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Weekly Data Flash on Covid-19 in Africa¹:

The situation as of Sunday, April 18, 2021

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Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Africa as of April 18, 2021²

Vaccinations: Status Update

- Over 113.0 million new Covid-19 vaccinations were administered globally in the week ending April 18, 2021, bringing the total given since the start of the pandemic to 894,514,948. In terms of the geographical distribution, the USA accounted for 23.4% of the total number of Covid-19 vaccinations administered to date, followed by China at 21.2% and India at 13.7%.
- The number of African countries that have released data on rolling out Covid-19 vaccinations reached 29, though the number of countries that have just started their vaccination roll-out could be higher. As of April 18, 2021, 14,683,856 vaccinations had been administered in Africa, which represents 1.6% of total global vaccinations. Morocco accounts for 60.2% of the vaccinations carried out in Africa to date.

Covid-19 Testing in Africa

- As of Sunday, April 18, 2021, more than 42.7 million tests for Covid-19 had been administered in Africa, of which over 0.8 million were reported in the week under review. The majority (24.2%) of the total tests as of April 18, 2021 were conducted in South Africa, followed by Morocco (14.4%), Egypt (6.3%), Ethiopia (5.9%), Nigeria (4.3%), Kenya (3.8%), Zambia (3.2%), Cameroon (2.9%), Rwanda (2.9%) and Tunisia (2.9%). These ten countries collectively account for 70.8% of the tests conducted to date in Africa.
- The number of average tests per 1 million people in Africa as of April 18, 2021 stands at31,927, which is an increase of 1.9% over the figure reported in the previous week. Botswana is the best performer on this indicator with 412,391 tests per 1 million people, followed by Gabon (308,674), Cabo Verde (299,331), Mauritius (282,029), Seychelles (218,654), South Africa (174,293) and Morocco (166,981).

Confirmed, New and Active Global Covid-19 Cases

- Globally, the total number of confirmed Covid-19 cases since the start of the pandemic reached 141,125,084: the majority of which (30.2%) occurred in Europe, followed by North America (26.3%), Asia (23.8%), South America (16.5%) and Africa (3.1%). To date, 88,471,177 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 5,249,391, indicating a 12.6% increase compared to the new cases recorded in the preceding week.
- The number of global deaths due to Coronavirus reached 3,017,633, of which 82,175 were recorded in the week ending April 18, 2021; this shows a decline of 1.0% over the previous

² Tanzania has not released data on Covid-19 since May 08, 2020. Liberia has not released new data for the past four weeks.

week. The number of global active cases showed an increment of 1,850,905 cases in the review week, to reach 49,636,274 as of April 18, 2021.

• Africa accounted for 3.1% of the total global cases, 3.9% of deaths, 4.5% of recovered cases and 0.7% of active cases as of April 18, 2021, as detailed below.

Confirmed, New and Active Covid-19 Cases in Africa

- As of April 18, 2021, the total number of confirmed cases in Africa reached 4,431,640, 77.3% of which were in nine countries, namely South Africa (35.4%), Morocco (11.4%), Tunisia (6.4%), Ethiopia (5.5%), Egypt (4.9%), Libya (3.9%), Nigeria (3.7%), Kenya (3.4%) and Algeria (2.7%). The five countries with the lowest number of cases were Mauritius, Liberia, São Tomé & Príncipe, Burundi and Eritrea, with cases ranging between 1,203 in Mauritius and 3,491 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 50,742 in Seychelles to 24,411 in Tunisia. The average cases per million, for Africa, stands at 3,388.
- In the week under review, a total of 81,442 new cases were reported in Africa, which is a 2.7% increase compared to the previous week. These new cases in Africa account for 1.6% of the weekly new cases recorded globally. The North Africa region accounted for 35.0% of the weekly new cases in Africa, followed by East Africa (28.4%), Southern Africa (23.2%), West Africa (7.1%) and Central Africa (6.3%).
- The total number of active cases in Africa increased by 18,854 cases in the review week to reach 370,269. Currently, just seven countries account for 73.6% of the active cases in Africa, namely Ethiopia (59,343), Kenya (47,530), Tunisia (40,916), Egypt (40,117), Algeria (33,090), Cameroon (28,609) and South Africa (22,890).
- From a regional perspective, North Africa accounts for 35.5% of active cases in Africa, followed by East Africa (34.0%), Southern Africa (13.9%), Central Africa (10.0%) and West Africa (6.7%).

