

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP

Weekly Data Flash on Covid-19 in Africa¹:

The situation as of Sunday, April 04, 2021

Statistics Department (ECST)

For more information on Covid-19, please visit the Bank's Africa Information Highway https://africacovid.opendataforafrica.org/.

¹ This briefing note has been prepared by Roza Mamuye Bora, Senior Statistician; Anouar Chaouch, Statistician; Soumaila Karambiri, Statistical Assistant; Regis Hauhouot Stephane, Statistical Assistant and Desire Lakpa Guy, Statistical Assistant and under the supervision of Louis Kouakou, Division Manager ECST1.

Contents

	Page
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Africa as of April 4, 2021	1
Data Annexes: Africa	4
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Central Africa as of April 4, 2021	6
Data Annexes: Central Africa	8
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in East Africa as of April 4, 2021	9
Data Annexes: East Africa	11
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in North Africa as of April 4, 2021	12
Data Annexes: North Africa	14
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Southern Africa as of April 4, 2021 15	
Data Annexes: Southern Africa	17
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in West Africa as of April 4, 2021	18
Data Annexes: West Africa	20

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Africa as of April 4, 2021²

Vaccinations: Status Update

- Over 112.3 million new Covid-19 vaccinations were administered globally in the week ending April 4, 2021, bringing the total given since the start of the pandemic to 658,955,807. In terms of the geographical distribution, the USA accounted for 25.0% of the total number of Covid-19 vaccinations administered to date, followed by China at 20.7% and India at 11.5%.
- The number of African countries rolling out Covid-19 vaccinations is gradually increasing; to date 24 countries have reported data on the number of vaccinations they have given, though the number of countries that have just started their vaccination roll-out could be higher. As of April 4, 2021, 11,819,624 vaccinations had been administered in Africa, which represents 1.8% of total global vaccinations. Morocco accounts for 69.7% of the vaccinations carried out in Africa to date. In respect of vaccines proportionate to population size, Seychelles, taking second place globally after Israel, has achieved more than 100% coverage.

Covid-19 Testing in Africa

- As of Sunday, April 4, 2021, more than 40.9 million tests for Covid-19 had been administered in Africa, of which over 1.0 million were reported in the week under review. The majority (24.4%) of the total tests as of April 4, 2021 were conducted in South Africa, followed by Morocco (14.7%), Egypt (6.1%), Ethiopia (5.8%), Nigeria (4.3%), Kenya (3.7%), Zambia (3.1%), Cameroon (2.9%), Rwanda (2.9%) and Tunisia (2.8%). These ten countries collectively account for 70.7% of the tests conducted to date in Africa.
- The number of average tests per 1 million people in Africa as of April 4, 2021 stands at 30,573, which is an increase of 2.5% over the figure reported in the previous week. Botswana is the best performer on this indicator with 396,591 tests per 1 million people, followed by Gabon (289,850), Mauritius (282,029), Cabo Verde (273,934), Seychelles (218,654), South Africa (168,377) and Morocco (163,094).

Confirmed, New and Active Global Covid-19 Cases

- Globally, the total number of confirmed Covid-19 cases since the start of the pandemic reached 131,212,775: the majority of which (30.7%) occurred in Europe, followed by North America (27.4%), Asia (22.3%), South America (16.4%) and Africa (3.3%). To date, 82,272,197 cases have recovered globally, representing 62.7% of confirmed global Covid-19 cases.
- The number of new cases reported globally in the review week amounted to 4,095,931, indicating a 3.5% increase compared to the new cases recorded in the preceding week.

² Tanzania has not released data on Covid-19 since May 08, 2020. Liberia has not released new data for the past two weeks. The Republic of Congo has not released new data for the week under review.

- The number of global deaths due to Coronavirus reached 2,852,463, of which 68,953 were recorded in the week ending April 4, 2021; this represents an increase of 0.7% over the previous week. The number of global active cases showed an increment of 1,674,277 cases in the review week, to reach 46,088,115 as of April 4, 2021.
- Africa accounted for 3.3% of the total global cases, 4.0% of deaths, 4.6% of recovered cases and 0.7% of active cases as of April 4, 2021, as detailed below.

