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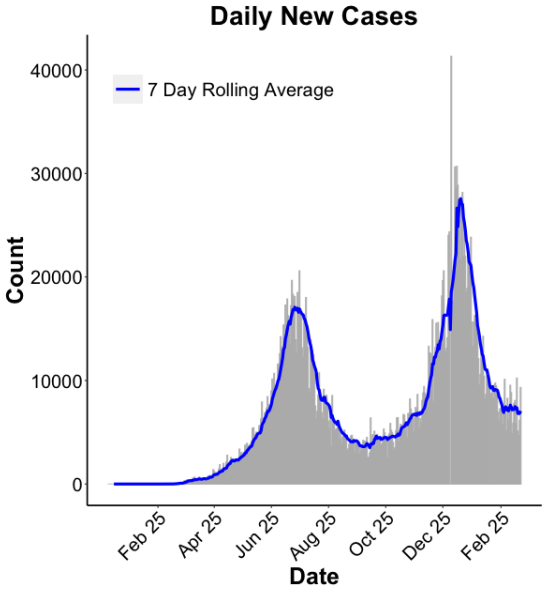
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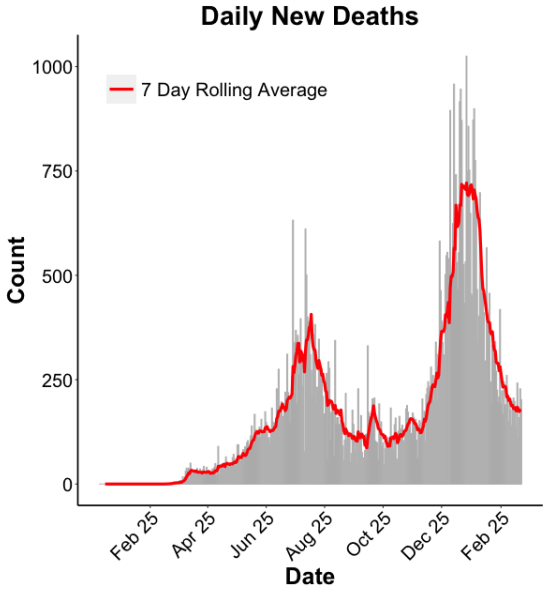
Overview



Total Reported Cases
2941063

Total Reported Deaths
75181





Methods

We compare the size and rate of increase of the COVID-19 epidemic across the countries included in WHO Africa Region.

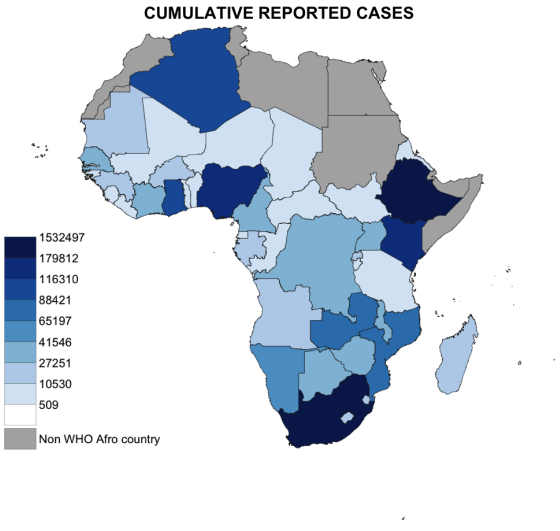
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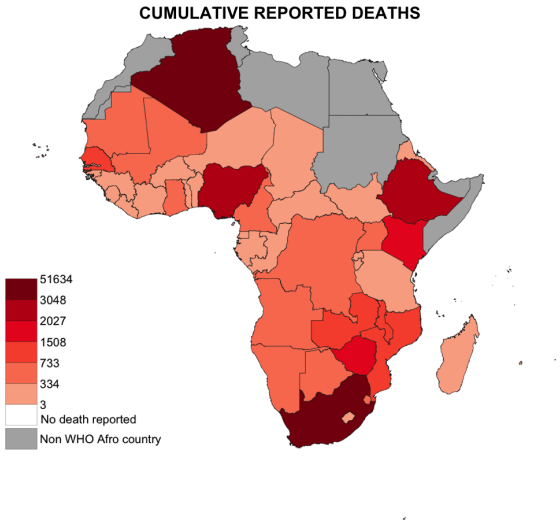
- Top row: cumulative reported cases (left) and deaths (right).
- Middle row: cumulative reported cases (left) and deaths (right) per 10,000 population on a log10 scale.
- Bottom row: weekly ratios for new cases and new deaths. The higher the weekly ratio, the faster an epidemic is growing. A weekly ratio of 1 represents stable growth (i.e. the number of cases or deaths in the past 7 days was the same as the 7 days before). A value between 1 and 0 indicates that an epidemic is in decline. These maps show weekly rations on a single date and may not be indicative of long term trends. See methods for more details.

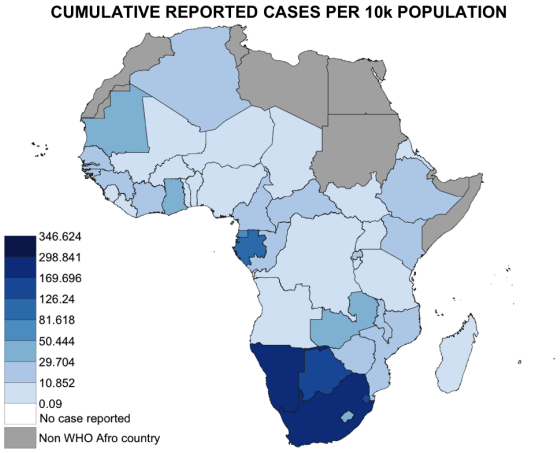
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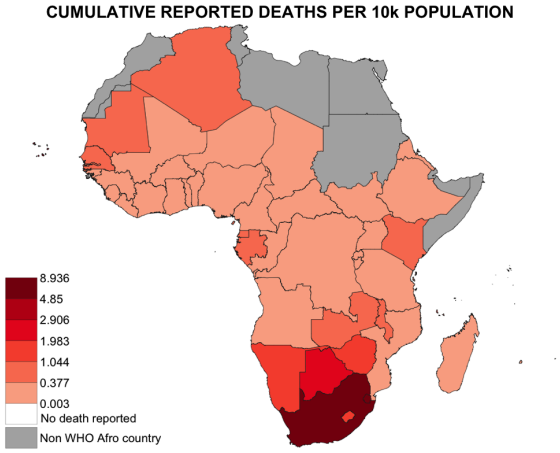
- Colour scales are non-linear and are re-calibrated every week.
- WHO African region countries shaded in white either have no reported deaths/cases or, for weekly ratio calculations, have reduced their cumulative total cases/deaths in the last 14 days due to retrospective changes in reporting procedures.
- Doubling times have been replaced by weekly ratios because some countries are moving out of the exponential phase of the epidemic.

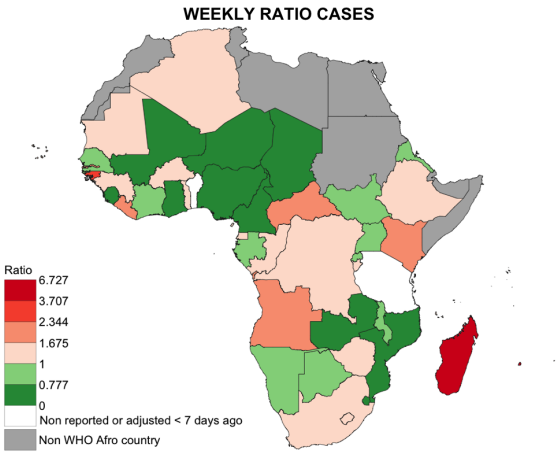
Summary maps

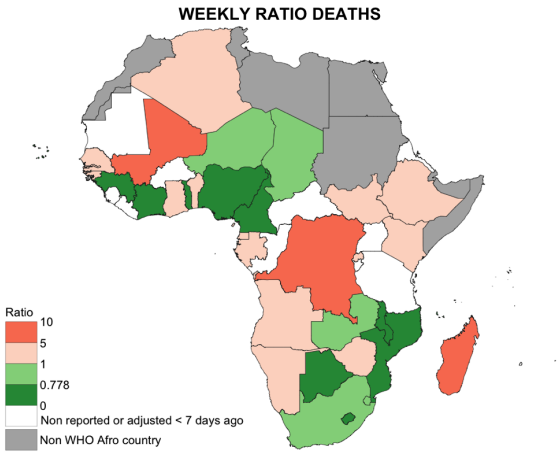












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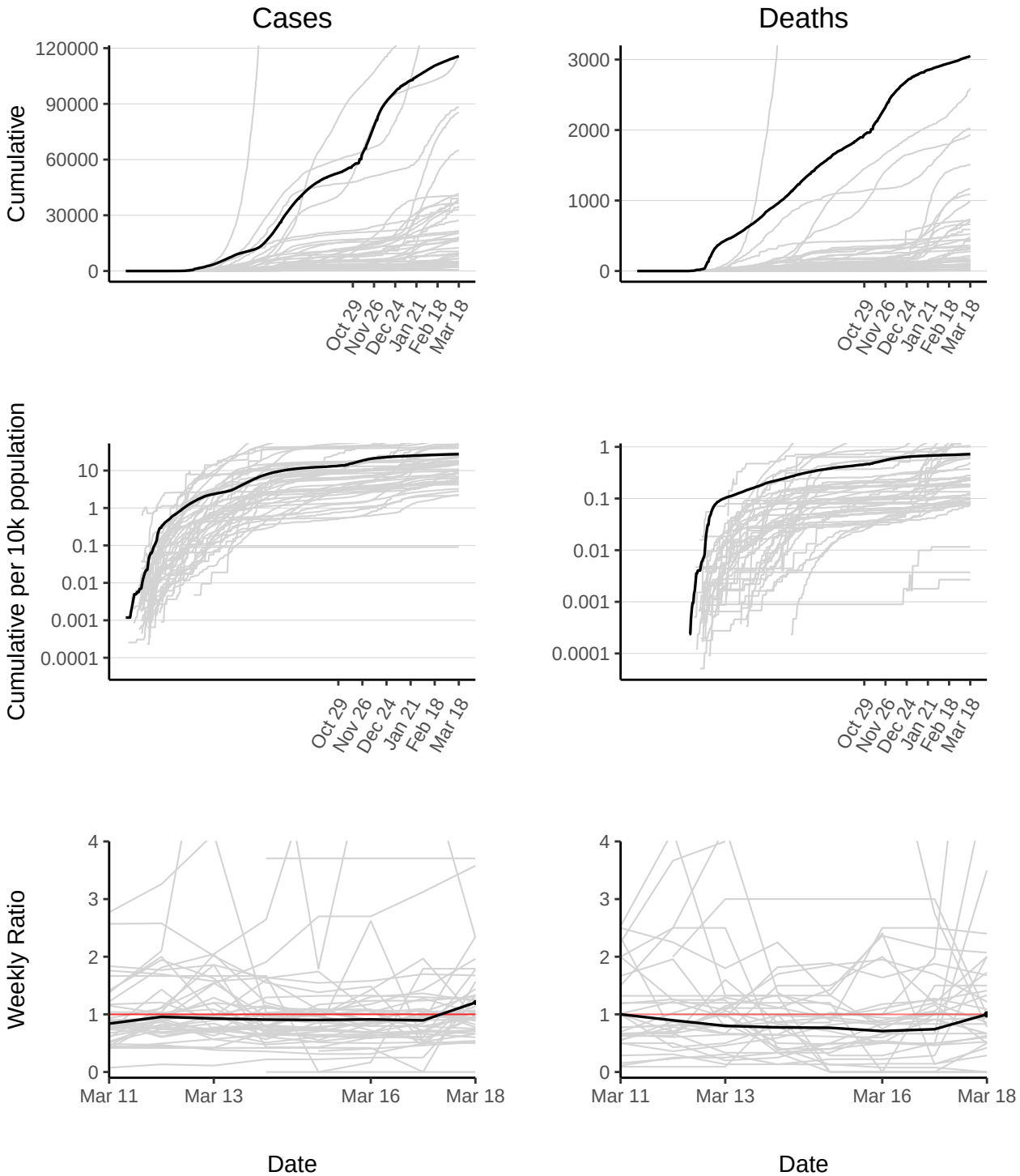
As of 18/03/2021, each panel below shows for each country:

- Top row: cumulative reported cases (left) and deaths (right).
- Middle row: cumulative reported cases (left) and deaths (right) per 10,000 population on a log10 scale.
- Bottom row: weekly ratio of the number of new cases (left) and deaths (right) calculated for each of the past 7 days leading up to 18/03/2021. Gaps in the plotted data indicate values that could not be calculated.

