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Key points

Week 17/2020 (20-26 April 2020)

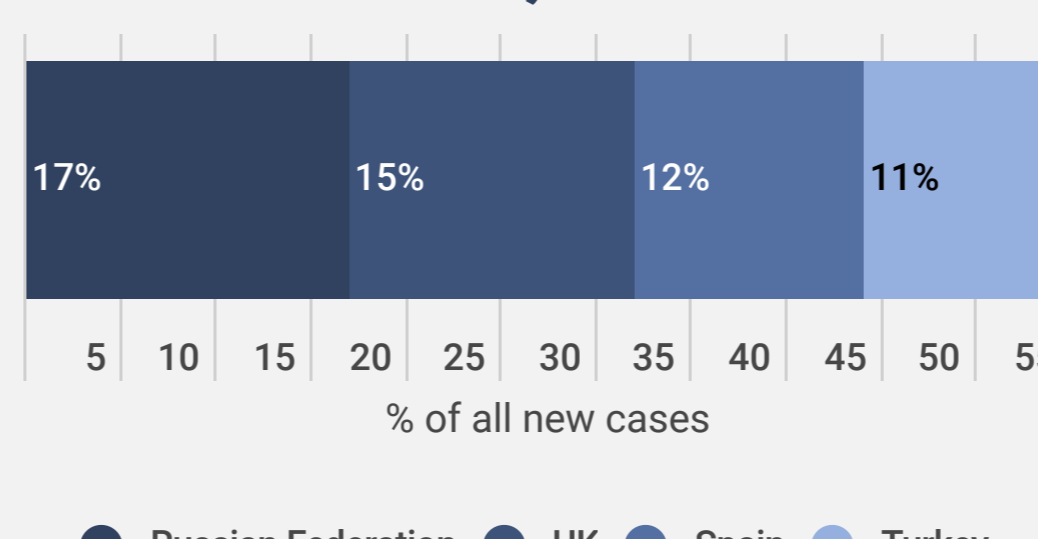
- The number of cases reported in week 17/2020 in the Region has declined by 13% since week 14/2020
- 56% of the cases reported in week 17/2020 were from the Russian Federation, United Kingdom, Spain and Turkey
- Four countries had a crude incidence of ≥ 50 per 100,000 in week 17/2020: Ireland, Belgium, Spain and the United Kingdom
- In the Russian Federation, Belarus, Ukraine and Kazakhstan, the number of cases in week 17/2020 increased by $\geq 50\%$ compared those reported in week 16/2020 (see [EURO COVID-19 Dashboard](#) for recent trends)
- 65% of the deaths reported in week 17/2020 were from the United Kingdom, France, Italy and Spain
- The proportion of reported cases that died increased from 2.2% in week 9/2020 to 9.5% in week 17/2020, a change that is likely due to a range of factors

Summary overview

- 75% of cumulative deaths were reported from Italy, Spain, France and the United Kingdom
- 17% of all reported infections with information available were in health care workers
- 81% of all ICU admissions were in persons aged 50-79 years of age, with 73% of all ICU admissions in men
- 94% of all deaths were in persons aged ≥ 60 years and 61% of all deaths are in men
- 95% of all deaths with information available had at least one underlying condition, with cardiovascular disease the leading comorbidity (68%)
- Seven countries and territories in the Region each reported a cumulative incidence of ≥ 400 cases per 100,000 population
- Between week 1/2020 and week 17/2020, there were over 159,487 excess deaths reported from 24 countries/regions, primarily in the age group ≥ 65 years (144,960), but also in the 15-64 years age group (13,757). This time period includes the influenza season as well as the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. See [European Mortality Bulletin](#)
- In week 17/2020, two countries reported a total of 71 tests and no COVID-19 detections in persons with influenza-like illness in primary care sentinel surveillance. The updated positivity rate in week 16/2020 was 9.1% (6 countries) compared to 8.0% (6 countries) in week 15/2020

