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### Weekly Data Flash on Covid-19 in Africa1:

The situation as of Sunday, March 27, 2022

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## Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Africa for the Week Ending March 27, 2022

#### Vaccinations: Status Update

- In the week ending March 27, 2022, over 79.1 million new Covid-19 vaccinations were administered globally, leading to an accumulated total of nearly 11.2 billion since the start of the program. In terms of the geographical distribution, China accounts for 29.0% of the total number of Covid-19 vaccinations administered to date, followed by India at 16.4% and USA at 5.0%.
- The number of African countries with updated data on Covid-19 vaccinations stands at 51, however only six countries released new data for this week. As of March 27, 2022, a total of 436,413,185<sup>1</sup> vaccinations had been administered in Africa, which represents 3.9% of total global vaccinations. Egypt accounts for 17.3% of the vaccinations carried out in Africa to date, followed by Morocco (12.4%) and South Africa (7.6%). As of March 27, 2022, 14.9% of Africa's population has completed<sup>2</sup> vaccination and 20.2% have received at least one dose of vaccine.

#### Covid-19 Testing in Africa

- As of Sunday, March 27, 2022, nearly 102.3 million tests for Covid-19 had been administered in Africa. Nine countries collectively account for 65.3% of the tests conducted in Africa as of March 27, 2022, namely, South Africa (23.2%), Morocco (11.0%), Egypt (5.9%), Rwanda (5.0%), Nigeria (4.6%), Ethiopia (4.5%), Tunisia (4.4%), Kenya (3.4%) and Zambia (3.3%).
- The average number of tests per 1 million people in Africa as of March 27, 2022, stands at 76,402. Botswana continues to lead on this indicator with 943,801 tests per 1 million people, followed by Cabo Verde (845,865), Gabon (713,392), Eswatini (430,635) and South Africa (400,352).

#### Confirmed, New and Active Global Covid-19 Cases

- Globally, the total number of confirmed Covid-19 cases since the start of the pandemic reached 480,895,695, of which 86.4% have recovered. The majority cases (36.4%) occurred in Europe, followed by Asia (28.5%), North America (20.0%), South America (11.6%) and Africa (2.4%).
- The number of new cases reported globally in the review week amounted to 10,249,753, indicating a 19.3% decline compared to the new cases recorded in the preceding week.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The total vaccination figures indicate the total number of vaccines administered including both vaccinations completed and at least one dose.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Completed vaccination refers to population that has taken the minimum required doses of vaccination depending on the type of vaccine.

- The number of global deaths due to Covid-19 reached 6,123,410, of which 45,925 were recorded in the week ending March 27, 2022. This was 37.7% higher than the number of deaths recorded in the previous week. The number of global active cases increased by 1,377,927 cases in the week under review making a total of 59,386,385 as of March 27, 2022.
- Africa makes 2.4% of the total global cases, 4.1% of deaths, 2.6% of recovered cases and 0.8% of active cases as of March 27, 2022, as detailed below.

#### Confirmed, New and Active Covid-19 Cases in Africa

- As of March 27, 2022, the total number of confirmed cases in Africa reached 11,327,642³, 65.1% of which were in six countries, namely South Africa (32.8%), Morocco (10.3%), Tunisia (9.1%), Libya (4.4%), Egypt (4.4%) and Ethiopia (4.1%). The five countries with the lowest total number of reported cases were São Tomé & Príncipe, Chad, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Comoros with cases ranging between 5,945 in São Tomé & Príncipe and 8,081 in Comoros. These five countries collectively account for 0.3% of the confirmed cases in Africa. Considering population size, Seychelles, Botswana, Cabo Verde, Tunisia and Libya are the five countries with the highest number of confirmed cases per million people with rates ranging from 402,320 in Seychelles to 71,315 in Libya.
- In the week under review, a total of 19,286 new cases were reported in Africa, which is 14.2% lower than the new cases recorded the previous week. These new cases in Africa account for 0.2% of the weekly new cases recorded globally. The Southern Africa region accounted for 63.8% of the weekly new cases in Africa, followed by North Africa (26.0%), East Africa (5.7%), West Africa (3.0%) and Central Africa (1.5%).
- The total number of active cases in Africa declined by 16,958 cases to a total of 468,392 in the week under review. Currently, five countries collectively account for 64.9% of the active cases in Africa, namely Rwanda (17.7%), Algeria (17.2%), Uganda (12.8%), Egypt (9.9%) and the Democratic Republic of Congo (7.3%).
- From a regional perspective, all regions except Central and West Africa recorded declines in active cases during the week.

