

YEMEN COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE SNAPSHOT

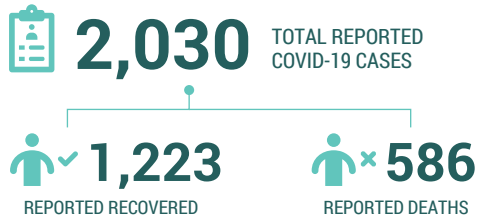


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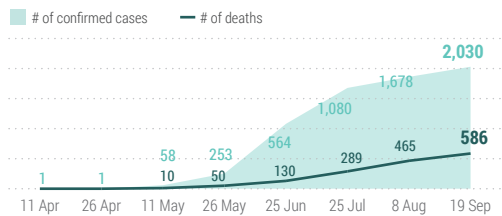


HUMANITARIAN COUNTRY TEAM

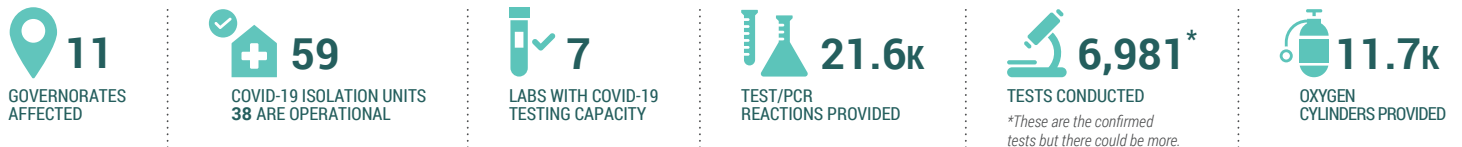
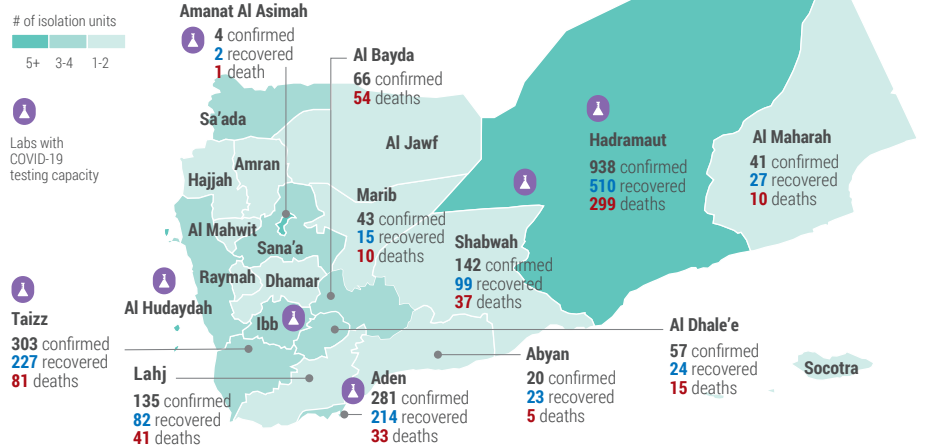
As of 19 September, the number of reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in Yemen had reached 2,030 with 586 associated deaths and 1,223 recoveries. Over the past week, only 17 new confirmed cases, 3 deaths and 10 recoveries were reported. While the number of cases reported continues to show a decline, indicators suggest that the virus is still spreading and the number of confirmed cases and deaths fall below actual numbers. A lack of testing facilities and official reporting, and people delaying seeking treatment because of stigma, difficulty accessing treatment centres and the perceived risks of seeking care are some of the reasons behind the perceived decline in case numbers. The COVID-19 response continues to focus on testing, surveillance and case management, while procuring oxygen, personal protective equipment (PPE), and monitors are a priority. The suspension of the Sana'a international airport on 9 September has delayed the arrival of 207 metric tons of COVID-19 response equipment and humanitarian personnel including COVID-19 specialists. Partners plan to increase surveillance, deploy dedicated COVID staff within agencies and track the impact of COVID on routine priority health programmes. They also continue to support the public health system, refine messaging to encourage behavioural change, and boost intensive care unit (ICU) capacities in preparation for any subsequent waves of the virus.



NUMBER OF COVID-19 CASES (CUMULATIVE)



NUMBER OF COVID-19 CASES, LABORATORIES AND ISOLATION UNITS PER GOVERNORATE



SUPPRESS AND AWARENESS

- **16.5M** people reached via multiple platforms
- Religious leaders raised awareness reaching **3.6M** in **5,000** mosques
- **3.5 million** people were reached via WhatsApp
- The national exams in the north were supported with COVID-19 Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) to ensure compliance with COVID-19 preventive measures targeting **450,000** students.
- School health facilitators engaged with **38,169** people through **4,824** home visits and **8,851** awareness sessions.
- COVID-19 messages sent to **13.5M** subscribers
- **8,800** hotline calls received by Ministry of Public Health and Population
- **15,791** calls received via radio phone-in programmes
- **1.4 million** people reached in nearly **18,862** community gatherings and over **19,367** women social events
- **3.87 million** people reached via over **621,192** house-to-house visits and mother-to-mother sessions
- Over **30,000** fabric masks are being distributed in the south for IDPs, marginalized people and refugees.
- Community volunteers and members of mother-to-mother clubs supported distribution of hygiene kits to **9,000** families
- **2,695** hand-washing stations installed



SUPPLY CHAIN

- Aid agencies are scaling up logistics and supply capacity.
 - **13,960 m³** of supplies have been transported into the country, while **2,279 m³** are in the pipeline. These include:
 - > **980** ICU beds
 - > **23,438** PCR test kits
 - > **28 000** swabs
 - > **5 million** gloves
 - > **2.5 million** masks
 - > **1.2 million** respirator masks
 - > **230,700** litres of sanitizers
 - > **2,320** hospital beds
 - > **634** ventilators
- | Mode | Arrived | In Pipeline |
|------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Air | 3,958 m ³ | 125 m ³ |
| Sea | 9,960 m ³ | 2,154 m ³ |
| Land | 42 m ³ | |



SAVING LIVES

- The UN and partners are urgently expanding hospital capacity in key population centres. This includes establishing **21** new intensive care units (ICUs) in COVID-19 designated hospitals, adding to **38** existing ICUs; deploying two high capacity mobile field hospitals with nearly **100** beds and providing allowances to frontline health care workers.
- **9** isolation centres installed with solar systems and fully operationalized; **2** systems are being installed in 2 more centres



SAFEGUARDING THE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM

- Protecting the public health system at **4,300** non-COVID health care facilities is a priority. These will continue to provide non-COVID health care services to prevent deaths from deadly causes including cholera, diphtheria, dengue and malaria as well as providing nutrition treatment to pregnant women and malnourished children.
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| • 5,049 number of health facilities (HFs) | • 1,257 number of HFs providing cholera response services |
| • 2,528 number of fully functioning HFs | • 756 number of HFs providing childbirth services for normal deliveries. |
| • 1,865 number of HFs partially functioning | • 107 number of HFs providing caesarean deliveries. |
| • 2,779 number of HFs providing partial or full malaria health services (testing, treatment, referral and follow up) | |

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