Caveats;

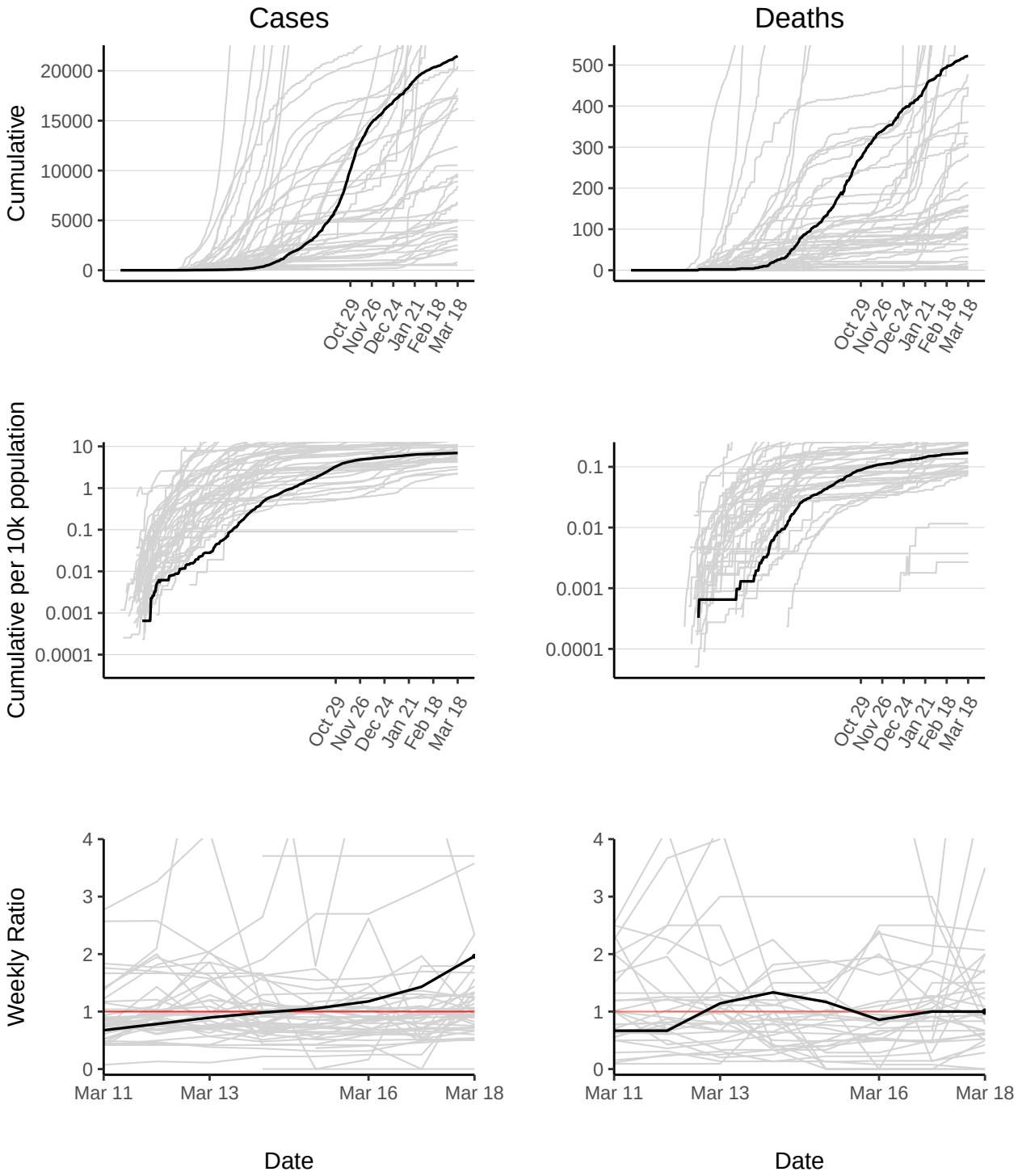
- Retrospective changes in reporting policy may cause cumulative deaths/cases counts to drop as described in WHO Sit Rep Number 105, published on 04/05/2020.

Algeria



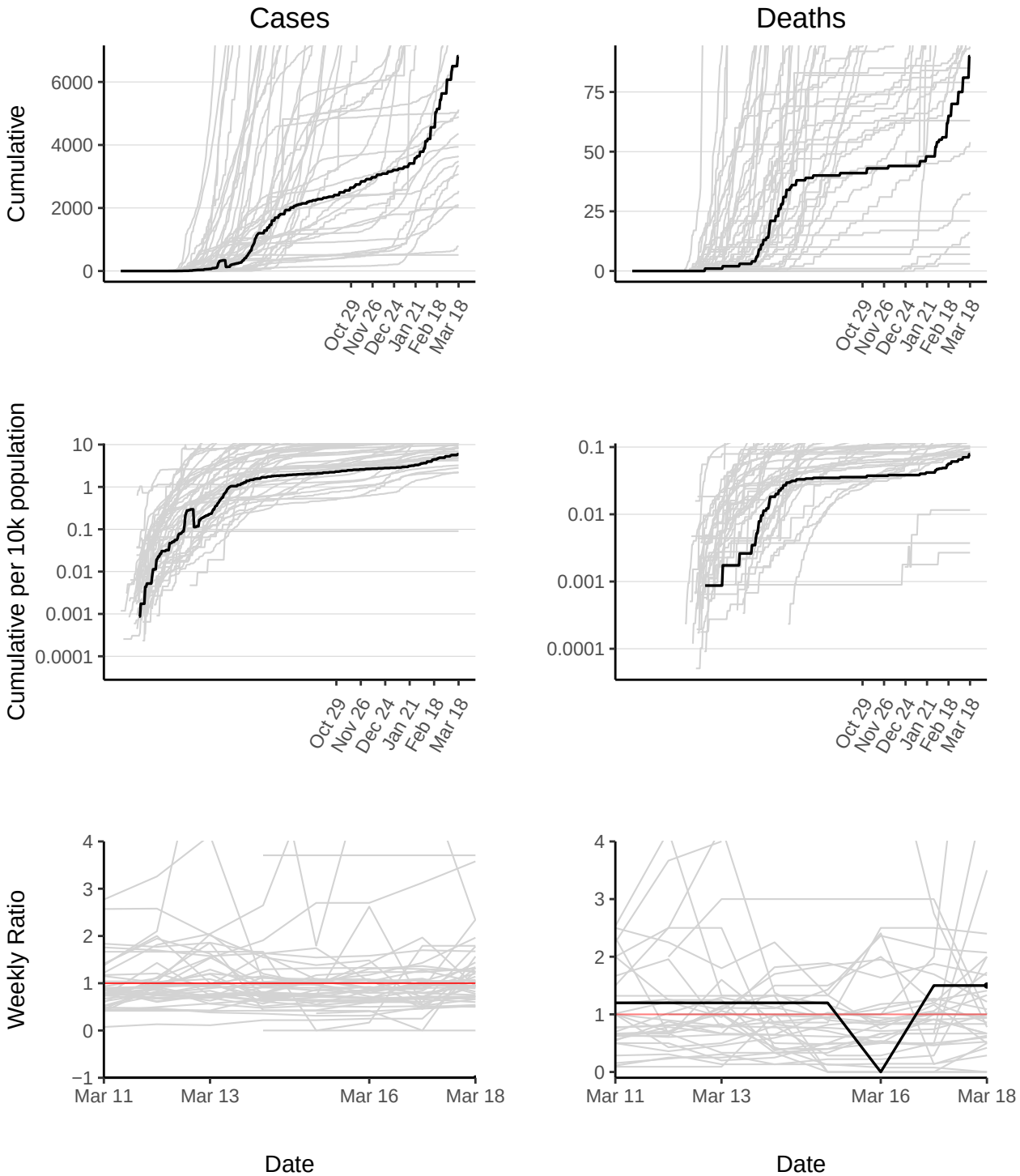
Algeria has 115688 reported case(s) (5th in the region) and 3048 reported death(s) (2nd). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 27 (15th) and 0.72 (13th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.2 (18th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1 (16th).

Angola



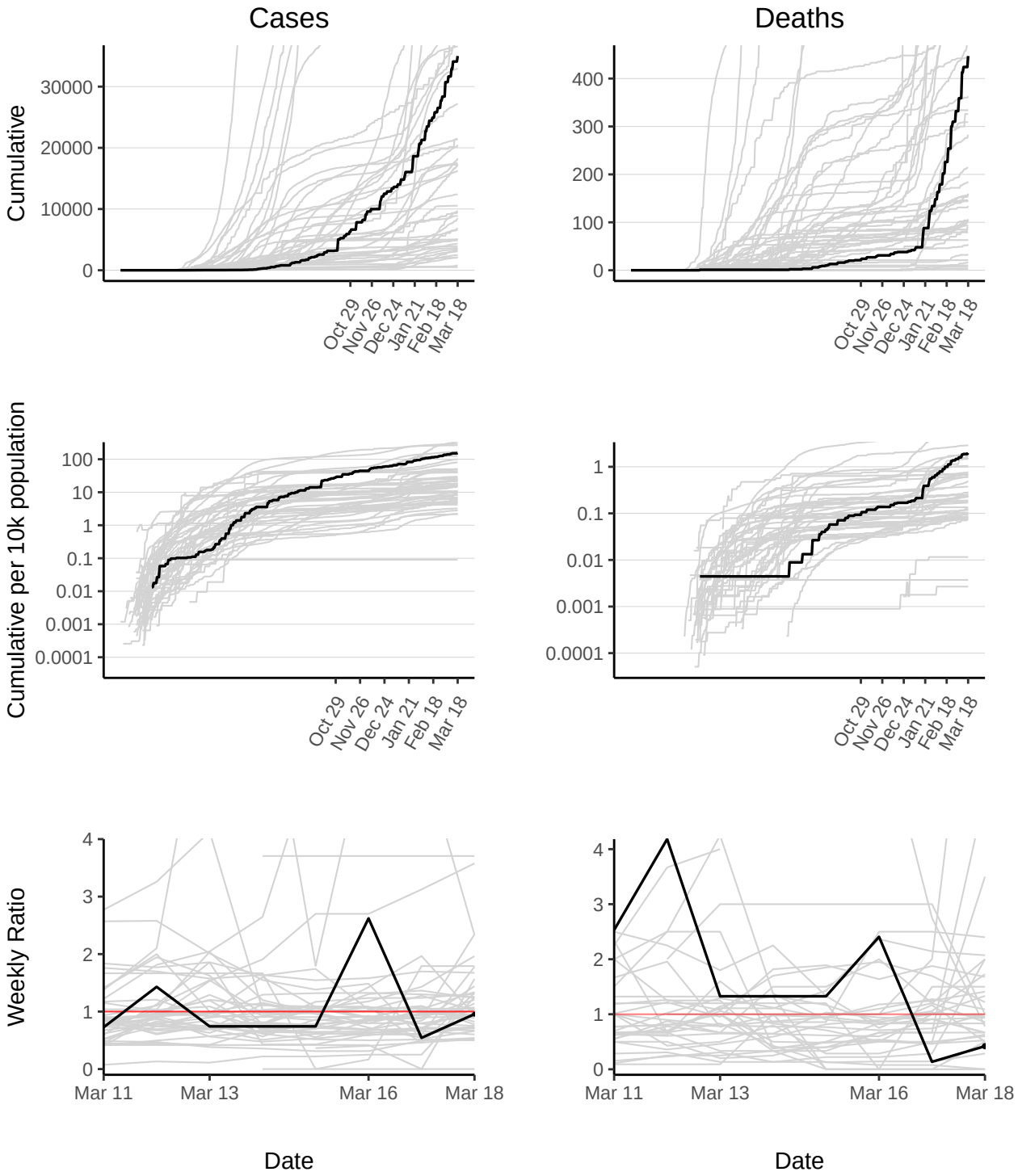
Angola has 21489 reported case(s) (18th in the region) and 522 reported death(s) (15th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 7 (35th) and 0.17 (29th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 2 (6th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1 (17th).

