Coronavirus Disease - COVID 19





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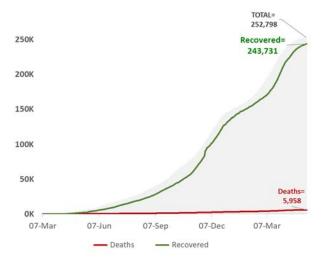


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Highlights – data as reported by national authorities

Data as at 10/05/2021, 18:00 p.m., unless stated otherwise.

Total Cases, Recoveries and Deaths



The total number of COVID-19 cases in the country has continued to increase, albeit at a slower pace than in the previous two months, and on May 9, the total number of cases reached 252,749. An additional 49 cases were registered on May 10.

Active Cases 30K 25K 20K 15K 10K 5K

The number of active cases has decreased in the past week. As of May 9, the number of active cases stood at 3,263 which decreased to 3,109 on the first day of the new week.

17-Sep

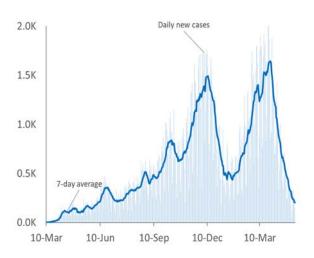
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New Infections



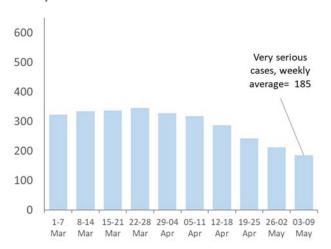
The number of new cases has decreased over the last week and reached a 7-day average of 202 on May 9 compared to 314 for the preceding week.

New Deaths



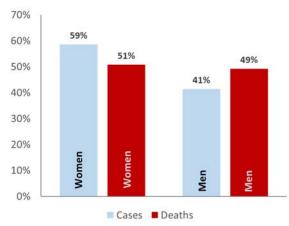
The 7-day average for the number of deaths has slightly increased and stands at 16, compared to 15 in the week prior. The total number of deaths as of May 9 was 5,952 and six additional deaths were registered on May 10.

Very Serious Cases



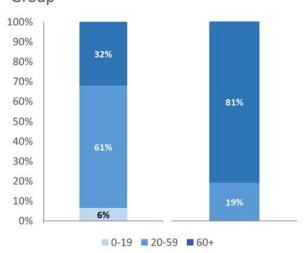
The average number of very serious cases has decreased and as of May 9 it stood at 185. The total number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19 as of May 9 was 1,424, out of which 170 were in a very serious condition.

Cases and Deaths by Sex



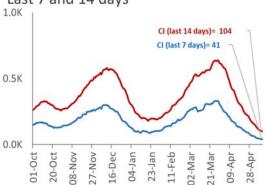
Overall, fifty-nine percent of all cases have been recorded among women and 41% among men. Moreover, women (51%) account for a slightly higher proportion of all deaths than men (49%).

COVID-19 Cases/Death by Age Group

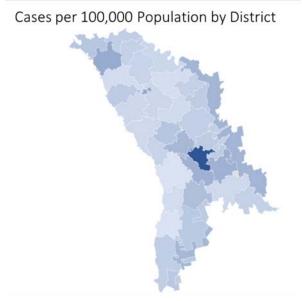


Even though infections among people aged 60 and over account for 32% of the total number of cases, 81% of all deaths have been registered in this age group. The average age of patients who have died from the disease is 67.7.

Cumulative Incidence per 100,000 over the Last 7 and 14 days

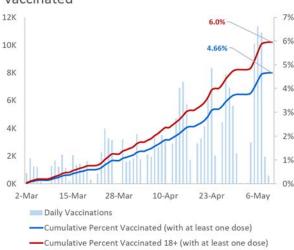


As of May 9, the crude cumulative incidence of cases per 100,000 population for the last 7 and 14 were 41 and 104. The overall crude cumulative incidence of cases stands at 7,277 per 100,000.



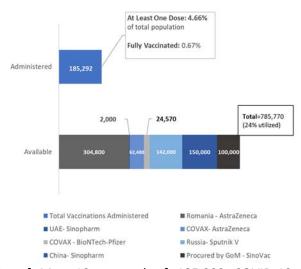
Chisinau is the most affected area with nearly 16,000 cases per 100,000 population. Twelve other areas— Balti, Edinet, Ialoveni, Anenii Noi, Taraclia, Straseni, the Transnistria region, Cimislia, Calarasi, Briceni, ATU Gagauzia, and Basarabeasca— have also passed the 5,000 cases per 100,000 population mark.