Confirmed, New and Active Covid-19 Cases in Africa

- As of April 4, 2021, the total number of confirmed cases in Africa reached 4,270,919, 77.6% of which were in nine countries, namely South Africa (36.3%), Morocco (11.7%), Tunisia (6.1%), Ethiopia (5.0%), Egypt (4.8%), Nigeria (3.8%), Libya (3.8%), Kenya (3.3%) and Algeria (2.8%). The five countries with the lowest number of cases were Mauritius, Liberia, São Tomé & Príncipe, Burundi and Eritrea, with cases ranging between 1,112 in Mauritius and 3,334 in Eritrea, collectively accounting for 0.3% of the confirmed cases in Africa. Considering population size, Seychelles, Cabo Verde, South Africa, Libya and Tunisia are the five countries with the highest number of confirmed cases per million people; rates ranging from 44,227 in Seychelles to 22,235 in Tunisia. The average cases per million, for Africa, stands at 3,265, which is much lower than the global average of 23,288.
- In the week under review, a total of 85,827 new cases were reported in Africa, which is a 9.2% increase compared to the previous week. These new cases in Africa account for 2.1% of the weekly new cases recorded globally. The East Africa region accounted for 32.3% of the weekly new cases in Africa, followed by North Africa (28.3%), Southern Africa (17.7%), Central Africa (13.4%) and West Africa (8.3%).
- The total number of active cases in Africa increased by 30,646 cases in the review week to reach 334,933. Currently, just seven countries account for 70.7% of the active cases in Africa, namely Ethiopia (50,258), Kenya (42,581), Egypt (36,583), Algeria (32,621), Tunisia (32,044), South Africa (21,614) and Cameroon (21,225).
- From a regional perspective, North Africa accounts for 34.7% of active cases in Africa, followed by East Africa (33.3%), Southern Africa (15.7%), Central Africa (8.4%) and West Africa (7.9%).

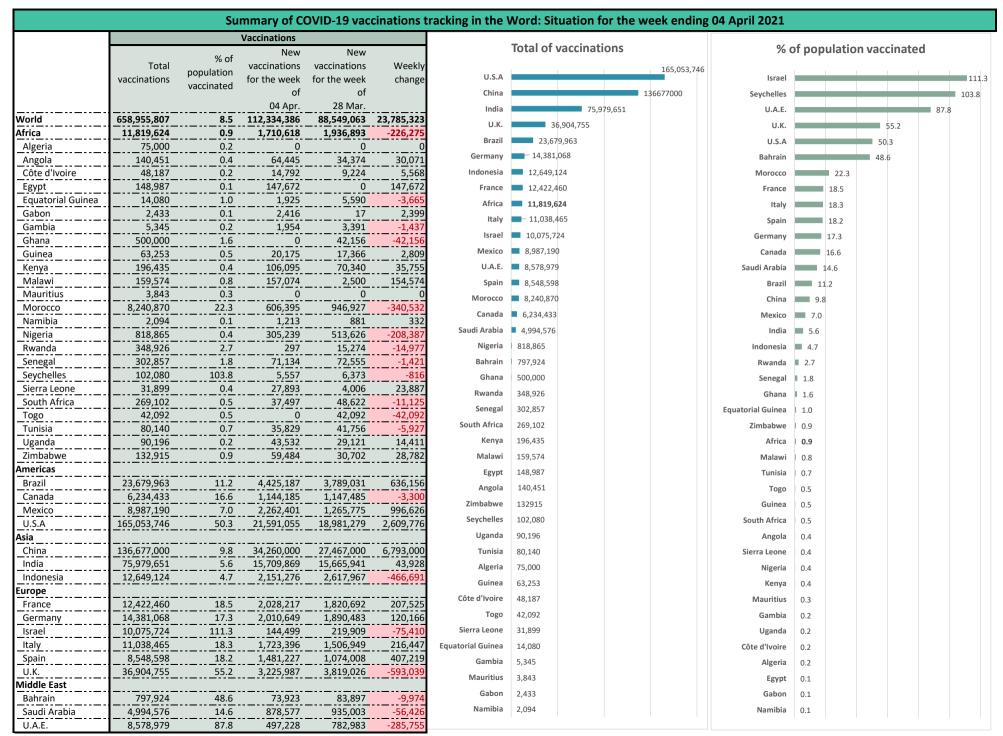
Deaths and the Case Fatality Rates in Africa

