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COVID-19 Outbreak

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Current Situation

The death toll from the COVID-19 pandemic that originated in Wuhan, China was recorded at 22,169 as of March 26, while the total number of confirmed cases has reached over 463,700 worldwide. As of March 26, the first COVID-19-related deaths have been recorded in **Armenia, Estonia, Kazakhstan, the Palestinian Territories (West Bank), and Trinidad & Tobago.**

Bolivia has declared a national health emergency, extending border closures to April 15 and tightening restrictions on movement. In the US, Washington DC has been placed under mandatory quarantine until April 24.

Bangladesh suspended flights to all countries until April 15 except the UK and China, while authorities in Shanghai, China are requiring a 14-day quarantine of travelers arriving in the city. India's Civil Aviation Authority has also extended its suspension of international commercial flights to April 14, while New Zealand announced a four-week lockdown on March 26.

Spain has extended the current State of Emergency until April 12, while Switzerland has extended the current border controls with Austria, France, Germany, Italy, and Spain to include all Schengen Area states from March 25. The UK's London City Airport (LCY) will temporarily suspend commercial and private flight operations until April 30.

On March 25, Iran's official news agency reported on the closure of government departments, with the exception of departments providing essential services, until April 5. On March 26, the Iraqi government announced the extension of an ongoing nationwide curfew until April 11. The measure includes a nationwide ban on all domestic and international flight operations at the countries' airports. The Lebanese government has extended the national emergency until April 12.

The government in Mali ordered the closure of all land borders on March 25, while Seychelles announced the suspension of all international flights effective March 27. Zambia announced that international airports in Ndola, Livingstone, Mfuwe will suspend international flights until further notice from March 26.

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Anti-Foreign Sentiment & Civil Unrest

In addition to the various government-implemented measures and health risks associated with COVID-19, a number of other risks, particularly related to civil unrest and xenophobia have arisen throughout the world.

The **Americas** have reported instances of civil unrest and violent xenophobia. For instance, thousands of inmates escaped from four prisons in Sao Paulo, Brazil after being told their temporary exits were canceled, and violent unrest was recorded in prisons throughout Colombia in response to the lack of protection for inmates from contracting COVID-19. Nurses in Mexico City, Mexico protested the shortage of supplies and protective equipment. Anti-foreign sentiment has materialized in violent incidents, particularly physical abuse towards Chinese nationals, across the USA .

Several countries and territories across **Asia** have witnessed protests, most notably Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Thailand. Such protests have been held against designated quarantine centers, perceived inadequate responses to controlling the outbreak, or to call for a ban on Chinese travelers. Online campaigns with noted anti-China sentiment have circulated in Japan, Indonesia, and Singapore, while Australia reported a spike in racism against Chinese Australians from late January. Protests were also held in Indonesia against the arrival of Chinese travelers, while multiple businesses and restaurants in the aforementioned countries, as well as South Korea and Vietnam, have denied services to Chinese nationals .

In **Europe**, when Ukrainian citizens were repatriated to Lviv and Poltava, violent unrest was recorded outside clinics and hospitals by concerned locals afraid of contracting the virus. Several instances of physical abuse towards Asian nationals have been reported across the UK. Prisoners in Italy have protested their living and health conditions amid the pandemic and Yellow Vests protests in Paris, France, which are frequently violent, continue to occur every week despite the COVID-19 gathering restrictions. Further, violent unrest has been recorded on the borders of Cyprus, as dozens of protesters attempted to break through barricades .

At the time of writing, instances of civil unrest and anti-foreign sentiments directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic in **MENA** have been scarce. In an isolated incident on March 15, an Israeli citizen of Indian descent was attacked in the city of Tiberias by two men who reportedly mistook him for being Chinese and therefore perceived him as being infected with the virus. President of Iran Hassan Rouhani stated on March 22 that Iran refused to receive assistance from the US to combat the COVID-19 outbreak, because "America is accused of creating the virus", which will serve to increase the already high anti-Western sentiment in the country.

Anti-foreign incidents have been reported in multiple countries in **Sub-Saharan Africa**. In Kenya, this has included protests against Chinese travelers, as well as violent incidents targeting Asians. Additional incidents have been reported in Ethiopia, with both verbal harassment and small-scale violence. This has grown to include harassment of people who appear to be European in Kenya as well as in Cameroon, Ivory Coast, and Senegal. This trend is likely to continue given that the vast majority of cases in Africa are imported from Europe and COVID-19 is increasingly viewed in many African countries as a disease spread by white people.

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Locations with Confirmed Cases of COVID-19:

Asia	Afghanistan, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, East Timor, Fiji, French Polynesia, Georgia, Guam, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Vietnam
Americas	Antigua & Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, French Guiana, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Martinique, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Panama, St. Barthelemy, St. Martin, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Suriname, the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Uruguay, USA, Venezuela
Europe	Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canary Islands, Croatia, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland UK, Ukraine, Vatican City
Middle East & North Africa	Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Turkey, UAE
Sub-Saharan Africa	Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, CAR, Cape Verde, Chad, Congo, Djibouti, DRC, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, eSwatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mayotte, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Reunion, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, South Africa, Sudan, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe



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Travel Advisories & Measures:

Multiple countries have issued travel advisories or taken measures in relation to the Coronavirus. New updates since the previous report have been bolded.

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AMERICAS

Country	Measures
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA  Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Antigua & Barbuda, foreign nationals traveling from or transiting through China have temporarily been banned from entering the country. Antigua & Barbuda reportedly recorded its first case of the virus as of March 14 reports. UPDATE: The British Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) issued an alert against travel to the country amid the closure of all maritime ports and flights for 14 days from March 27. Those who traveled to China, France, Germany, Iran, Italy, Japan, Singapore or South Korea within 28 days of arrival will be denied entry.
ARGENTINA  Confirmed Cases: 502 Confirmed Deaths: 8 Recovered Cases: 52	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The country's first death, as well as the first in Latin America, from COVID-19 was reported on March 7 according to health authorities. Argentina declared a health emergency on March 12 Authorities announced on March 14 that classes in all schools and universities will be suspended for two weeks nationwide from March 16 due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Foreign nationals will be banned from entering the country until March 31. Permanent residents will be allowed to enter. The British Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) issued an advisory stating the government will ban all domestic flights and long-distance buses and trains between March 19-24. President Alberto Fernandez has ordered a mandatory nationwide quarantine from March 20 at 00:00 (local time) until March 31. Only supermarkets, pharmacies, public and private hospitals, and service stations will be allowed to remain open. Controls will be tightened at checkpoints and tolls leading towards Buenos Aires as of March 23. UPDATE: Argentina reported 117 new cases on March 25, its biggest one-day leap bringing total cases to 502.


