

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report – 56

Data as reported by national authorities by 10 AM CET 16 March 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

- Four new countries/territories/areas (African Region [2], European Region [1] and Region of the Americas [1]) in have reported cases of COVID-19 in the past 24 hours.
- The total number of cases and deaths outside China has overtaken the total number of cases in China. From today, total cases from China will no longer be featured separately (former Table 1).
- The WHO COVID-19 Incident Management Team is working closely with partners across all levels to provide support to countries, strengthen technical and operational networking and collaboration, and support operational coordination of the global response. For more information, please see the Subject in Focus below.
- Two new technical guidance documents were published today: [Critical preparedness, readiness and response actions for COVID-19](#) and [Risk Communication and Community Engagement \(RCCE\) Action Plan Guidance](#)

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

total and new cases in last 24 hours

Globally

167 511 confirmed

(13 903 new)

6606 deaths (862 new)

China

81 077 confirmed (29 new)

3218 deaths (14 new)

Outside of China

86 434 confirmed (13 874 new)

3388 deaths (848 new)

151 countries/territories/
areas (4 new)

WHO RISK ASSESSMENT

China	Very High
Regional Level	Very High
Global Level	Very High

Figure 1. Countries, territories or areas with reported confirmed cases of COVID-19, 16 March 2020

