LRC volunteers for covid19	1,724	number of trained managers for isolation centers
2,011	Number of beneficiaries from educational electronic حول platforms COVID-19	28,672	Number of distributed equipment **	1,169,391	total distriibuted posters, brochures, and flyers on covid19 prevention	312	number of rpisons that have been disinfected

Lebanese Red Cross

* Includes: COIVD-19 awareness sessions; awareness about the measures to take when returning to work and advanced training for field workers.

** Includes: medical and sterilization equipment.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- The ministry was informed that several expatriated donated money to governmental hospitals and the medical staff.
- The Ministry is following up with the Lebanese missions and consulates to organize the nominal regulations for expatriate students with limited financial capabilities who will be

provided with financial assistance.

- The Ministry is coordinating with banks and BDL to tranfer money for students abroad
- following up with foreign missions on the departure of their citizens from lebanon
- the ministry is following up on aids and donations presented by other countries to increase Lebanon's ability to respond to coronavirus
- Note:
- The link for the Lebanese who wish to return to Lebanon: https://mfa.gov.lb/arabic/return-to-lebanon
- The link for expatriate students: https://mfa.gov.lb/arabic/ students-abroad

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

• The army:

-carryed out patrols in various Lebanese regions to ensure the closure of all cafes, shops and factories, and the commitment of the exempted institutions to the permissible working times.

-Implemented circumstantial barriers and prevented citizens from moving on roads from 18:00 until 5:00, with the exception of those permitted to do otherwise.

- Informed shop owners via loudspeakers to follow the decisions issued by the Council of Ministers and abide by them, and informed citizens of the importance to stay home.

Organized crowds in front of ATMs, and dispersed gatherings.

- Reported the closure of 69 roads in different regions.

- Supported the municipalities in closing the violating stores, taking the citizens' temperature and sterilizing the cars.

-Distributing social assistance to the poorest families, as part of the social emergency plan approved by the Lebanese government.

- General Security Forces followed up on the airport's set regu-• lations for the return of Lebanese expatriates to their homeland and 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. Addtionally, forces reported that a team of doctors and nurses from Rizk Hospital, students from the USJ, nurses from the Amel Institution clinic and a team from the Disaster Management unit in the governorate of Baalbek Hermel, with the help of General Security and Internal Security Forces took 70 random PCR samples in 17 syrian refugee camps.they also reported that random PCR sampling was conducted in Sidon by the UNIFIL.
- ISF issued 1,213 fines, 856 were directed at cars that violated the car moblity decision, 307 were directed at individuals and 52 were directed at institutions that violated the public mobilization decision. ISF has issued 30,061 fines since March 8.
- The General Directorate of Civil Defense carried out 8 transportation mission for dialysis patients to hospitals based on the Minister of Interior and Municipalities Decision No. 479/2020. It also prepared 427 personnel and 67 ambulances, to interfere, when necessary, and transport those infected with the emerging coronavirus. The directorate 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 18 shops. The forces also issues a number of warnings

and followed up on cases in home isolations.

zation of flights to return workers and foreign workers who wish to return to their countries.

Ministry of Interior and Municipalities

- The Ministry issued Circular No. 582 on 12/5/2020 based on Cabinet Resolution No. 2 of 12/5/2020 regarding the closure of all private institutions, markets, commercial stores, educational sector, banks and others for a period of four days starting from 19:00 on Wednesday May 13 until 5am on Monday May 18. the deicison exludes some institutions and prohibits daily wandering between six in the evening and five in the morning.
- Implemented the extension of the general mobilization procedures according to the decision of the Council of Ministers that was issued on 5/5/2020 and that will remain active until 24/5/2020.
- The Ministry issued Memorandum No. 48 on 2/5/2020 regarding the implementation of the second stage of opening institutions according to the decision of the Council of Ministers, which started on Monday 4/4/2020. the memo specified the opening hours for restaurants, provided that the percentage of customers does not exceed 30%, Barbers, car showrooms and car dealerships, with an emphasis on adhering to safety standards and the necessary preventive measures.
- The Ministry issued the instructions for the electronic joint platform for municipalities (IMPACT) for evaluation, coordination and follow-up in order to facilitate the follow-up of health, social and security issues resulting from the coronavirus outbreak. The project is a partnership between the ministries of the Interior and Municipalities, Public Health, and Social Affairs and with the National Operations Room https://cp.interior.gov.lb
- Issued circular No. 6476 on 4/5/2020 specifying the need of sharing the name of the responsible municipality or the Union of Municipalities without mentioning any member's name when sharing food vouchers and food boxes.

Ministry of Socail Affairs

• The Ministry of Social Affairs, in cooperation with the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities, is receiving complaints from citizens via its hotline, and is coordinating with the army and the government means to implement the social emergency plan approved by the Lebanese government to help the poorest families in Lebanon. Aid was distributed to the families of students in public schools and public drivers. Aid distribution started on 5/52020.

Ministry of Labor

- In support of Decree No. 6198/2020, the ministry issued a circular in which it asked the retail sector to adhere to the guidelines on occupational health and safety against COVID19.
- The Ministry of Labor is discussing with the General Directorate of Civil Aviation and representatives of the Ministry of Labor and the General Directorate of Public Security the mechanisms that must be adopted to coordinate the organi-

Ministry of Public Works

Flight	Arrives from	Arrives from Lebanese citizens on board	
SKYLOUNGE	France	3	14:40
SKYLOUNGE	Athens	8	15:15
MEA	Sudan	9	10:00
MEA	Sudan	10	20:35
MEA	London	85	01:35
MEA	Frankfurt	85	17:00
MEA	milan	85	19:00
MEA	madrid	124	20:00
MEA	Accra	130	23:00
total		539	9
Cargo planes	arrives from	carrying	time
Qatar air	Doha	goods	03:55
TOTAL			1

Railways and joint transportation

Borders and Airport

Allocated 25 buses to transport Lebanese expats from Rafic Hariri International Airport to the hotels designated by the Ministry of Public Health in coordination with the security services.

Port	(entered			left		
	Import	Direction	#	export	Direction	#	
Beirut				Containers	egypt	1	
Tripoli	Gaz	Senegal	1	trucks and goods	turkey	1	
	Fuel	Beirut	1				
Chekka				empty	greece	1	
Byblos	Fuel	Greece	1				
	3			3			

Notes:

- 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.
- Ports: Before allowing any vessel to enter the campus's harbor, the entire crew of the vessel is examined by a device approved by the Ministry of Public Health to ensure that there are no infections.

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.
- 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

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