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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UPDATE: The government announced the suspensions of repatriation of Argentines stranded abroad until further notice on March 25. Retired security personnel has been deployed to enforce quarantine measures. UPDATE: 3,200 individuals have been charged nationwide for violating quarantine provisions per March 25 reports.
BAHAMAS  Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bahamas recorded its first case on 15 March. Foreign nationals will be banned from entering the Bahamas as of March 19. Nationals returning from abroad must self-quarantine for 14 days. A nationwide curfew will take effect from March 21 between 21:00-05:00 amid an ongoing state of emergency. Many non-essential businesses will be closed. Prime Minister Hubert Minnis enacted an Emergency Order on March 24, banning all visitors and incoming international flights until March 31.
BARBADOS  Confirmed Cases: 18 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government expanded its quarantine protocol to include all passengers arriving from Italy to the country as of March 7. It has also issued an advisory warning against nonessential travel to Italy as of March 7. The country confirmed its first two cases on March 17, one national and a foreign visitor, both recently arrived from the USA.
BELIZE  Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All European nationals, as well as those from China, Hong Kong, Iran, Japan, and South Korea, will be banned entry into the country. The restrictions also apply to travelers who have stayed anywhere in Europe or one of the other aforementioned countries during the last 30 days preceding their trip to Belize. Belize banned all public events of more than 100 people as of March 16. All remaining border crossings will reportedly close by March 23. The closures will be reviewed after 30 days. Belize nationals may enter through the Santa Elena border crossing, but exits from the country will not be permitted except in emergencies. Philip Goldson Airport (BZE) in Belmopan will suspend operations from March 23 after the last flight is out for the day, for 30 days. The Santa Elena border crossing remains open for Belizean nationals, residents, and diplomats as of March 23. The country's Prime Minister announced the first case of COVID-19 on March 23. The individual is a Belizean national who returned from Los Angeles, USA on March 19.
BOLIVIA  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Health Ministry announced the first two cases of COVID-19 on March 11 in the cities of Oruro and Santa Cruz. The two patients had recently been to Italy. The government declared a national emergency on March 11. Campaigning for upcoming elections will be suspended.

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<p>Confirmed Cases: 38 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interim President Jeanine Anez has announced the suspension of flights to and from Europe. The government announced the suspension of all international flights to and from the country on March 17. Additionally, all land borders will be closed to non-residents. President Jeanine Anez announced a mandatory nationwide quarantine from 00:00 on March 22 effective for 14 days. Everyone will be required to remain in their primary residence except for the purchase of essential goods, medical care, or working in essential services. All public and private transportation will be prohibited except for those purposes as well. UPDATE: The government declared a national health emergency, extending border closures to April 15 on March 25. Restrictions on movement have been tightened with only one person per household allowed to go out between 07:00 - 12:00 (local time) during weekdays. The circulation of private vehicles is also banned, with some exceptions for security and health purposes
<p>BRAZIL</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2,544 Confirmed Deaths: 60 Recovered Cases: 6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities announced on February 21 that they will quarantine any foreign visitors arriving in the country that show COVID-19 symptoms. LATAM airlines suspended flights between Sao Paulo-Guarulhos International Airport (GRU) and Milan Malpensa Airport (MXP) until April 16. Azul airlines stated it will cut 30 percent of its international flights, as per March 12 reports. The governor of Rio de Janeiro announced the closure of all schools, theatres, cinemas, and concert halls on March 13 for 15 days. Authorities announced on March 14 the banning of gatherings of over 500 individuals. Sao Paulo declared a state of emergency as on March 17. President Jair Bolsonaro defied restrictions on March 15 by partaking in a pro-government demonstration in Brasilia. Over 1,000 inmates escaped from prisons in Sao Paulo on March 16 following tensions over recently imposed restrictions. Several guards are being held hostage as of March 17. Brazil confirmed its first death from COVID-19 in Sao Paulo on March 17. President Jair Bolsonaro stated on March 17 that his second test for COVID-19 was negative. President Jair Bolsonaro announced a partial closure of the Brazilian border with Venezuela on March 17. The measure will not impact the transfer of goods. Brazil announced that it will ban citizens of the EU, China, Japan, Australia, Malaysia, and South Korea from entering the country. As of March 19, all land borders have been closed for 15 days. The State of Sao Paulo will shut down for 14 days from March 24 in an attempt to curb the spread of COVID-19. All nonessential businesses and services will be closed. Brazil has jointly closed its border with Uruguay except for returning citizens as of March 22.



CANADA



Confirmed Cases:

3,404

Confirmed Deaths: 35

Recovered Cases: 183

- Air Canada suspended flights between Toronto and Hong Kong as a result of reduced market demand from March 1-27. Air Canada has extended its suspension of flights between Canada and China, reportedly until April 10.
- Canada recorded its first death from the virus on March 9 in Vancouver, BC, in one of two cases in a care home.
- Air Canada has suspended all flights as of March 11 until May.
- Prime Minister Justin Trudeau to remain in isolation for two weeks after his wife, Sophie Trudeau, tested positive on March 12.
- Cruise ships carrying more than 500 people will not be allowed to stop in Canada at least until July 1.
- Canada announced it will ban the entrance of non-citizens on March 16, although the date of the ban's enactment is not confirmed. U.S. citizens, diplomats and "essential workers" are exempt from the restrictions.
- Calgary declared a state of emergency on March 16.
- WestJet announced the suspension of all commercial operations of international, including transborder, flights from March 22.
- Via Rail announced the suspension of Montreal to Halifax, Toronto to Vancouver, and the Jasper-Prince George-Prince Rupert services until May 1. Regional services between Senneterre-Jonquiere in Quebec and Sudbury-White River in Ontario will be reduced to one round trip per week from March 23.
- The Canada-US border will be closed to nonessential travel from 23:59 on March 20 until April 20. Trade between the two countries will not be impacted.
- **UPDATE:** First death was reported in Montreal on March 25.
- **UPDATE:** Quebec has been placed on partial lockdown prohibiting all non-essential businesses from March 25.
- **UPDATE:** Government announced mandatory self-quarantine measures for all incoming travelers from March 26

CHILE



Confirmed Cases:


1,142

Confirmed Deaths: 3





Recovered Cases: 22

- Chile confirmed its first cases of the virus on March 3 in the central city of Talca.
- LATAM Airlines has canceled 30 percent of its international flights, predominantly between Latin America and Europe and the USA, between April 1 and May 30.
- The government announced the suspension of all events with over 500 people on March 13.
- President Sebastian Pinera announced the prohibition of cruises at all Chilean ports as of 08:00 on March 15.
- President Sebastian Pinera announced the suspension of classes in Chile for two weeks on March 15.
- Health authorities declared a national yellow health alert and have reached 'phase 4' in combating COVID-19 as of March 17.
- Chile's borders closed for 15 days from March 18 by land, sea, and air to foreign nationals. This does not affect the entry and exit of cargo. Fines and prison sentences for non-compliance with quarantine measures are enforced. The Policia de Investigaciones (PDI)



