

Government of the United Arab Emirates

COVID-19 Update

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Latest Update on COVID -19

United Arab Emirates
Friday
12 - June - 2020



513

New cases



1

New death



41,499

Total cases



25,946

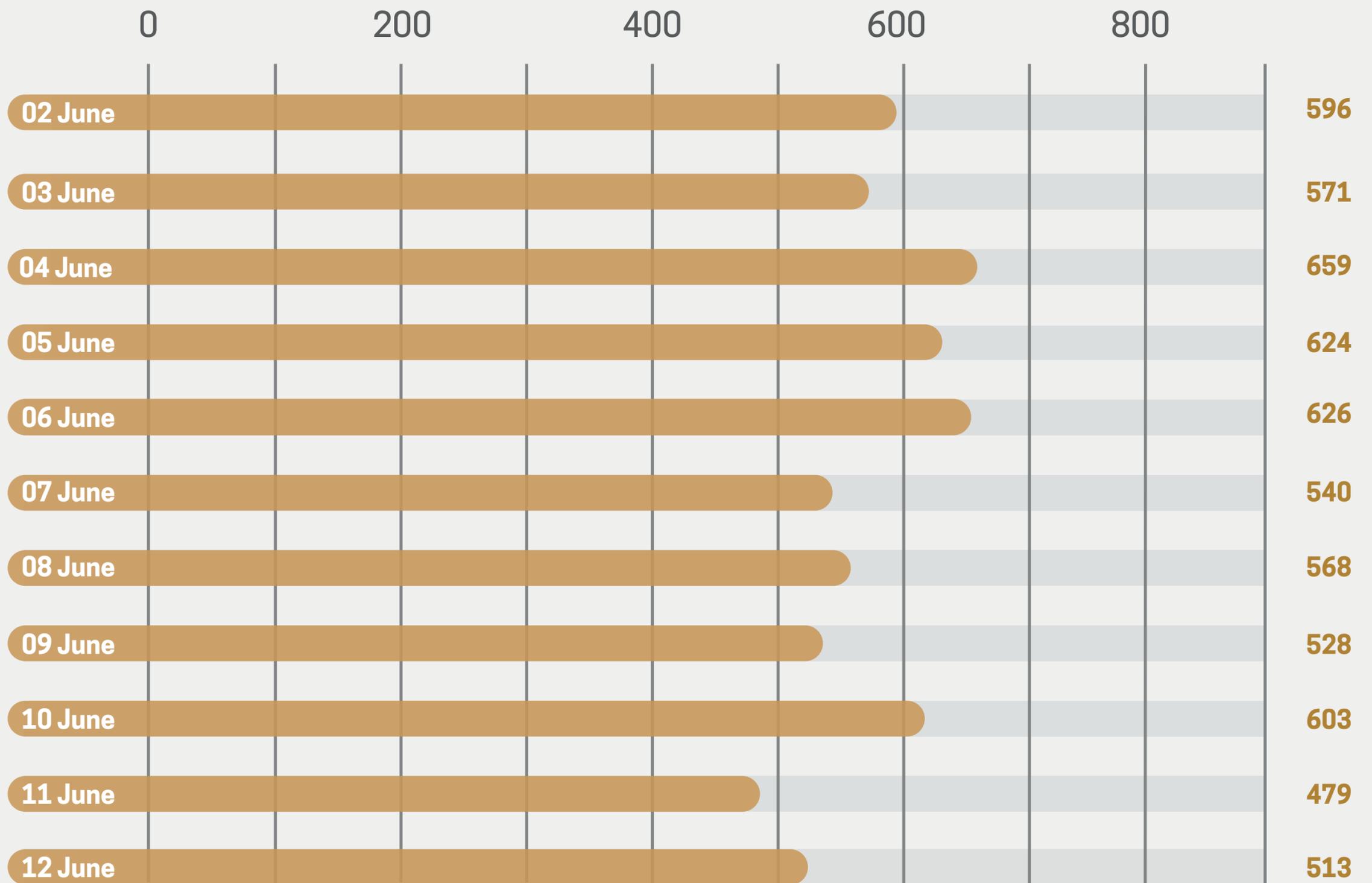
Total recoveries



287

Total deaths

COVID-19 Diagnosed Cases



UAE COVID-19 News

The Abu Dhabi Stem Cells Center has announced the installation of a piece of cutting-edge medical equipment to provide scientists with insight into COVID-19. The Helios cytometer will enable scientists to quickly and accurately profile individual human cells while studying patients' immune response to the virus.

UAE-based researchers at the Abu Dhabi Stem Cells Center trialing an innovative stem cell treatment for COVID-19 have secured intellectual property rights protection, paving the way for the technology to be shared widely. Researchers also announced that a recent analysis showed the treatment was effective and safe as an add-on to standard care.

The UAE Central Bank has said that the economy would contract **3.6%** following growth of **2.9%** last year, leaving the economy slightly smaller at the end of the year than in 2019. However, hiring began to pick up in May, with increased economic recovery expected in Q4.

