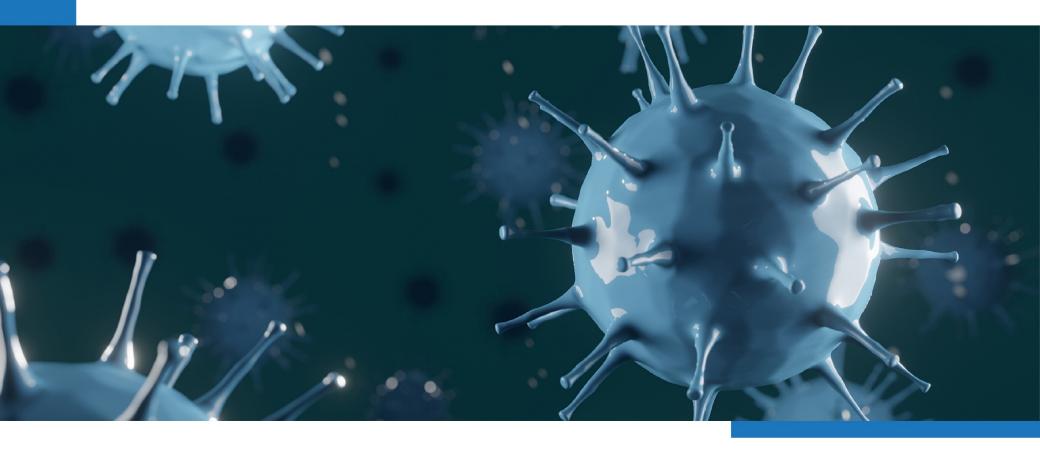
GCC **COVID-19 Dashboard**



+965 2224 8000 | markaz.com











Coronavirus Cases - Global



Confirmed Cases

470,973

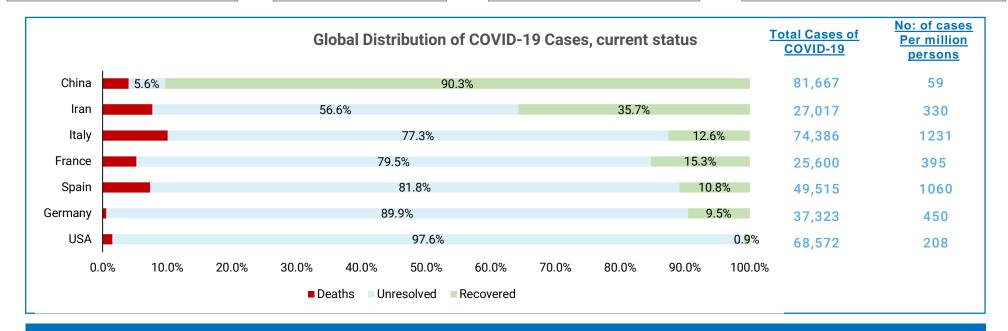
Death

21,276

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*

2,259,035



- Tokyo 2020 Olympics to be rescheduled to no later than summer 2021 IOC and Japanese organizers
- Senate Passes Massive Stimulus Package as Coronavirus Takes Toll; Coronavirus Cases Surpass 60,000 in U.S.
- Tokyo at risk of 'explosive spike' in coronavirus cases; Nine EU leaders call for joint debt issuance for coronavirus spending
- China reports second consecutive day of no new local coronavirus transmissions, imported cases rise.















Coronavirus Cases in GCC

March 26, 2020



Confirmed Cases

2,483

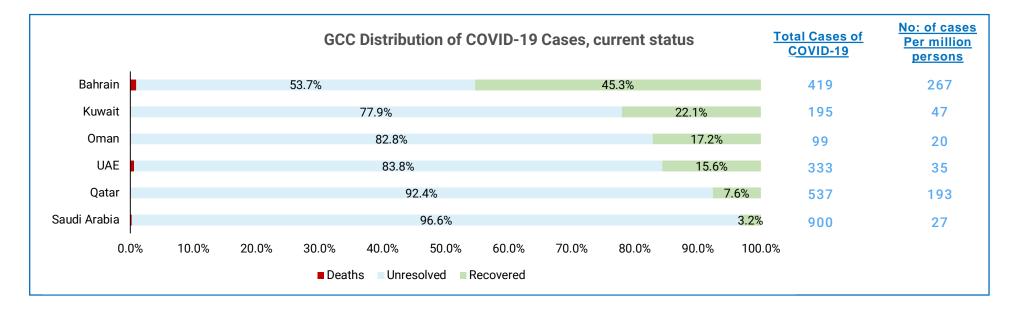
Death

Recovered

372

of Covid-19 Test*

182,760



- Saudi king to chair extraordinary G20 video summit on coronavirus on Thursday
- Bahrain Finance Minister and GCC counterparts discuss COVID-19 economic impact
- Spain's PM Sanchez spoke to Saudi Crown Prince, who agreed to call urgent, extraordinary G20 Summit on Coronavirus
- IEA say in extreme event where Governments fail to contain Coronavirus, demand could drop by 730,000 BPD in 2020