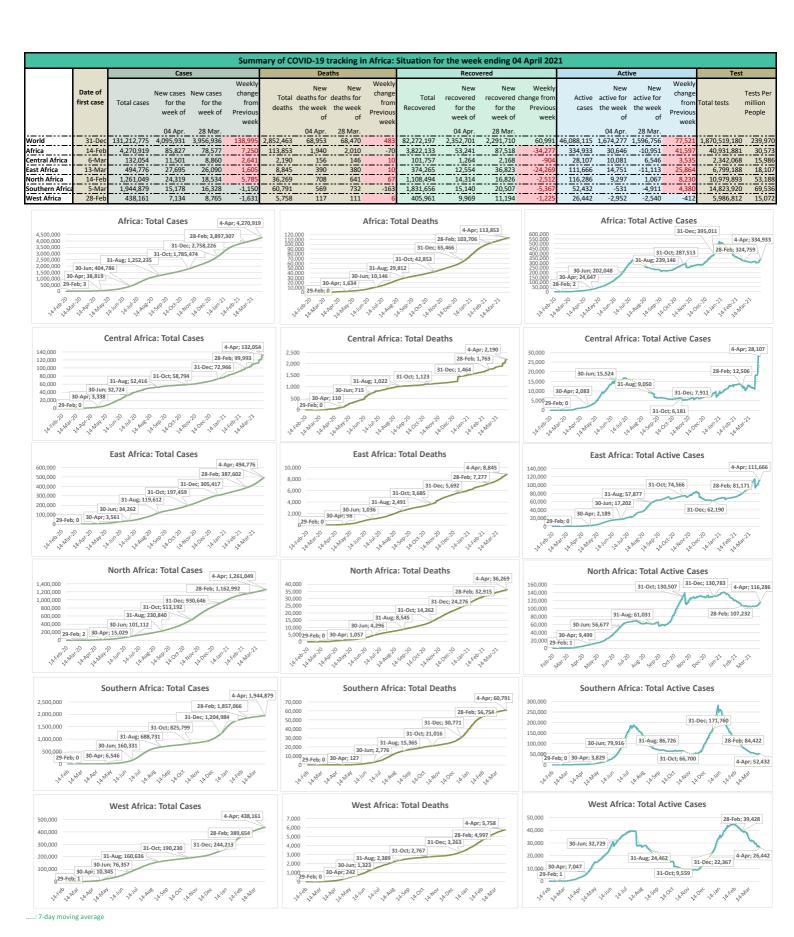
• As of April 4, 2021, a total of 113,853 deaths had been reported in Africa since the start of the pandemic, of which 53.4% were in Southern Africa, 31.9% in North Africa, 7.8% in East Africa, 5.1% in West Africa and 1.9% in Central Africa. The five countries with the highest number of reported deaths due to Covid-19 since the start of the pandemic are South Africa, Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco and Algeria, ranging from 52,987 in South Africa to 3,105 in Algeria. A total of 1,940 new deaths were reported in Africa in the week under review, which is a decline of 3.5% compared to the preceding week.

• The case fatality rate (CFR), i.e. deaths per confirmed cases for Africa, stands at 2.7%, which is higher than the global CFR rate of 2.2%. Regionally, West Africa has the lowest CFR at 1.3%, followed by Central Africa at 1.7% and East Africa at 1.8%, while North Africa at 2.9% and Southern Africa at 3.1% recorded higher CFRs than the African average. As of April 4, 2021, sixteen African countries, namely Sudan (6.5%), Egypt (5.9%), Somalia (4.7%), Liberia (4.2%), Zimbabwe (4.1%), Comoros (3.9%), Eswatini (3.8%), Mali (3.7%), Niger (3.7%), Chad (3.6%), Tunisia (3.4%), South Africa (3.4%), Malawi (3.3%), The Gambia (3.0%), Lesotho (2.9%) and Senegal (2.7%) consistently recorded CRFs higher than or equal to the average for Africa.

Recovery Rates in Africa

• As of April 4, 2021, the number of recovered cases in Africa reached 3,822,133, which is 89.5% of its total confirmed cases. Regionally, the recovery rates were 94.2% for Southern Africa, 92.7% for West Africa, 87.9% for North Africa, 77.1% for Central Africa, and 75.6% for East Africa. In the week under review 53,241 newly recovered cases were reported.



