

COVID-19 Monthly Brief

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Statistics and graphs

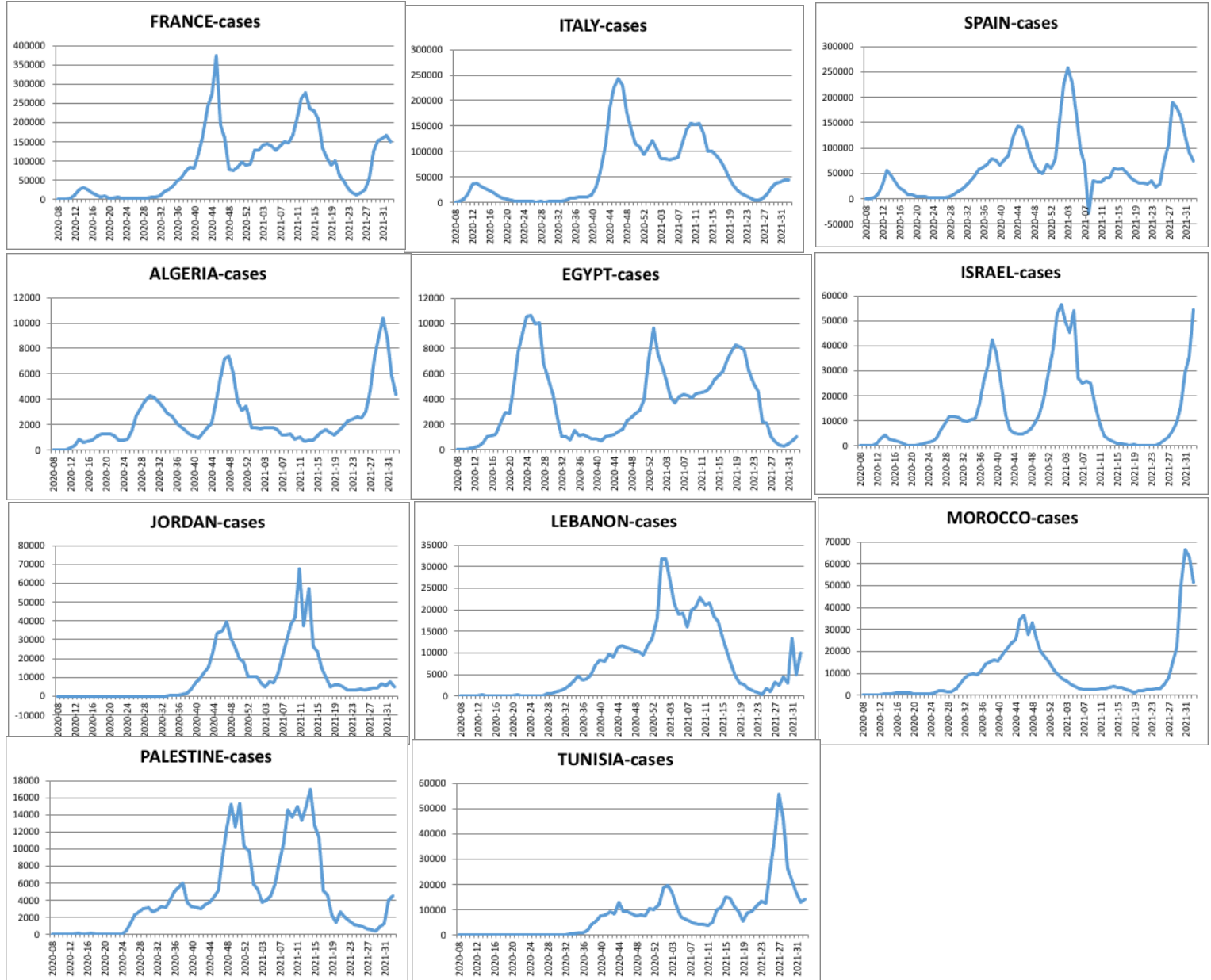
TOTAL CASES REPORTED

ITALY	FRANCE	SPAIN	ALGERIA	EGYPT	ISRAEL	JORDAN	LEBANON	MOROCCO	PALESTINE	TUNISIA
4484610	6944993	4794350	191583	286351	996761	790459	586585	810949	355511	640897

