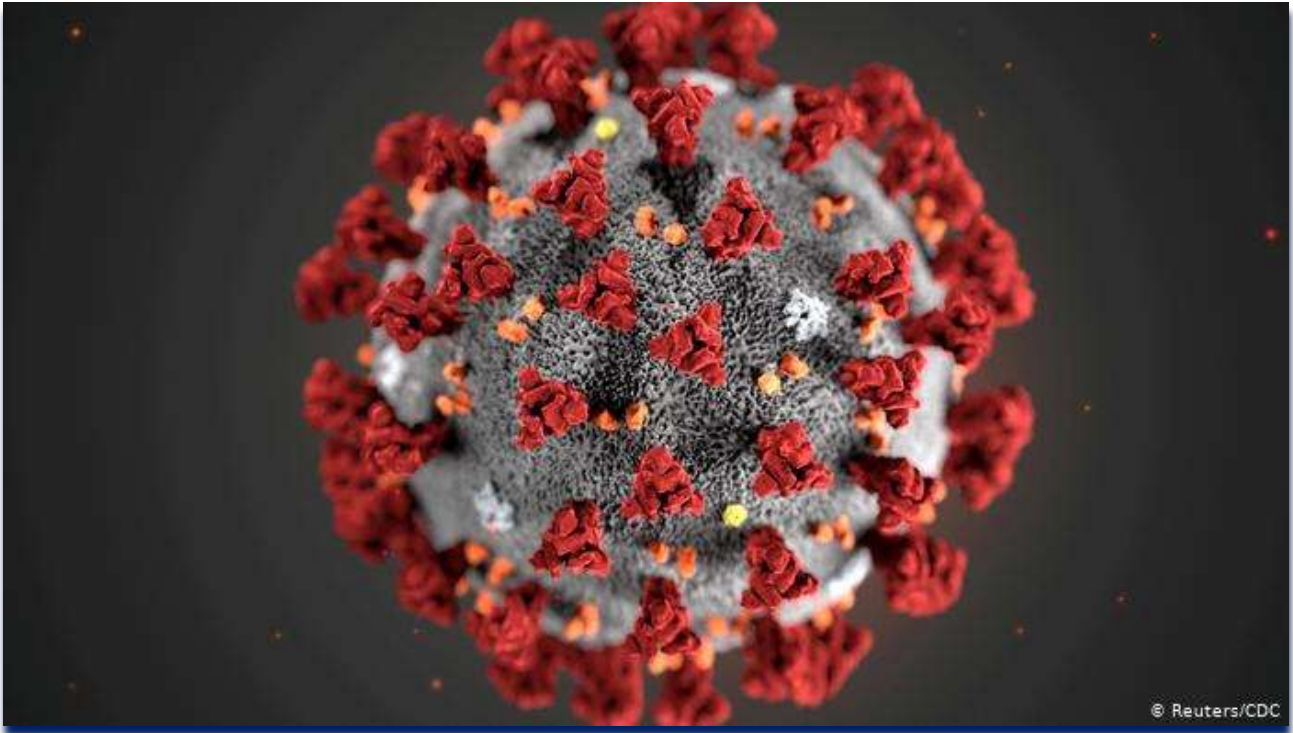


COVID -19 WEST AFRICAN REPORT

16TH AUGUST 2020



WEST AFRICAN SUMMARY

COUNTRY	NO. OF CASES	DEATH	RECOVERIES	NO. OF TESTS
MALI	2,940	128	2,302	46,365
NIGERIA	56,478	1,088	44,430	443,987
NIGER	1,182	68	992	6,658
GUINEA	10,111	63	9,444	28,140

GLOBAL TALLY

Confirmed Cases: 29,762,580 Deaths: 939,935

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COVID-19 UPDATE

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TOGO

Confirmed Cases: 1,595

Death: 40

Recovered: 1,219



CURRENT SITUATION

Confirmed cases have increased to 1,595 following 82 new cases in the last 7 days. Recoveries have increased to 1,291 while death toll rose to 40. 78,634 tests have been completed nationwide. Togo has recorded a surge in the number of Covid-19 cases in the regions of Kara and the Savanes. New outbreaks have been reported in the prefectures of Assoli, Tchaoudjo, Kozah, Sotouboua, and Tchamba while some weeks ago the pandemic was stabilizing. The management strategy has remained unchanged—tracing, testing and treatment. However, given the spread and distribution of new cases, concerns have been raised about an increase in community transmissions. In response to that, authorities have placed the concerned areas under lockdown¹. Medical staff are also expected to benefit from special COVID-19 insurance as they continue to deal with the health crisis. Economic activities have resumed to normal however under various precautionary measures. The government announced it has received \$70m from the World Bank to help restart the economy after losses incurred as a result of the pandemic.



¹ Kara and the Savanes are amongst the areas that has raised concerns. The CNGR has noted that the main factors behind the surge in numbers are movement between prefectures, traditional feasts, weddings, burials, and the non-compliance to safety measures imposed by the government. Local elected officials have come under pressure to raise awareness with respect to the safety measures.

IVORY COAST

Confirmed Cases: 19,100

Death: 120

Recovered: 18,228



CURRENT SITUATION

322 new cases have raised the number of confirmed cases in Cote d'Ivoire to 19,100. Over 15 regions have been infected with Abidjan being the epicentre of the pandemic². Current positivity rate is 13.19% following 144,759 tests nationwide. Fatalities and recoveries have increased to 120 and 18,228 respectively leaving active cases at 752. Management protocol has remained unchanged as the country prepares for its presidential elections next month. Compliance to safety protocols—social distancing and mask-wearing has been minimal thus creating higher risks of infections in the next 4-8 weeks particularly given large social gatherings due to presidential elections. Fatality rate will remain low i.e below 1% even though infections are expected to increase,



SENEGAL

Confirmed Cases: 14,529

Death: 298

Recovered: 10,692



CURRENT SITUATION

Confirmed cases in Senegal has increased to 14,529 following 160,330 tests nationwide. Number of death and recoveries have also increased to 298 (5 new deaths) and 10,692 (516 new recoveries) respectively. The rise in new infections is due to the failure to follow health and safety standards. Economic activities have resumed to normal under various measures. Airports have been functional for the past 2 months, however, passengers are required to satisfy some requirements before entering the country.



²The Abidjan district has recorded 1075 cases. Cocody and Marcoy have been the most hit cities in Abidjan each recording 100+ cases <https://www.covidci.ml/>

BURKINA FASO

Confirmed Cases: 1,733

Death: 56

Recovered: 1,141



CURRENT SITUATION

Confirmed cases are currently at 1,733 as 267 new cases have been recorded over the week. The number of deaths remained at 56 (3.23%) while recoveries are at 1,141 (65.8%). Community transmissions continue to be recorded in Ouagadougou and Bobo-Dioulasso over the week. The government continues to emphasize adhering to public health safety protocols.



BENIN

Confirmed Cases: 2,267

Death: 40

Recovered: 1,942



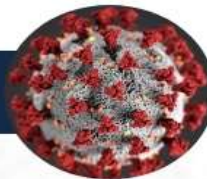
CURRENT SITUATION

Confirmed C-19 cases have increased to 2,267 over the last week—54 new cases. The number of deaths remained at 40 over the period while recoveries recorded at 1,942 (85.6%). 158,881 tests have been conducted with a 1.43% positivity rate. Government directives on health compliance amongst the public remain in force.





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