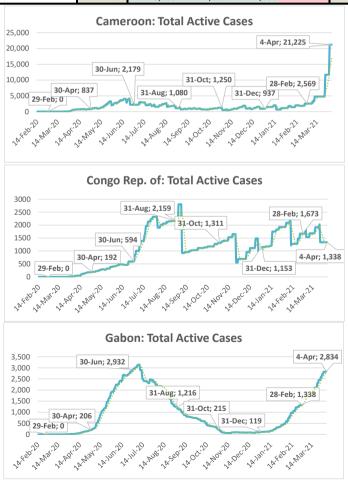


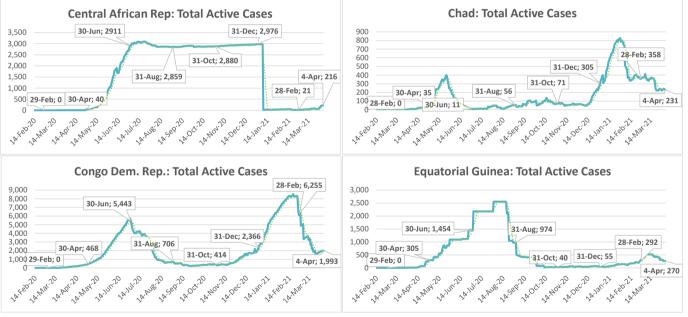
Central Africa	

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Central Africa as of April 4, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 4, 2021, the number of total cases in the Central Africa region reached 132,054. The region reported 11,501 new cases in the review week, which is a 29.8% increase compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 2,190, recording 156 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 101,757, of which 1,264 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 28,107, which is an increase of 10,081 cases in the review week. The increase in active cases is mainly accountable to Cameroon.
- Cameroon accounted for 43.4% of the total cases and 84.1% of the new cases reported in the region during the week under review. Chad has the lowest number of total cases in the Central region at 4,595.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region stands at 1.7%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Chad at 3.6% and the lowest in Gabon at 0.6%.

				Sum	mary of	COVID-19) tracking	g in Centr	al Africa	: Situation 1	for the we	ek ending (4 April 20)21					
			Case	es			Dea	ths			Recov	ered			Acti	Test			
	Date of first case	Total cases	New cases for the week of	New cases for the week of	Weekly change			New deaths for the week of	Weekly change from Previous week		New recovered for the week f	New recovered of for the week of	Weekly hange from Previous week	Active			Weekly change from Previous week	Total tests	Tests Per million People
			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			
Central Africa	6-Mar	132,054	11,501	8,860	2,641	2,190	156	146	10	101,757	1,264	2,168	-904	28,107	10,081	6,546	3,535	2,342,068	15,986
Cameroon	6-Mar	57,337	9,668	7,047	2,621	851	130	120	10	35,261	0	0	0	21,225	9,538	6,927	2,611	1,187,367	44,729
Central African Rep.	15-Mar	5,245	157	1	156	72	8	0	8	4,957	0	19	-19	216	149	-18	167	40,845	8,457
Chad	19-Mar	4,595	89	86	3	165	3	5	-2	4,199	90	92	-2	231	-4	-11	7	109,750	6,682
Congo Rep. of	15-Mar	9,681	0	117	-117	135	0	1	-1	8,208	0	694	-694	1,338	0	-578	578	104,857	19,002
Congo Dem. Rep.	10-Mar	28,325	395	377	18	745	6	13	-7	25,587	189	506	-317	1,993	200	-142	342	142,125	1,587
Equatorial Guinea	14-Mar	7,008	106	166	-60	103	1	2	-1	6,635	149	278	-129	270	-44	-114	70	111,994	79,826
Gabon	12-Mar	19,863	1,086	1,066	20	119	8	5	3	16,910	836	579	257	2,834	242	482	-240	645,130	289,850