#### Deaths and the Case Fatality Rates in Africa

• As of March 27, 2022, a total of 251,550 deaths had been reported in Africa since the start of the pandemic, of which 50.6% were in Southern Africa, 32.9% in North Africa, 10.3% in East Africa, 4.4% in West Africa and 1.8% 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, Tunisia, Egypt, Morocco and Ethiopia, ranging between 99,966 in South Africa and 7,492 in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cameroon, Central African Republic, Benin and Sierra Leone have not released new data for this week. Botswana, Egypt and Somalia have not released new data for the last two weeks. Liberia has not been releasing new data for more than 5 weeks.

Ethiopia. A total of 299 new deaths were reported in Africa in the week under review, which is a decline of 15.1% compared to the preceding week.

• The case fatality rate (CFR), i.e. deaths per confirmed cases for Africa, stands at 2.2%, which is higher than the global CFR rate of 1.3%. Regionally, West Africa has the lowest CFR at 1.3%, followed by Central Africa at 1.4%, East Africa at 1.9%, Southern Africa and North Africa at 2.4%. As of March 27, 2022, sixteen African countries recorded CFRs higher than the African average with the highest in Sudan at 7.9%, followed by Somalia (5.1%), Egypt (4.9%), Liberia (4.0%), Niger (3.5%), Malawi (3.1%), The Gambia (3.0%), Mauritius (2.7%), Tunisia (2.7%), South Africa (2.7%), Chad (2.6%), Algeria (2.6%), Namibia (2.5%), Mali (2.4%), Tanzania (2.4%) and Senegal (2.3%).