TOTAL DEATHS REPORTED

ITALY	FRANCE	SPAIN	ALGERIA	EGYPT	ISRAEL	JORDAN	LEBANON	MOROCCO	PALESTINE	TUNISIA
128751	113371	83337	5004	16671	6852	10317	7993	11792	3905	22537

Covid-19 cases from week 08/2020 to 33/2021

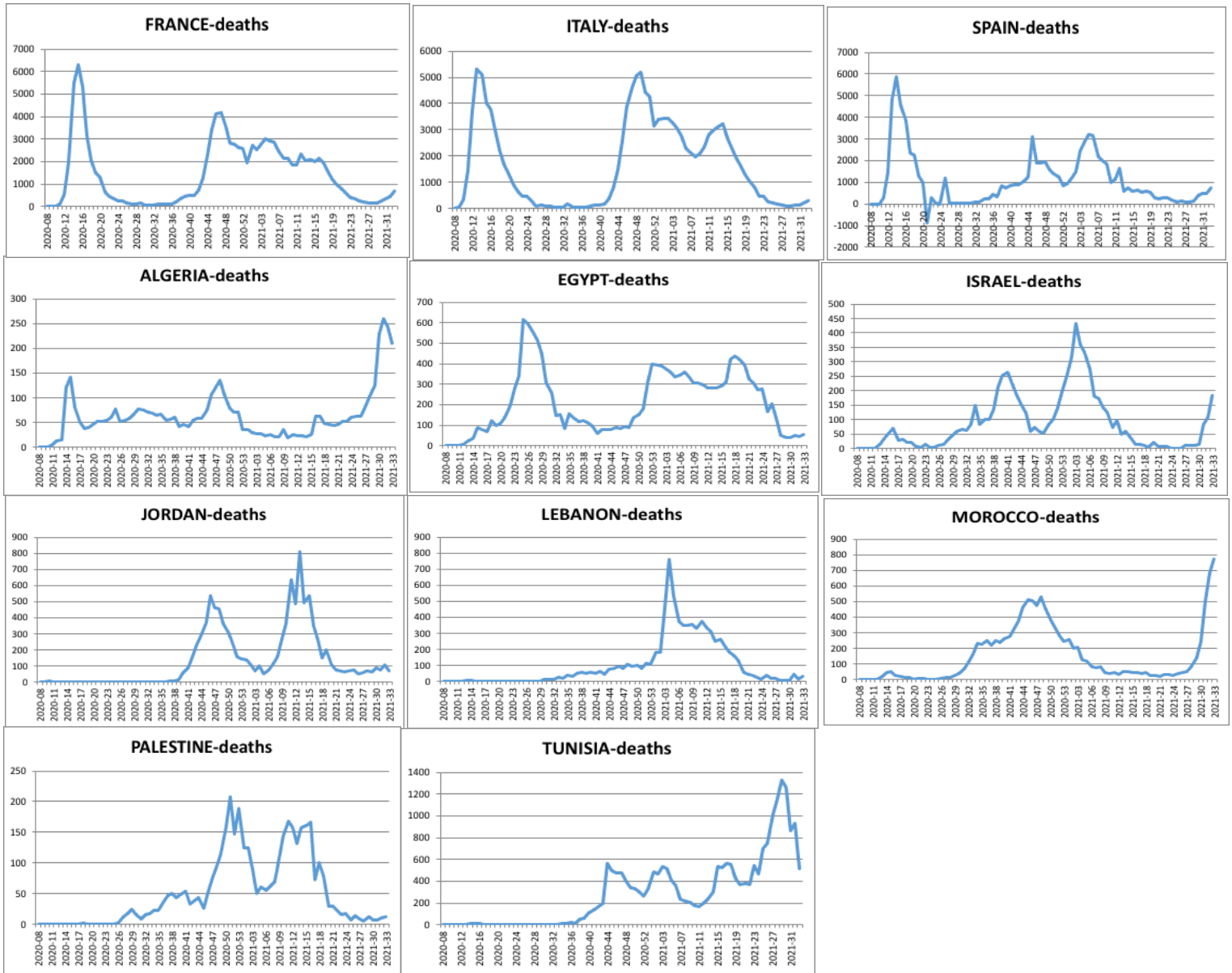


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COVID19 deaths by week from week 08/2020 to 29/2021



