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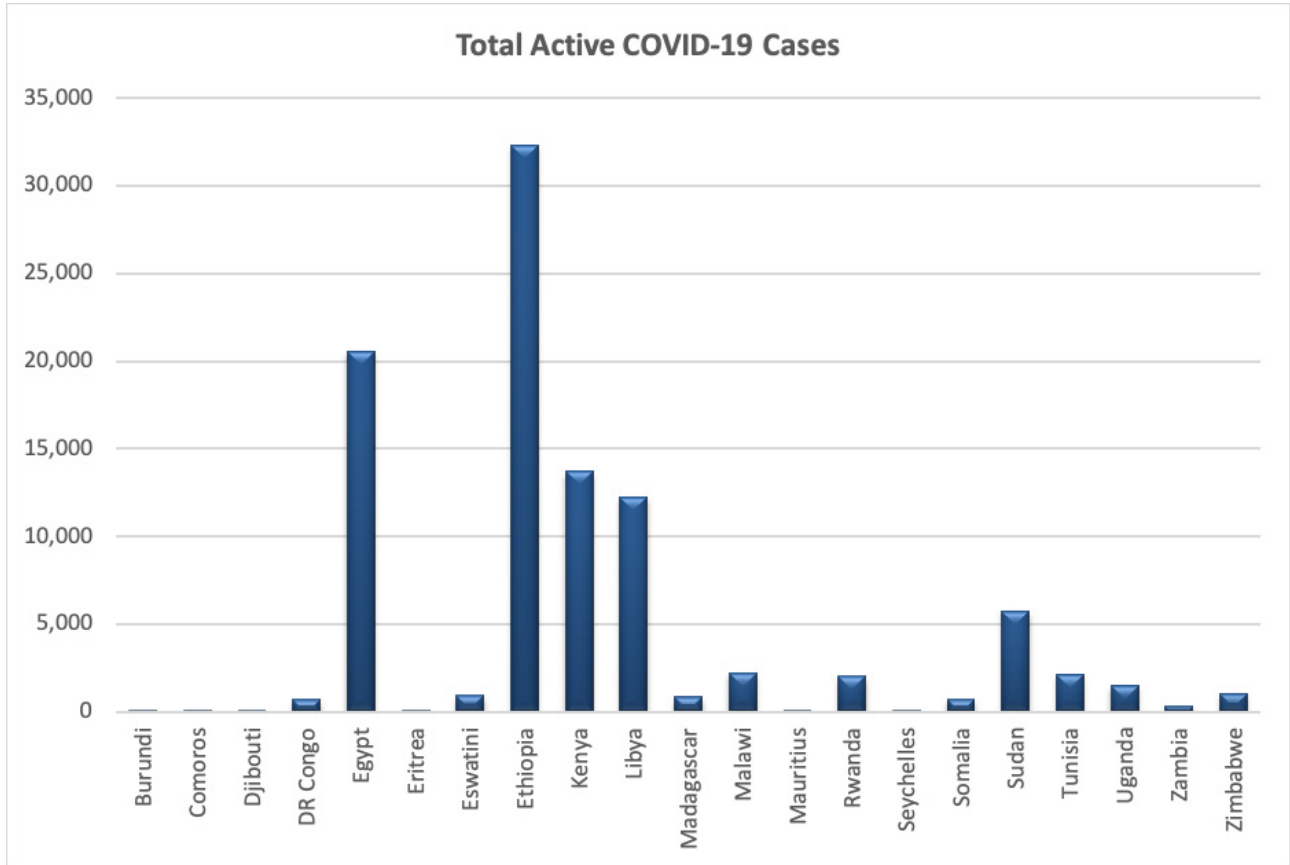


