

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Daily Situation Report of the Robert Koch Institute

16/06/2020 - UPDATED STATUS FOR GERMANY

Confirmed cases	Deaths	Deaths (%)	Recovered
186,839	8,800	4.7%	ca. 173,100**
(+378*)	(+9*)		

*Change from previous day; **Estimate

COVID-19 cases are notified to the local public health department in the respective districts, in accordance with the German Protection against Infection Law (IfSG). The data are further transmitted through the respective federal state health authority to the Robert Koch Institute (RKI). This situation report presents the uniformly record nationwide data on laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases transmitted to RKI.

Changes since the last report are marked blue in the text –

Summary (as of 16/06/2020 12:00 AM)

- The number of newly transmitted COVID-19 cases to RKI continues to decrease in comparison to previous weeks. The cumulative nationwide incidence over the past 7 days was 2.6 cases per 100,000 inhabitants. A total of 149 districts transmitted zero cases.
- In total, 186,839 laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases and 8,800 deaths due to COVID-19 have been electronically reported to the RKI in Germany.
- COVID-19 outbreaks continue to be reported in nursing homes and hospitals.
- Outbreaks of COVID-19 have been reported in several federal states (including in institutions for asylum seekers and refugees, in meat processing plants and logistics companies, among seasonal harvest workers and in connection with religious events and family gatherings).

Epidemiological Situation in Germany

Geographical distribution of cases

Epidemiological analyses are based on validated cases notified electronically to the RKI in line with the Protection Against Infection Law (Data closure: 12:00 AM daily). Since January 2020, a total of 186,839 (+378) laboratory-confirmed cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) have been electronically reported to and validated by the RKI (see Table 1). A total of 149 districts reported no cases in the past 7 days. Information on laboratory-confirmed cases is also available on the RKI website at https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges Coronavirus/Fallzahlen.html and https://corona.rki.de.

Table 1: Number and cumulative incidence (per 100,000 population) of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths for each federal state electronically reported to RKI, Germany (16/06/2020, 12:00 AM).

Federal State	Total number of cases	Number of new cases	Cases/ 100,000 pop.	Cases in the last 7 days	7-day incidence per 100,000 pop.	Number of deaths	Number of deaths/ 100,000 pop.
Baden-Wuerttemberg	35,150	60	318	148	1.3	1,808	16.3
Bavaria	47,690	48	365	253	1.9	2,540	19.4
Berlin	7,369	47	197	318	8.5	208	5.5
Brandenburg	3,334	5	133	31	1.2	163	6.5
Bremen	1,593	1	233	60	8.8	48	7.0
Hamburg	5,147	3	280	25	1.4	255	13.8
Hesse	10,371	47	166	119	1.9	495	7.9
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	784	2	49	10	0.6	20	1.2
Lower Saxony	12,950	41	162	323	4.0	614	7.7
North Rhine- Westphalia	39,415	108	220	654	3.6	1,648	9.2
Rhineland-Palatinate	6,846	5	168	39	1.0	231	5.7
Saarland	2,773	1	280	15	1.5	168	17.0
Saxony	5,349	2	131	17	0.4	220	5.4
Saxony-Anhalt	1,771	3	80	51	2.3	57	2.6
Schleswig-Holstein	3,122	1	108	8	0.3	151	5.2
Thuringia	3,175	4	148	71	3.3	174	8.1
Total	186,839	378	225	2,142	2.6	8,800	10.6

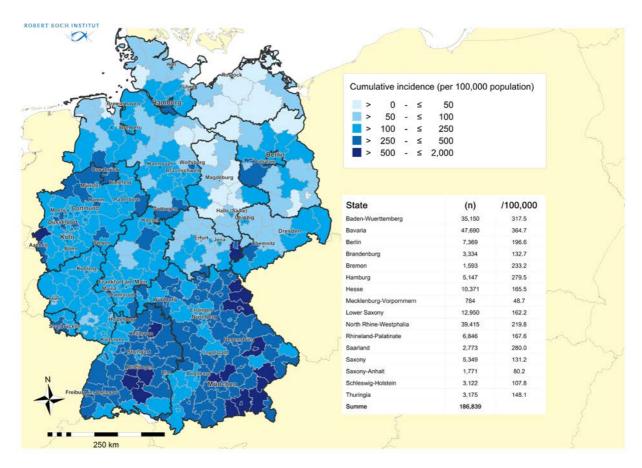


Figure 1: Number and cumulative incidence (per 100,000 population) of the 186,839 electronically reported COVID-19 cases in Germany by county and federal state (16/06/2020, 12:00 AM). Please see the COVID-19 dashboard (https://corona.rki.de/) for information on number of COVID-19 cases by county (local health authority).