Latest news

[Attacking fires by air often does no good, expert says:](#) More than three-quarters of air attacks on wildfires are ineffective, according to internal data from the fire command in the autonomous Spanish region of Catalonia

[Spain relies on new technologies to thwart fires \(article in FR\):](#) In 2020, the Spanish Ministry of Ecology set up an artificial intelligence system to predict fires. In one year, the number of hectares burned has decreased by 20%.

[Algeria: A new strategy is needed \(article in FR\):](#) On the ground, the large number of fire outbreaks and their scattering over 15 wilayas makes it impossible to federate the human and material resources of the Civil Protection to protect the population first and then fight the fires.

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Serial fires: soils the silent victim of fire's devastation: Due to increasing forest fires, the dynamics of underground ecosystems have also been greatly altered.

How to deal with monster forest fires (article in FR): an interview with Marco Conedera, forestry engineer and head of the Community Ecology Research Unit at the Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research.

A New Approach to Wildfire Resilience: Property Buy Backs, Fire Resistant Parks: The city of Paradise is employing a natural hazard mitigation strategy long practiced in flood zones. The idea could be expanded in other places where wildland meets human development.

Guidance documents and events

Understanding Climate and Wildfires: NASA Earth Science Division has many online tools to help understand and track climate change, as well as to learn more about natural hazards such as wildfires.

HEUREKA: Civil Protection Knowledge Partnership Platform – Middle East: Civil Protection Knowledge Partnership Platform- Middle East is a project funded by the European Commission that aims at bridging across knowledge holders relevant to disaster management and humanitarian aid actors, to enhance coordination, cooperation, compatibility, and complementarity between available capacities.

15/09: Copernicus and Public Health Workshop: This workshop will be organised into four sessions discussing the following specific topics: Copernicus and COVID / Extreme temperatures and health / Air quality and health / Weather/climate sensitive diseases.

For each session, speakers from key European or international entities will set the scene before opening on a panel discussion about how to maximise use of Copernicus data for the benefit of public and private users in the health sector.

Latest news about PPRD South 3

PPRD expresses its support to the firemen involved in fighting forest fires in PPRD's partner countries. These events show how useful and needed is our common work.

C1, C2 and C3:

- 7-9: Participation in the Rome's meeting
- 13-15: Participation in the TTX in Brussels
- 30: Participation in the Final event in Brussels
- Update of the dashboard
- Drafting and finalisation of the Final Report

In addition, C3:

- 2/09: Final Demo: STEs will summarise and present the activities implemented within Component 3, in terms of Communication, voluntarism, gender
- Publication and dissemination of the 3 Guides produced: Communication, Voluntarism and Gender

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Institutional links

France
[Site du Gouvernement](#) - Government website

Spain
Ministerio de Sanidad, [Consumo](#) y Bienestar Social – Ministry of Health, Consumer Affairs and Social Welfare

Italy
[Protezione Civile](#) – Civil Protection

EU
[European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control](#)
[The coronavirus Response Team](#)
[MediPIET: Mediterranean and Black Sea Field Epidemiology Training Programme Network](#)

United Nations
WHO
[WHO Whatsapp Group](#)
[Department of Economic and Social Affairs](#)

New links of interest

[Words into action: nature-based solutions for disaster-risk reduction](#), by UNDRR.

[How technology in the air battles fires on the ground](#), by the BBC.

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All the information provided is the information PPRD South 3 has found screening all news. If there is another important info not in the brief, it means it has not reached the team yet.

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