	<p>announced on March 16 that it will suspend public services in its offices around the country to prevent the congregation of people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sky Airline announced the suspension of all international flights for 10 days and a 50 percent cancelation of domestic flights from March 20-31. • Any Chilean citizens returning to the country will be permitted to enter but will have to self-quarantine for 14-days, as per March 18 orders. • President Sebastian Pinera declared a 90-day state of catastrophe on March 18. A military official will oversee the measure, set to take effect on March 19. • The Minister of Health reported the first death in Chile related to COVID-19 complications on March 21 and an increase to 537 positive cases. • A curfew will be imposed on a nightly basis between 22:00-05:00 (local time) from March 22 onwards. • UPDATE: Government has placed seven communes in Santiago, including Lo Barnechea, Vitacura, Las Condes, Providencia, Nunoa, Santiago and Independencia under quarantine on March 26. Four hours for free transit will be granted for essential services.
<p>COLOMBIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 470 Confirmed Deaths: 4 Recovered Cases: 8</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities reported Colombia's first positive case of COVID-19 on March 6. The patient recently visited Milan, Italy. • Colombia declared a health emergency on March 12, banning all events with over 500 people. • President Ivan Duque announced the closure of Colombia's land, sea, and river borders for Colombian nationals and foreigners until May 30. Cargo transportation will be allowed for the entry and exit of products through authorized land points. • The Mayor of Bogota declared the state in public calamity on March 16. • The government declared a state of emergency on March 17 and announced mandatory preventive isolation for all individuals aged over 70 from March 20-31. • Individuals who do not comply with restrictions will be criminally investigated. • The US Embassy issued an alert on March 19 stating a curfew drill will be held in Bogota from 05:00 (local time) on March 20 until an unspecified time on March 23. • From March 23, international passenger flights will be suspended for 30 days and both foreign and Colombian nationals will be banned from entering the country during this time. • A "complete quarantine" has been declared nationwide from 00:00 on March 25 until 23:59 on April 13, with mandatory home confinement ordered. • The country's first death related to complications from COVID-19 was recorded on March 21. • Authorities announced on March 24 that between 4,000 and 15,000 inmates will be allowed to serve their sentences in house arrest due to the COVID-19 outbreak. • UPDATE: The government imposed 501 sanctions on those who violated quarantine provisions on March 25. 67 business establishments were closed.
COSTA RICA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costa Rica enacted health screenings for anyone entering who has been to China within 14 days.








 <p>Confirmed Cases: 201 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities confirmed the country's first case of COVID-19 on March 6. The patient is reportedly a US citizen who had direct contact with a positive COVID-19 patient in New York prior to visiting Costa Rica. • Costa Rican authorities have canceled mass events and instructed the public sector to telecommute starting March 10. • The government ordered the closure of all bars and clubs and urged theatres and restaurants to reduce their capacity by half on March 15. • The government banned all foreign citizens and non-residents from entering the country from March 19. • Costa Rica declared a state of emergency on March 16. • The government confirmed the country's first death from COVID-19 on March 18. The individual was an 87-year old who was quarantined in the city of Alajuela. • 24 new cases confirmed as of March 21, bringing the total to 113 in Costa Rica.
<p>CUBA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 57 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health authorities confirmed the country's first three positive cases of COVID-19 on March 11. • On March 16, Cuba authorized the docking of a British cruise ship with five confirmed cases on the island. • Cuba confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 18. The individual was a 61-year old Italian national. • Cuba banned the entry of all foreign tourists from March 23 for a period of 30 days. Foreign residents and citizens will be allowed to enter but will be quarantined for 14 days at a designated health institution.
<p>DOMINICA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 11 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominica has banned all travel to and from China. • The country's Health Minister announced the first case of COVID-19 on March 22. The individual is a Dominica national who recently returned from the UK. On March 23, authorities confirmed a second COVID-19 case.
<p>DOMINICAN REPUBLIC</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 392 Confirmed Deaths: 10 Recovered Cases: 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Italian individual who entered the country from Italy without any symptoms was confirmed as the first case in the country, as of March 1. • All international travel will be indefinitely suspended from 06:00 (local time) on March 19. The country's land, sea, and air borders will remain closed for 15 days. • The government ordered the suspension of all inbound commercial flights and ships, as well as the closure of schools and entertainment centers from March 19 for 15 days. Outbound flights will continue to transport foreign travelers to their home countries. • A nationwide curfew will be in place from 20:00-06:00 until April 3, with exceptions made for health workers and those requiring medical help or essential services • All public transport will be indefinitely suspended from March 21, including buses by private operators.







<p>ECUADOR</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 1,211 Confirmed Deaths: 29 Recovered Cases: 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All international arrivals to Ecuador by air will be suspended and all foreign nationals will be barred from entering the country from March 16. • President Lenin Moreno announced on March 16 that the movement of people and vehicles will be restricted throughout the country from March 24. Movement will be allowed only to buy food and medicines or to travel to hospitals and workplaces. • Ecuador declared a state of emergency on March 16, closing all public services apart from healthcare. • A nationwide curfew between 21:00-05:00 has been implemented as of March 18. • The government confirmed the country's third death from COVID-19 on March 18 in Guayaquil. • Shelters and humanitarian spaces will be open for foreigners who have not been able to leave the country and have no place to stay, per March 23. Places are also being set up for the homeless. • From March 23, restrictions have been implemented in supermarkets in Guayaquil, including children and elderly citizens will be prohibited from entering the markets. Further, the use of masks will be mandatory for both buyers and sellers. • On March 25, President Moreno announced the continuation of the nationwide curfew from 14:00 – 05:00 (local time), with no clear end date and with strict penalties for violators.
<p>EL SALVADOR</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 13 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 11, President Nayib Bukele announced a 30-day nationwide quarantine due to the COVID-19 outbreak. All foreign travelers are prohibited from entering El Salvador for 21 days. This will not apply for nationals, permanent residents, or diplomats, who can enter but will be subject to 30-days in quarantine. • President Nayib Bukele ordered the army to imprison foreign nationals attempting to enter the country on March 13. • El Salvador International Airport (SAL) will be indefinitely closed as of March 16. • The government announced the suspension of deportation flights of Salvadorian nationals from Mexico and the USA until further notice on March 18. • El Salvador confirmed its first case of COVID-19 on March 18 in an individual who had recently returned from Italy. • President Nayib Bukele ordered a 30-day nationwide quarantine on March 21. Individuals will be required to remain in their primary residence except for the purchase of essential goods or working in essential services.
<p>GRENADA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 1 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From March 18, foreign nationals who have been in the following countries within 14 days of arrival will not be permitted entry into Grenada: China, France, Germany, Iran, Italy, South Korea, Spain, and the UK. • Authorities announced the first case of COVID-19 on March 22. The individual is a Grenadian national who recently returned from the UK. • The British Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) announced the closure of all airports in Grenada for commercial flights on March 23 with some flights still available to the UK.



<p>FRENCH GUIANA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 28 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> French Guiana confirmed its first five cases of COVID-19 on March 4. The five infected had recently returned from France after attending a religious gathering in February. UPDATE: Travel prohibitions have been introduced between 17:00 - 05:00 (local time) from March 25.
<p>GUADELOUPE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 73 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities confirmed the first death on the island from COVID-19 on March 20.
<p>GUATEMALA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 24 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guatemala confirmed its first case of the virus on March 13. The government has declared a state of emergency due to COVID-19 on March 15. Guatemala confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 15 in an individual who returned from Madrid, Spain on March 6. The government banned all foreign entrants other than permanent residents from March 17. Guatemalan citizens and accredited diplomats will be allowed to enter the country by land but will be subject to mandatory quarantine for 14 days. President Alejandro Giammattei announced a curfew from March 21 in effect from 16:00-04:00 for one week. All nonessential businesses will close while essential businesses including grocery stores, pharmacies, and gas stations will remain open. Lawmakers voted on March 24 to extend the State of Emergency for another 30 days.
<p>GUYANA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 11, Guyana reported its first case of COVID-19 in a woman who also died. She reportedly visited the USA. Guyana suspended all international flights from March 18 for two weeks from the Cheddi Jagan International Airport (GEO) in Timehri and Eugene F. Correia International Airport (OGL) in Ogle. Outbound flights for cargo deliveries, medivac, fuel stops, and special authorized flights will continue to operate.
<p>HAITI</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Haiti declared a State of Emergency (SoE) on March 19 and closed its borders. A curfew will be imposed from March 20 between 20:00-05:00 (local time).