Benin



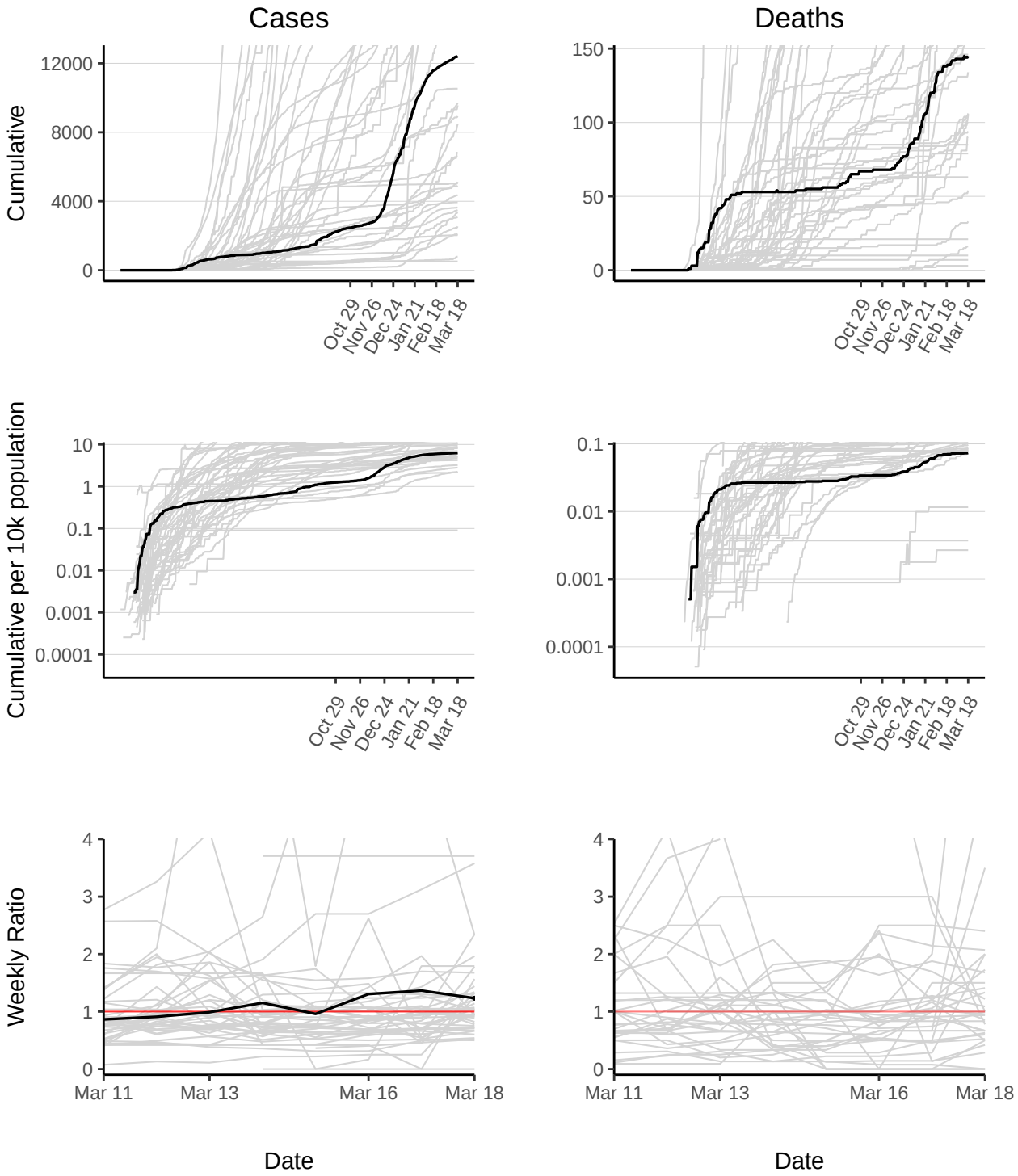
Benin has 6818 reported case(s) (32nd in the region) and 90 reported death(s) (37th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 5.9 (38th) and 0.078 (42nd) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases cannot be calculated as some cases have been redacted in one of the last 2 weeks. The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1.5 (11th).

Botswana



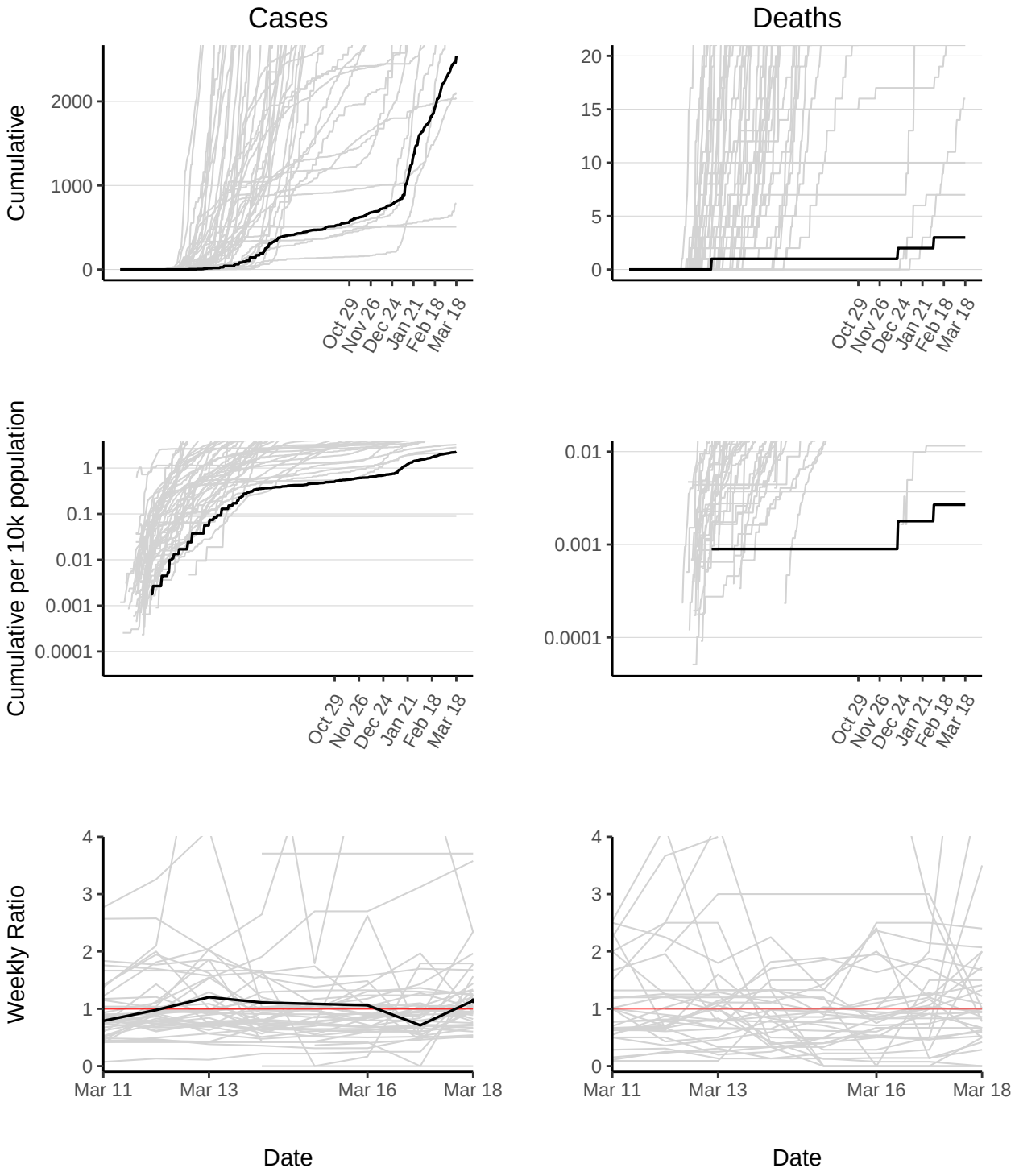
Botswana has 34999 reported case(s) (15th in the region) and 447 reported death(s) (17th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 160 (5th) and 2 (4th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.96 (26th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0.42 (32nd).

Burkina Faso



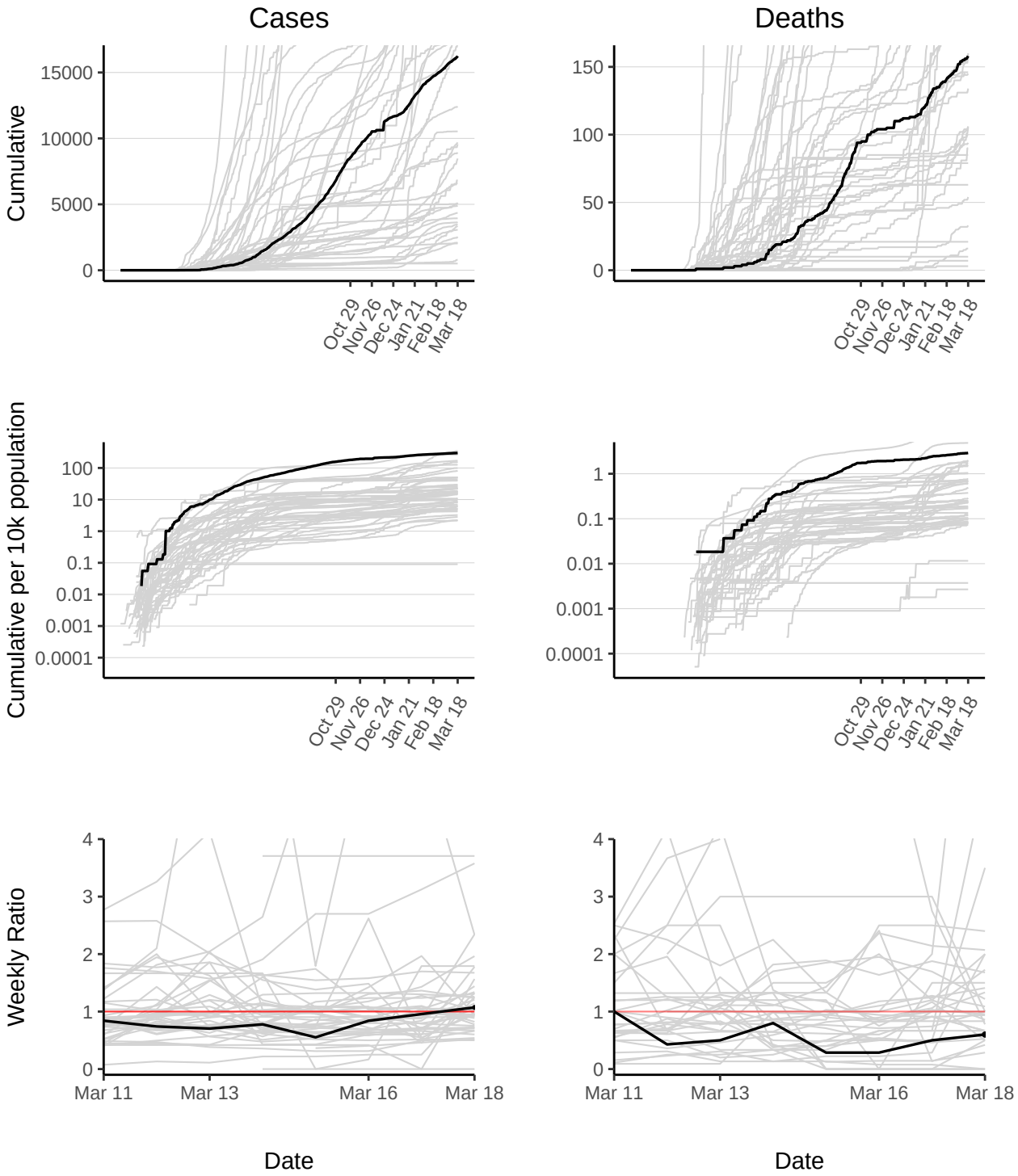
Burkina Faso has 12426 reported case(s) (26th in the region) and 145 reported death(s) (30th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 6.3 (36th) and 0.073 (44th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.2 (17th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths cannot be calculated as no new deaths have been reported in one of the last 2 weeks.

Burundi



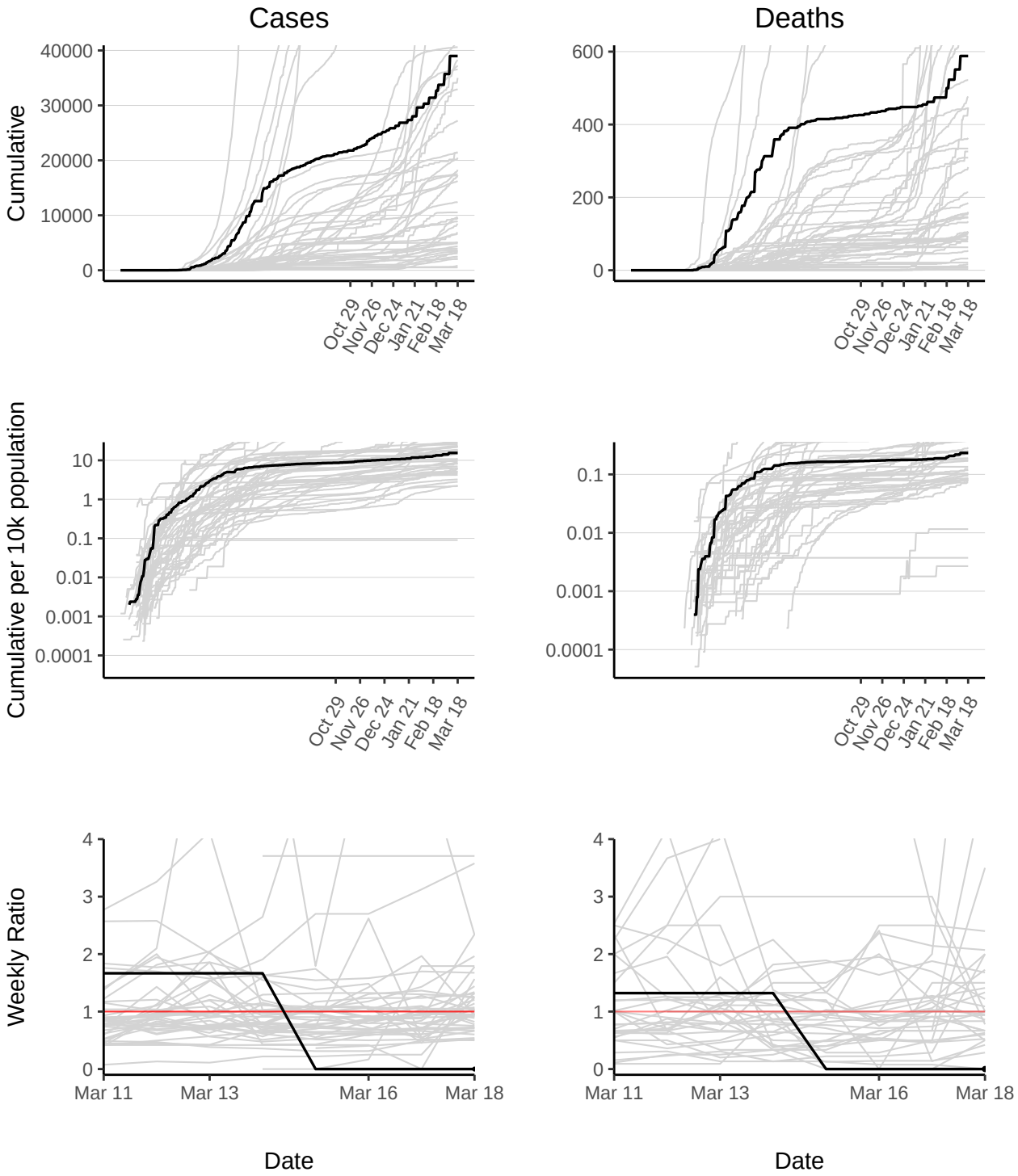
Burundi has 2542 reported case(s) (43rd in the region) and 3 reported death(s) (47th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 2.3 (45th) and 0.0027 (47th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.1 (19th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths cannot be calculated as no new deaths have been reported in one of the last 2 weeks.