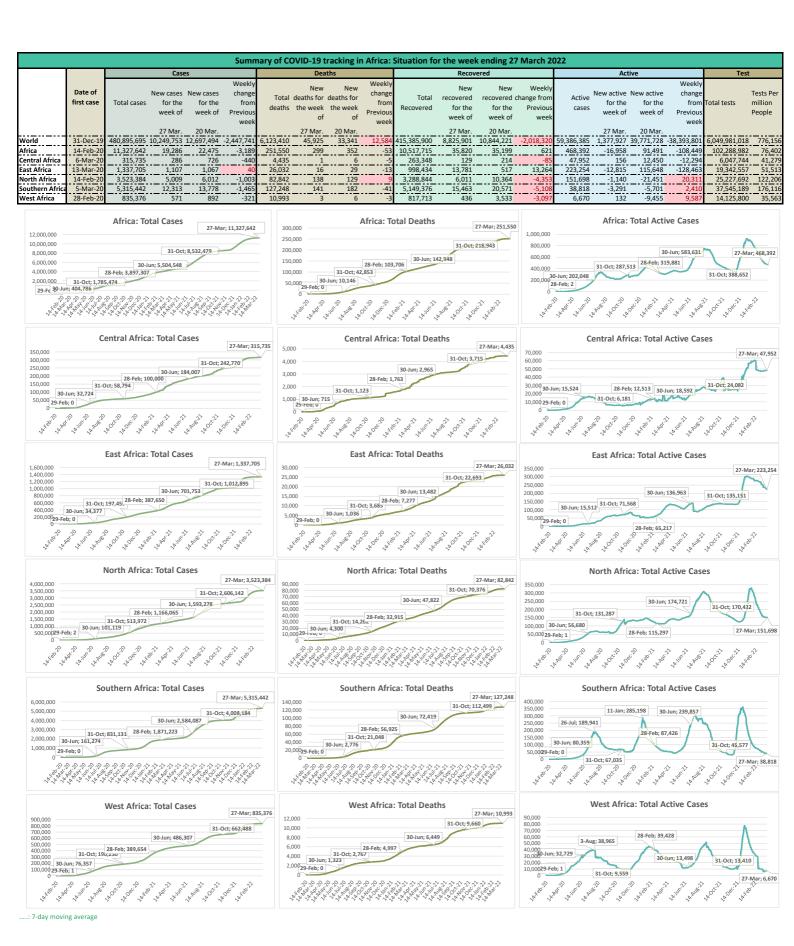
#### Recovery Rates in Africa

• As of March 27, 2022, the number of recovered cases in Africa reached 10,517,715, representing 92.8% of its total confirmed cases<sup>4</sup>. Regionally, the recovery rates stand at 97.9% for West Africa, 96.9% for Southern Africa, 93.3% for North Africa, 83.4% for Central Africa and 74.6% for East Africa. In the week under review, a total of 35,820 newly recovered cases were reported in Africa.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Burundi has not been publishing new data on recovered cases and deaths since 6 January 21. Tanzania is not currently reporting on recovered cases. Additionally, Liberia, Benin, Rwanda, Sudan, Tanzania, Somalia, Cameroon, CAR, Chad and DRC have not reported recovered cases for more than three weeks.

