Data for the week of 15 - 21 Feb 2021 (Epi week 7)



454 in week 6/2021)

(Figure 2B)

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## **Key points**

Week 7/2021 (15 - 21 Feb 2021)

- The number of cases reported in the Region decreased by 4% to 971 372 in week 7/2021 (from 1 012 212 in week 6/2021) • 68% (660 342) of the cases reported in week 7/2021 were reported from nine countries: France (14%; 134 518), Russian Federation (10%; 92 843), Italy (9%; 84 977), United Kingdom (8%; 78 575), Czech Republic (7%; 65 150), Germany (5%; 52 000), Turkey (5%; 51 980), Spain (5%; 50 487) and Poland (5%; 49 812). The remaining cases (32%; 311 030) were reported by 49 countries and territories; each accounted for <5% of the total cases reported in week 7/2021
- The crude incidence continues to vary across the region with a range from 0.7 per 100,000 population in Uzbekistan to 609 per 100,000 population in Czech Republic in week 7/2021 • A total of four countries had a crude incidence of ≥300 per 100 000 population in week 7/2021. One country had a crude incidence of ≥500 per 100 000 population in week 7/2021: Czech Republic (609) (Figure 2A).
- The 15-day cumulative incidence increased by  $\geq$ 10% in week 7/2021 in sixteen countries and territories in the Region; an increase of  $\geq$ 50% was observed in two of these countries and territories: Hungary and Isle of Man (see EURO COVID-19 Dashboard for recent trends)
- In week 07/2021, of countries that reported data on genetically characterized SARS-CoV-2 viruses, specific variants were observed in Belgium, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Romania and Sweden (184 "VOC 202012/01" and 20 "Cluster5" in Belgium; 28 "VOC 202012/01", 12 "S gene deletions" and 4 "501V2" in Estonia; 3 "VOC 202012/01" in Finland; 4 "VOC 202012/01" in Greece; 269 "VOC 202012/01" and 15 "S gene deletions" in Hungary; 8 "VOC 202012/01" in Latvia; 9 "S gene deletions" in Lithuania; 26 "VOC 202012/01" and 2 "501V2" in Luxembourg; 45 "VOC 202012/01" in Romania; and 1 "S gene deletion" in Sweden) • The number of deaths in the Region in week 7/2021 decreased 17% to 24 764 (from 29 893 in week 6/2021) (Figure 1). The proportion of reported cases that died was 2.5% in week 7/2021
- 68% (16 754) of the deaths reported in week 7/2021 were reported by United Kingdom (14%; 3 457), Russian Federation (13%; 3 167), Germany (12%; 2 881), France (10%; 2 501), Italy (9%; 2 130), Poland (6%; 1 364) and Spain (5%; 1 254). The remaining deaths (32%; 8 010) were reported from 44 countries and territories; each accounted for <5% of the total deaths reported in week 7/2021 • Community-transmission was reported by 37 countries and territories, 17 countries and territories reported cluster transmission, while 4 countries and territories reported sporadic transmission in week 7/2021
- For an interactive sub-national view of the recent COVID-19 situation in the WHO-EURO Region see WHO-EURO COVID-19 Subnational Explorer
- **Summary overview**
- The cumulative cases across the Region increased 2.6% to 37 674 710 cases in week 7/2021 (from 36 684 778 cases in week 6/2021) and cumulative deaths increased by 3% to 840 467 deaths in week 7/2021 (from 814 • As of week 7/2021, 61% (22 820 032) of cases were reported from the Russian Federation (11%: 4 164 726), United Kingdom (11%; 4 105 675), France (10%; 3 583 135), Spain (8%; 3 152 265), Italy (7%; 2795 796), Turkey

New deaths (week 7/2021)

- (7%; 2 631 876) and Germany (6%; 2 386 559). The remaining cases (39 %; 14 854 678) were reported by 54 countries and territories; each accounted for <5% of the total cases reported until week 7/2021 • Thirteen countries and territories in the Region had an effective reproductive number significantly over 1: Isle Of Man, Hungary, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Estonia, Czech Republic, Republic of
- Moldova, Poland, Netherlands, Austria, Sweden and Denmark (See EpiForecasts and the CMMID COVID working group COVID-19 Global Summary for latest estimates) • Five countries in the Region each reported a cumulative incidence of  $\geq$  9000 cases per 100,000 population: Andorra (13 833), Gibraltar (12 543), Montenegro (11 529), Czech Republic (10 788) and San Marino (10 252)
- As of week 7/2021, 67% of cumulative deaths (561 165) were reported from the United Kingdom (14%; 120 365), Italy (11%; 95 486), France (10%; 84 147), Russian Federation (10%; 83 293), Spain (8%; 67 862), Germany (8%; 67 841) and Poland (5%; 42 171). The remaining deaths (33%; 279 302) were reported by 52 countries and territories; each accounted for <5% of the total cases reported until week 7/2021
- 16.2% of cases were in persons aged ≥65 years in week 7/2021, while the percentage of fatal cases aged ≥65 years was 88.2% in week 7/2021 (Figure 3) • The latest weekly EuroMOMO pooled estimates indicate that excess all-cause mortality is decreasing after a period with high levels of excess mortality among the 27 participating European countries.
- In week 7/2021, 21 countries reported a total of 1443 tests and 154 detections (10.7%) of SARS-CoV-2 in persons with influenza-like illness (ILI) in primary care sentinel surveillance (Figure 4)
- Overall, there were 665 817 COVID-19 cases among the total of 15 269 656 tests (4.4%) reported to have been performed in 33 countries in week 7/2021 (Figure 5)