Distribution of cases over time

The first COVID-19 cases in Germany were notified in January 2020. Figure 2 shows COVID-19 cases transmitted to RKI according to date of illness onset from 01.03.2020 onwards. With regard to all cases reported from 01.03.2020 onwards, the onset of symptoms is unknown in 55,462 cases (30%). When the the onset of symptoms is unknown, the date of reporting is provided in Figure 2.

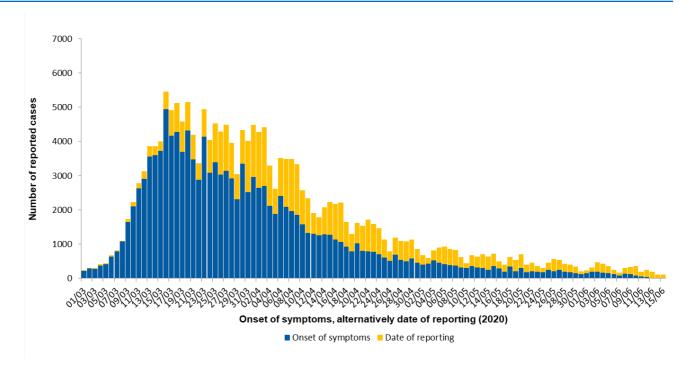


Figure 2: Number of COVID-19 cases in Germany electronically reported to the RKI by date of symptom onset or alternatively by date of reporting from 01/03/2020 (16/06/2020, 12:00 AM).

Demographic distribution of cases

Of all reported cases, 52% are female and 48% are male. Among notified cases with data on gender, 4,192 were children under 10 years of age (2.2%), 8,633 children and teenagers aged 10 to 19 years (4.6%), 81,171 persons aged 20 to 49 years (43%), 57,718 persons aged 50 to 69 years (31%), 29,730 persons aged 70 to 89 years (16%) and 5,294 persons aged 90 years and older (2.8%). The age is unknown in 101 notified cases. The mean age of cases is 49 years (median age 49 years). The highest incidences are seen in persons aged 90 years and older (Figure 3).

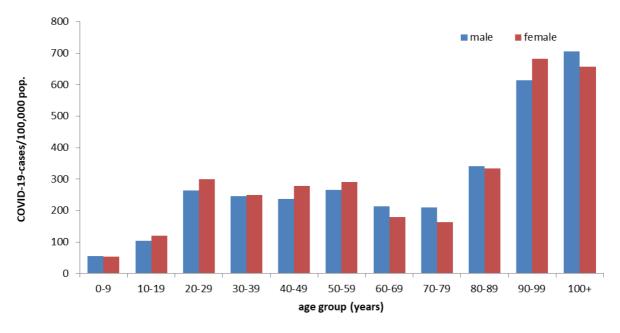


Figure 3: Electronically reported COVID-19 cases/100,000 population in Germany by age group and gender (n=186,435) for cases with information available (16/06/2020, 12:00 AM).

Table 2 shows the mean age, gender distribution, percentage of hospitalized cases and deaths among cases reported in calendar weeks 10 to 24. The percentage of deaths in weeks 23 and 24 are not yet meaningful, as the outcome is not yet known for all cases.

Table 2: The COVID-19 cases reported to the RKI according to gender and the proportion of hospitalization and deceased for the reporting weeks 10 - 24 (16/06/2020, 12:00 AM).

We	Total ek cases	Mean age (years)	Men	Women	Number information on hospitalisation	Number hospitalized	Percent hospitalized	Number of deaths	Percent deaths
10	894	43	54%	46%	799	162	20%	12	1.3%
11	6,400	45	56%	44%	5,555	512	9%	81	1.3%
12	22,419	46	55%	45%	19,118	2,167	11%	467	2.1%
13	34,020	48	50%	50%	29,102	5,005	17%	1,432	4.2%
14	36,109	51	45%	55%	31,207	5,971	19%	2,215	6.1%
15	27,155	52	44%	56%	23,783	4,623	19%	1,828	6.7%
16	17,336	52	45%	55%	15,241	3,308	22%	1,179	6.8%
17	12,379	51	45%	55%	10,729	2,186	20%	690	5.6%
18	7,429	49	48%	52%	6,482	1,330	21%	357	4.8%
19	6,219	47	48%	52%	5,488	1,038	19%	228	3.7%
20	4,730	46	49%	51%	4,113	714	17%	141	3.0%
21	3,602	44	50%	50%	3,015	490	16%	93	2.6%
22	3,205	42	52%	48%	2,680	391	15%	44	1.4%
23	2,342	39	51%	49%	1,966	280	14%	26	1.1%*
24	2,301	38	54%	46%	1,874	227	12%	7	0.3%*