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		icust one dose;	doses)*	of	of		India		1,830,285,290	China	88.3
orld	44 400 046 300			27 Mar.	20 Mar.	25 526 400	U.S.A	559,480,894		Canada	85.8
RICA	11,190,846,380 436,413,185	45.6 20.2	41.5 14.9	79,119,982 1,066,307	114,656,462 16,482,326	-35,536,480 -15,416,019	AFRICA	436,413,185		Seychelles	85.3
Algeria	13,704,895	16.7	13.7	1,000,307	10,482,320	0	Brazil	410,860,641		Brazil	84.5
Angola	17,262,044	32.1	16.8		628,877	-628,877	Germany	<b>171,794,481</b>		France	79.9
Benin	3,060,435	22.3	17.8	0	271,815	-271,815	France	153,822,238		Mauritius	78.6
Botswana	1,445,394	60.3	52.7	0	6,666	-6,666	U.K.	<b>1</b> 40,830,644		U.K.	77.4
Burkina Faso	2,354,907	9.9	5.5	0	24,855	-24,855	Canada	82,029,425		U.S.A	76.7
Cabo Verde	724,784	63.0	54.4	0	13,461	-13,461	Egypt	75,368,174		Germany	75.9
Cameroon	1,273,072	4.0	3.0	0	498	-498	Saudi Arabia	62,388,851		Saudi Arabia	73.0
Central African Rep	968,802	17.9	16.8	0	68,504	-68,504	Morocco	54,110,062		Israel	73.0
Chad	418,052	1.7	0.9	0_	5,743	-5,743	South Africa	33,296,217		India	
Comoros	637,961	38.4	33.4	0	0	0	Nigeria	29,613,077			70.5
Congo DRC	850,731 817,927	0.8	0.5 11.3	0	0	T 166	Ethiopia	29,168,929		Morocco	66.6
Congo Rep Côte d'Ivoire	10,154,915	12.0 25.8	15.6	0	5,166 184,046	-5,166	Mozambique	26,215,793		Rwanda	66.4
Djibouti	164,197	14.3	10.4		3,455	-184,046 -3,455	U.A.E.	24,462,554		Cabo Verde	63.0
Egypt	75,368,174	42.0	30.0	<u></u> ö-	4,006,544	-4,006,544	Israel	18,050,051		Botswana	60.3
Equatorial Guinea	467,504	17.9	14.3	0	0	0	Rwanda	18,038,703		Tunisia	60.1
Eswatini	506,539	32.9	28.7	0	15,640	-15,640	Kenya	17,470,720		Sao Tome	50.0
Ethiopia	29,168,929	20.7	17.7	0	1,909,434	-1,909,434	Angola	17,262,044		Mozambique	43.6
Gabon	548,978	13.1	11.0	3,336	0	3,336	Uganda	17,197,954		Egypt	42.0
Gambia, The	363,353	13.3	12.8	0	1,274	-1,274	Algeria	13,704,895		Comoros	38.4
Ghana	12,637,542	27.7	15.3	0	125,845	-125,845	Tunisia	13,037,269		Lesotho	36.2
Guinea	5,894,935	25.4	18.3	0	397,546	-397,546	Ghana	12,637,542		South Africa	34.8
Guinea Bissau	562,296	25.8	16.9	0	3,945	-3,945	Côte d'Ivoire	10,154,915		Eswatini	32.9
Kenya	17,470,720 926,760	21.3	14.7 33.7	192,168	172,890 0	19,278	Zimbabwe	8,691,642		Mauritania	32.5
Lesotho Liberia	1,200,630	36.2 21.6	20.9				Sudan	6,131,070		Zimbabwe	32.4
Libya	3,415,834	31.6	16.2	23,671	26,619	-2.948	Guinea	5,894,935		Angola	32.1
Madagascar	1,279,175	2.9	16.2 2.7	0	0	0	Libya			Libya	31.6
Malawi	1,993,981	8.0	4.4	0	44,993	-44,993	Zambia	3,415,834 3,345,769		Uganda	30.0
Mali	1,814,171	6.1	4.5	0	78,813	-78,813	Benin	3,060,435		Ghana	27.7
Mauritania	2,644,758	32.5	22.1	0	27,316	-27,316				Côte d'Ivoire	25.8
Mauritius	2,494,317	78.6	75.7	0	140,750	-140,750	Togo	2,753,329		Guinea Bissau	25.8
Morocco	54,110,062	66.6	62.5	0	215,105	-215,105	Niger	2,674,381		Guinea	25.4
Mozambique	26,215,793	43.6	39.9	0	2,651,935	-2,651,935	Mauritania	2,644,758		Benin	22.3
Namibia	827,417	17.4	14.6	0_	12,954	-12,954	Senegal	2,496,373		Liberia	21.6
Niger	2,674,381	8.7	6.1	0_	834,326	-834,326	Mauritius	2,494,317		Kenya	21.3
Nigeria Rwanda	29,613,077 18,038,703	9.4	4.3 58.8	<u>0</u>	2,029,807	-2,029,807	Burkina Faso	2,354,907		Sierra Leone	21.2
Sao Tome	193,775	50.0	34.9				Somalia	2,335,560		Ethiopia	20.7
Senegal	2,496,373	8.5	6.0	<u></u> ö-	2,389	-2,389	Sierra Leone	2,134,324			20.2
Seychelles	199,466	85.3	81.0	0	1,346	-1,346	Malawi	1,993,981			18.4
Sierra Leone	2,134,324	21.2	13.7	0	274,753	-274,753	Mali	1,814,171		Equatorial Guinea	
Somalia	2,335,560	11.4	13.7 7.7	0	497,212	-497,212	Botswana	1,445,394			
South Africa	33,296,217	34.8	29.6	281,836	466,039	-184,203	Madagascar	1,279,175		Central African Rep	17.9
South Sudan	524,292	4.2	3.8	0	5,864	-5,864	Cameroon	1,273,072			
Sudan	6,131,070	11.5	6.1	0	420,036	-420,036	Liberia	1,200,630			16.7
Togo	2,753,329	18.4	13.6	0	18,782	-18,782	Central	968,802			14.3
Tunisia	13,037,269	60.1	53.1	0	13,467	-13,467	Lesotho	926,760		Gambia, The	
Uganda Zambia	17,197,954	30.0	17.0	79.240	525,011	-525,011	Congo DRC	850,731			13.1
Zambia Zimbabwe	3,345,769	22.4	11.4	78,240 487,056	135,686	-57,446	Namibia	827,417		Congo Rep	
Zimbabwe <b>nericas</b>	8,691,642	32.4	23.1	487,056	212,919	274,137	Congo Rep	817,927			11.5
Brazil	410,860,641	84.5	74.7	3,586,179	4,916,838	-1.330.659	Cabo Verde	724,784			11.4
Canada	82,029,425	85.8	81.8	171,645	203,261	-1,330,659 -31,616	Comoros	637,961			9.9
J.S.A	559,480,894	76.7	65.3	1,069,958	1,588,802	-518,844	Guinea Bissau	562,296		Nigeria	9.4
ia							Gabon	548,978		Niger	8.7
China	3,247,624,000	88.3	85.9	24,756,000	33,442,000	-8,686,000	South Sudan	524,292		Senegal	8.5
India	1,830,285,290	70.5	59.3	18,710,096	10,736,154	7,973,942	Eswatini	506,539		Malawi	8.0
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France	153,822,238	79.9	77.6	0	808,726	-808,726	Chad	418,052		South Sudan	■ 4.2
Germany	171,794,481	75.9 72.1	75.2	362,511	454,678 7,317	-92,167	Gambia, The	363,353		Cameroon	■ 4.0
Israel	18,050,051		66.0	14,835		7,518	Seychelles	199,466		Madagascar	
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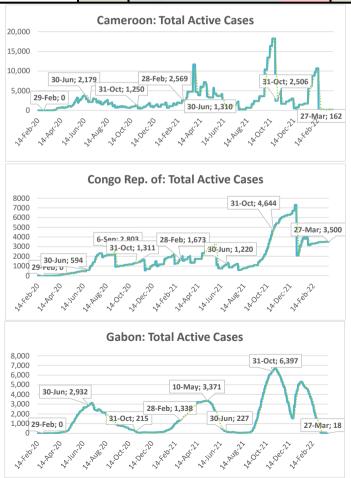
## Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Central Africa for the Week Ending March 27, 2022