UAE health authorities have conducted more than **2.5** million COVID-19 tests in the country, the highest number of tests worldwide.

UAE COVID-19 News

The Dubai Future Foundation has launched an innovative mechanical ventilator prototype to support frontline healthcare workers. The development of the ventilator is part of the country's efforts to deploy breakthrough technologies and increase local production in response to strained global supply chains.

Group 42, a UAE-based artificial intelligence and cloud computing company, and Oxford Nanopore Technologies announced the development of an unprecedented population-scale technology that rapidly and accurately detects SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. With ultra-high parallel processing capacity, the new technology has the potential to transform the diagnostics industry globally.

HH Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, praised coordination between the UAE and India in the fight against COVID-19, hailing India's dispatch of medical teams to the UAE and highlighting their participation in the UAE Volunteers campaign.

The number of repatriation flights from the UAE to India is set to more than double from next week as officials intensify efforts to help citizens return to their home country. Approximately **420,000** people have registered with the Indian Consulate and Embassy seeking to fly back to India.

UAE COVID-19 News

The UAE has sent medical aid to Mauritania and the Maldives, having sent over 800 tonnes of COVID-19 aid to more than 65 countries to date. The UAE also donated 6.6 tonnes of material to the United Kingdom to enable the country to produce millions of items of personal protective equipment.

Schools across the UAE are set to reopen for a new academic year on August 30, with different scenarios involving a mixture of distance learning and in-classroom teaching under consideration to continue ensuring that schoolchildren do not fall behind in their education.

COVID-19 has accelerated e-commerce activity in the UAE, and online shopping is likely to keep playing a "major role," even with the resumption of normal activity, according to Khalfan Belhoul, CEO of the Dubai Future Foundation.



HE Reem Al Hashimy

UAE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

"I reaffirm my country's commitment to freeing the next generation from disease and creating a healthier, more prosperous world for all through immunization. We are also dedicating significant resources to the global health agenda focusing on ending preventable diseases that affect the world's poorest. We have done that through contributing as well as strengthening the work of frontline workers as they continue to provide life-saving immunization."



HE Ahmed Aboul Gheit
SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE ARAB LEAGUE

"The measures taken by the UAE reflect an integrated and proactive vision to confront the pandemic, as well as the pivotal role it plays in preserving human health and providing all forms of support to reduce the spread of the virus among citizens and residents."



HE Madiyar Menilbekov

AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF KAZAKHSTAN TO THE UAE

"The UAE and Kazakhstan have spared no efforts to create the best health conditions and offer assistance to many countries to enable them to face the repercussions of the coronavirus crisis. The UAE will always remain a supporter of Kazakhstan and the international humanitarian community and relevant organisations."

Further Reading

Abdullah bin Zayed, Indian Minister of External Affairs review strengthening strategic relations, cooperation over COVID-19

<https://wam.ae/en/details/1395302847294>

UAE economy to contract by 3.6% this year, central bank says

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-emirates-economy-central-bank/uae-economy-to-contract-by-3-6-this-year-central-bank-says-idUSKBN23H2EZ>

UAE hiring starts to pick up after sharp coronavirus fall -LinkedIn

<https://reut.rs/2MRgEAU>

UAE Sees More Economic Pain Before a Fourth Quarter Recovery

<https://bloom.bg/30xNJcV>

UAE stem cell center confirms successful trial of coronavirus treatment

<https://bit.ly/2ztKvfG>

UAE posts world's highest Covid-19 tests at 2.5m

http://www.tradearabia.com/news/HEAL_368696.html

Further Reading

Dubai develops ventilator prototype to support Covid-19 patients

http://www.tradearabia.com/news/IND_368687.html

Abu Dhabi installs high-tech medical equipment in Covid fight

http://www.tradearabia.com/news/HEAL_368671.html

UAE's Group 42 and UK's Oxford Nanopore co-develop ultra-scalable solution for COVID-19 detection

<https://wam.ae/en/details/1395302847418>

Number of UAE repatriation flights to India set to double

<https://www.thenational.ae/uae/transport/coronavirus-number-of-uae-repatriation-flights-to-india-set-to-double-1.1031215>

UAE donates 6.6 tonnes of PPE material to UK

<https://gulfnews.com/uae/coronavirus-uae-donates-66-tonnes-of-ppe-material-to-uk-1.71890764>

Further Reading

UAE sends 18 tonnes of aid to Mauritania

<https://gulfnews.com/uae/uae-sends-18-tonnes-of-aid-to-mauritania-1.71904896>

UAE sends 72 tonnes of medical aid to Maldives in fight against COVID-19

<https://www.wam.ae/en/details/1395302847422>

UAE schools to return on Sunday August 30

<https://www.timeoutdubai.com/kids/442222-uae-schools-to-return-on-sunday-august-30>

E-commerce will play 'massive role' in UAE retail: Dubai Future Foundation

<https://www.cnbc.com/video/2020/06/10/e-commerce-to-play-massive-role-in-uae-retail-post-lockdown-ceo.html>