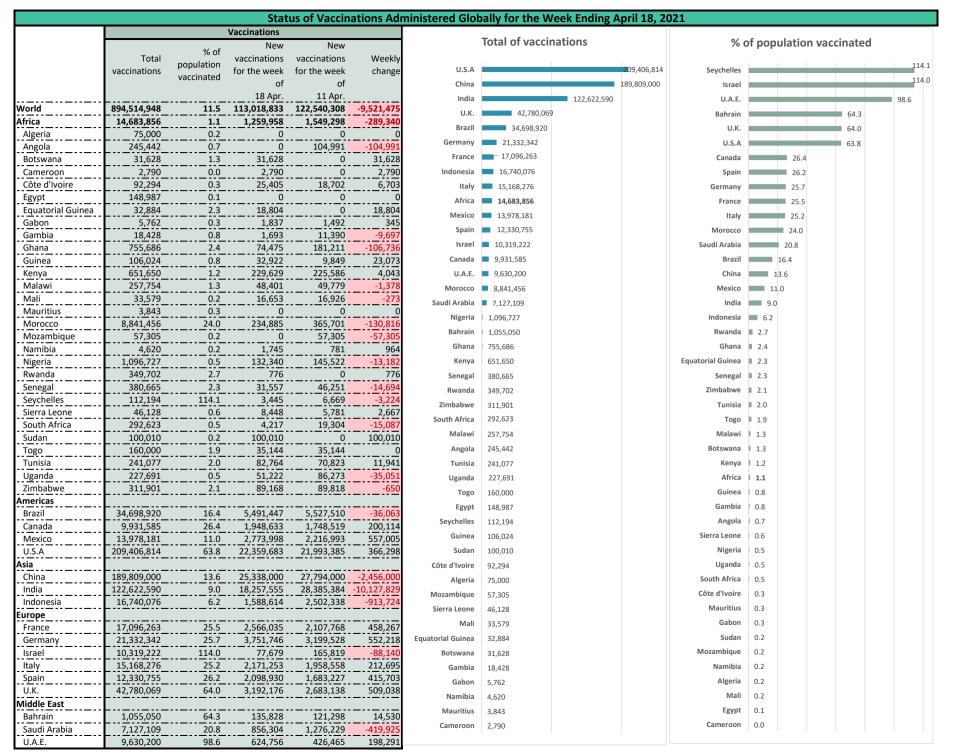
Deaths and the Case Fatality Rates in Africa