Cabo Verde



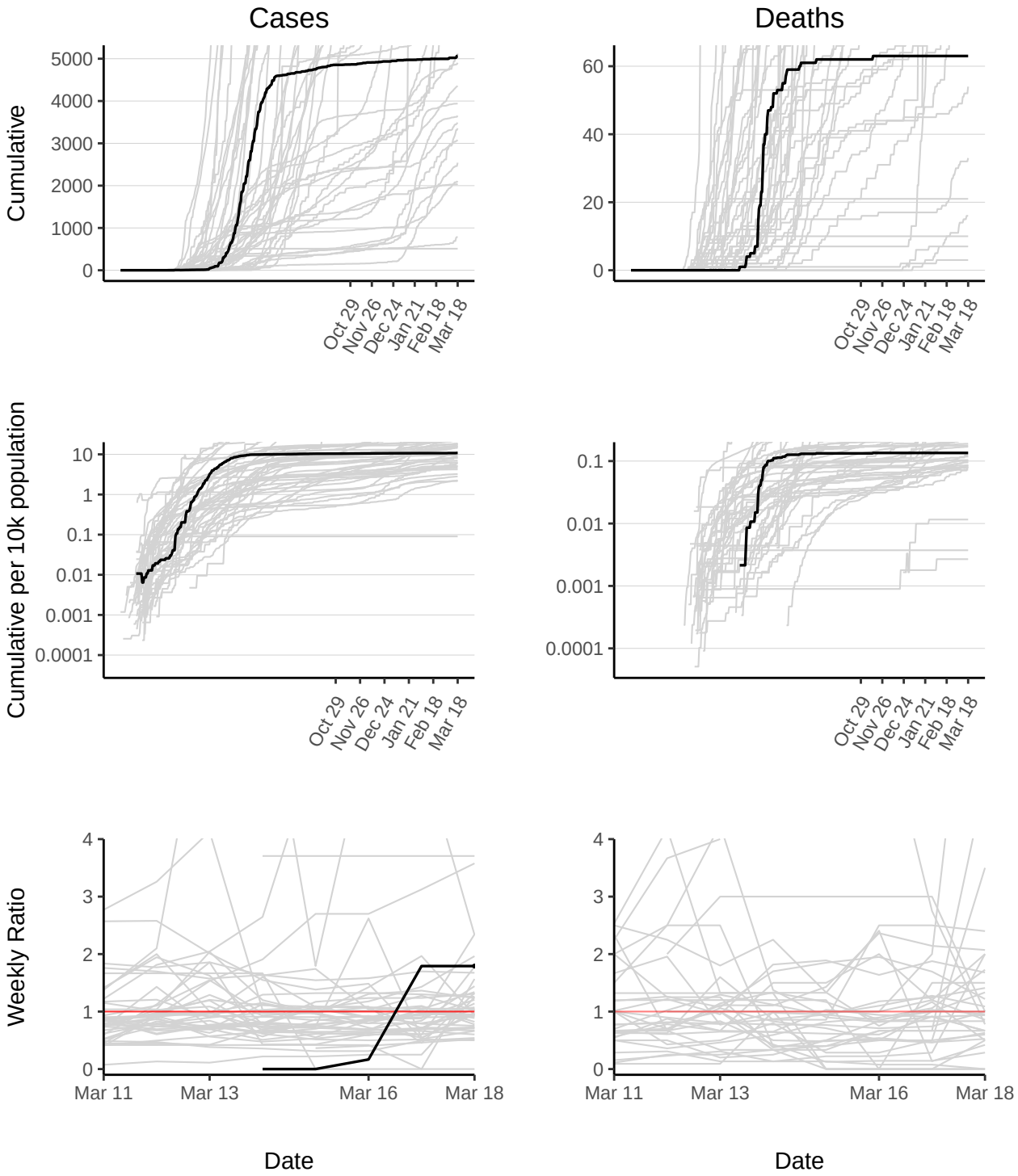
Cabo Verde has 16250 reported case(s) (25th in the region) and 158 reported death(s) (27th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 300 (2nd) and 2.9 (3rd) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.1 (20th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0.6 (28th).

Cameroon



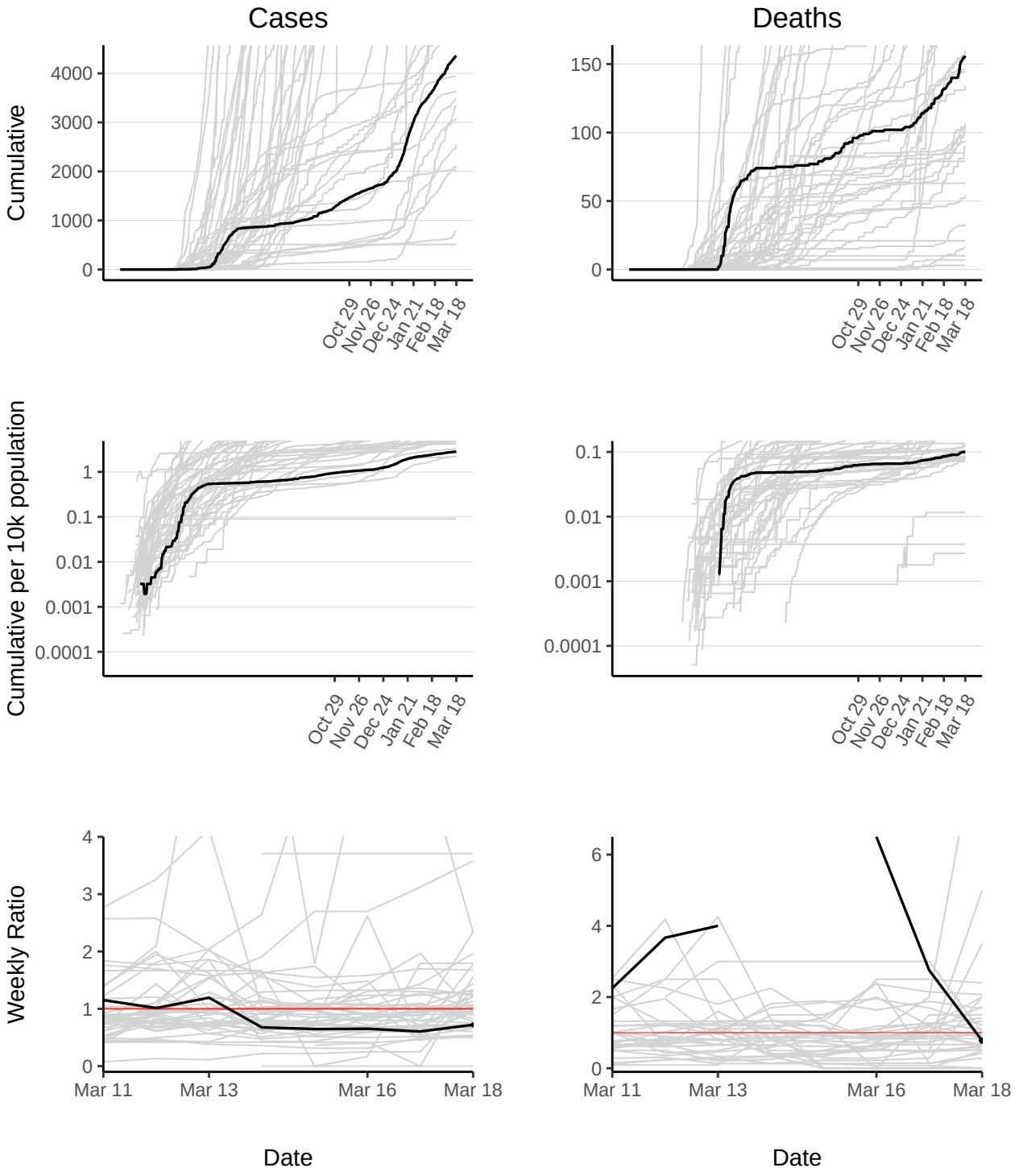
Cameroon has 38988 reported case(s) (11th in the region) and 588 reported death(s) (14th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 15 (26th) and 0.23 (25th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0 (45th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0 (34th).

Central African Republic



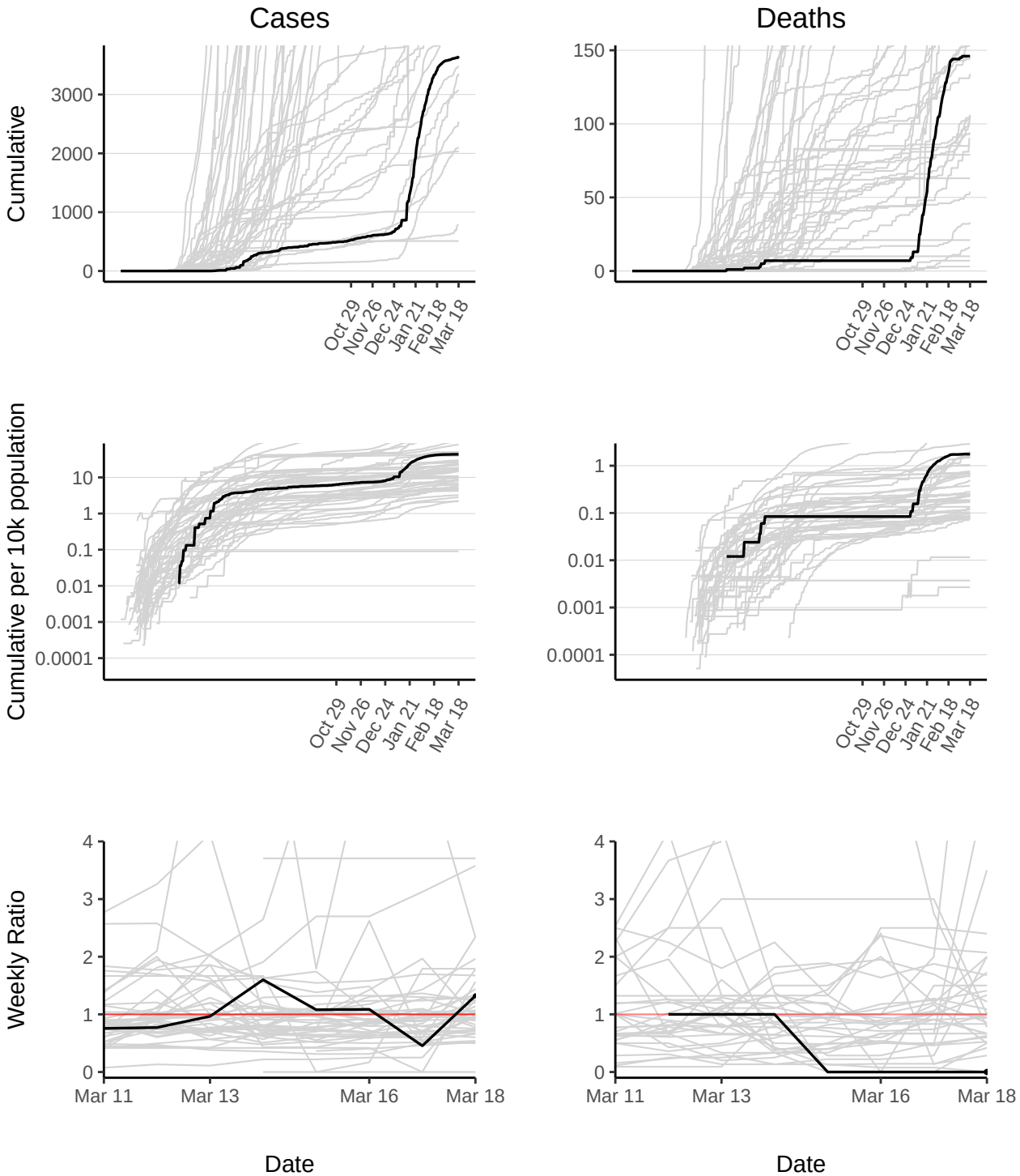
Central African Republic has 5064 reported case(s) (35th in the region) and 63 reported death(s) (40th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 11 (29th) and 0.14 (30th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.8 (7th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths cannot be calculated as no new deaths have been reported in one of the last 2 weeks.