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<p>Confirmed Cases: 8 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	
<p>HONDURAS</p>  <p>Confirmed cases: 52 Confirmed deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honduras declared a state of emergency for seven days on March 16. The decree suspends work in the public and private sectors, bans the holding of all events, including religious celebration, and suspends transport services. Outdoor travel is only allowed in case of buying essential goods, emergencies, and those traveling to work in "essential" sectors. The closure of all land, air, and sea borders has been extended until March 29. Foreign nationals wishing to leave may do so with authorization. Essential services will be permitted to make deliveries throughout this period.
<p>JAMAICA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 26 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ministry of Health confirmed the first case of COVID-19 as of March 11 in Kingston. The patient is a Jamaican resident who had recently traveled to the UK. Jamaica declared the island a disaster area on March 13. Jamaica confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 18. Authorities announced that all incoming international flights will be suspended for two weeks from 11:59 on March 21. Departing flights will be permitted to operate. All Jamaican seaports have been closed to incoming passenger traffic as of March 22 for 14 days. UPDATE: The government announced that quarantine will be lifted from Bull Bay, Seven Miles, Eight Miles communities in St Andrew on March 28
<p>MARTINIQUE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 66 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Consulate General of Haiti in Martinique will remain closed as of March 17.
<p>MEXICO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 475 Confirmed Deaths: 6 Recovered Cases: 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride-hailing application Uber has reportedly suspended over 200 accounts in Mexico from February 1 due to concerns of drivers having come into contact with the virus. Authorities announced on March 15 the suspension of school and university classes nationwide between March 23 and April 17. The US Embassy in Mexico announced the suspension of visa services from March 18. Consulates will continue to provide essential consular services to US citizens as well as emergency visas. Mexico confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 18. A second death was reported in Durango. Aeromexico announced a 40 percent reduction in its scheduled flights to Europe, with domestic flights also being impacted, per March 19 reports.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interjet will indefinitely suspend all international flights from March 24. Domestic routes continue to operate. • Nonessential travel via the US-Mexico border will be restricted from March 21 for 30 days. Individuals crossing the border for work, medical appointments, or to pursue education will not be affected. Lawful trade and commerce will not be impacted. • On March 24, health officials announced the suspension of all public and private gatherings for a month. • Immigration authorities temporarily halted the processing of asylum applications on March 24, in order to limit the spread of COVID-19, with plans to resume April 20. • UPDATE: The government announced that it will suspend all nonessential activities from March 26. • UPDATE: The government declared a temporary health emergency in Sonora with restrictions on travel and business on March 25.
NICARAGUA  Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nicaragua confirmed its first case of COVID-19 on March 18 in a 40-year old Nicaraguan national who is likely to have contracted the virus in Panama. • Airlines are indefinitely suspending flights to and from Managua over the coming days. Spirit Airlines will suspend flights from March 24, American Airlines from March 27, and United Airlines from April 1.
PANAMA  Confirmed Cases: 558 Confirmed Deaths: 8 Recovered Cases: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities reported the country's first case of COVID-19 as per March 10 reports. The patient reportedly returned from Madrid, Spain. • Health authorities confirmed the first death from COVID-19 on March 10. • The government announced on March 15 that only Panamanians and foreign residents would be allowed to enter Panama starting 23:59 on March 16. • As of March 19, a curfew will be in place between 21:00-05:00 (local time) each night, except for emergency personnel. • All commercial international flights to and from Panama will be suspended from March 22 at 23:59 for 30 days. However, cargo, humanitarian, and domestic flights will remain operational. • A curfew will be imposed on a nightly basis between 17:00-05:00 (local time) from March 24 onwards. • The ongoing nationwide curfew has been extended to a 24-hour measure beginning March 25 with some exceptions but no specified end date. • UPDATE: Panama reported 115 new cases in its highest number yet in one day on March 25. • UPDATE: The government suspended all domestic travel on March 25.



PARAGUAY



Confirmed Cases: 41
Confirmed Deaths: 3
Recovered Cases: 0

- On March 7, authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Paraguay.
- Authorities announced on March 14 that all of the country's border crossings will be shut down until further notice. The measure reportedly affects individuals but not goods. Paraguayan nationals, residents, and accredited diplomatic personnel will be permitted to enter the country, however, they will be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for 14 days.
- Paraguay announced its first death from the COVID-19 virus on March 20.
- All international flights to and from the country will be suspended from 23:59 on March 22, for 30 days. Domestic and cargo flights will operate as normal.
- As of March 21, the government has banned all nonessential movement nationwide. Exemptions are made for essential services and activities, including seeking healthcare or obtaining supplies. This is expected to continue until at least March 28
- **UPDATE:** US Embassy in Asuncion issued a health alert regarding border closures in the country from March 25-29, with exceptions to cargo.

PERU



Confirmed Cases: 480
Confirmed Deaths: 9
Recovered Cases: 1

- The government declared a health emergency on March 11, a measure that will last 90 days.
- President Martin Vizcarra decreed a state of emergency on March 15, including the closure of all its borders and suspension of movement within the country.
- The armed forces and the police have been deployed across the country to ensure compliance with imposed restrictions.
- The government ordered a generalized quarantine from March 16, suspending activities of both private and public workers.
- Roads leading to Lima and Jorge Chavez International Airport (LIM) will be closed until March 31.
- Authorities announced that as of March 18, a nightly curfew will be in place between 20:00-05:00 (local time).
- Jorge Chavez International Airport (LIM) serving the capital city of Lima will remain closed for the entire quarantine period.
- Peru confirms the first death in the country on March 19. The patient was a 78-year old individual, who suffered from hypertension. Further, two new deaths were reported within 24 hours from the first death. The patients suffered from asthma and hypertension.
- On March 20, President Vizcarra dismissed the Minister of Health over the department's response to the COVID-19 crisis.
- **UPDATE:** More than 18,000 people have been arrested for violating quarantine rules, per March 25 reports.

SAINT LUCIA








Confirmed Cases: 3
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 0

- The Department of Health and Wellness increased its travel restrictions on foreign nationals who, within 14 days, traveled to China, Hong Kong, Italy, Singapore, and South Korea both in-transit and originating. Any national that returns from these countries will be quarantined for 14 days.
- Authorities confirmed the island's first two confirmed COVID-19 cases on March 14.
- Authorities have banned all gatherings of more than 10 people from 18:00 (local time) on March 20.