^{*} Data not yet meaningful, as outcome of the diseases in these weeks is still unclear

The depiction of notified COVID-19 cases in Germany according to age groups and reporting week, shows a continuous and distinct relative decrease among the over 80 year olds since reporting week 17. In comparison, the proportion of cases in the younger age groups between 0-29 years of age is increasing (Figure 4).

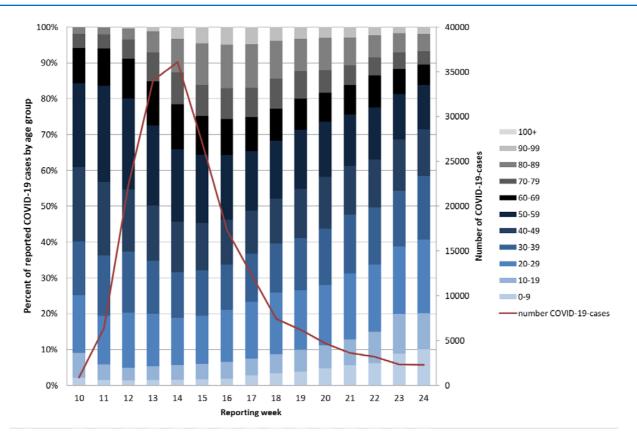


Figure 4: Percent of notified COVID-19 cases by age group and reporting week (n=186,439 cases with respective data in the weeks 10 to 24 (16/06/2020, 12:00 AM).

Clinical aspects

Information on symptoms is available for 159,784 (86%) of the notified cases. Common symptoms are cough (49%), fever (41%) and rhinorrhoea (21%). Pneumonia was reported in 4,831 cases (3.0%). Since calendar week 17, cases are reported to the RKI as a distinct COVID-19 surveillance category. Since then, ageusia and anosmia can also be entered as symptoms. At least one of these two symptoms was reported in 2,657 of 17,800 cases (15%).

Hospitalisation was reported for 28,468 (18%) of 161,400 COVID-19 cases with information on hospitalisation status.

Approximately 173,100 people have recovered from their COVID-19 infection. Since the exact date of recovery is unknown in most cases, an algorithm was developed to estimate the number of recovered cases.

Table 3: Number of notified COVID-19 deaths by age group and gender electronically reported to RKI (Data available for 8,795 of notified deaths; 16/06/2020, 12:00 AM)

Gender	Age group (in years)										
	0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	100+
Male		2	6	17	49	226	615	1,329	2,066	555	5
Female	1	-	3	6	20	81	220	651	1,856	1,042	45
Total	1	2	9	23	69	307	835	1,980	3,922	1,597	50

In total, 8,800 COVID-19-related deaths have been reported in Germany (4.7% of all confirmed cases). Of these, 4,870 (55%) are men and 3,925 (45%) are women (see Table 3), the gender was unknown in five cases). The median age was 82 years. Of all deaths, 7,552 (86%) were in people aged 70 years or older, but only 19% of all cases were in this age group. So far, three deaths among COVID-19 cases under 20 years of age have been reported to the RKI. Pre-existing medical conditions were reported for all three.

Occupation, accommodation or care in facilities

In accordance with the Protection Against Infection Law, the RKI receives information on occupation, accommodation or care in a facility relevant for infection control for reported COVID-19 cases

Since information on occupation, accommodation or care in these facilities is missing in 26% of cases, the proportion of cases working, accommodated or cared for in these facilities reported here should be considered minimum values. Among the COVID-19 cases reported from the above mentioned facilities, the proportion of cases that actually acquired their infection in these facilities is unknown.

So far, 13,496 cases with a SARS-CoV-2 infection have been notified among staff working in medical facilities as defined by Section 23 IfSG. Among the cases reported as working in medical facilities, 73% were female and 27% male. The median age was 41 years, 20 persons died.

The low number of cases among persons who attend or work in facilities providing child care or education (Section 33 IfSG) reflects the low incidence in children observed thus far. The high number of cases among people cared for or working in various care facilities (Section 36 IfSG) is consistent with numerous reported outbreaks, especially in nursing homes.