Chad



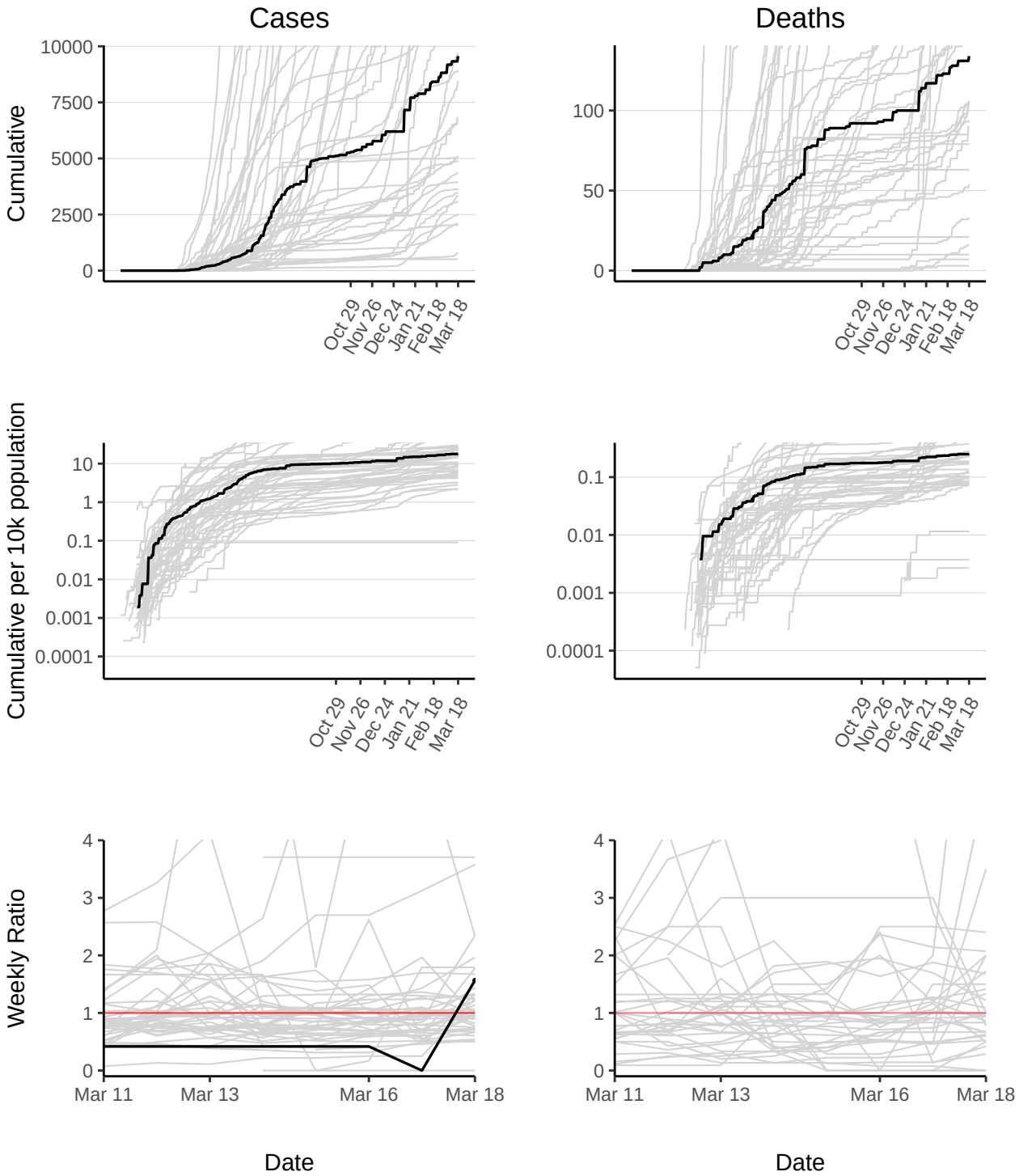
Chad has 4357 reported case(s) (37th in the region) and 156 reported death(s) (28th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 2.8 (44th) and 0.1 (35th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.72 (37th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0.78 (23rd).

Comoros



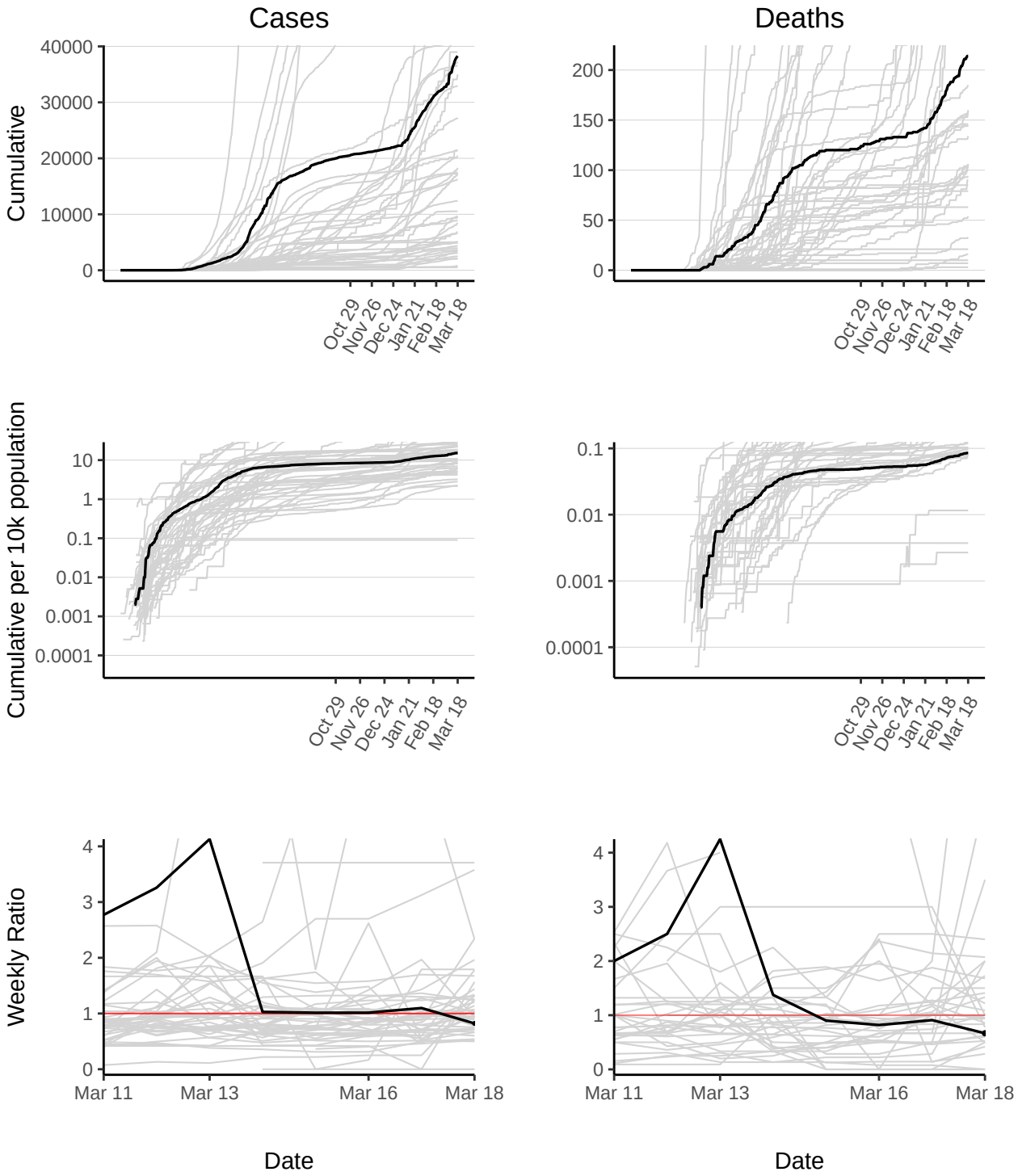
Comoros has 3652 reported case(s) (39th in the region) and 146 reported death(s) (29th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 44 (12th) and 1.8 (6th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.3 (13th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0 (35th).

Congo



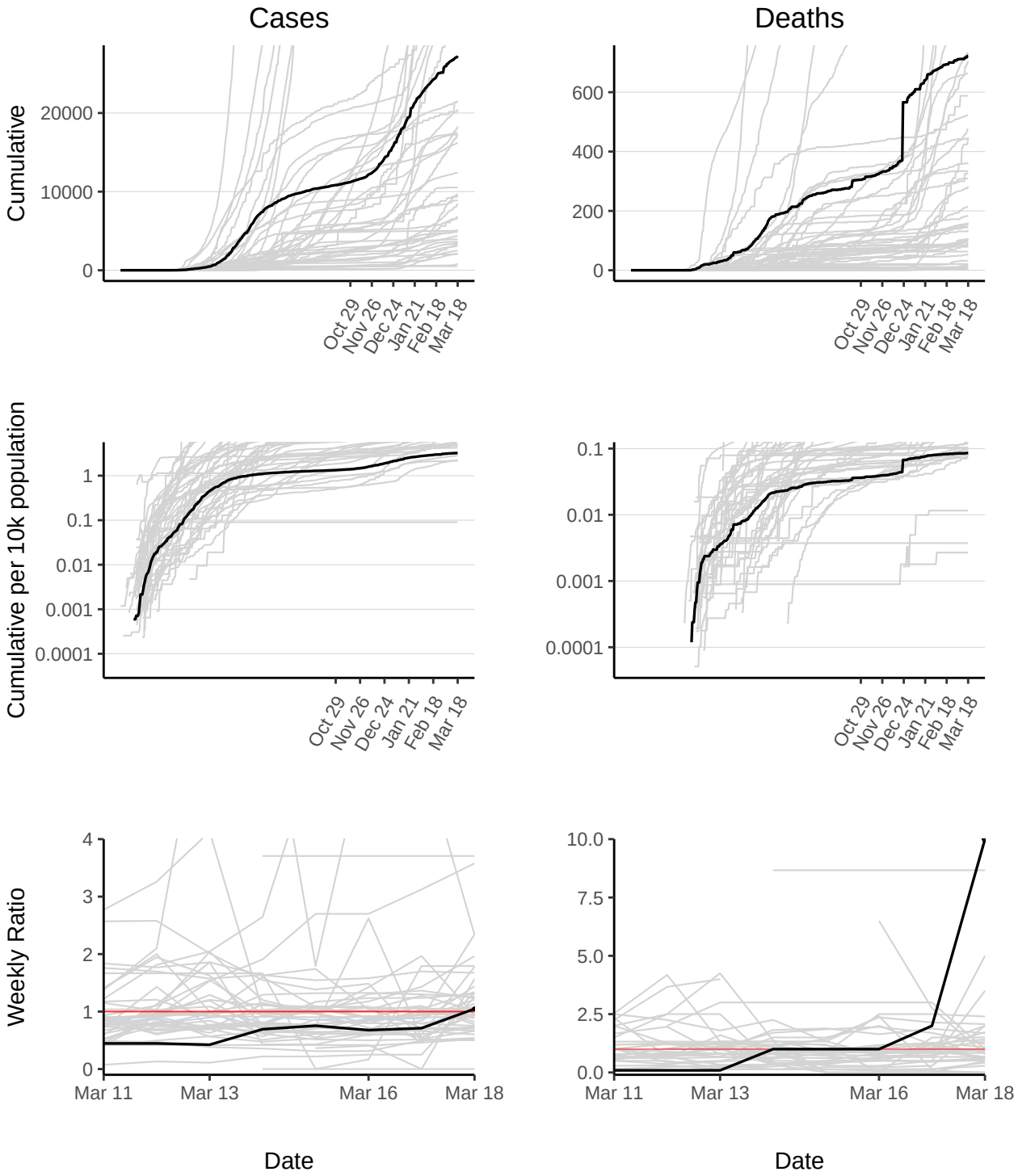
Congo has 9564 reported case(s) (29th in the region) and 134 reported death(s) (31st). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 18 (22nd) and 0.26 (21st) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.6 (10th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths cannot be calculated as no new deaths have been reported in one of the last 2 weeks.