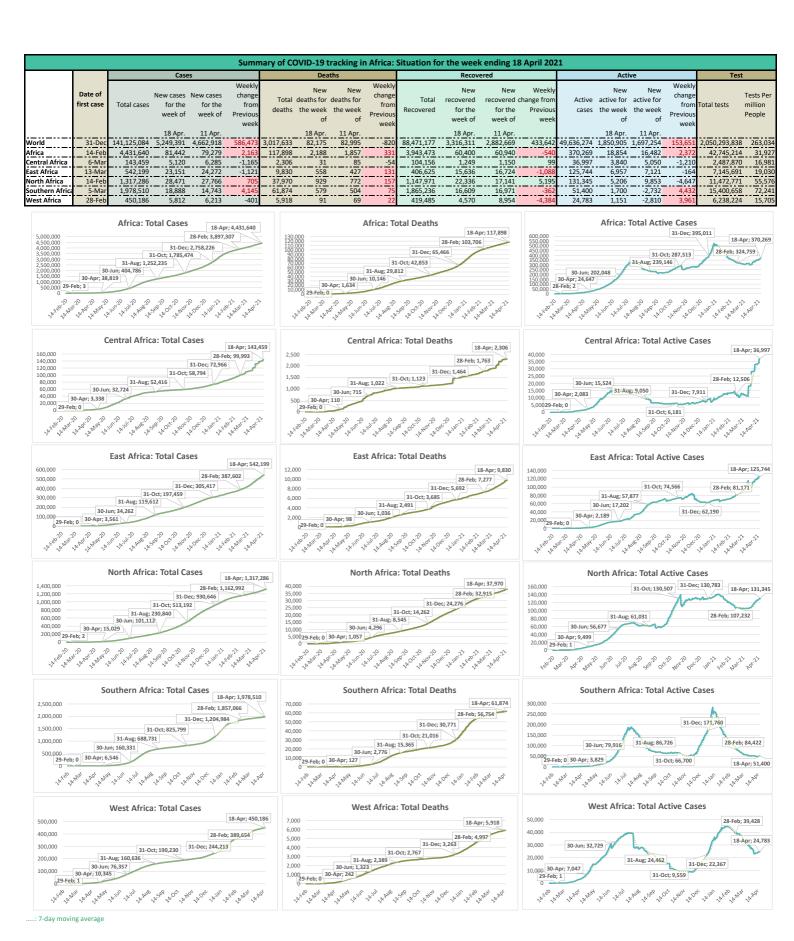
- As of April 18, 2021, a total of 117,898 deaths had been reported in Africa since the start of the pandemic, of which 52.5% were in Southern Africa, 32.2% in North Africa, 8.3% in East Africa, 5.0% in West Africa and 2.0% in Central Africa. The five countries with the highest number of reported deaths due to Covid-19 since the start of the pandemic are South Africa, Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco and Ethiopia, ranging from 53,736 in South Africa to 3,370 in Ethiopia. A total of 2,188 new deaths were reported in Africa in the week under review, which is an increase of 17.8% 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 2.1%. Regionally, West Africa has the lowest

CFR at 1.3%, followed by Central Africa at 1.6% 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 18, 2021, sixteen African countries, namely Sudan (6.7%), Egypt (5.9%), Somalia (5.1%), Liberia (4.2%), Zimbabwe (4.1%), Comoros (3.8%), Eswatini (3.6%), Niger (3.7%), Chad (3.6%), Tunisia (3.4%), South Africa (3.4%), Malawi (3.4%), Mali (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 18, 2021, the number of recovered cases in Africa reached 3,943,473, which is 89.0% of its total confirmed cases. Regionally, the recovery rates were 94.3% for Southern Africa, 93.2% for West Africa, 87.1% for North Africa, 75.0% for East Africa, and 72.6% for Central Africa. In the week under review 60,400 newly recovered cases were reported.