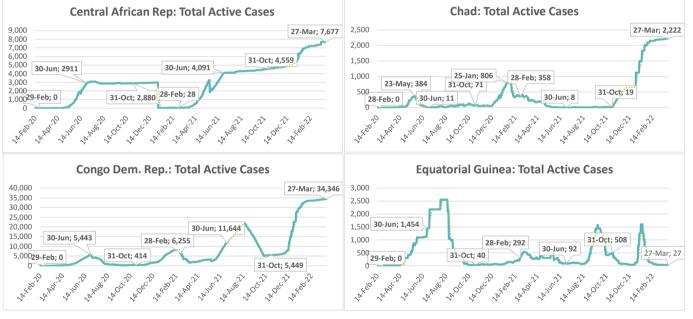
- As of Sunday, March 27, 2022, the number of reported total cases in the Central Africa region reached 315,735. Total number of Covid-19 tests conducted and tests per 1 million people, in the region, stand at 6,047,744 and 41,279 respectively. The region reported 286 new cases during the week, which was a 60.6¹ percent decline compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported since the start of the pandemic reached 4,435, of which 1 is new death during the week. The number of total recovered cases reached 263,348, of which 0.05% were newly recovered cases recorded during the week. The total number of active cases stands at 47,952, indicating an increase of 156 cases during the week. The weekly increase in the number of active cases in the region is mainly attributable to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).
- Cameroon accounted for 37.9% of the total cases reported in the region since the start of the pandemic, while the Democratic Republic of Congo accounted for 52.4% of the new cases reported during the week. The lowest number of total cases in the region, since the start of the pandemic, was recorded in Chad at 7,286 of which 66.9% are reported to have recovered.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) based on cumulative total cases and deaths as of March 27, 2022, for the region, stands at 1.4%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Chad at 2.6% and the lowest in Gabon at 0.6%.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The change could be partly explained by Cameroon and Central African Republic not releasing new data for this week.

	Summary of COVID-19 tracking in Central Africa: Situation for the week ending 27 March 2022																		
			Case	es		Deaths				Recovered				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	New deaths for the week of	Weekly change from Previous week	Total Recovered f	New recovered for the week f		Weekly change from Previous week	Active			Weekly change from Previous week	Total tests	Tests Per million People
L			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			
Central Africa	6-Mar-20	315,735	286	726	-440	4,435	1	6	-5	263,348	129	214	-85	47,952	156	12,450	-12,294	6,047,744	41,279
Cameroon	6-Mar-20	119,544	0	222	-222	1,927	0	1	-1	117,455	0	192	-192	162	0	-16,286	16,286	2,524,670	95,106
Central African Rep.	15-Mar-20	14,649	0	329	-329	113	0	0	0	6,859	0	0	0	7,677	0	2,838	-2,838	87,537	18,124
Chad	19-Mar-20	7,286	19	9	10	190	0	0	0	4,874	0	0	0	2,222	19	2,175	-2,156	206,951	12,599
Congo Rep. of	15-Mar-20	24,062	3	10	-7	384	1	5	-4	20,178	0	0	0	3,500	2	622	-620	366,866	66,484
Congo Dem. Rep.	10-Mar-20	86,611	150	146	4	1,335	0	0	0	50,930	0	0	0	34,346	150	28,800	-28,650	973,332	10,868
Equatorial Guinea	14-Mar-20	15,999	100	4	96	183	0	0	0	15,789	110	2	108	27	-10	-386	376	300,567	214,234
Gabon	12-Mar-20	47,584	14	6	8	303	0	0	0	47,263	19	20	-1	18	-5	-5,313	5,308	1,587,821	713,392