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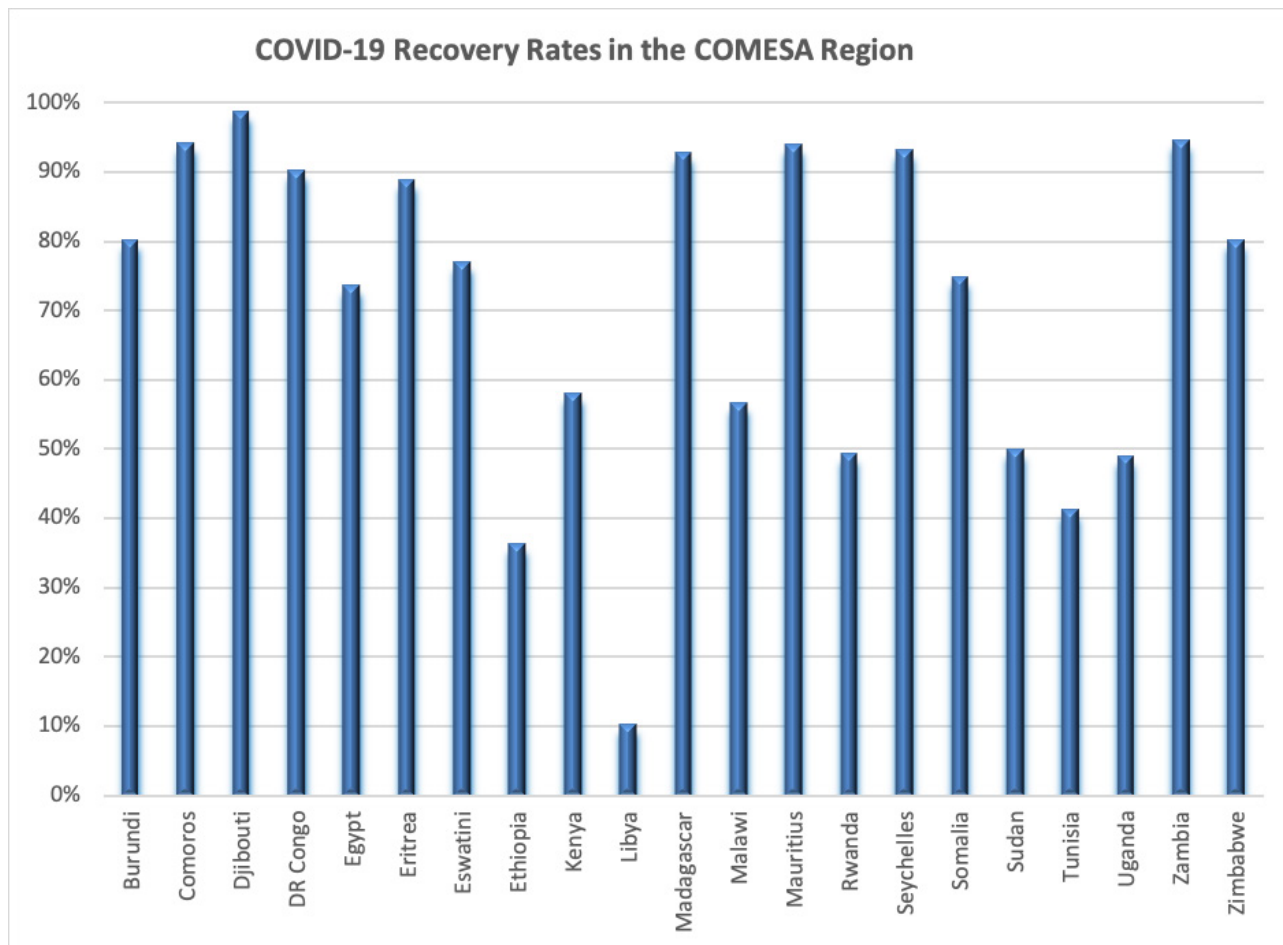
The COVID-19 recovery rate in the COMESA has maintain a positive trend thus giving confidence to our Member States that the health and management measures they have put in place are paying-off. This trend has particularly been significant in the last two months.

Some of the factors attributed to the high recovery rates include the provision of universal health coverage (free treatment and testing), early detection, isolation and treatment in COVID-19 designated centres, home-based isolation and therapy, among others.

As of 1st September 2020, the regional recovery rate stood at 62.85%. This is a relatively high rate of recovery meaning that out of 287,496 cases recorded, active cases were 97,424. Countries with the highest numbers of active cases include Ethiopia (32,328), Egypt (20,589), Kenya (13,731) and Libya (12,270). Ethiopia and Libya have recorded a surge in the numbers of new cases since the last one week, that is 9,988 and 2,685, respectively.



The countries with highest rates of recovery in the region include Djibouti (98.81), Zambia (94.81), Comoros (94.33), Mauritius (94.10), Seychelles (93.38), Madagascar (93.03) and DR Congo (90.45).



On the other hand, Egypt and Kenya have experienced a decline in the numbers of new cases recorded since the last situational update issued on 26th August 2020. This can be attributed to the reduction in the numbers of tests conducted on a daily basis.

## Summary of Regional Figures as of 1st September 2020

Country	Total Cases	New Cases	Total Tests	Total Cases/ 1M pop	Tests/ 1M pop	Total Recovered	Total Deaths	Deaths/ 1M pop	Recovery Rate	Total Active Cases
Burundi	445	15	24,659	37	2,064	357	1	0.08	80.2%	87
Comoros	423	6		485		399	7	8	94.33%	17
Djibouti	5,387	4	67,370	5,439	68,025	5,323	60	61	98.81%	4
DR Congo	10,097	255		112		9,133	258	3	90.45%	706
Egypt	98,939	1,461	135,000	964	1,315	72,929	5,421	53	73.71%	20,589
Eritrea	319	13		90		284			89.03%	35
Eswatini	4,577	273	30,007	3,938	25,820	3,529	91	78	77.10%	957
Ethiopia	52,131	9,988	910,293	452	7,887	18,994	809	7	36.44%	32,328
Kenya	34,201	1,644	454,406	634	8,421	19,893	577	11	58.16%	13,731
Libya	13,966	2,685	114,145	2,028	16,575	1,459	237	34	10.45%	12,270
Madagascar	14,957	555	58,459	538	2,103	13,915	195	7	93.03%	847
Malawi	5,566	147	45,505	290	2,369	3,160	175	9	56.77%	2,231
Mauritius	356	9	227,409	280	178,763	335	10	8	94.10%	11
Rwanda	4,063	757	409,707	312	31,507	2,013	16	1	49.54%	2,034
Seychelles	136	4		1,381		127			93.38%	9
Somalia	3,310	41		207		2,481	98	6	74.95%	731
Sudan	13,189	286	401	300	9	6,612	823	19	50.13%	5,754
Tunisia	3,803	910	144,042	321	12,166	1,573	77	7	41.36%	2,153
Uganda	3,037	675	381,749	66	8,305	1,489	32	0.7	49.03%	1,516
Zambia	12,097	949	115,570	655	6,259	11,469	288	16	94.81%	340
Zimbabwe	6,497	427	150,584	436	10,107	5,221	202	14	80.36%	1,074
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>287,496</b>	<b>21,104</b>	<b>3,269,306</b>			<b>180,695</b>	<b>9,377</b>			<b>97,424</b>

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