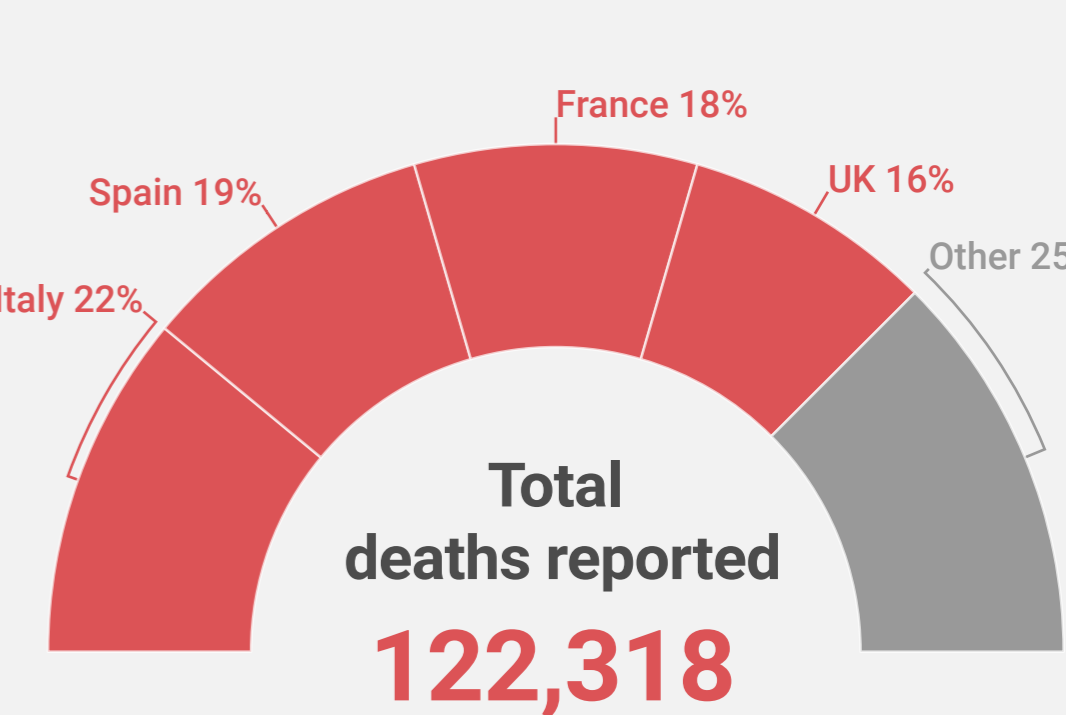
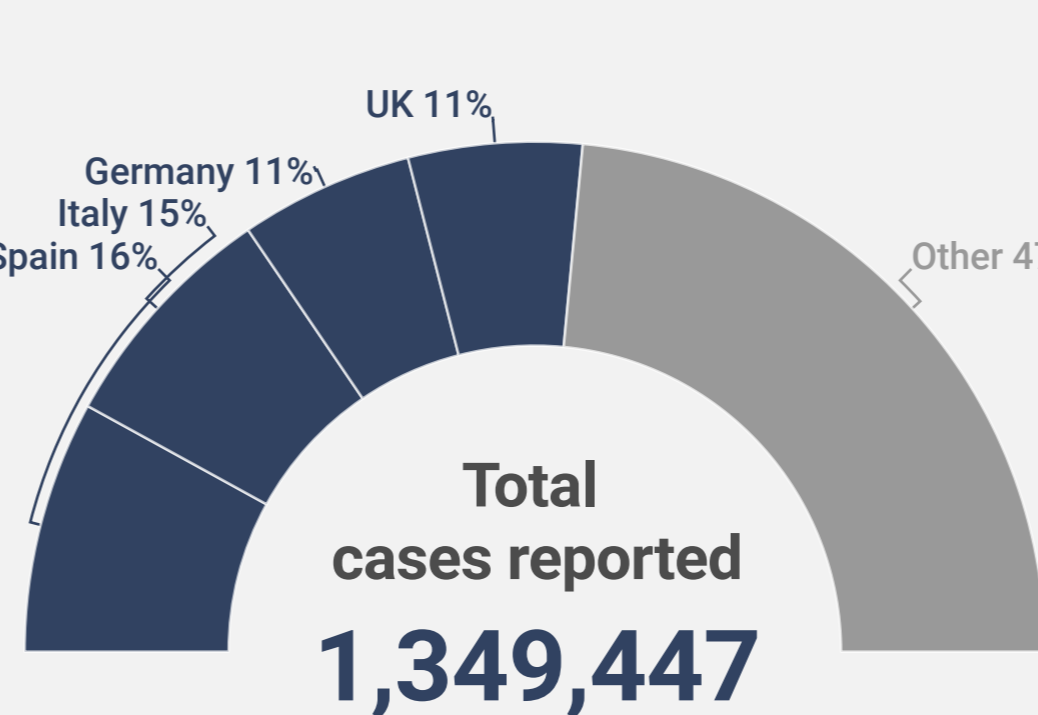