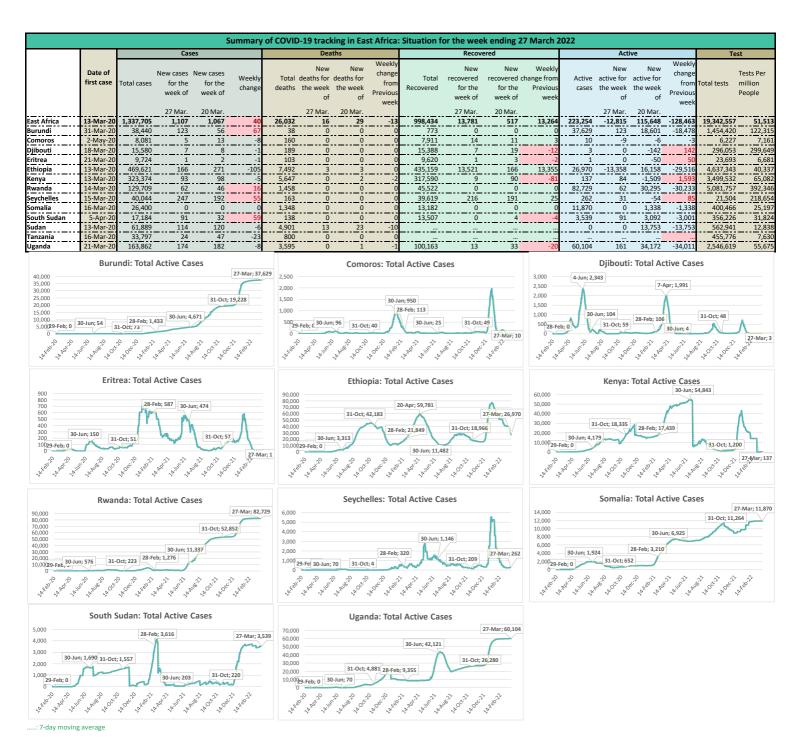
## **East Africa**

# Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in East Africa for the Week Ending March 27, 2022

- As of Sunday, March 27, 2022, the number of total cases in the East Africa region reached 1,337,705. Total number of Covid-19 tests conducted and tests per 1 million people, in the region, stand at 19,342,557 and 51,513 respectively. The region reported 1,107 new cases in the week, which is a 3.7% increase compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 26,032, of which 16 were new deaths during the week. The number of total recovered cases reached 998,434¹, of which 1.4% were newly recovered cases during the week. The total number of active cases stands at 223,254, indicating a decline of 12,815 cases in the week. The weekly decline in the number of active cases in the region is mainly attributable to Ethiopia.
- Ethiopia accounted for 35.1% of the total cases reported in the region since the start of the pandemic, While Seychelles accounted for 22.3% of the new cases reported in the region during the week. The lowest number of total cases in the region, since the start of the pandemic, was recorded in Comoros at 8,081 of which 97.9% are reported to have recovered.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) based on cumulative total cases and deaths as of March 27, 2022, for the region, stands at 1.9%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Sudan at 7.9% and the lowest in Seychelles at 0.4%.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Burundi has not been publishing new data on recovered cases and deaths since 6 January 21, hence is excluded from CFR comparison. Sudan and Tanzania are not releasing data on recovered cases.