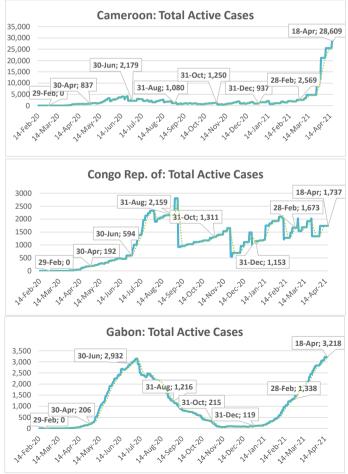


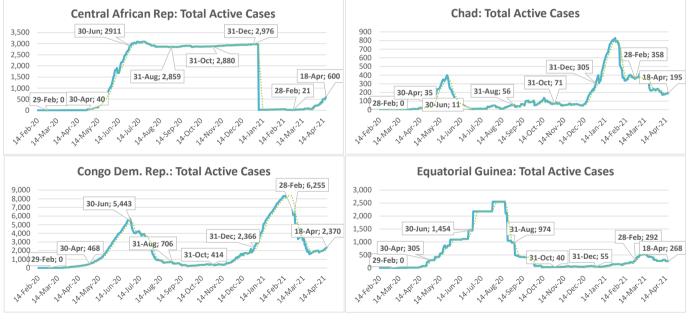
Central Africa	

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Central Africa as of April 18, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 18, 2021, the number of total cases in the Central Africa region reached 143,459. The region reported 5,120 new cases in the review week, which is an 18.5% decline compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 2,306, recording 31 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 104,156, of which 1,249 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 36,997, which is an increase of 3,840 cases in the review week. The increase in active cases is mainly attributable to Cameroon.
- Cameroon accounted for 45.2% of the total cases and 60.1% 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 4,706.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region decreased to 1.6% in the review week. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Chad at 3.6% and the lowest in Gabon at 0.6%.

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			Case	es			Dea	ths			Recov	ered			Act	ive		Test	
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			18 Apr.	11 Apr.			18 Apr.	11 Apr.			18 Apr.	11 Apr.			18 Apr.	11 Apr.			
Central Africa	6-Mar	143,459	5,120	6,285	-1,165	2,306	31	85	-54	104,156	1,249	1,150	99	36,997	3,840	5,050	-1,210	2,487,870	16,981
Cameroon	6-Mar	64,809	3,078	4,394	-1,316	939	20	68	-48	35,261	0	0	0	28,609	3,058	4,326	-1,268	1,257,949	47,388
Central African Rep.	15-Mar	5,787	296	246	50	75	1	2	-1	5,112	56	99	-43	600	239	145	94	45,247	9,368
Chad	19-Mar	4,706	70	41	29	169	2	2	0	4,342	56	87	-31	195	12	-48	60	116,271	7,079
Congo Rep. of	15-Mar	10,084	0	403	-403	139	2	2	0	8,208	0	0	0	1,737	-2	401	-403	120,073	21,760
Congo Dem. Rep.	10-Mar	28,956	414	217	197	745	0	0	0	25,841	0	254	-254	2,370	414	-37	451	145,038	1,619
Equatorial Guinea	14-Mar	7,259	40	211	-171	106	0	3	-3	6,885	86	164	-78	268	-46	44	-90	116,266	82,870
Gabon	12-Mar	21,858	1,222	773	449	133	6	8	-2	18,507	1,051	546	505	3,218	165	219	-54	687,026	308,674

