

COVID-19 Update – Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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Category	Recent Developments
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Saudi PIF invests \$4.7b in exchange traded funds in Q2, cuts blue-chip stakes (Link)• Cyberattacks hit 95% of Saudi businesses last year, says study (Link)• W20 Group calls for urgent action on women’s economic empowerment (Link)• Saudi Arabia’s Samba Group chooses DIFC for international operations (Link)• NEOM picks major US firm as infrastructure development for cognitive cities accelerates (Link)
Health & Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Saudi Arabia COVID-19 death toll increases by 31, over 1,400 more cases recorded (Link)• Saudi German Hospitals UAE announces implementation of Artificial Intelligence to enhance care management (Link)• Saudi Arabia conducts over 4mn corona lab tests (Link)
Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Red Sea cruise ships to set sail from Saudi Arabia on Aug. 27 (Link)• Notice setting date for Saudi international flights ‘is bogus’ (Link)• Umluj’s turquoise sea is a major tourist attraction (Link)
Daily Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Administrative staff returning to schools Sunday (Link)• COVID-19: ‘Street Cinema’ to debut during 2020 Summer Asir Festival in Saudi Arabia (Link)• Thousands participate in SFA's first Step Together half and full summer marathon (Link)
Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Saudi Aramco plans huge spending cut for 2021 (Link)• Saudi Aramco raises domestic fuel prices (Link)