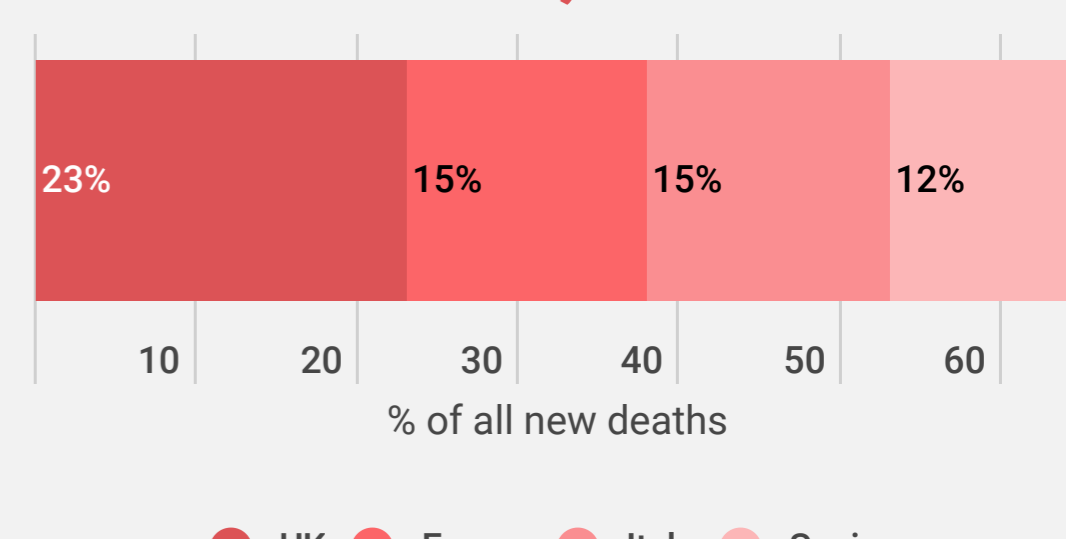
New cases Epi week 17

