

UZBEKISTAN COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

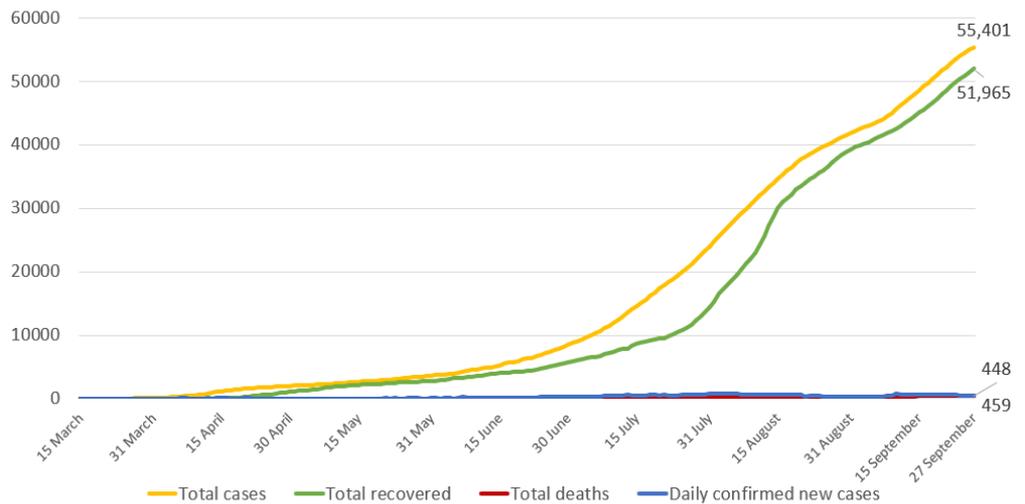
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(DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.

Total Cases: **55,401**
 Total Recovered: **51,965**
 Daily new cases: **448**
 Total Deaths: **459 (+5)**

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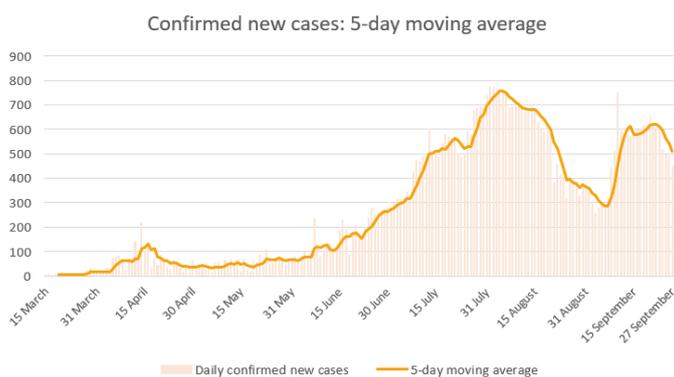
COVID-19 cases in Uzbekistan



HIGHLIGHTS

- **Spotlight: Outcomes of recent UNICEF assessments and data analyses**

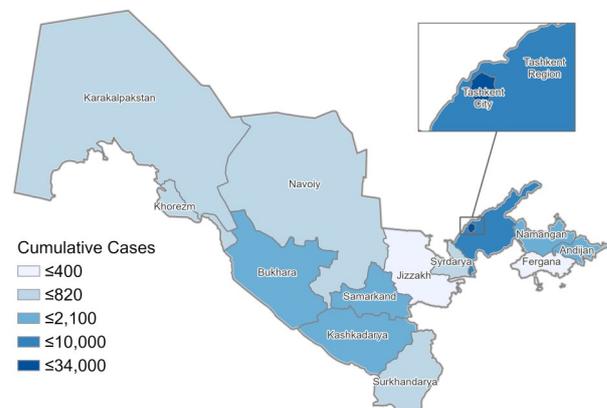
EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE



This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

Cumulative cases by regions as of 27 September:

Tashkent City: 33,505 (+260)	Syrdarya: 822
Tashkent region: 10,411 (+87)	Surkhandarya: 721 (+12)
Samarkand: 2102 (+17)	Khorezm: 572
Namangan: 1721 (+27)	Navoiy: 542
Andijan: 1523 (+15)	Karakalpakstan: 524 (+7)
Bukhara: 1146	Fergana: 398 (+12)
Kashkadarya: 1152	Jizzakh: 262 (+11)



This map visualizes data as of **27 September 2020**.