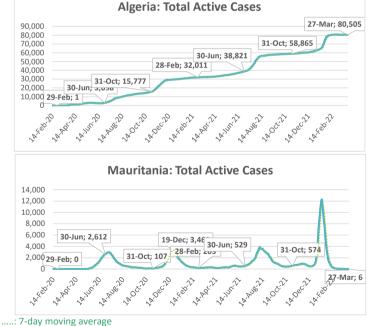


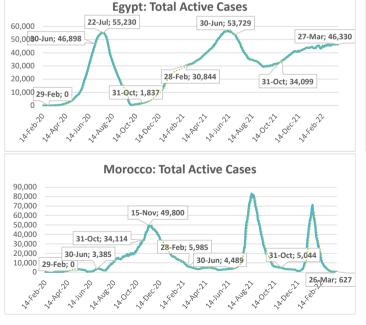
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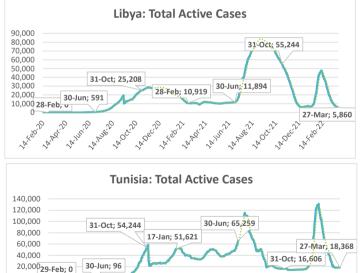
## Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in North Africa for the Week Ending March 27, 2022

- As of Sunday, March 27, 2022, the number of total cases in the North Africa region reached 3,523,384. Total number of Covid-19 tests conducted and tests per 1 million people, in the region, stand at 25,227,692 and 122,206 respectively. The region reported 5,009 new cases in the week, which is a 16.7% decline compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 82,842, of which 138 were new deaths during the week. The number of total recovered cases reached 3,288,844, of which 0.2% were newly recovered cases during the week. The total number of active cases stands at 151,698, indicating a decline of 1,140 cases during the week. The weekly decline in the number of active cases in the region is attributable to Libya.
- Morocco accounted for 33.0% of the total cases reported in the region since the start of the pandemic, while Tunisia accounted for 79.2% of the new cases in the region during the week. The lowest number of total cases in the region, since the start of the pandemic, was recorded in Mauritania at 58,666 of which 98.3% are reported to have recovered.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) based on cumulative total cases and deaths as of March 27, 2022, for the region, stands at 2.4%. The highest CFR in the region was recorded in Egypt at 4.9% and the lowest in Libya at 1.3%.

	Summary of COVID-19 tracking in North Africa: Situation for the week ending 27 March 2022																		
		Deaths				Recovered				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 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
			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			27 Mar.	20 Mar.			
North Africa	14-Feb-20	3,523,384	5,009	6,012	-1,003	82,842	138	129	9	3,288,844	6,011	10,364	-4,353	151,698	-1,140	-21,451	20,311	25,227,692	122,206
Algeria	26-Feb-20	265,629	79	118	-39	6,873	2	7	-5	178,251	63	138	-75	80,505	14	21,862	-21,848	230,861	5,265
Egypt	14-Feb-20	500,889	0	3,940	-3,940	24,361	0	60	-60	430,198	0	3,835	-3,835	46,330	0	14,642	-14,642	6,012,910	58,757
Libya	25-Mar-20	501,495	480	1,015	-535	6,404	30	30	0	489,231	1,939	4,190	-2,251	5,860	-1,489	-55,021	53,532	2,470,013	359,468
Mauritania	14-Mar-20	58,666	4	4	0	982	1	0	1	57,678	6	18	-12	6	-3	-420	417	776,197	166,936
Morocco	5-Mar-20	1,162,974	477	401	76	16,057	5	13	-8	1,146,288	435	623	-188	629	37	-5,133	5,170	11,237,010	304,439
Tunisia	5-Mar-20	1,033,731	3,969	534	3,435	28,165	100	19	81	987,198	3,568	1,560	2,008	18,368	301	2,619	-2,318	4,500,701	380,814