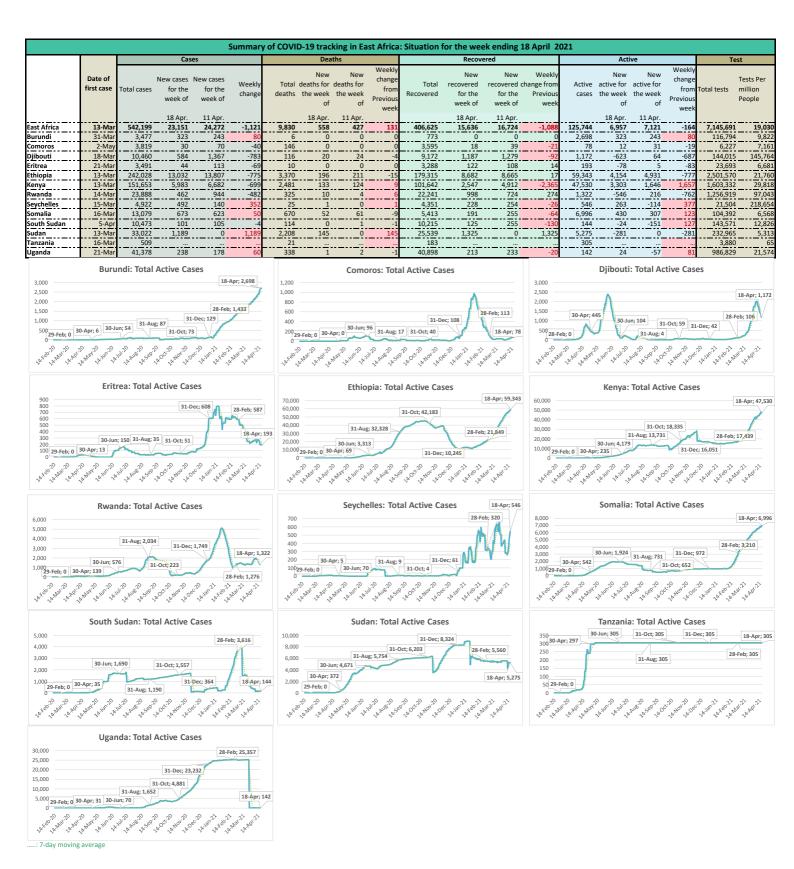




East Africa

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in East Africa as of April 18, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 18, 2021, the number of total cases in the East Africa region reached 542,199. The region reported 23,151 new cases in the review week, which is a 4.6% decline compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 9,830, recording 558 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 406,625, of which 15,636 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 125,744, which is an increase of 6,957 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 44.6% of the total cases and 56.3% 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 3,477.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) for the region stands at 1.8%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Sudan at 6.7% and the lowest in Burundi at 0.2%.

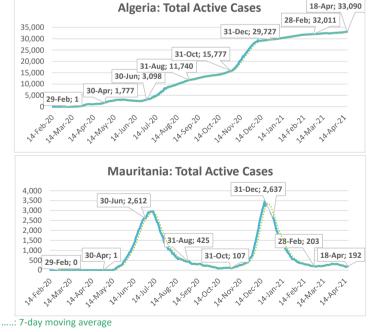


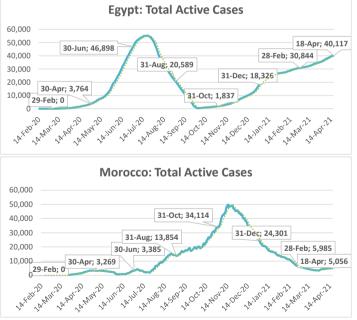
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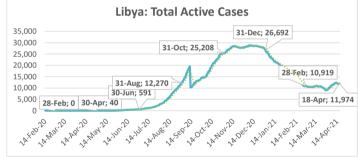
Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in North Africa as of April 18, 2021

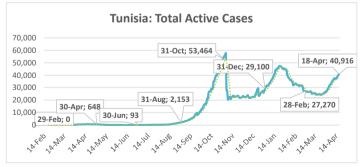
- As of Sunday, April 18, 2021, the number of total cases in the North Africa region reached 1,317,286. The region reported 28,471 new cases in the review week, which is a 2.5% increase compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 37,970, recording 929 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 1,147,971, of which 22,336 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 131,345 which is an increase of 5,206 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 and Egypt.
- Morocco accounted for 38.4% of the total cases, while Tunisia accounted for 47.9% 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 18,129.
- 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%.