Cote d'Ivoire



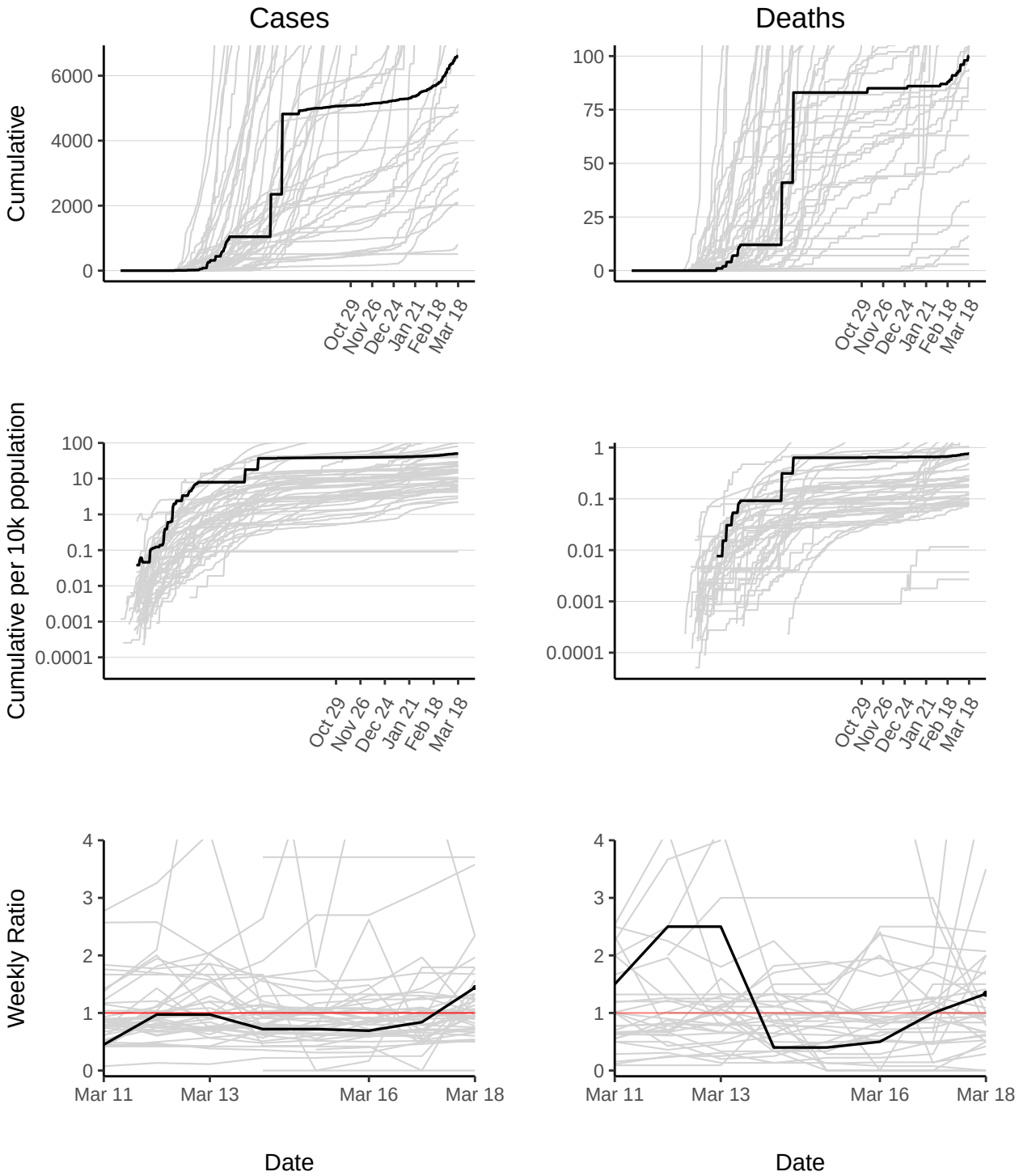
Cote d'Ivoire has 38282 reported case(s) (12th in the region) and 214 reported death(s) (24th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 15 (27th) and 0.085 (39th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.82 (33rd). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0.67 (24th).

Democratic Republic of the Congo



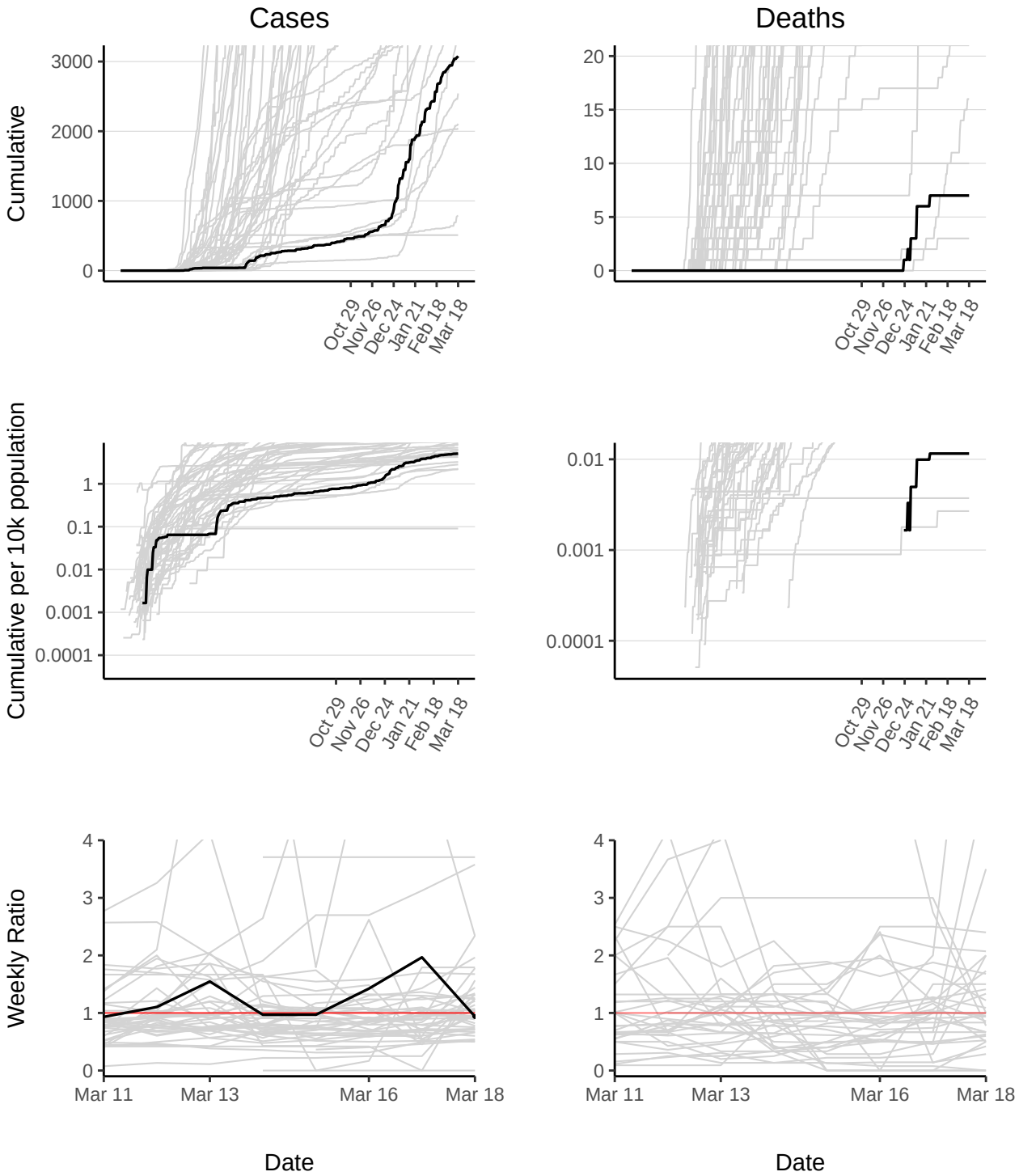
Democratic Republic of the Congo has 27251 reported case(s) (17th in the region) and 722 reported death(s) (11th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 3.2 (43rd) and 0.086 (37th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1 (22nd). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 10 (1st).

Equatorial Guinea



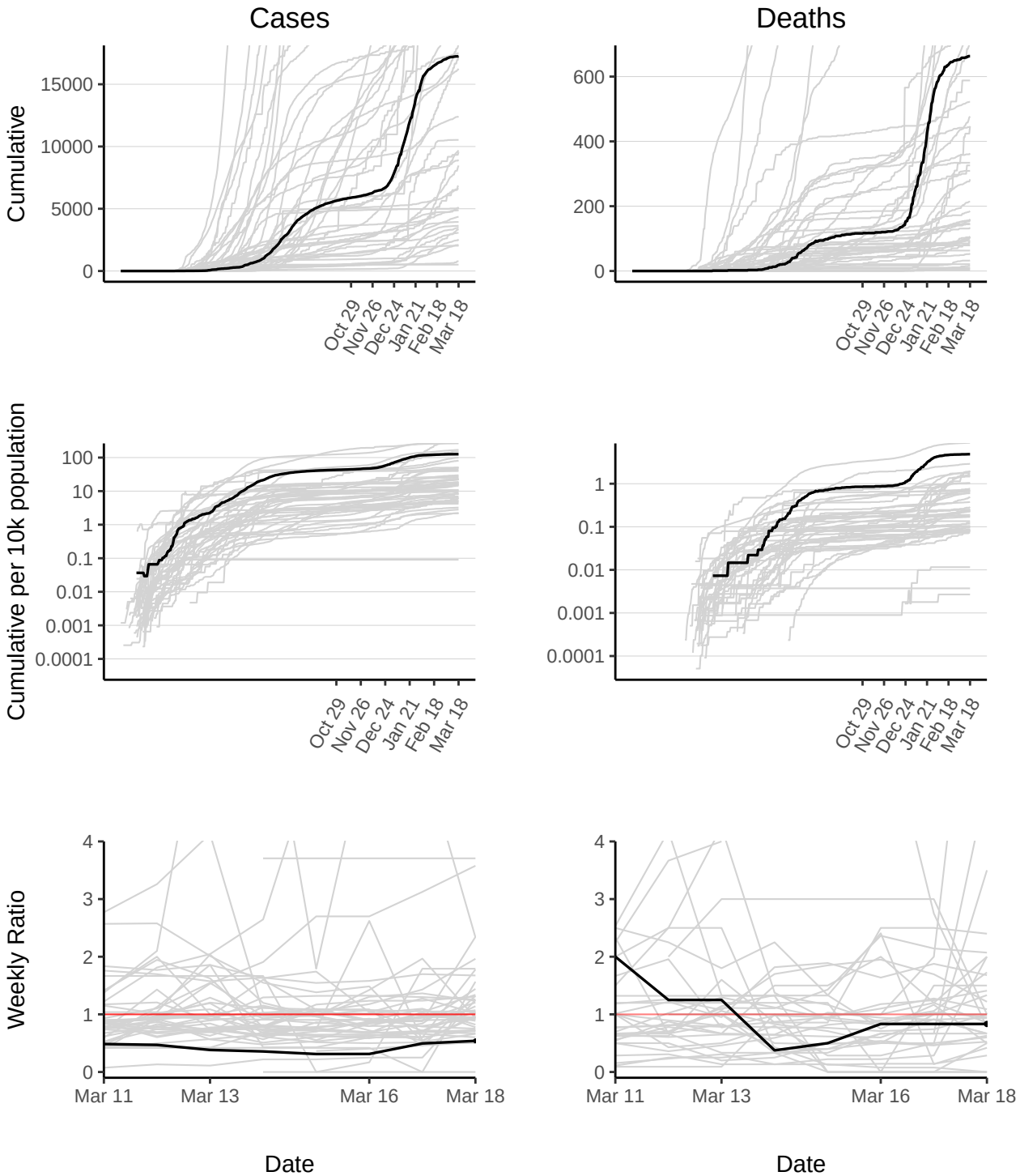
Equatorial Guinea has 6603 reported case(s) (33rd in the region) and 100 reported death(s) (35th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 50 (9th) and 0.76 (12th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.4 (11th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1.3 (13th).

Eritrea



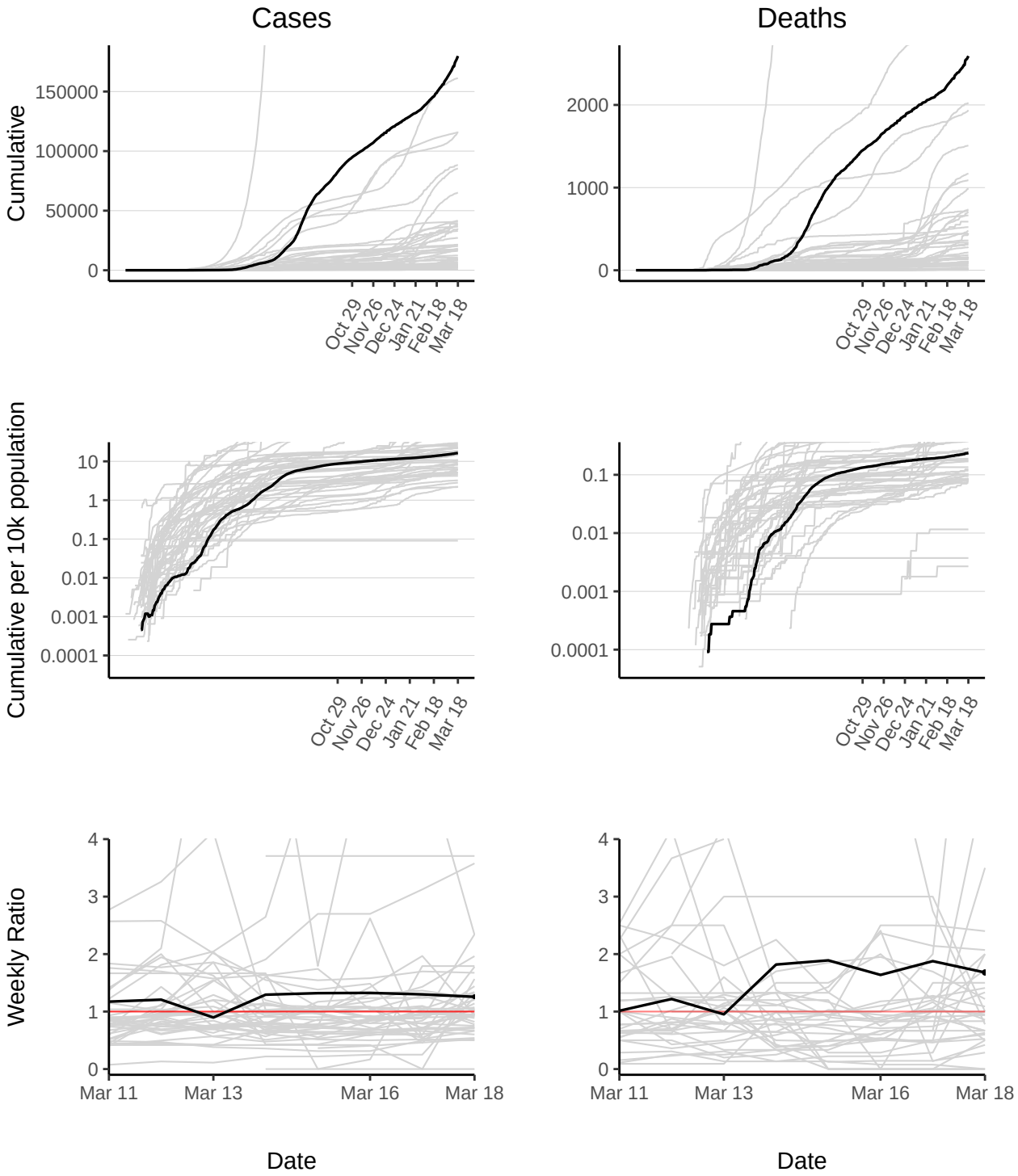
Eritrea has 3078 reported case(s) (42nd in the region) and 7 reported death(s) (46th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 5.1 (40th) and 0.012 (45th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.94 (28th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths cannot be calculated as no new deaths have been reported in one of the last 2 weeks.