225,601



New deaths Epi week 17

21,349



94% of all deaths were in persons aged 60+

95% of all deaths had at least 1 underlying condition

61% of all deaths were in men

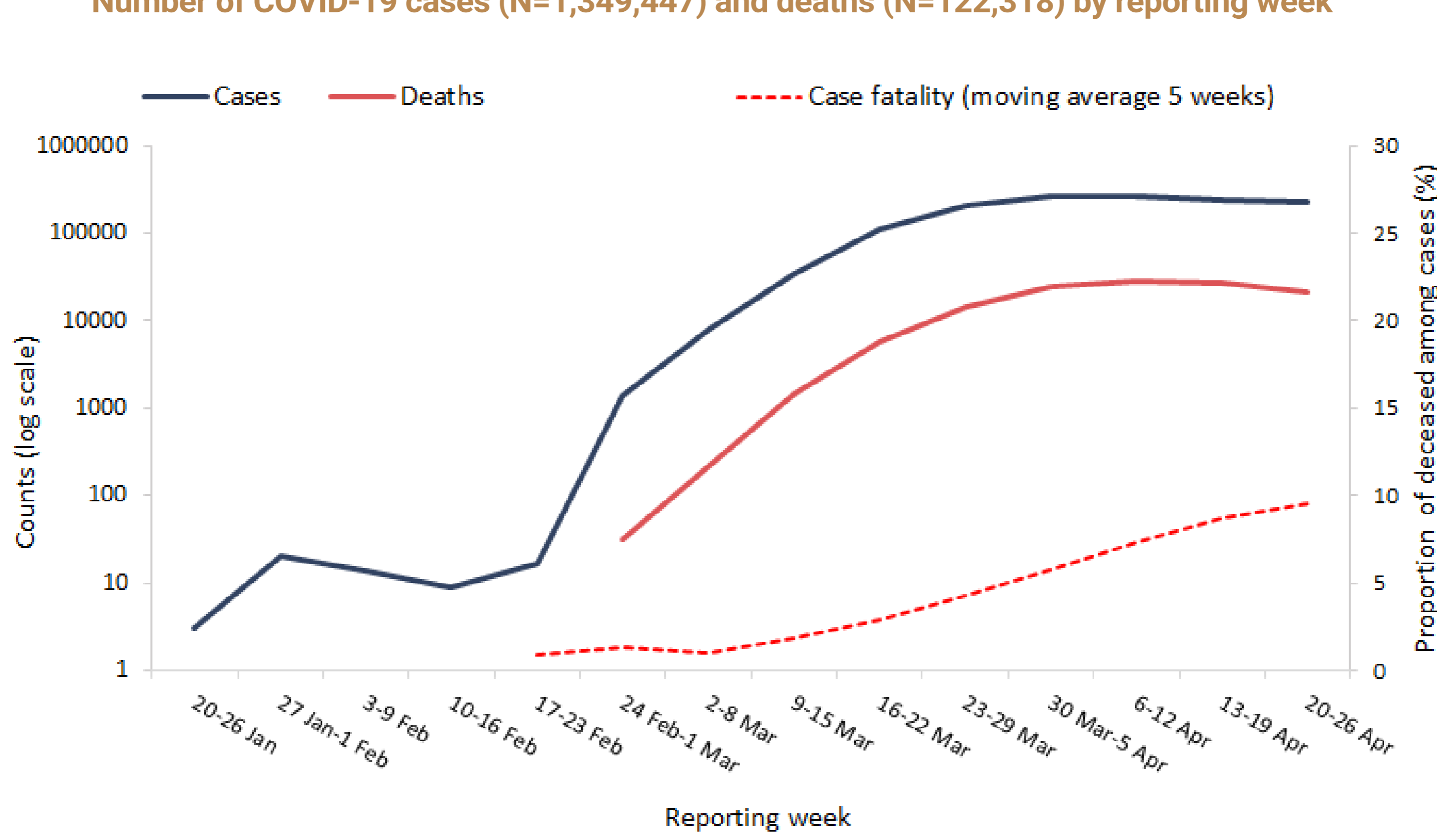
81% of all ICU admissions were people aged 50-79 years

