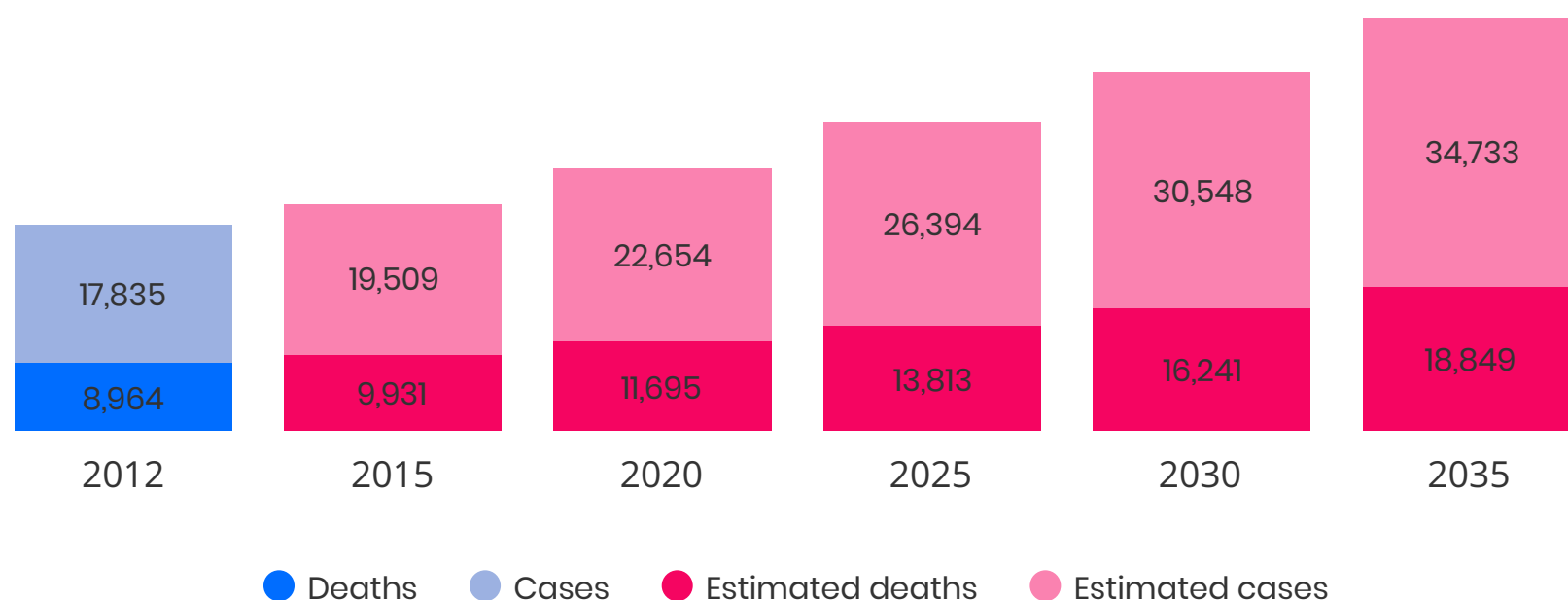


Middle East & North Africa Cervical Cancer Crisis Card

Between 2012 and 2035, cervical cancer deaths are expected to **more than double**.



If we don't take action now, **52 women will die each day** from cervical cancer in the Region by 2035.

- Cervical cancer, caused by human papillomavirus (HPV), is the **2nd largest cancer killer** of women in the Region.
- Recommended by the WHO, the HPV **vaccine effectively prevents against cervical cancer** as well as other HPV-related diseases.
- Low rates of vaccination and screenings lead to cervical cancer being **detected at a later, more serious stage**.
- Increasing HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screenings can **prevent unnecessary deaths**.

For our mothers, sisters, wives and daughters, **it's time to step up the Region's fight against cervical cancer**, now more than ever.

Stay updated on the Region's response to HPV and cervical cancer [here](#).

Middle East & North Africa: HPV rates, cervical cancer cases and deaths

Call to Action

Momentum is building across the region for comprehensive prevention, screening and treatment for cervical cancer. The Emirate of Abu Dhabi has taken the lead towards cervical cancer elimination by administering the HPV vaccine to girls in school free of charge since 2008.

Elimination is feasible, but accelerated political and financial support is needed to stop women and girls from needlessly dying from a preventable cancer.

Now is the time for key decision makers to step up the fight against cervical cancer and turn green shoots of hope into concrete actions to save lives.

Country	HPV prevalence	Cervical cancer cases	Cervical cancer deaths
Morocco	24.5%	2,258	1,076
Turkey	13.2%	1,686	663
Algeria	6.1%	1,288	510
Egypt	10.3%	866	373
Iraq	15.65%	291	142
Tunisia	14.6%	265	103
Saudi Arabia	28.6%	241	84
Libya	10.7%	241	95
Lebanon	10.2%	113	42
UAE	3.5%	93	28
Jordan	2.3%*	50	19
Oman	2.3%*	38	15
Kuwait	2.4%	30	12
Bahrain	12.1%	22	5
Qatar	6.1%	15	4

**Estimated by HPV Centre*