New cases (week 7/2021)

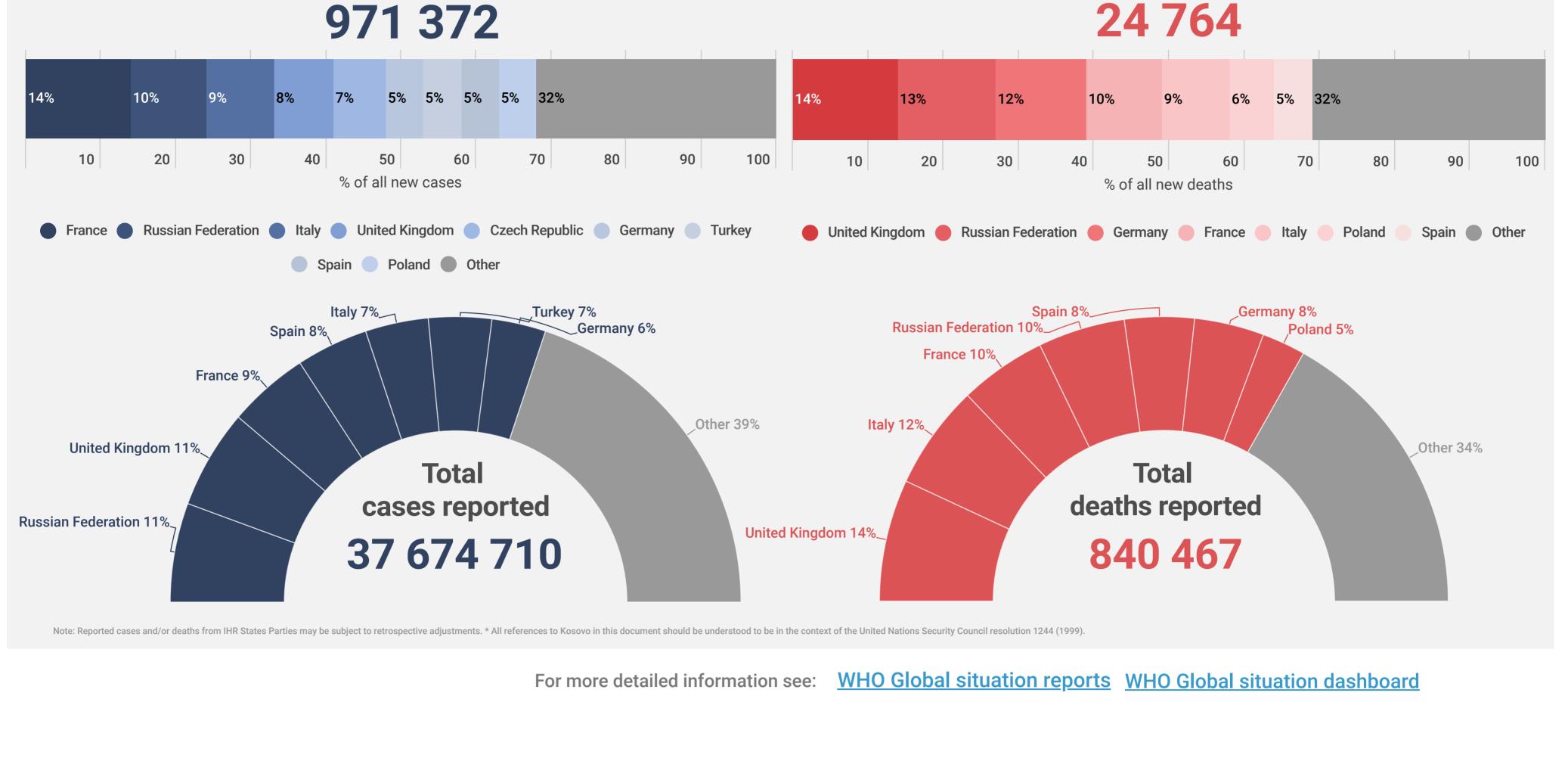


Figure 1: Number of COVID-19 cases (N=37 674 710) and deaths (N=840 467) by reporting week