17% of all people infected were health care workers

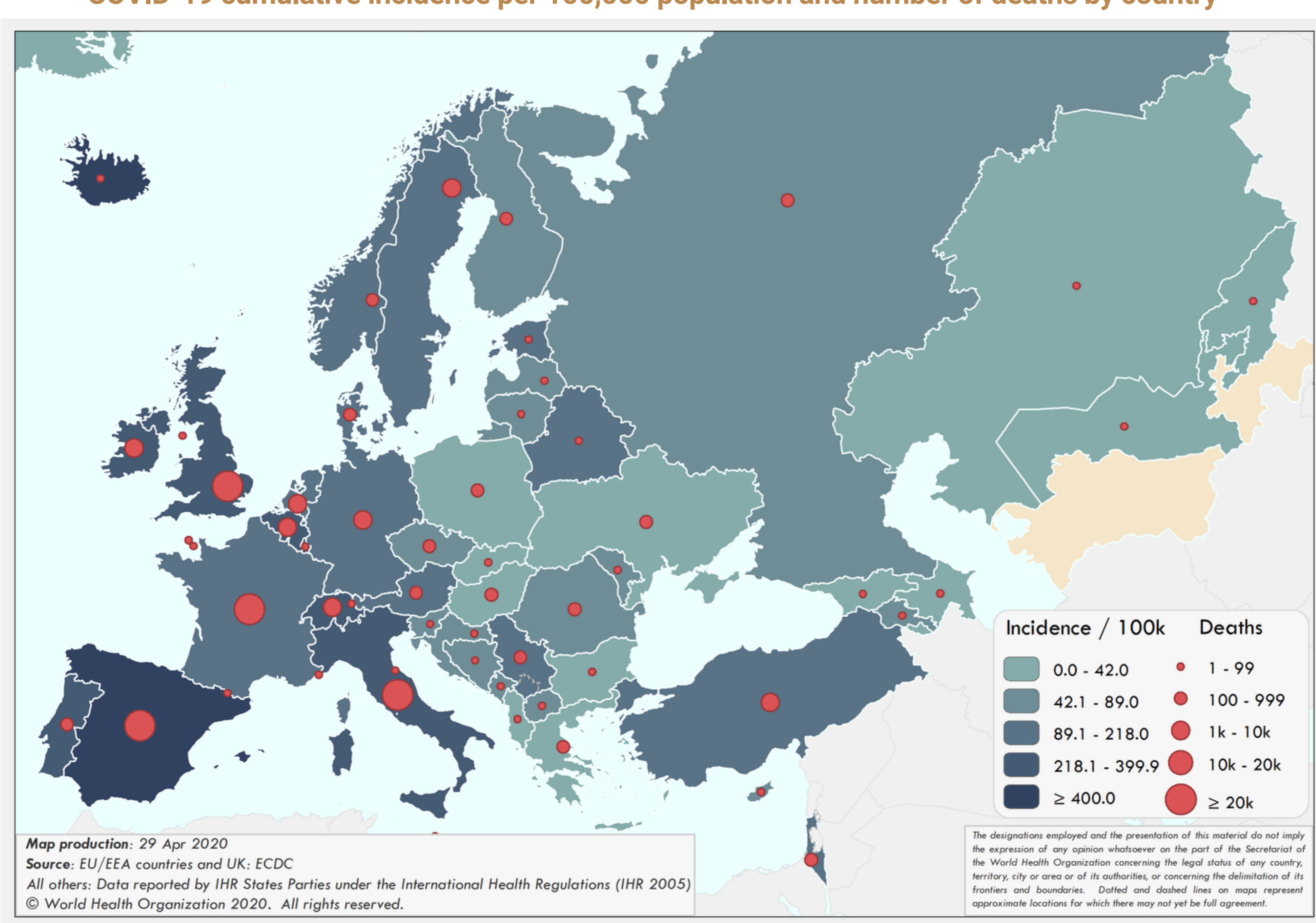
9% of all reported cases resulted in deaths

For more detailed information see: [WHO Global situation reports](#) [WHO Global situation dashboard](#)