	Summary of COVID-19 tracking in North Africa: Situation for the week ending 18 April 2021																			
			Case	es			Deat	ths			Recov	ered			Acti	ive		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 c or the week of	Weekly hange from Previous week				Weekly change from Previous week	Total tests	Tests Per million People	
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North Africa	14-Feb	1,317,286	28,471	27,766	705	37,970	929	772	157	1,147,971	22,336	17,141	5,195	131,345	5,206	9,853	-4,647	11,472,771	55,576	
Algeria	26-Feb	119,642	1,126	894	232	3,155	25	25	0	83,397	797	704	93	33,090	304	165	139	230,861	5,265	
Egypt	14-Feb	216,334	5,845	5,524	321	12,738	293	282	11	163,479	3,980	3,280	700	40,117	1,572	1,962	-390	2,699,601	26,380	
Libya	25-Mar	171,880	4,055	5,531	-1,476	2,896	73	86	-13	157,010	4,089	3,683	406	11,974	-107	1,762	-1,869	929,790	135,315	
Mauritania	14-Mar	18,129	107	95	12	453	3	1	2	17,484	137	162	-25	192	-33	-68	35	221,086	47,549	
Morocco	5-Mar	505,811	3,709	3,905	-196	8,945	45	50	-5	491,810	3,449	3,440	9	5,056	215	415	-200	6,163,347	7 166,981	
Tunisia	5-Mar	285,490	13,629	11,817	1,812	9,783	490	328	162	234,791	9,884	5,872	4,012	40,916	3,255	5,617	-2,362	1,228,086	103,911	
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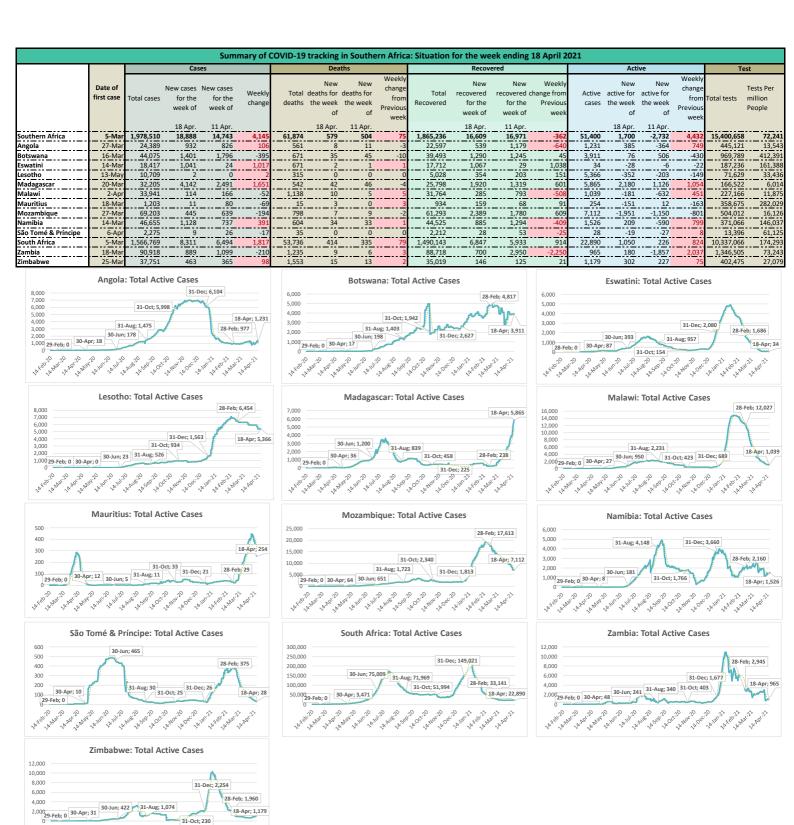




Southern Africa

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Southern Africa as of April 18, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 18, 2021, the number of total cases in the Southern Africa region reached 1,978,510. The region reported 18,888 new cases in the review week, which is a 28.1% increase compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 61,874, recording 579 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 1,865,236, of which 16,609 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 51,400, which is an increase of 1,700 cases in the review week. The increase in the number of active cases in the region during the review week is mainly attributable to South Africa (22,890 active cases) followed by Mozambique (7,112 active cases).
- South Africa accounted for 79.2% of the total cases and 44.0% of the new cases in the region during the week under review. Mauritius has the lowest number of total cases in the region at 1,203.
- 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 1.2%.



West Africa	

Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in West Africa as of April 18, 2021

- As of Sunday, April 18, 2021, the number of total cases in the West Africa region reached 450,186. The region reported 5,812 new cases in the review week, which is a 6.5% decline compared to the new cases reported in the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 5,918, recording 91 new deaths in the review week. The number of total recovered cases reached 419,485, of which 4,570 were newly recovered cases during the review week. The total number of active cases stands at 24,783, which is an increase of 1,151 cases in the review week. The increase in the number of active cases in the region during the review week is mainly attributable to Nigeria and Mali.
- Nigeria accounted for 36.5% of the total cases, while Cabo Verde accounted for 25.1% 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%.