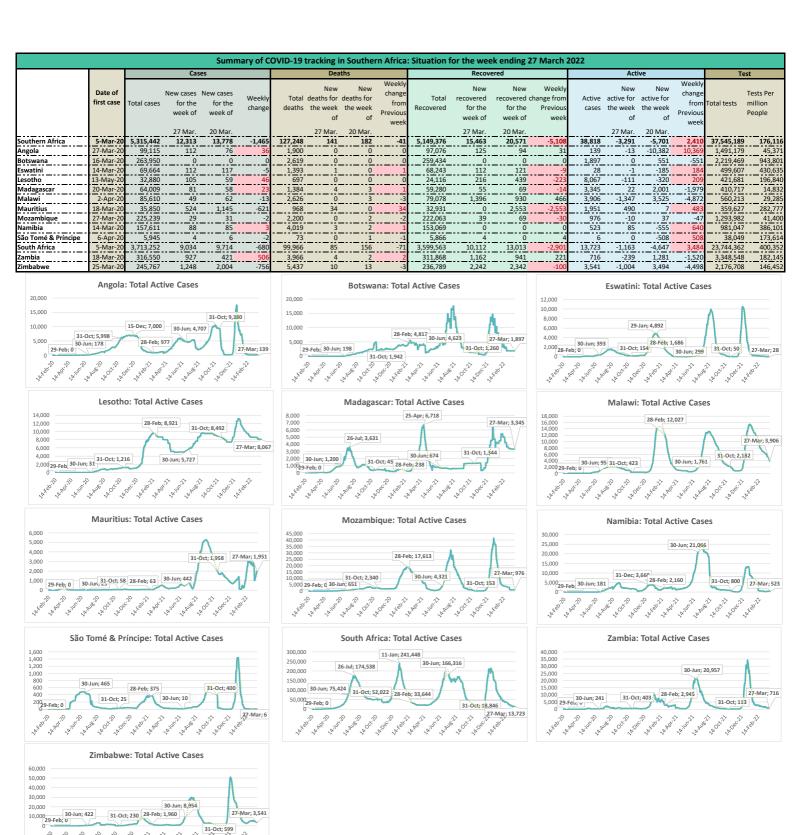


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# **Southern Africa**

## Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in Southern Africa for the Week Ending March 27, 2022

- As of Sunday, March 27, 2022, the number of total cases in the Southern Africa region reached 5,315,442. Total number of Covid-19 tests conducted and tests per 1 million people, in the region, stand at 37,545,189 and 176,116 respectively. The region reported 12,313 new cases in the week, which is a 10.6% decline compared to the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 127,248, of which 141 were new deaths during the week. The total number of recovered cases reached 5,149,376, of which 0.3% were newly recovered cases during the week. The total number of active cases stands at 38,818, indicating a decline of 3,291 cases in the week. The weekly decline in the number of active cases in the region is mainly attributable Malawi, South Africa and Zimbabwe.
- South Africa accounted for 69.9% of the total cases reported in the region since the start of the pandemic and 73.4% of the new cases in the region during the week. The lowest number of total cases in the region, since the start of the pandemic, was recorded in São Tomé & Príncipe at 5,945 of which 98.7% are reported to have recovered.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) based on cumulative total cases and deaths as of March 27, 2022, for the region, stands at 2.4%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Malawi at 3.1% and the lowest in Mozambique and Botswana at 1.0%.



West Africa	

## Highlights of the Covid-19 Situation in West Africa for the Week Ending March 27, 2022

- As of Sunday, March 27, 2022, the number of total cases in the West Africa region reached 835,376. Total number of Covid-19 tests conducted and tests per 1 million people, in the region, stand at 14,125,800 and 35,563 respectively. The region reported 571 new cases during the week, which is 36.0% lower compared to the new cases reported in the preceding week. The total number of deaths reported reached 10,993, of which 3 were new deaths during the week. The number of total recovered cases reached 817,713, of which 0.05% were newly recovered cases during the week. The total number of active cases stands at 6,670, indicating an increase of 132 cases in the week. The weekly increase in the number of active cases in the region is mainly attributable to Nigeria.
- Nigeria accounted for 30.6% of the total cases reported in the region since the start of the pandemic and 33.8% of the new cases in the region during the week. The lowest number of total cases in the region, since the start of the pandemic, was recorded in Liberia at 7,397 of which 77.7% are reported to have recovered.
- The average case fatality rate (CFR) based on cumulative total cases and deaths as of March 27, 2022, for the region, stands at 1.3%. The highest CFR in the region was reported in Liberia at 4.0% and the lowest in Benin at 0.6%.