Coronavirus Cases in Saudi Arabia

March 26, 2020



Confirmed Cases

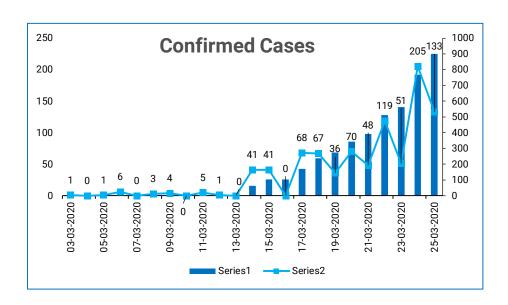
900

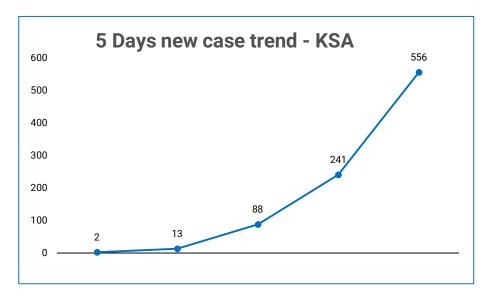
Death

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*

NΑ





- Saudi Arabia reports second coronavirus death; Food prices boost Saudi inflation in February as coronavirus impacts demand
- Saudi implements curfew; 10,000 riyal fine, jail time for violators
- Saudi Arabia's government unveiled stimulus measures amounting to 120 Saudi billion rivals (\$32 billion), including postponement of tax payments and exemptions of various government levies and fees
- Saudi suspended most private sector activities and cut its state budget by nearly 5%, as the outbreak and low oil prices threaten growth













Coronavirus Cases in Kuwait

March 26, 2020

Confirmed Cases

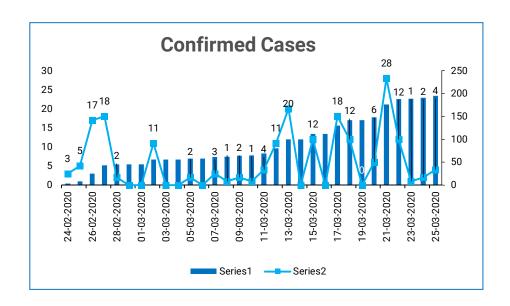
195

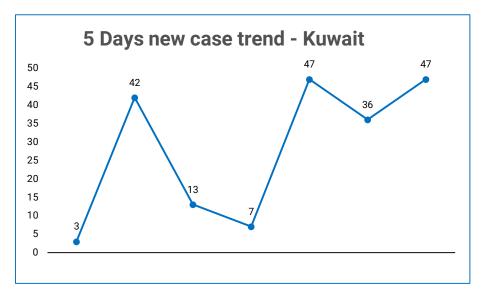
Death

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*

17,000





- Assembly approves tough penalties over coronavirus; Banks delay Kuwaitis' loan payments
- Kuwait parliament holds extraordinary session to discuss diseases-related bills; Amir orders financial support for citizens
- Government spokesman announces fund to support Kuwait coronavirus countermeasures
- Kuwaiti cabinet has decided to extend the suspension of work in all ministries and state agencies by two additional weeks, until 12th April













Coronavirus Cases in **UAE**



Confirmed Cases

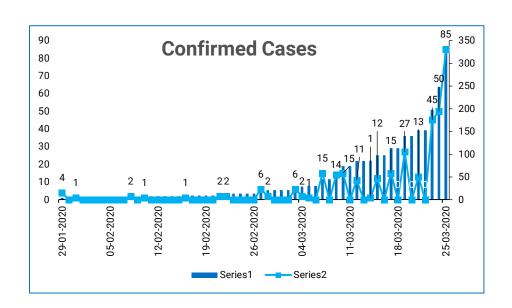
333

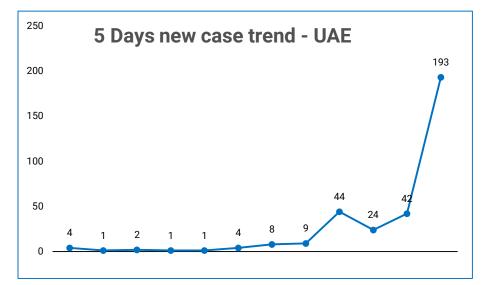
Death

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*

125,000





- UAE banks to face 'wave' of mergers, acquisitions if coronavirus crisis persists: Fitch; UAE's TRA enables Skype, other VoIP tools
- Abu Dhabi banks announce 17 financial initiatives for the community and businesses
- Loans to be rescheduled, delayed; Beaches, parks to close; Restaurants to stay open at reduced capacity; UAE closes shopping malls for two weeks as a coronavirus precaution; UAE will suspend all inbound, outbound and passenger flights
- Employment permits, residence visas to be issued automatically in UAE