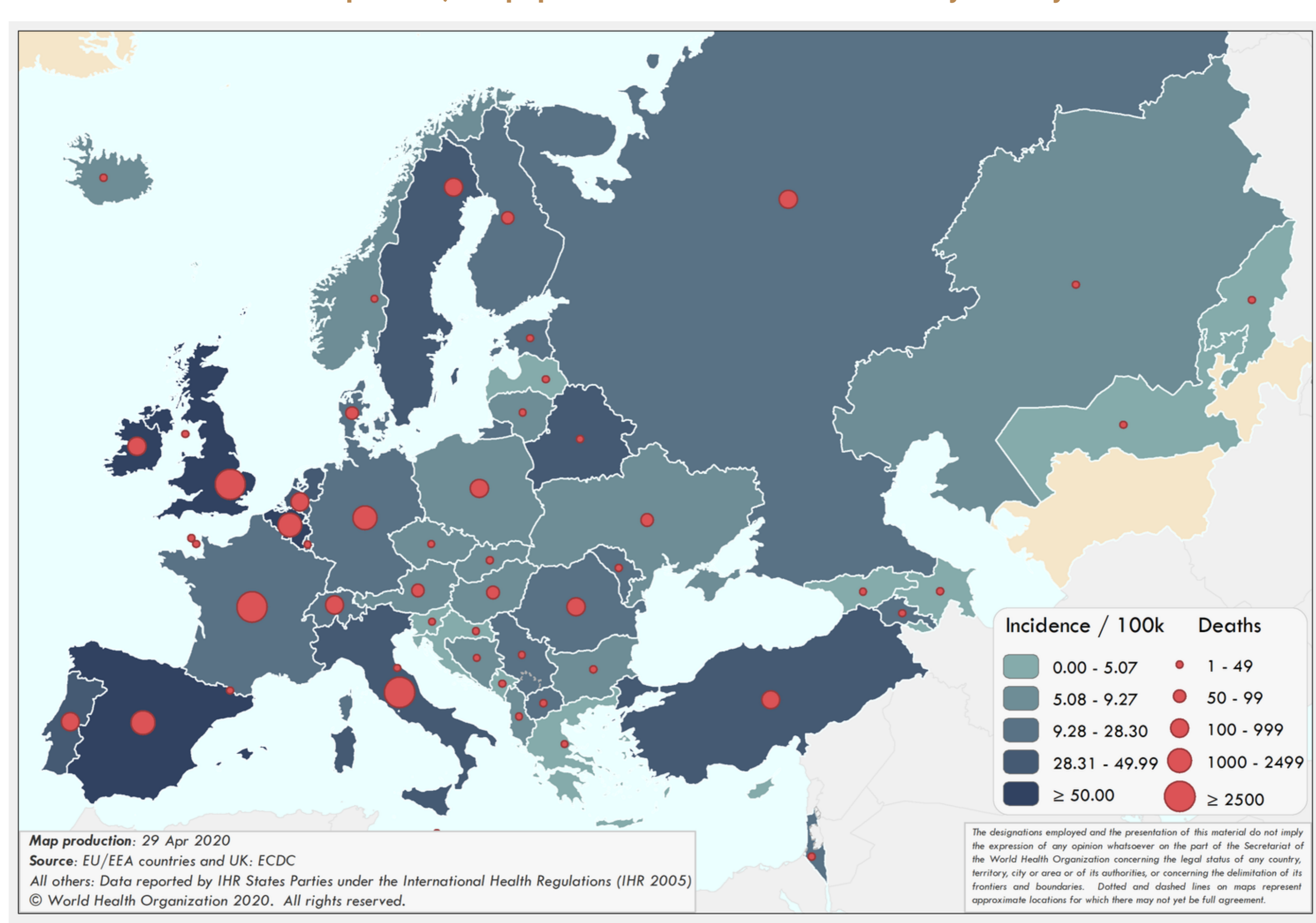
Number of COVID-19 cases (N=1,349,447) and deaths (N=122,318) by reporting week