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Epidemiological update (cont'd)

- Of the 448 new cases confirmed on 27 September, **260 were detected in Tashkent City, 87 in Tashkent region, 27 in Namangan, 17 in Samarkand, 15 in Andijan, 12 in Fergana, 12 in Surkhandarya, 11 in Jizzakh and seven in Karakalpakstan** (MoH on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 491 new cases confirmed on 26 September, **310 were detected in Tashkent City, 84 in Tashkent region, 29 in Namangan, 15 in Andijan, 14 in Kashkadarya, 14 in Syrdarya, 13 in Samarkand and 12 in Samarkand** (MoH on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 496 new cases confirmed on 25 September, **363 were detected in Tashkent City, 89 in Tashkent region, 16 in Samarkand, nine in Andijan, nine in Kashkadarya, six in Khorezm and four in Karakalpakstan** (MoH on coronavirus.uz).

Latest National COVID-19 Response News

- As of 27 September, 2,977 patients are being treated in medical institutions, of whom **725 are in serious condition and 299 are in extremely serious condition** ([podrobno.uz](#)).
- **Government decree adds rapid antibody-tests to list of medical equipment that can be imported without registration or certification.** Influenza and COVID-19 vaccines were added to a list for simplified import procedure ([gazeta.uz](#)).

HEALTH RESPONSE

Health Capacity-Building

- On 28 September, **WHO** Regional Office organized a webinar on **'Promoting mental health among adolescents'**, based on the new WHO guidelines. These recommend a set of psycho-social interventions to promote mental health and prevent mental disorders amongst 10-19 year-olds.

Health Procurement & Supply Chain

- **UNDP** procured **300 pulse oximeters for Community Health Volunteers in Karakalpakstan.** The pulse oximeters will help ensure the health and well-being of communities in the northernmost part of the country.

SPOTLIGHT: Outcomes of recent UNICEF assessments and data analyses

WASH data analysis for Preschools and Schools

- Out of the 5,000+ state-owned or managed preschools **52 percent either do not have any access or have difficulty in accessing consistent water supplies.**
- In 54 percent of state preschools the functional toilets are located within the building and **in 21 percent functional toilets are situated outside the building.**
- **27 percent of state preschools in the country have basic facilities and 59 percent have limited toilet facilities.** The remaining 14 percent have no facilities at all.
- **27 percent of the 98,00+ general secondary schools either have no drinking water or limited drinking water services.**
- **80 percent of schools have either no sanitation or limited sanitation services.**

Rapid Assessment on Early Child Education

- **62 percent of parents reaffirmed their decision to send the children back to preschools.**
- **84 percent of parents are 'concerned' or 'extremely concerned' about the risks of the spread of COVID-19 if preschools are opened in September.**
- **64 percent of parents are either 'highly concerned' or 'somewhat concerned' about the ability of the preschool staff and management to ensure safety measures for children.**
- **71 percent of parents are either 'extremely concerned' or 'somewhat concerned' about the availability of medical equipment and supplies available in preschools.**
- During the lockdown, **29 percent of parents reported that their children watch TV for more than two hours a day** while 56 percent reported children watching TV for less than two hours a day.
- **42 percent of parents felt that the educational TV programmes developed by the government were very exciting and interesting for kids, 29 percent felt that they are interesting to some extent, and 6 percent felt the programmes were not interesting.** The remaining 23

percent of parents reported that they have not watched the programmes or have not thought about it.

Rapid Assessment on the outreach and effect of Distance Learning

- **85 percent of parents reported that their children used different modes of distance learning (DL) during the COVID-19 lockdown.** Of these, 31 percent depended entirely on TV lessons while 21 percent depended entirely on telegram or online lessons, and the rest used both.
- **4 percent of students did not do any study or dropped out from Distance Learning.**
- A large majority of parents were appreciative of the support provided by teachers during the Distance Learning. **Only 12 percent of parents reported that the teachers were not supportive enough.**
- Parents considered that the advantages of Distance Learning include children being able to continue education while at home and parents being able to observe and help children. However, the **short duration, non-coverage of topics, the uninteresting manner of video lessons, and lack of interaction** during were key disadvantages of Distance Learning.