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<p>SAINT VINCENT & THE GRENADINES</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 1 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities confirmed the island's first confirmed COVID-19 case on March 12. • From March 23, travelers from China, the UK, USA, and countries of the European Union will be required to quarantine for 14 days upon entering. Individuals may be denied entry if they exhibit symptoms of COVID-19.
<p>ST. BARTHELEMY</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of March 10, the official number of confirmed cases remained at three, with the other previously suspected cases dismissed.
<p>ST KITTS & NEVIS</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATE: The British Foreign Commonwealth Office (FCO) updated its travel advisory regarding border closures in the country to all passengers, including local nationals, residents and foreign nationals until April 7 on March 25.
<p>ST MARTIN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 11 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Prime Minister confirmed the island's first two confirmed COVID-19 cases on March 1. • The Consulate General of Haiti in St Martin will remain closed as of March 16. • The government implemented restrictions on all nonessential movement on March 25 effective through March 31. • UPDATE: Individuals who have traveled to China, Hong Kong, Iran, Italy, Japan, Korea, Macau or Singapore within 14 days prior to arrival will be denied entry into the country as per March 26 reports.
<p>SURINAME</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 8 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suriname confirmed its first case of COVID-19 on March 13 in an individual who had recently traveled to the Netherlands.



<p>TRINIDAD & TOBAGO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 60 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trinidad & Tobago confirmed its first case on March 12, with the infected individual being a 52-year old who flew in from Switzerland. The government has barred all foreign entry, although individuals may be permitted to leave Trinidad and Tobago, per March 22 reports. UPDATE: The government reported the first COVID-19 death on March 25. The victim was an elderly male with pre-existing medical conditions.
<p>URUGUAY</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 217 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uruguay confirmed its first four cases of COVID-19 on March 13. Cruise ships will be banned from docking in Uruguay. Authorities announced on March 15 that classes in schools and universities will be suspended for two weeks nationwide from March 16 due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Uruguay will ban all flights from Europe as of March 20. The government announced the total closure of the country's border with Argentina on March 16. The government confirmed a total of 29 cases of COVID-19 in the country on March 16, with most cases concentrated in Montevideo. Uruguay has jointly closed its border with Brazil except for returning citizens as of March 22. UPDATE: The government closed its borders to foreigners, except residents or citizens of Mercosur countries in transit to their places of origin on March 25. Prohibitions have also been placed on citizens leaving the country for tourism.
<p>USA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 68,594 Confirmed Deaths: 1,036 Recovered Cases: 428</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> United Airlines extended its suspension of flights between the USA and China and Hong Kong until April 23. American Airlines canceled flights to and from South Korea until April 24. Foreign nationals who have traveled in the Schengen Area, as well as China, Ireland, Iran, and the UK within 14 days of their arrival in the USA will not be allowed entry. US citizens who have undergone the appropriate screenings are excluded from the new measure. All Congressional buildings in Washington, DC will be closed to the public until April 1. The government announced on March 12 that workers will be granted 14 days of paid sick leave and up to three months of paid family and medical leave. Free coronavirus testing will be guaranteed to all citizens. President Donald Trump declared a national emergency on March 13, releasing public funding for state and local authorities to use in the health response to the virus. The government announced the suspension of cruises for 30 days from March 14. Delta Airlines announced the suspension of all flights to continental Europe for 30 days from March 13. American Airlines announced on March 14 that it plans to cut 75% of its international flights between March 16 and May 6. Washington, DC, imposed a ban on cafes, bars, and restaurants on March 16.





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A State of Emergency (SoE) and a curfew is in place in Puerto Rico and nonessential services have been closed. The curfew is between 21:00 until 05:00 until March 30. • The US State Department issued a 'Level 4: Do Not Travel' global health advisory on March 19 asking citizens to avoid all international travel. The US has asked citizens to return immediately or prepare to remain abroad indefinitely. • As of March 20, the states of California, Connecticut, Illinois, New Jersey, and New York have issued 'stay at home' orders. Residents must remain in their homes unless shopping for food or medicine, traveling to work at a designated "essential" business, or in an emergency. • All hotels and tourist accommodations in Miami Beach, FL will be vacated and closed from 23:59 on March 22. • United Airlines has canceled 95 percent of its international flight schedule for April. • The Canada-US border will be closed to nonessential travel from 23:59 on March 20 until April 20. Trade between the two countries will not be impacted. • Nonessential travel via the US-Mexico border will be restricted from March 21 for 30 days. Individuals crossing the border for work, medical appointments, or to pursue education will not be affected. Lawful trade and commerce will not be impacted. • Hawaii has announced a 14-day quarantine starting March 26 for all arrivals, including citizens and foreign nationals. Hawaii has 48 positive cases of COVID-19 as of March 22. • The National Guard will be deployed in California, New York, and Washington state, according to an announcement by President Trump on March 22. • Los Angeles announced plans to shut down most groups' recreational activities, including the public golf course, and fine violators who do not comply. • The Federal Aviation Administration announced that 11 air traffic control facilities have employees who have contracted COVID-19. The centers are in New York state, Illinois, North Carolina, Nevada, and Indiana. • The US has begun screening and releasing inmates, with New York intending to release 23 inmates by March 23. • US military to deploy field hospitals, hospital ships in Los Angeles, New York, and Seattle as per March 23 reports • UPDATE: Washington DC has been placed under mandatory quarantine until April 24 from March 26.
<p>VENEZUELA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 106 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 15</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Venezuela confirmed its first two cases of COVID-19 on March 13. • Opposition leader Juan Guaido announced the rescheduling of assembly sessions and political tours on March 15. • The government enacted a nationwide quarantine from March 16. Residents must remain in their houses and nonessential economic activity has been suspended. • The government has suspended all domestic and international flights to or from Venezuela as of March 18. • The government banned queuing for gasoline as part of the quarantine measures on March 17.



- Venezuela has banned telecommunication services from being cut as of March 22 for six months.
- **UPDATE:** Government announced that the available gas service stations can only be used by medical and military personnel, food transport companies or people with official pass on March 25