Eswatini



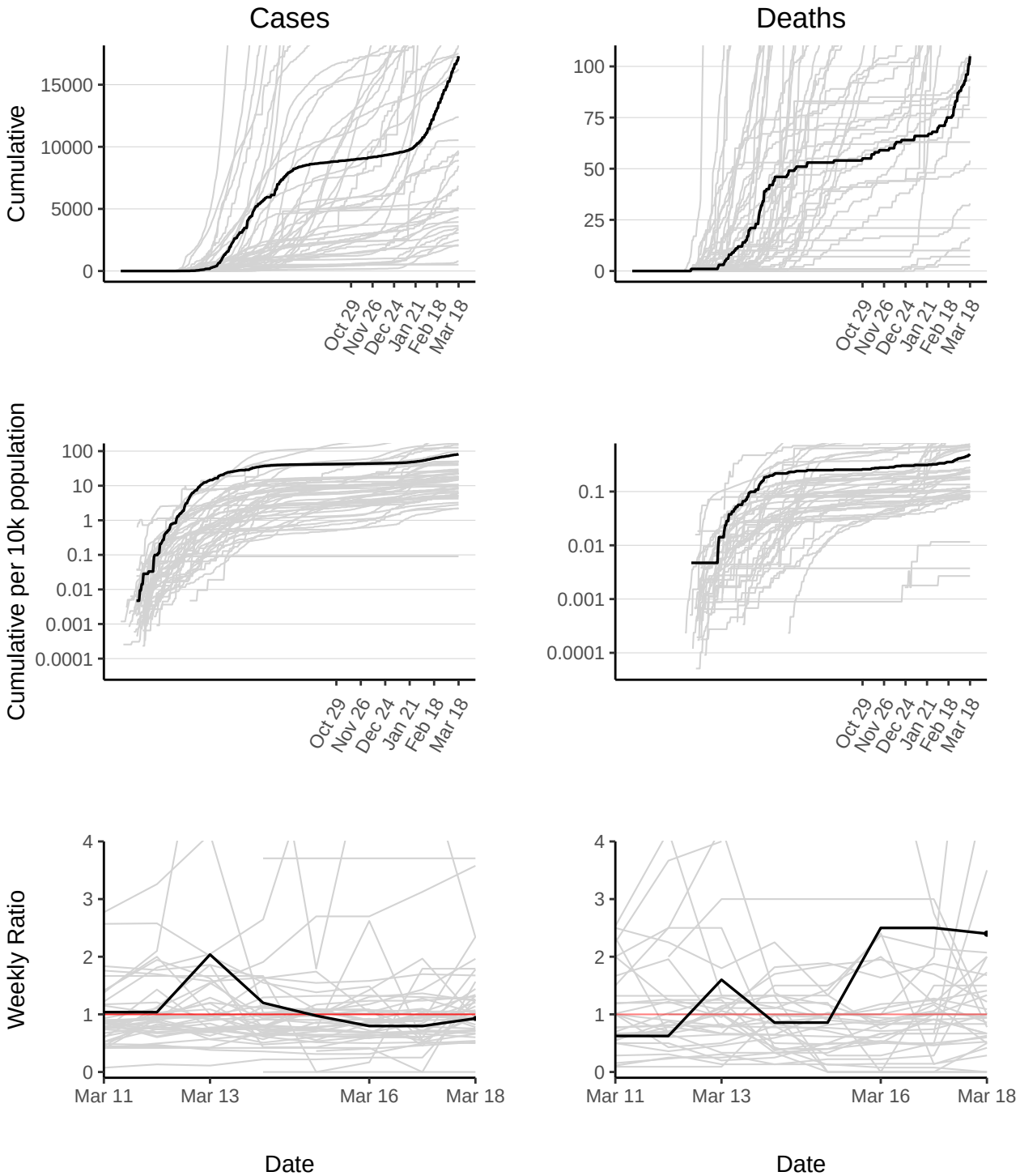
Eswatini has 17257 reported case(s) (24th in the region) and 663 reported death(s) (13th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 130 (6th) and 4.9 (2nd) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.54 (42nd). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0.83 (22nd).

Ethiopia



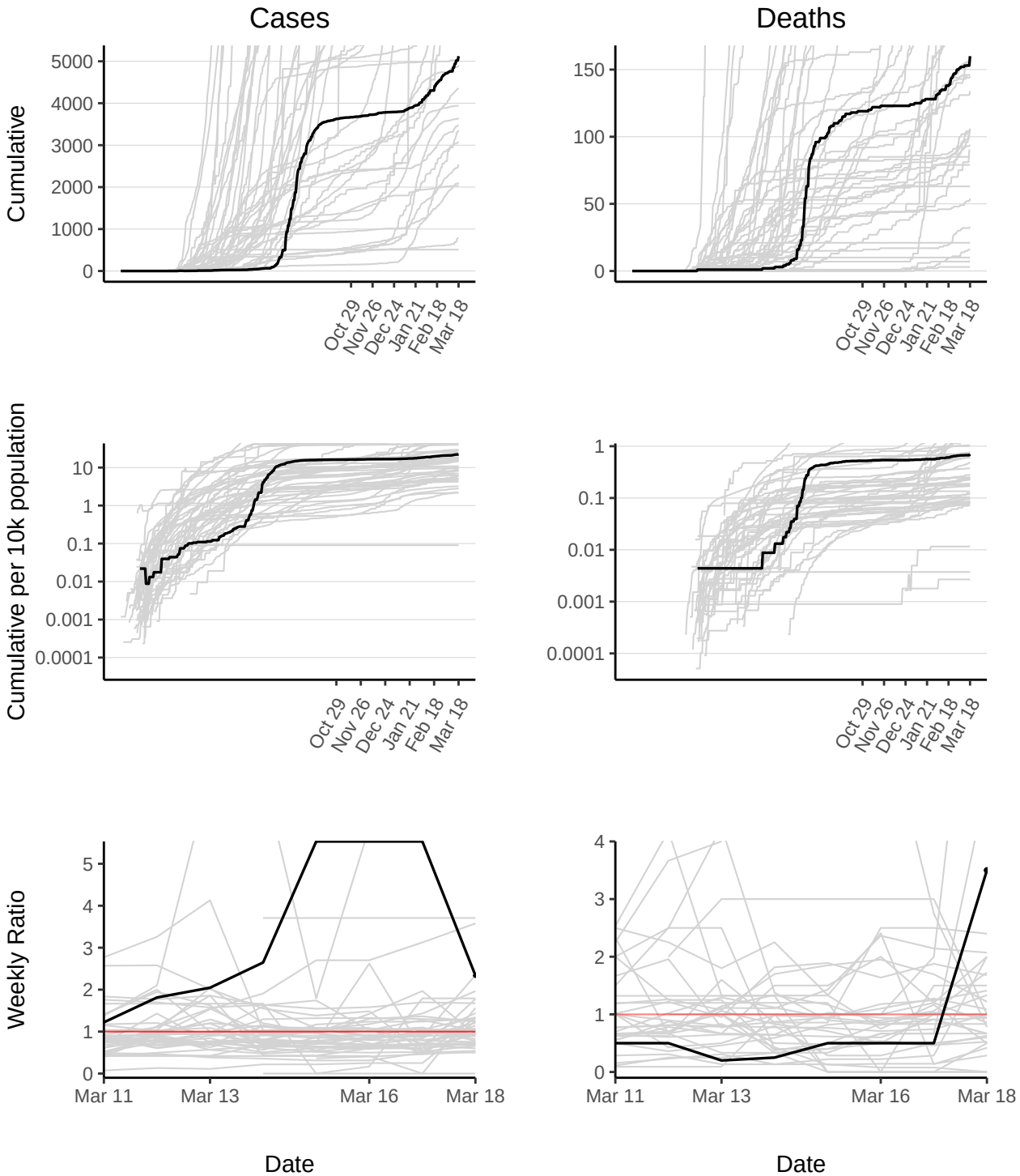
Ethiopia has 179812 reported case(s) (2nd in the region) and 2592 reported death(s) (3rd). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 16 (25th) and 0.24 (23rd) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.3 (15th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1.7 (10th).

Gabon



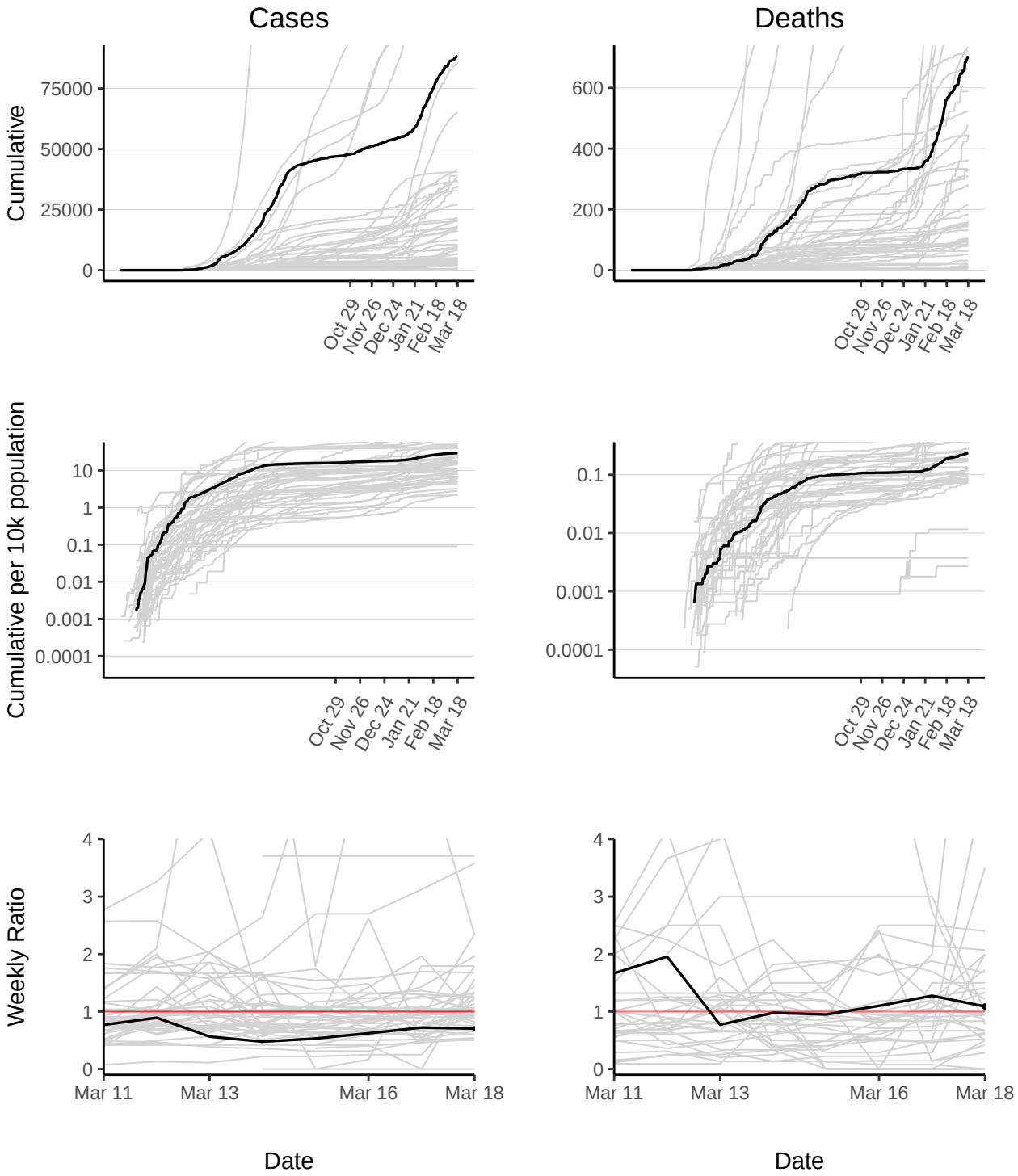
Gabon has 17297 reported case(s) (23rd in the region) and 105 reported death(s) (34th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 82 (8th) and 0.5 (18th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.93 (29th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 2.4 (5th).