Table 4: Notified COVID-19-cases according to possible occupation, accommodation or care in facilities relevant for transmission of infectious diseases electronically reported to RKI (185,838* cases, no data available for 48,764 cases; 16/06/2020, 12:00 AM)

Facility according to		Total	Hospitalised	Deaths	Recovered (estimate)
§ 23 IfSG (e.g. hospitals, outpatient clinics and practices, dialysis clinics or outpatient nursing services)	Cared for / accommodated in facility	3,177	2,271	598	2,500
	Occupation in facility	13,496	620	20	13,400
§ 33 IfSG (e.g. day care facilities, kindergartens, facilities for after school care, schools or other	Cared for / accommodated in facility*	2,649	62	1	2,400
educational facilities, children's homes, holiday camps)	Occupation in facility	2,608	133	7	2,600
§ 36 IfSG (e.g. facilities for the care of older, disabled, or other persons in need of care, homeless shelters, community facilities for asylumseekers, repatriates and refugees as well as other mass accommodation and prisons)	Cared for / accommodated in facility	17,335	3,958	3,444	13,400
	Occupation in facility	9,671	412	48	9,500
§ 42 IfSG (e.g. kitchens in the catering trade, in inns, restaurants, canteens, cafés, or other establishments with or for communal catering)	Occupation in facility	2,627	165	4	2,500
Neither cared for, accommodated in nor working in a facility		85,511	15,363	3,363	80,500

^{*}for care according to § 33 IfSG only cases under 18 years of age are taken into account, as other information may be assumed to be incorrect. IfSG: Protection Against Infection Law

Outbreaks

A high 7-day incidence rate was observed in four districts, primarily due to localised outbreaks: The districts of Aichach-Friedberg (Bavaria), Greiz (Thuringia), Verden (Lower Saxony) and Guetersloh (North-Rhine-Westphalia).

In Aichach-Friedberg an outbreak was reported among seasonal harvest workers. Tracing and testing of contacts as well as implementation of hygiene and quarantine measures were rapidly implemented. Harvest activities were temporarily halted.

Once again there were major outbreaks in retirement- and nursing homes. In the districts of Greiz and Verden residents and nursing staff have been tested positive for SARS-CoV-2. The COVID-19 outbreaks in nursing homes and hospitals in the districts Sonneberg and Coburg are declining, as can be observed from the decreasing incidence.

The increase in the 7-day incidence in the district Guetersloh is due to two outbreaks in the meat processing sector. Such outbreaks have also occurred in other federal states, some of which have led to production closures. Similarly, outbreaks have been observed in various logistics centres.

Further outbreaks were reported among members of religious communities, eg. from Berlin, Hesse and Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

Estimation of the reproduction number (R)

The presented case numbers do not fully reflect the temporal progression of incident COVID-19-cases, since the time intervals between actual onset of illness and diagnosis, reporting, as well as data transmission to the RKI vary greatly. Therefore, a nowcasting approach is applied to model the true temporal progression of COVID-19 cases according to illness onset. Figure 5 shows the result of this analysis.

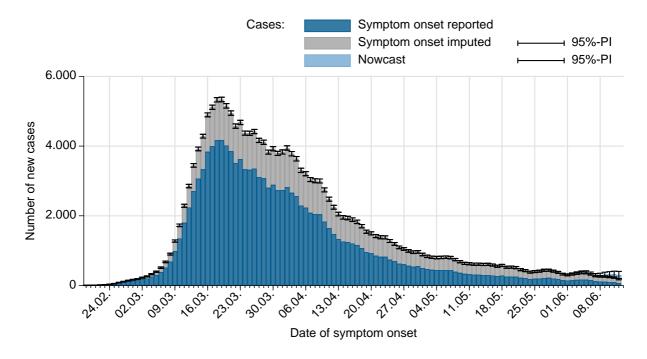


Figure 5: Number of notified COVID-19 cases with known date of illness onset (dark blue), estimated date of illness onset for cases without reported date of onset (grey) and estimated number of not yet notified cases according to illness onset electronically reported to RKI (light blue) (as of 16/06/2020, 12 AM, taking into account cases up to 12/06/2020).

The reproduction number, R, is defined as the mean number of people infected by one infected person. R can only be estimated based on statistical analyses such as nowcasting and not directly extracted from the notification system.

Note: The report is a snapshot and is continuously updated.