ASIA

Country	Measures
AFGHANISTAN  Confirmed Cases: 79 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Afghanistan has halted all land and air movement with Iran. • On March 22, Afghanistan declared its first COVID-19-related death.
AUSTRALIA  Confirmed Cases: 2,728 Confirmed Deaths: 11 Recovered Cases: 119	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qantas suspended flight operations to and from China until mid-July; Sydney-Shanghai flight suspended until mid-July; flights between Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane and Hong Kong reduced until September. • Jetstar cut international services by 90 percent until the end of May. • Virgin Australia suspended flights between Australia and Hong Kong due to a drop in demand. The suspensions include the airline's Sydney-Hong Kong and Melbourne-Hong Kong routes. • All individuals entering Australia after March 15 are mandated to self-quarantine for 14 days. Australia shut its borders to all non-citizens and non-residents on March 20. • An indefinite ban has been placed on gatherings of 100 people or more. • A state of emergency has been declared in the country, allowing authorities to close cities or regions, impose curfews and order people to quarantine. • On March 19, the island of Tasmania announced that it will enforce a 14-day mandatory quarantine for all nonessential travelers coming from the mainland. • Cruise ships are barred from entering Australian ports from foreign ports until April 15. • Prime Minister Scott Morrison announced a ban on overseas travel, which took effect on March 25. • On March 24, the government introduced new restrictions on businesses, which took effect on March 25, closing entertainment venues and other nonessential businesses and services. • UPDATE: Authorities ordered on March 25 that a German-operated cruise ship, currently anchored off the city of Perth, leave Australian waters immediately.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Queensland government closed all borders from midnight (local time) on March 25. Details regarding the closures have not been released as of writing.
<p>ARMENIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 265 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 18</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Armenia declared a one-month state of emergency on March 16, while its borders with Georgia and Iran were closed. Foreigners from countries with a high incidence of COVID-19 will be barred, while citizens will only be allowed to leave via air travel. UPDATE: Armenia has imposed a nationwide lockdown and closed all nonessential shops until March 31. Individuals are required to stay home except for buying food, receiving medical care, and exercise. Authorities recorded the first COVID-19 death as of March 26.
<p>AZERBAIJAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 87 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Azerbaijan Airlines suspended all routes to China through March 28. Citizens from or foreigners who recently visited countries with high numbers of COVID-19 cases will reportedly need to provide a medical certificate when applying for a visa to Azerbaijan. Azerbaijan has banned weddings and other public events, as well as museums, cinemas, and theaters, from March 14. Azerbaijan also suspended movement across the border with Turkey, including land and air travel. On March 15, Azerbaijan announced the suspension of various international flights including to Paris, Berlin, and Nur-Sultan. Per March 23 reports, Azerbaijan declared a special quarantine regime until April 20, allowing the government to enact a range of new measures and restrictions on movement. Authorities announced on March 25 that the border with Iran will remain closed until April 20. UPDATE: As of March 24, people over the age of 65 are banned from leaving their homes until April 20. The week of March 29 to April 3 will be a non-working week for all except those providing essential services like banks, supermarkets, and pharmacies.
<p>BANGLADESH</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 39 Confirmed Deaths: 5 Recovered Cases: 11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health authorities have advised individuals to avoid public gatherings and stay at home. On March 19, authorities in Bangladesh banned all religious, political, social, and cultural events, while the army took charge of quarantine centers. Thermal scanners have been placed at points of entry to the country. It is now mandatory for returnees to register their names with hospitals. Authorities urged Bangladeshi citizens abroad to refrain from traveling. On March 12, health authorities urged Bangladeshi citizens abroad not to return home. From March 23 until further notice, authorities will bar the entry of all foreigners from its land borders. Authorities announced on March 23 that armed troops would be deployed to enforce previously enacted measures. Government and private offices nationwide are closed from March 26 until April 4; train service and domestic flights will also be suspended during the period.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International flights to Bangladesh's Chittagong and Sylhet have been suspended. International flights between Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, UAE, Turkey, Malaysia, Oman, Singapore, and India have been halted until March 31. UPDATE: On March 26, Bangladesh suspended flights to all countries until April 15 except the UK and China.
BHUTAN  Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Border gates were closed as of March 23 until further notice, however, Bhutanese nationals overseas will be allowed to enter the country at any time. Individuals in the country have been advised to stay at home and practice social distancing.
BRUNEI  Confirmed Cases: 109 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 5, Brunei's Ministry of Health announced that individuals, including transit passengers, who have been to Iran or Italy as well as Hubei, Zhejiang, and Jiangsu Provinces of China in the past 14 days will not be allowed entry into the country. Per a US Embassy advisory on March 24, Royal Brunei Airlines suspended most routes until April 30; limited service will continue to Singapore, Melbourne, Hong Kong, and Metro Manila. Citizens and permanent residents as well as foreigners with green identity cards in Brunei require approval from the Prime Minister's Office to leave the country.
CAMBODIA  Confirmed Cases: 87 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ministry of Public Works and Transport reportedly suspended the entry of travelers through waterways as of March 13. Per March 14 reports, Cambodia has banned entry to visitors from Italy, Germany, Spain, France, and the US. The ban went into effect from March 17 for 30 days. Travelers from Iran were banned from March 18. On March 17, the government released new guidelines. Citizens are advised to avoid nonessential travel to Europe, the US, and Iran, and Cambodians who recently returned from these places are ordered to self-quarantine for 14 days. The government announced the closure of its border with Vietnam beginning on March 20. The UK Foreign Services issued a notice on March 22 that the Cambodia-Vietnam land border has been closed, while Cambodia's border with Thailand closed on March 23. UPDATE: Multiple inter-country bus services between Cambodia and Laos were suspended as of March 25 as the border closed.
CHINA	Wuhan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities reportedly relaxed outbound travel restrictions for non-resident citizens in Ezhou city in Hubei Province. However, Beijing remains blocked to these travelers.

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Confirmed Cases: 81,285

Confirmed Deaths: 3,287

Recovered Cases: 74,051

- On March 18, the authorities in Hubei decided to transfer all individuals arriving from abroad, including those without symptoms, to a central quarantine facility for 14 days.
- Per March 22 reports, the two-month lockdown in Wuhan was eased, with the gradual resumption of public transportation.
- On March 25, travel restrictions to and from Hubei Province will be lifted; measures in Wuhan will remain in effect, however, authorities announced the lockdown in the city will be removed on April 8.

Beijing & surrounding areas

- Authorities in Beijing have been requiring a 14-day self-imposed quarantine of all individuals who arrive in the Chinese capital. From February 26, authorities started requiring individuals arriving in the capital from COVID-19-hit countries to also go into a 14-day self-quarantine.
- Authorities tightened controls at Beijing Capital International Airport (PEK), as per March 15 reports. Any passengers arriving from abroad from March 16 will be transferred to a government facility to undergo 14 days of quarantine.
- International flights to Beijing were redirected to 12 other cities from March 23. The 12 cities receiving redirected flights are Tianjin, Shijiazhuang, Taiyuan, Hohhot, Shanghai, Jinan, Qingdao, Nanjing, Shenyang, Dalian, Zhengzhou, and Xi'an.

Shanghai & surrounding area

- Per March 22 reports, quarantine for those from severely infected areas is still in force, however, those who have traveled from slightly infected areas must submit to a mandatory coronavirus test.
- **UPDATE:** Authorities announced on March 26 that all travelers arriving in the city are required to undergo 14 days of quarantine.




Other locations, general information

- Amid a rise in "imported" cases, **Guangdong** Province has imposed a mandatory quarantine period for travelers from virus-hit countries.
- Per March 17 reports, **Shandong** will tighten quarantine rules for those arriving from abroad. Individuals arriving in Shandong from abroad will be quarantined at home or in a designated place for 14 days.
- **Qingdao** has required incoming passengers to report their information to the city government 72 hours prior to arrival.
- **Jiangsu** Province began requiring any travelers with recent travel history to 24-infected countries to undergo 14 days of quarantine in a medical facility, from March 20.
- **UPDATE:** China's aviation regulator requested its domestic airlines to reduce their respective international routes to only one per country and no more than one per week.