Gambia



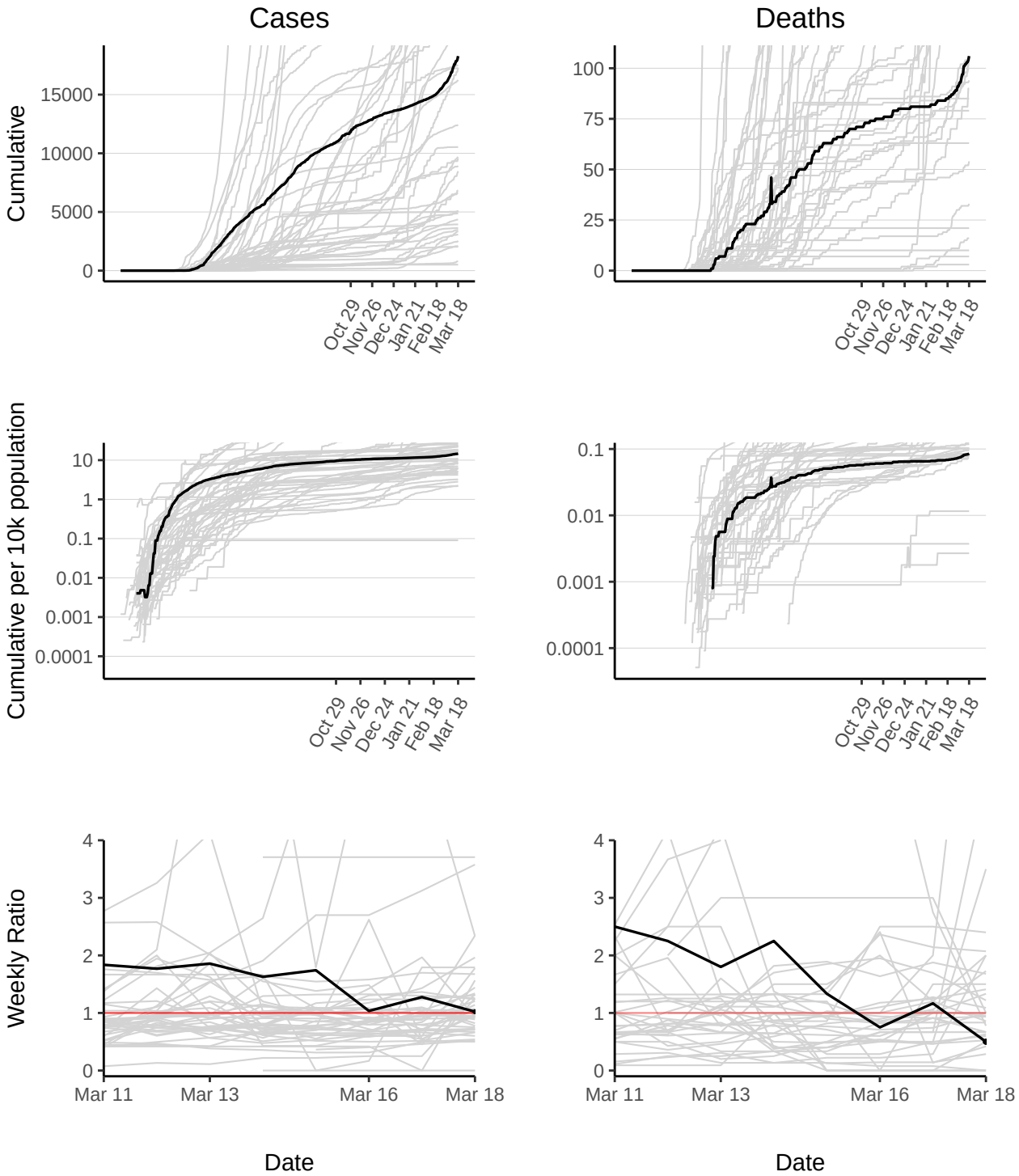
Gambia has 5122 reported case(s) (34th in the region) and 160 reported death(s) (26th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 22 (19th) and 0.7 (14th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 2.3 (5th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 3.5 (4th).

Ghana



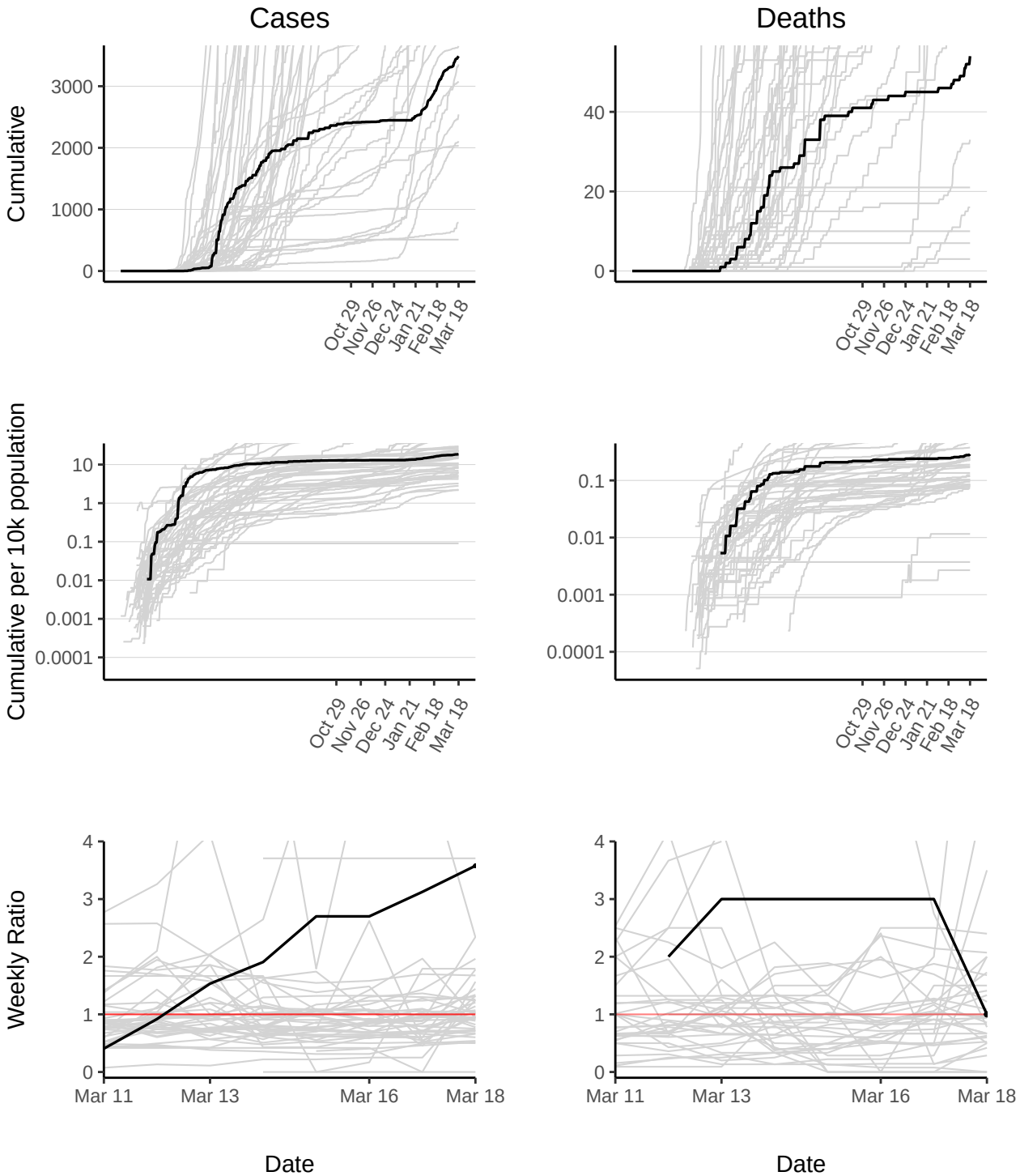
Ghana has 88421 reported case(s) (6th in the region) and 705 reported death(s) (12th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 30 (14th) and 0.24 (24th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 0.71 (38th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1.1 (15th).

Guinea



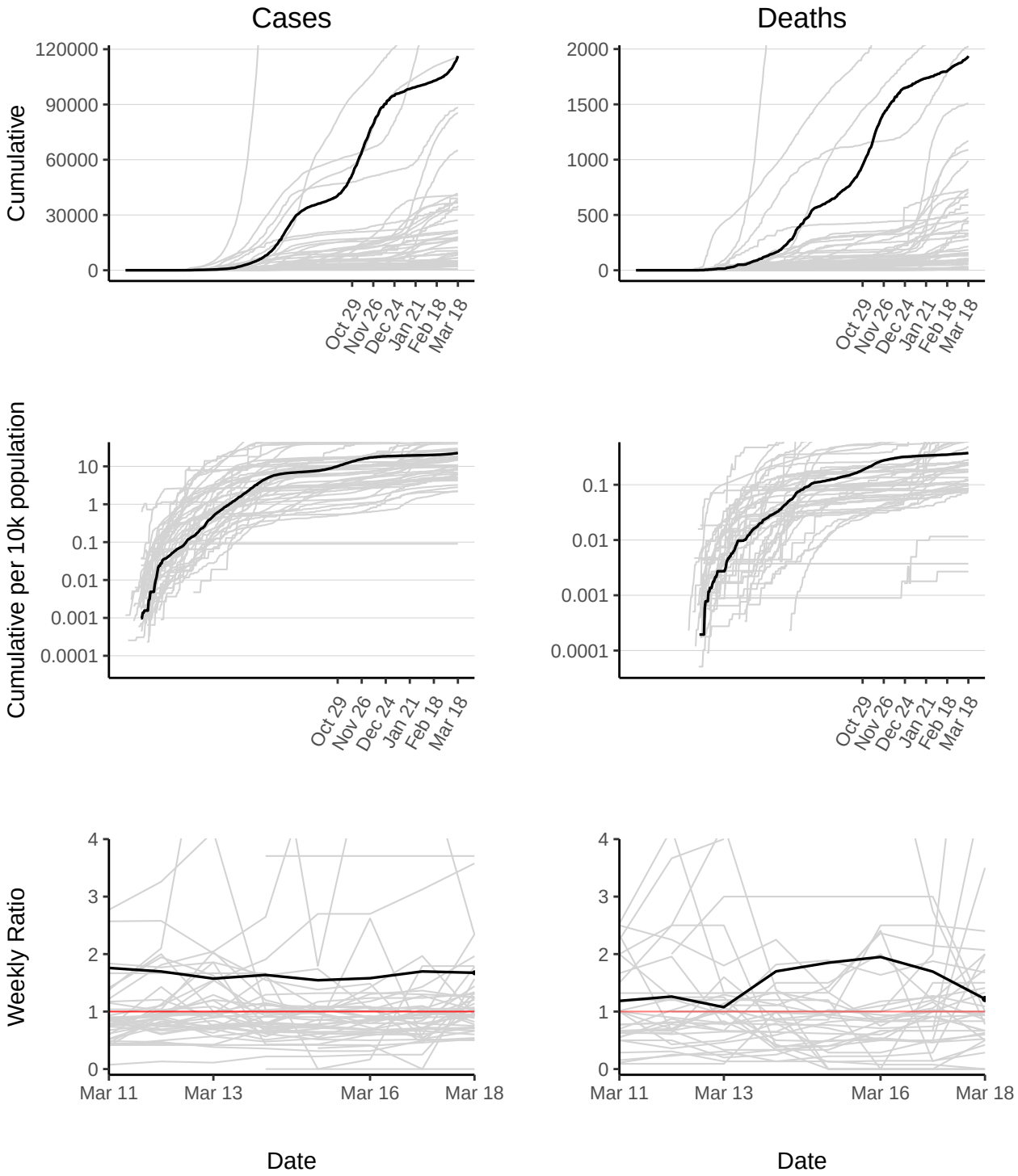
Guinea has 18285 reported case(s) (21st in the region) and 106 reported death(s) (32nd). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 15 (28th) and 0.085 (38th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1 (24th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 0.5 (30th).

Guinea-Bissau



Guinea-Bissau has 3488 reported case(s) (40th in the region) and 54 reported death(s) (41st). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 19 (21st) and 0.29 (20th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 3.6 (3rd). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1 (18th).

Kenya



Kenya has 116310 reported case(s) (4th in the region) and 1937 reported death(s) (5th). Cumulative counts per 10,000 population of reported cases and deaths are 23 (18th) and 0.38 (19th) respectively. The weekly ratio of reported cases over the last 2 weeks is 1.7 (9th). The weekly ratio of reported deaths over the last 2 weeks is 1.2 (14th).