The sensitive R-value reported can be estimated by using a 4-day moving average of the number of new cases estimated by nowcasting. This 4-day value reflects the infection situation about one to two weeks ago. This value reacts sensitively to short-term changes in case numbers, such as those caused by individual outbreaks. This can lead to relatively large fluctuations, especially if the total number of new cases is small. The current estimate of the 4-day-R-value is 1.00 (95%-prediction interval: 0.81 - 1.21) and is based on electronically notified cases as of 16/06/2020, 12:00 AM.

Similarly, the 7-day R-value is estimated by using a moving 7-day average of the nowcasting curve. This compensates for fluctuations more effectively, as this value represents a slightly later course of infection of about one to a little over two weeks ago. The 7-day R-value is estimated at 0.86 (95%-prediction interval: 0.78–0.95) and is based on electronically notified cases as of 16/06/2020, 12:00 AM. In light of the still low daily case numbers, both R-values should be interpreted with caution and in their course over several days.

Sample calculations as well as an excel sheet presenting both R-values with daily updates can be found under www.rki.de/covid-19-nowcasting. A detailed methodological explanation of the more stable 7day R-value is also available there. More general information and sample calculations for both R-values can also be found in our FAQs (https://www.rki.de/covid-19-faq).

A detailed description of the methodology is available at https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/Infekt/EpidBull/Archiv/2020/17/Art_02.html (Epid. Bull. 17 | 2020 from 23/04/2020)

DIVI intensive care register

A registry of the German Interdisciplinary Association for Intensive and Emergency Medicine (DIVI), the RKI and the German Hospital Federation (DKG) was established to document intensive care capacity as well as the number of COVID-19 cases treated in participating hospitals

(https://www.intensivregister.de/#/intensivregister). The DIVI intensive care register documents the number of available intensive care beds in the reporting hospitals on a daily basis. Since 16/04/2020, all hospitals with intensive care beds are required to report.

As of 16/06/2020, a total of 1,275 hospitals or departments reported to the DIVI registry. Overall, 31,748 intensive care beds were registered, of which 20,409 (64%) are occupied, and 11,854 beds (36%) are currently available. The number of COVID-19 cases treated in participating hospitals is shown in Table 5.

Table 5: COVID-19 patients requiring intensive care (ICU) recorded in the DIVI register (16/06/202016/06/2020, 12:15 AM).

	Number of patients	Percentage	Change to previous day*
Currently in ICU	419		-6
- of these: mechanically ventilated	258	62%	-4
Discharged from ICU	14,371		+181
- of these: deaths	3,657	25%	+43

^{*}The interpretation of these numbers must take into account the slightly changing number of reporting hospitals (with large differences in their number of beds) from day to day. This can explain the observed decrease in the cumulative number of discharged patients and deaths on some days compared to the previous day.

Risk Assessment by the RKI

General assessment

At the global and the national level, the situation is very dynamic and must be taken seriously. The number of newly reported cases is currently decreasing. The RKI currently assesses the risk to the health of the German population overall as **high** and as **very high** for risk groups. This assessment may change at short notice based on new insights.

Infection risk

The risk of infection depends heavily on the regional spread, living conditions and also on individual behaviour.

Disease severity

In most cases, the disease is mild. The probability of progression towards serious disease increases with increasing age and underlying illnesses.

Burden on health system

The burden on the health care system depends on the geographical distribution of cases, health care capacity and initiation of containment measures (isolation, quarantine, physical distancing etc.). The burden is currently low in many regions, but may be high in some locations.

Measures taken by Germany

- Corona-Warn-App
 https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges Coronavirus/WarnApp/Warn App.html
- Regulations for persons entering Germany in connection with the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2
 (15.06.2020) https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges Coronavirus/Transport/BMG Merkblatt Reisende Tab.html
- From 15 June, borders will open within Europe, making travel possible again provided the COVID-19 activity in destination countries permits this (12/06/2020) https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/ReiseUndSicherheit/covid-19/2296762
- Information on additional regulations at the regional level regarding control measures such as physical distancing or quarantine regulations for persons entering from other countries can be accessed here: https://www.bundesregierung.de/breg-de/themen/coronavirus/corona-bundeslaender-1745198 (in German)
- (Non-medical) face masks must be worn on public transport and in shops in all federal states.
- Data on current disease activity can be found in the daily situation reports and on the RKI dashboard:
 - https://corona.rki.de/
- A distance of 1.5 metres to other indivduals must be maintained in public spaces:

 https://www.bundesregierung.de/breg-de/themen/coronavirus/besprechung-der-bundeskanzlerin-mit-den-regierungschefinnen-und-regierungschefs-der-laender-1733248 (in German)