Coronavirus Cases in Qatar

March 26, 2020



Confirmed Cases

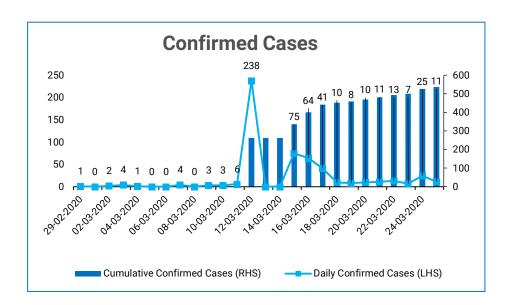
537

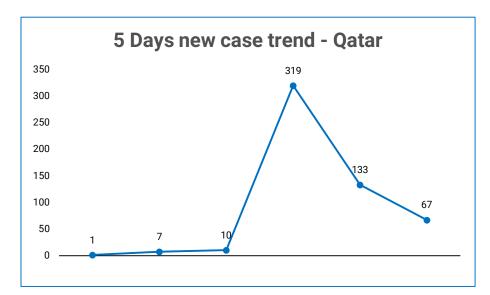
Death

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*

12,258





- Qatar banks to delay loan installments for six months for virus-hit sectors-central bank; Money exchanges in Qatar to shut in COVID-19 fight
- Qatar bracing up to beat COVID-19 with 18000 beds; Ministry instructs delivery firms to follow strict precautionary measures
- Qatar announces \$150 million aid to Gaza to support U.N. programmes, efforts to contain coronavirus
- Qatar Bans gatherings, deploy patrols to contain coronavirus; closure of parks and public beaches until further notice



Coronavirus Cases in Bahrain

March 26, 2020



Confirmed Cases

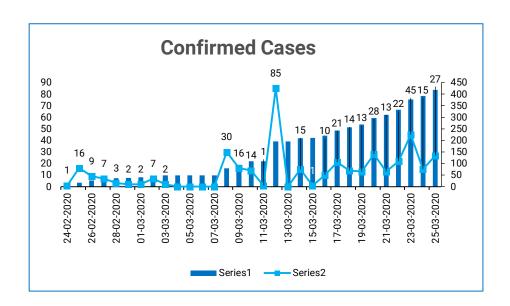
392

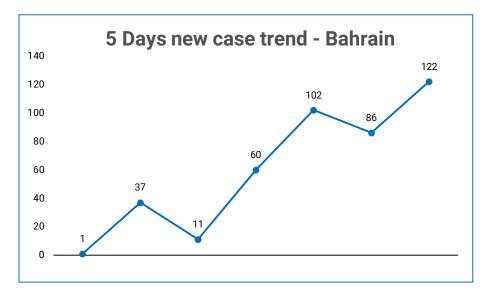
Death

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*

27,109





- The Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism temporarily closes non-essential businesses; Curfew proposal approved
- Bahrain becomes one of the first countries in the world to use Hydroxychloroquine to treat the Coronavirus (COVID-19)
- Central Bank of Bahrain asks Banks, Financing companies must offer 6 month deferral on instalments, at no fees, for borrowers impacted
- Bahrain cabinet authorizes Finance Minister to withdraw funds from Public Account not exceeding 5% to deal with emergency measures









Coronavirus Cases in Oman

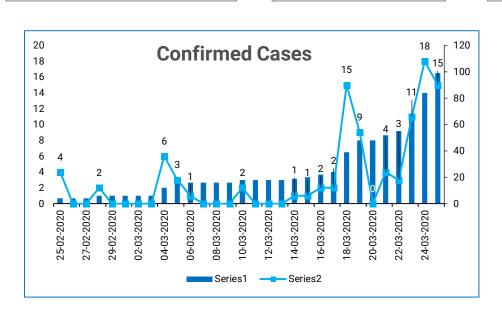


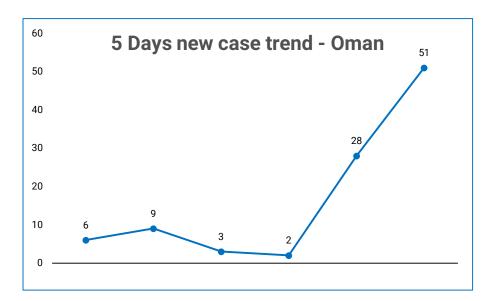
Confirmed Cases

Death

Recovered

of Covid-19 Test*





- Govt to bring back stranded students, citizens from abroad; Oman suspends all flights from March 29, except cargo and flights to Musandam
- Shops across Oman to close due to COVID-19 outbreak; Oman implements social distancing
- Oman on Sunday banned public gatherings, limited staffing at state entities and shut currency exchange shops; Oman stops the printing of all newspapers
- Prescribed budget cuts of 5% in the budgets of the respective ministries and units; Oman's Shura Council approves \$260,738 fund