Daily Vaccinations and Percentage Vaccinated



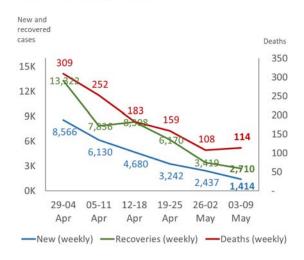
The number of vaccinations administered last week was 37,875 (40% more than the prior week). Overall, an estimated 4.7% of the country's population or 6.0% of the population aged 18+ has received at least one vaccine dose.

Administered and Available Vaccines



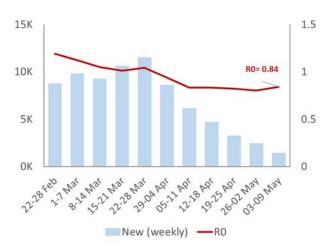
As of May 10, a total of 185,292 COVID-19 vaccines have been administered. The number of people vaccinated with two doses reached 23,443, which represents 0.67% of the population. More than 600,000 vaccine doses remain currently available for use thanks to recent deliveries.

Weekly Data: New Cases, Recoveries and Deaths



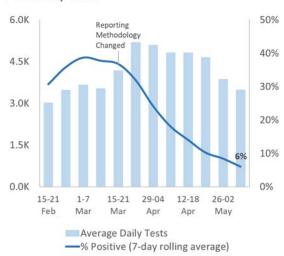
The number of weekly cases further decreased over the past week and stood at 1,414 on May 9. This represents a 21% decrease compared to the previous week. The number of recoveries paralleled the overall reduction in cases, while the number of deaths increased by 6%.

COVID 19 Weekly Cases and Contagion Rate (R0)



The contagion rate slightly increased in the last week from 0.80 to 0.84 as of May 9. The rate is uneven across regions, with the lowest rate being registered in Telenesti (0.52) and the highest in Cahul (1.09). The contagion rate in Chisinau stands at 0.76.

Average Daily Tests and Positivity Rate



The percentage of positive cases has continued to decrease over the past week and as of May 9, it stands at 6%. This decreasing trend has also coincided with a change of the reporting methodology on Mar 19. Since then, reporting primary no longer presented subsequent tests separately.

Overview & Announcements

Vaccination campaign updates

- Starting with May 11th, the MoHLSP announced the beginning of the Phase III of the vaccination campaign, whereby the general population will be vaccinated. The phase will start with administering the vaccine to a certain group of professions and their families, as food and retail industries, transportation, hotels and restaurants etc;
- According to the government portal on vaccination (https://vaccinare.gov.md/) as of April 26th, a total of 185,292 doses of vaccine were administered (23,443 people received 2 doses); Adverse Reactions: Moderate = 0.03% (53 cases) / Mild = 0.7% (1,212 cases)
- On May 7th, another batch of 100,800 AstraZeneca vaccines arrived from Romania to Moldova as a donation;
- The UN Moldova is supporting the vaccination campaign, including by vaccinating its personnel. On May 6th, 130 UN staff and dependents received their first doses of vaccines;
- The COVID-19 Vaccine Market Dashboard (hosted by UNICEF) informs the following numbers on vaccines for Moldova as of April 26: doses shipped via COVAX- 86,970, doses allocated through May 2021- 233,190.

Education process resume with physical presence

Starting with May 11th, the educational process with physical presence of students started in Chisinau in all educational institutions and classes.

Update on restrictions*

*these are subject to changes and amendment and should be viewed as an overview and not as a definitive source for decision making

- There are no changes in restrictions at national level since the latest Decision no. 54 of the National Commission for Emergency Situations that was issued on April 29, 2021 and keeps the general sanitary and epidemiological measures in place.
- Border crossing procedure for in-coming persons into the Republic of Moldova remains unchanged since 29 April 2021. There are two options in this regard, 1) presentation of the negative PCR test taken within 72 hours, or, if test not available 2) the passengers must fill-in the epidemiological fiche and sign on personal responsibility the obligation to respect a 14-day self-isolation period. As an exception from these requirements are listed several categories of persons, i.e. children up to 5yo, bus and truck drivers, travelers for health and humanitarian reasons, students, cross-border workers, transit travelers, vaccinated persons, holders of diplomatic and service passports.