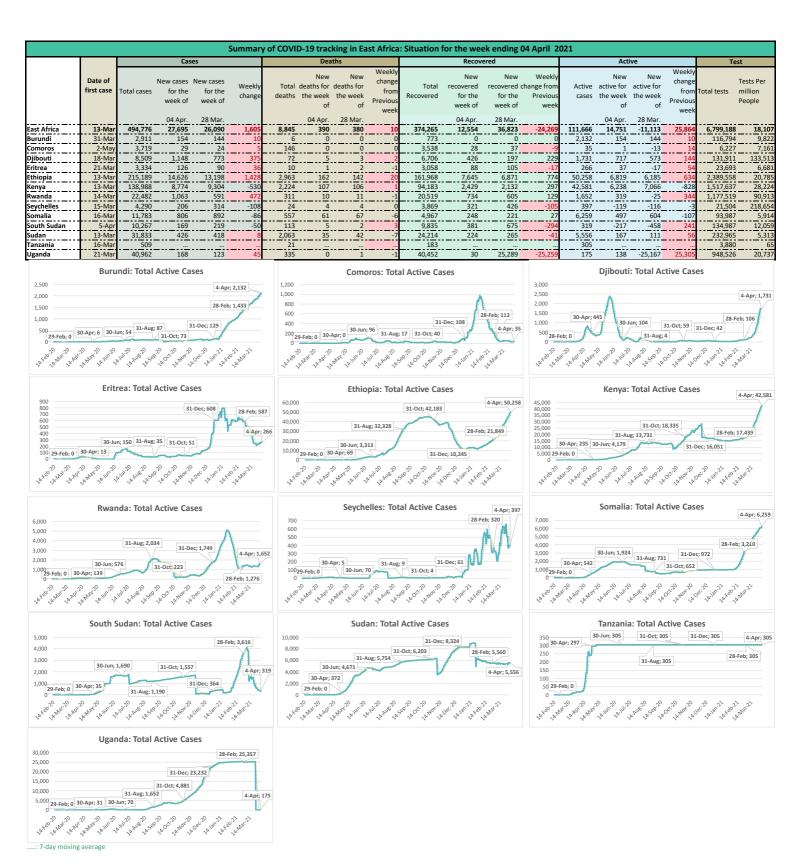




East Africa

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in East Africa as of April 4, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 4, 2021, the number of total cases in the East Africa region reached 494,776. The region reported 27,695 new cases in the review week, which is a 6.2% increase compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 8,845, recording 390 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 374,265, of which 12,554 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 111,666, which is an increase of 14,751 cases in the review week. The increase in the number of active cases in the region during the review week is mainly attributable to Ethiopia and Kenya.
- Ethiopia accounted for 43.5% of the total cases and 52.8% of the new cases in the Eastern region during the week under review. Burundi has reported the lowest number of total cases in the region since the start of the pandemic at 2,911.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region stands at 1.8%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Sudan at 6.5% and the lowest in Burundi at 0.2%.

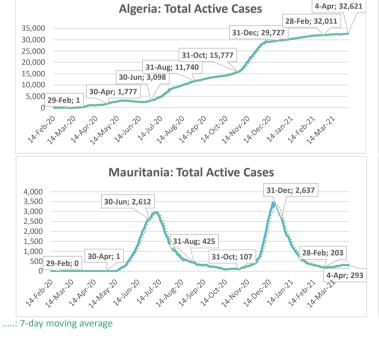


North Africa	

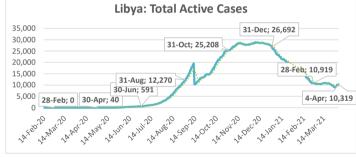
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in North Africa as of April 4, 2021

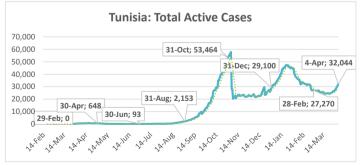
- As of Sunday, April 4, 2021, the number of total cases in the North Africa region reached 1,261,049. The region reported 24,319 new cases in the review week, which is a 31.2% increase compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 36,269, recording 708 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 1,108,494, of which 14,314 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 116,286, which is an increase of 9,297 cases in the review week. The increase in the number of active cases in the region during the review week is mainly attributable to Tunisia.
- Morocco accounted for 39.5% of the total cases, while Tunisia accounted for 39.0% of the new cases in the region during the week under review. Mauritania has the lowest number of total cases in the region since the start of the pandemic at 17,927.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region currently stands at 2.9%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Egypt at 5.9% and the lowest in Libya at 1.7%.

				Su	mmary o	f COVID-	19 trackir	ng in Nort	th Africa	: Situation f	or the wee	ek ending (04 April 20	21					
			Case	es			Dea	ths			Recov	ered			Active			Test	
	Date of first case	Total cases	New cases for the week of	New cases for the week of	Weekly change		New deaths for the week of		Weekly change from Previous week	Total Recovered f	New recovered or the week f of	New recovered of or the week of	Weekly change from Previous week	Active cases		New active for the week of	Weekly change from Previous week	Total tests	Tests Per million People
L		l	04 Apr.	28 Mar.			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			04 Apr.	28 Mar.			
North Africa	14-Feb	1,261,049	24,319	18,534	5,785	36,269	708	641	67	1,108,494	14,314	16,826	-2,512	116,286	9,297	1,067	8,230	10,979,893	53,188
Algeria	26-Feb	117,622	786	679	107	3,105	25	23	2	81,896	580	657	-77	32,621	181	-1	182	230,861	. 5,265
Egypt	14-Feb	204,965	4,915	4,632	283	12,163	281	284	-3	156,219	3,044	3,241	-197	36,583	1,590	1,107	483	2,507,491	. 24,503
Libya	25-Mar	162,294	5,445	5,244	201	2,737	119	112	7	149,238	4,274	6,652	-2,378	10,319	1,052	-1,520	2,572	877,855	127,757
Mauritania	14-Mar	17,927	156	170	-14	449	1	2	-1	17,185	177	115	62	293	-22	53	-75	210,137	45,194
Morocco	5-Mar	498,197	3,538	2,950	588	8,850	52	31	21	484,921	2,569	3,100	-531	4,426	917	-181	1,098	6,019,897	163,094
Tunisia	5-Mar	260,044	9,479	4,859	4,620	8,965	230	189	41	219,035	3,670	3,061	609	32,044	5,579	1,609	3,970	1,133,652	95,921