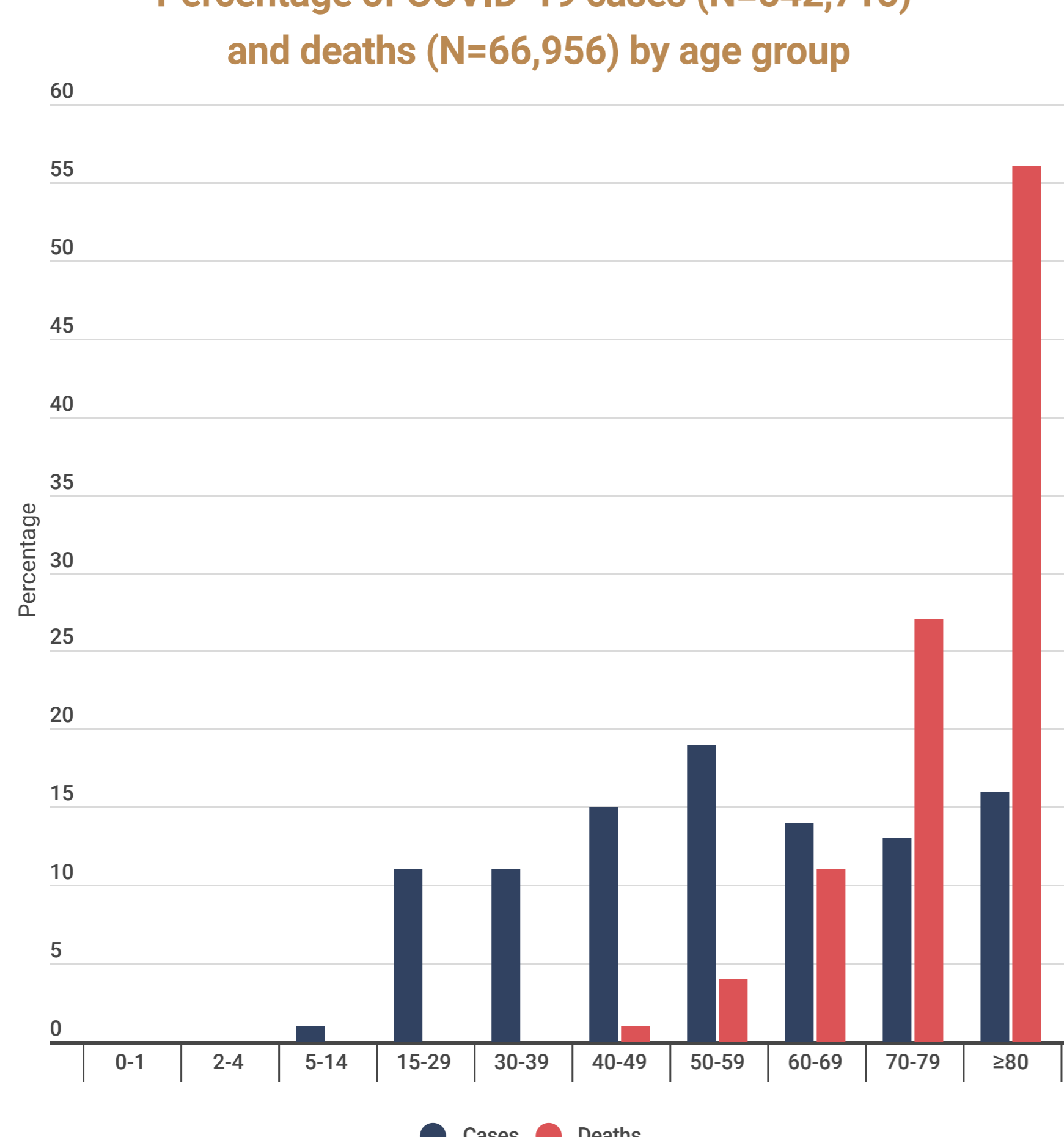
COVID-19 cumulative incidence per 100,000 population and number of deaths by country



COVID-19 incidence per 100,000 population and number of deaths by country for week 17