Tightening Lockdowns and Billions in Stimulus

Global GCC

Kuwait

Banks delay Kuwaitis' loan payments

Kuwait banks to delay payment of installments of consumer and installed loans for Kuwaiti citizens for six months, the banks also suspended the interests and fees.

Kuwait Oil price upto USD 27.97 PB

Learn more

Price of Kuwait crude oil gained USD 1.86; in global markets prices were slightly high amid the coronavirus impacts on demand and in anticipation of the USD 2 trillion

Bahrain

Interior Ministry calls for full compliance with measures to combat COVID-19

The interior ministry called for the public's commitment to precautionary measures and safety rules, and cooperate with the state efforts to prevent the spread.

Curfew proposal approved

Bahrain's council of representatives approves the proposal to impose partial curfew.

Oatar

Qatar banks to delay loan installments for six months for virus-hit sectors-central bank

Qatar's central bank approved the postponement of loan installments and interest for six months and also cancelled fees on POS transactions and ATM withdrawals.

Money exchanges in Qatar to shut in COVID-19 fight

As a part of the Covid-19 measures Qatar announced the temporary closure of in-person money exchange and transfer service offices.

UAE

Abu Dhabi banks announce 17 financial initiatives for the community and

The Abu Dhabi Government has unveiled a comprehensive package of financial incentives that include 10 banking-related measures specifically for individuals, and seven measures for SMEs.

Employment permits, residence visas to be issued automatically in UAE

The Ministry of Human Resources and Emiratisation announced that the residency visas to be automatically renewed for labourers, domestic helpers in the UAE.

USA +

Senate Passes Massive Stimulus Package as Coronavirus Takes Tol

The Senate approved the largest economic stimulus package that would provide direct payments to many Americans, expand unemployment insurance, offer health-care providers additional resources.

Coronavirus Cases Surpass 60,000 in U.S.

The number of confirmed cases of the new coronavirus in the U.S. surpassed 60,000, led by a continued surge of infections in New York.

Spain's coronavirus death toll overtakes China's

Spain struggles with a mounting coronavirus crisis as its death toll exceeded China's with another 738 lives lost in a single day.

Nine EU leaders call for joint debt issuance for coronavirus spending

Leaders of nine EU countries including France, Italy and Spain called on the bloc to agree on a "common debt instrument" to raise funds to support the health industry in combating the coronavirus.

Asia-Pacific <

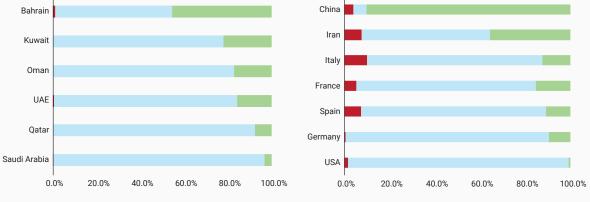
Tokyo at risk of 'explosive spike' in coronavirus cases

Tokyo governor warned that the world's biggest city could be on course for an "explosive spike" in new cases, on Wednesday, there were 41 new infections in Tokyo, a record one-day rise.

China reports second consecutive day of no new local coronavirus transmissions, imported cases rise.

China reported a second consecutive day of no new local coronavirus cases as the country's epicenter of the epidemic Hubei province opened its borders, but imported cases rose.

GCC Distribution of COVID-19 Cases, current status Global Distribution of COVID-19 Cases, current status



Saudi Arabia

to provide critical banking services.

Food prices boost Saudi inflation in February as coronavirus impacts demand

Saudi Arabia's consumer price index rose 1.2% in February from a year earlier due to the hikes in prices for food, beverages and transport.

Oman

Learn more

tions: CBO

Oman implements social distancing

maintain social distancing

With 99 cases of COVID-19 reported across Oman, au-

thorities in Oman have asked locals and expats to

Oman banks must be geared for COVID-19 disrup-

The Central Bank of Oman (CBO) instructs licensed

banks in the Sultanate to ensure they are well-equipped

Saudi Arabia reports second coronavirus death

Saudi Arabia announced the second coronavirus death and 133 new cases, taking its tally to 900 cases across the country.

+965 2224 8000 | markaz.com