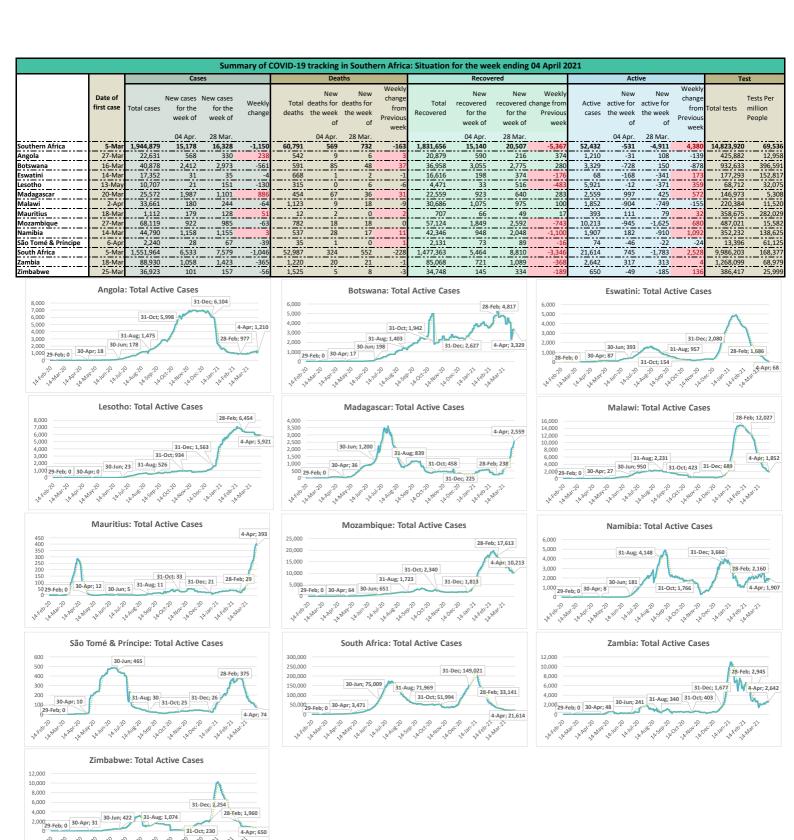




Southern Africa

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Southern Africa as of April 4, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 4, 2021, the number of total cases in the Southern Africa region reached 1,944,879. The region reported 15,178 new cases in the review week, which is a 7.0% decline compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 60,791, recording 569 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 1,831,656, of which 15,140 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 52,432, which is a decline of 531 cases in the review week. The decline in the number of active cases in the region during the review week is mainly attributable to Mozambique, Malawi and Botswana.
- South Africa accounted for 79.8% of the total cases and 43.0% of the new cases in the region during the week under review. Mauritius has the lowest number of total cases in the region at 1,112.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region stands at 3.1%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Zimbabwe at 4.1% and the lowest in Mauritius and Mozambique at 1.1%.



West Africa	

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in West Africa as of April 5, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 4, 2021, the number of total cases in the West Africa region reached 438,161. The region reported 7,134 new cases in the review week, which is an 18.6% decline compared to the new cases reported in the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 5,758, recording 117 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 405,961, of which 9,969 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 26,442, which is a decline of 2,952 cases in the review week. The decline in the number of active cases in the region during the review week is mainly attributable to Côte d'Ivoire and Nigeria.
- Nigeria accounted for 37.2% of the total cases, while Côte d'Ivoire accounted for 22.0% of the new cases in the region during the week under review. Liberia has the lowest number of total cases in the region at 2,042.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region stands at 1.3%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Liberia at 4.2% and the lowest in Côte d'Ivoire and Guinea at 0.6%.