EAST TIMOR

- All foreigners who have departed or transited through countries with COVID-19 cases in the last four weeks are prohibited from entering the country; foreigners born in Timorese



 <p>Confirmed Cases: 1 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<p>territory or who habitually reside in the country are exempt, as well as legal representatives of Timorese minors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is forbidden for individuals, except Timorese residents or foreigners as described above, to disembark cruise ships in East Timor. All individuals who are permitted to enter the country must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival.
<p>GEORGIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 75 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities have called on the public to avoid traveling, avoid public gatherings, and work remotely if possible. Mini-buses, sports, and spa venues were suspended in Tbilisi from March 18. All foreign nationals are barred from entering the country starting March 18 for two weeks. Air traffic was suspended starting March 21, except for Georgia's national flag carrier, Georgian Airways, which will be allowed to repatriate Georgian nationals from abroad. All citizens entering the country will be quarantined. A state of emergency is in effect until April 21. On March 23, Georgia announced the suspension of all intercity train services and traffic. Marneuli and Bolnisi have been placed under a complete lockdown. On March 23, Georgia announced further restrictions on transport, banning intercity movement and canceling trains; the measures took effect on March 24. Entertainment venues were closed from March 24 for two weeks, while gatherings of 10 or more individuals are banned. Establishments that fail to comply may be shut down by the authorities. UPDATE: Per the US Embassy in Tbilisi, Georgian Airways will conduct commercial flights to Amsterdam on March 31 and London on April 4 for those wishing to leave Georgia.
<p>HONG KONG</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 453 Confirmed Deaths: 4 Recovered Cases: 110</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cathay Pacific, Cathay Dragon, Hong Kong Express, and Hong Kong Airlines have all reduced flights to China. Cathay Pacific has suspended flights to and from Hangzhou, Ningbo, Wenzhou, Sanya, Haikou, Guangzhou, Wuhan, and Chongqing until at least March 28. Flights to the rest of mainland China have been cut by 50 percent or more until March 31. Authorities issued a "Color Red" travel alert, the second level in a three-tier system, that recommends adjusting and avoiding nonessential travel to the US, UK, and Ireland, on March 15. HK Express Airlines suspended all services on March 23-April 30. As of March 21 reports, tests on airport arrivals will be extended to those without symptoms and will also be conducted at the AsiaWorld-Expo. Hong Kong announced on March 23, that the city will ban all tourist arrivals for 14 days from March 25. Per a US Embassy advisory, the ban applies to any individual coming from outside China, Macau, and Taiwan, including those who visited other countries in the previous 14 days. Hong Kong International Airport will also suspend all transit services.

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INDIA



Confirmed Cases: 649

Confirmed Deaths: 13

Recovered Cases: 40

Nationwide updates

- Air India extended flight cancellations for Shanghai and Hong Kong until June 30; canceled flights to South Korea, Italy, France, Germany, Kuwait, and Spain until April 30.
- IndiGo canceled flights on the Bangalore-Hong Kong route from February 1; suspended its Delhi-Istanbul and Chennai-Kuala Lumpur routes from March 18 until March 31.
- GoAir suspended international operations effective until April 15.
- SpiceJet temporarily suspended the majority of its international operations between March 21 and April 30. The Kolkata-Dhaka flight will operate as usual while the Chennai-Colombo route will resume on March 25, and Mumbai-Dubai flights will resume from April 16.
- The Indian government on March 7 warned against travel to China, Iran, South Korea, Italy, and Japan.
- Indian authorities announced the suspension of all existing tourist visas from March 13 until April 15, except for diplomatic officials, UN/international organizations, employment, and project visas.
- Passenger trains and buses over the Indo-Bangladesh border have been suspended until April 15. Authorities closed all passenger movement, except for nationals of India, Nepal, and Bhutan, through all land check posts at its borders with Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nepal, and Bhutan, effective from March 15 and with Pakistan from March 16.
- The Vistara airline suspended international flight operations from March 23-April 15.
- The central government announced on March 22 that 75 districts across the country will be placed under lockdown, including **Delhi, Mumbai, Pune, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, and Bangalore**. Only essential services will operate in these districts.
- The central authorities also announced on March 22 that all nonessential passenger transportation, including inter-state buses, metros, and trains, will remain suspended until March 31.
- Domestic flights ceased nationwide at 11:59 (local time) on March 24. Flights will be grounded for a week; cargo flights will continue.
- A nationwide lockdown went into effect from 00:01 (local time) on March 25 for 21 days.
- **UPDATE:** The Ministry of Railways announced on March 25 that passenger trains are canceled until April 14.
- Per March 26 reports, the Indian Health Ministry has enabled doctors to write prescriptions based on telephone conversations.
- India's Civil Aviation Authority extended its suspension of international commercial flights to April 14.

Delhi

- Until March 31, Delhi's state border will be closed, except for essential services related to food, health, water, and power supplies. Within Delhi, grocery shops, dairies, chemists and petrol stations will remain open. Workers of essential services will be allowed to move around the city. All private offices will remain closed. Section 144 will be

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implemented from 21:00 on March 22 until March 31 across the city. Metro services have also been suspended until March 31.

- Uber and Ola have announced the suspension of all services in **Delhi** from March 23 until March 31

Maharashtra (including Mumbai & Pune)

- Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray announced on March 20 that all offices in multiple cities in the state, including **Mumbai** and **Pune**, will remain closed until March 31.
- All shops and commercial establishments will also be shuttered except those offering essential services like groceries and other day-to-day items.
- In Navi Mumbai, reports state that all commercial establishments, corporate firms, and manufacturing plants will be closed until further notice.
- Section 144 has been implemented across Maharashtra until March 31.
- All international flights are prohibited from landing in the state. Inter-city buses will remain suspended until March 31.
- Mumbai suburban train services are suspended until March 31.
- On March 23, Maharashtra Chief Minister Udhav Thackeray announced a statewide curfew. Essential services are set to remain available. Reports indicate the state's borders will be sealed as part of the curfew.

Karnataka (including Bangalore)

- Per March 7 reports, the state government issued an advisory to avoid all mass gatherings. The closure of all public places including schools, malls and universities will be maintained until March 31.
- Authorities closed the borders with neighboring states, starting March 22, except for the supply of essential goods. All AC bus services across the state will also remain suspended until March 31.

Tamil Nadu (including Chennai)

- On March 20, the state government announced restrictions on vehicular traffic on interstate roads from Kerala, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh until March 31. Only essential travel will be allowed, while ambulances and vehicles carrying essential supplies such as food will be allowed.



West Bengal (including Kolkata)

- The state of **West Bengal** has sealed its border with Bhutan; the ban includes travelers and goods.