Percentage of COVID-19 cases (N=542,715) and deaths (N=66,956) by age group

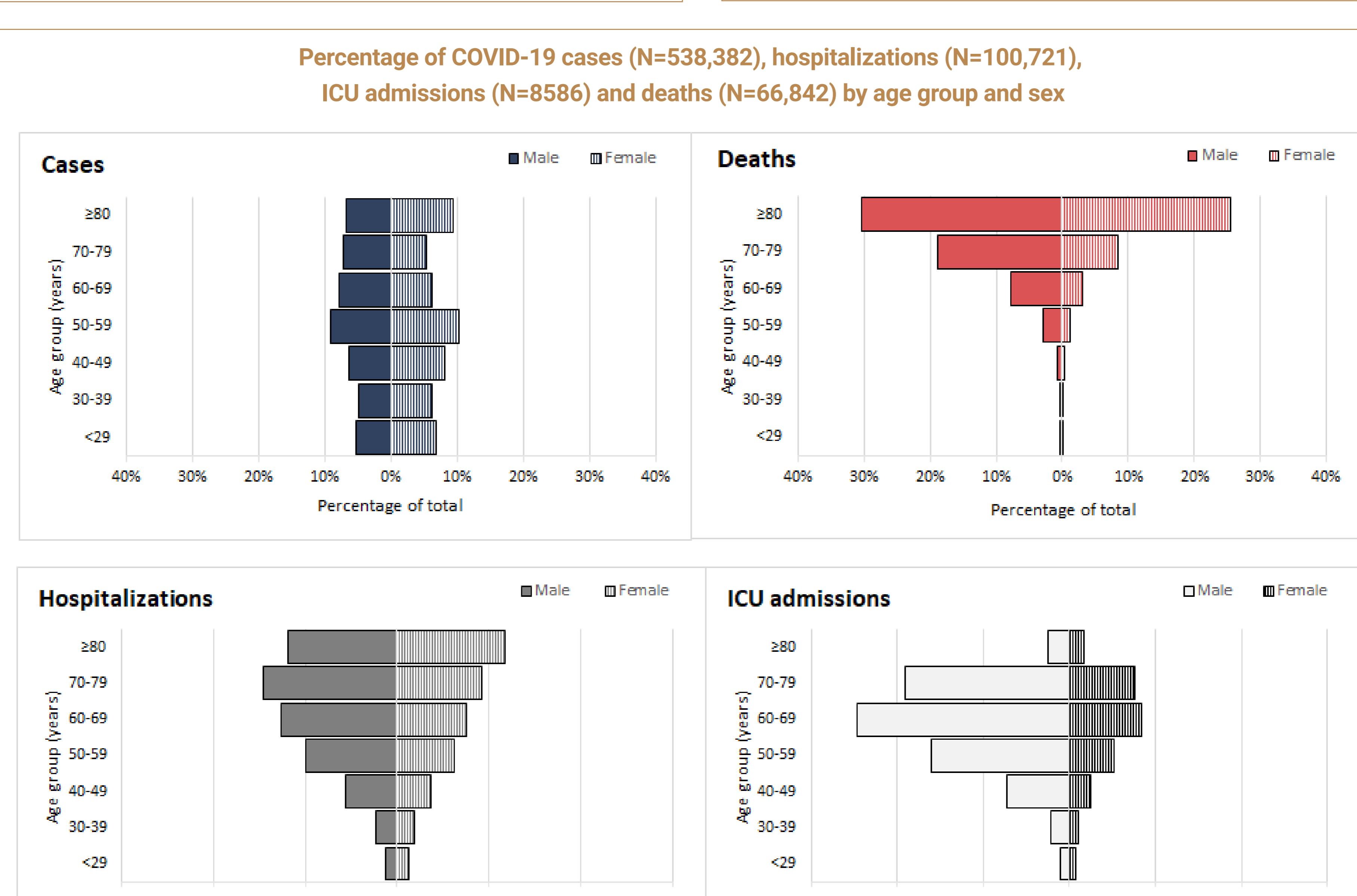


Characteristics of COVID-19 cases and deaths

Characteristics	n		%		Total records with data available
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	
Age in years, median (range)*	54(1-105)	81(0-106)	54	81	395915
Sex, male*	191138	40909	49	61	393107
Travelled*	16745	14	14	17	119874
Recovered*	162290	86	86	100	188695
Health care workers†	57633	17	17	26	336117
Hospitalization*	105035	32	32	50	323660
Intensive care unit admissions*	9652	4	4	6	246188
At least one underlying condition*	33571	95	95	100	35318
• cardiovascular disease	10951	68	68	100	16158
• diabetes	5348	34	34	50	15705
• lung disease	3476	24	24	34	14378
• neurological disease / dementia	1092	23	23	33	4657
• renal disease	859	21	21	29	4149
• malignancy	567	25	25	34	2264
• obesity	353	10	10	14	3480
• liver disease	191	5	5	7	4155
• immune disease	144	3	3	4	4358
• other	7186	50	50	68	14312

Source:
*Case report forms (n=397,633);
†Case report forms and aggregated data from Italy (23/24 April 2020) and Spain (23 April 2020) (n=627,048); Health care workers refer to occupation and not to the place of exposure
*Case report forms, mortality survey, aggregated data from Italy (23 April 2020) and Spain (23 April 2020) (n=67,016);

Percentage of COVID-19 cases (N=538,382), hospitalizations (N=100,721), ICU admissions (N=8586) and deaths (N=66,842) by age group and sex



Percentage positive for COVID-19 in the ILI/ARI sentinel surveillance by reporting week