Other state measures

- In **Bihar**, authorities ordered the suspension of all bus services in the state until March 31.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chhattisgarh government restricted the entry of inter-state buses, and stopped the operation of all passenger vehicles with All India Tourist Permit in the state, effective from March 19. Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation announced on March 23 the suspension of all bus services until March 31.
<p>INDONESIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 893 Confirmed Deaths: 78 Recovered Cases: 35</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From March 8, Indonesia banned entry and transit of foreign visitors from regions hardest hit by the virus in Iran, Italy, and South Korea. Travelers from any other places in the three countries will be allowed entry if they produce a health certificate issued by the countries' respective health authorities declaring them COVID-19 free. From March 16 until March 31, events in Bali are to be canceled and residents have been advised to avoid crowded areas. Authorities also closed access to the Gili Islands of Bali for two weeks. The border between Timor Leste and East Nusa Tenggara has been temporarily closed as of March 17. Further, the country's East Kalimantan Province was placed under a "local lockdown" from March 17 for 14 days. Authorities announced on March 17 that its visa exemption policy will be suspended for one month. This includes exemptions for short-stay visits, visa-on-arrival, and diplomatic visa-free facilities. The restrictions will come into effect on March 20. Indonesian authorities extended the national emergency in the country until May 29. Per March 17 reports, the Foreign Affairs Ministry has called for Indonesians traveling abroad to return to the country immediately. The Governor of Jakarta declared a state of emergency on March 20 for two weeks. Entertainment venues will be closed and public transport limited starting March 23. Authorities in Indonesia announced that sea and air travel to the Papua region is suspended until April 9. UPDATE: Per March 26 reports, Papua Province has blocked entry at ports.
<p>JAPAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 1,313 Confirmed Deaths: 45 Recovered Cases: 310</p> <p>Diamond Princess Confirmed Cases: 712 Confirmed Deaths: 8 Recovered Cases: 325</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per February 10 reports, 13 regional airports in Japan indefinitely suspended all routes to mainland China. The arrival of flights from China and South Korea will be limited to Narita International Airport (NRT), which services Tokyo, and Kansai International Airport (KIX) in Osaka. Japan suspended its visa-waiver program for short stays for tourists from South Korea, Hong Kong, and Macau. On March 22, the authorities advised citizens to defer nonessential travel to the U.S. Japan announced that all US travelers will be asked to self-quarantine for 14 days. On March 24, Japan and the International Olympic Committee decided to delay the Tokyo Olympic Games for a one-year period. Japan announced on March 24 that the country will impose a ban on travelers from 23 European countries, Hubei and Zhejiang Province in China, Daegu City, Cheongdo Country in North Gyeongsang, Gyeongsan, Andong, Yeongcheon City, Chilgok, Uiseong, Seongju, Gunwei County in North Gyeongsang Province in South Korea, and Iran, starting March 27.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATE: Tokyo's Governor urged residents to stay indoors as much as possible on March 24 due to a rise in cases in the city.
<p>KAZAKHSTAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 86 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A state of emergency affecting the entire country is in place until April 15. The decree restricts the entry to and departure from Kazakhstan. As part of quarantine measures, shopping and entertainment centers, cinemas, theaters, exhibitions, and facilities with large crowds will be restricted. A ban on mass events has also been enacted. • Air Astana suspended most of its international flights, excluding that for citizens returning to Kazakhstan. • International airports in Almaty and Nur-Sultan closed from March 22. Select international flights will continue to operate. • On March 22, authorities decided to extend visas and work permits for foreign nationals residing in Kazakhstan, until April 20. • UPDATE: On March 26, authorities confirmed the country's first COVID-19 death. • Authorities announced a full lockdown in Almaty and Nur-Sultan, restricting movement outdoors except to buy groceries and medicine. Minors are prohibited from moving unaccompanied. Intercity transport terminals and public place will also be closed in Shymkent.
<p>KYRGYZSTAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 44 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per March 16 reports, cinemas, night clubs, computer clubs, food areas and playgrounds across the country will be temporarily closed. • Kyrgyzstan banned all foreign nationals from entering the country. Foreign nationals already in Kyrgyzstan will be permitted to leave, while Kyrgyz nationals entering the country are required to undergo a 14-day quarantine. • All land borders have been closed and flights are limited between Bishkek and Osh to Moscow and Novosibirsk, Russia. • A State of Emergency went into effect in the Osh, Nookat, and Kara-Suu districts of Osh region from 08:00 (local time) on March 25 until April 15. Per reports, the order stipulates that extreme measures or restrictions may be implemented, such a curfew, declaration of an entry-exit regime, the deployment of security forces to ensure public order, and a ban on mass events, among others. Certain citizens may also be prohibited from leaving their homes during the state of emergency.
<p>LAOS</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per March 16 reports, the country shut checkpoints on its borders with Vietnam and Cambodia. Furthermore, reports on March 17 indicate that the Phayao border with Thailand has been closed. Commercial flights between Vientiane and Bangkok, Thailand will be discontinued on March 27 until further notice. • Laos announced on March 18 that it has suspended issuing tourist visas for 30 days. • UPDATE: Lao Airlines suspended all flights to Seoul in South Korea, Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam, and Phnom Penh in Cambodia until April 30. Flights to Bangkok and Chiang Mai, Thailand, have been suspended until April 20. Flights to Da Nang in Vietnam were postponed indefinitely, while flights to Chengdu in China have been suspended until April 14.



MACAU



Confirmed Cases: 29
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 10

- As of March 19, all overseas visitors are prohibited from entering Macau, except for individuals from China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. Individuals in the latter category are required to undergo a 14-day medical observation starting March 25.

MALAYSIA



Confirmed Cases: 2,031
Confirmed Deaths: 23
Recovered Cases: 199

- The Malaysian Association of Tour and Travel Agents (MATTA) suspended all outbound travel to China indefinitely.
- Malaysia Airlines canceled or reduced flights between Kuala Lumpur and Shanghai, Beijing, and Hong Kong, as well as flights between these Chinese cities and Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, from February 17. Malaysian Airlines announced on March 18 that it will suspend all flights to India and the Philippines until March 31.
- Malaysia suspended Catholic masses until March 29 and public gatherings of over 250 individuals. On March 16, Malaysia announced a ban on events by all organizations until June 30.
- Malaysia announced the closure of its border, restrictions on internal movement, and the closure of most businesses, effective March 18 for 14 days. Malaysians returning from overseas are required to undergo a two-week self-quarantine. All public activities and trials will be suspended during this time.
- At Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KUL), authorities will scan passengers departing the country. Those found with high body temperatures will not be allowed past the check-in point.
- Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin announced on March 25 that previously imposed movement restrictions will be extended until April 14. Residents around the country are only permitted to leave their homes in order to secure essential goods. Travel for medical emergencies is also allowed.
- UPDATE:** Malaysia's AirAsia announced on March 26 the grounding of most of its fleet around the world. This includes the suspension of all international and domestic flights from Malaysia from March 28 to April 21.

MALDIVES





Confirmed Cases: 13
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 8

- The government indefinitely suspended all direct flights from China as of January 30 and advised citizens against traveling abroad for nonessential purposes. On March 7, authorities temporarily suspended flights to and from Italy.
- The Maldives declared a public health emergency on March 12.
- Per March 17 reports, authorities in the Maldives announced that residents who arrive from overseas "at-risk" countries will be subject to a 14-day quarantine period at a government facility.
- All food outlets closed for dining from March 22 in the greater Male Region. Take-away food orders will still be accepted.
- A travel ban is currently in effect for: China; Iran; North Gyeongsang Province and South Gyeongsang Province in South Korea; Italy; Bangladesh; Spain; Île-de-France and Grand

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	<p>Est in France; Bavaria, North Rhine-Westphalia, and Baden-Württemberg, Germany; Malaysia; UK; USA. Entry is restricted for all persons regardless of nationality who have traveled through the aforementioned locations. On March 21, authorities extended the travel ban to Sri Lanka.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 23, authorities elected to cease all tourist excursions across the country. UPDATE: On March 25, the Maldives government announced suspensions of the visa-on-arrival facility from March 27 until further notice. Government offices, schools, and education institutions across the nation will be closed for another week from March 29.
<p>MONGOLIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 10 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per March 3 reports, authorities banned passengers with recent travel history in China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau, Italy, Iran, South Korea, and Japan until further notice. Public gatherings, including conferences and sports events, have been canceled until March 30. Authorities extended the closure of its border with China until further notice.
<p>MYANMAR</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On January 31, Myanmar Airways International suspended flights to China until further notice. Reports indicate that direct flights between Myanmar and China provided by China Eastern Airlines, 9 Air, JC Cambodia, Qingdao Airlines, Xiamen Airlines, Hainan Air, and Spring Air have been temporarily suspended. Government authorities have temporarily suspended visas-on-arrival for Chinese travelers, which took effect on February 1. Myanmar's Ministry of Hotels and Tourism (MOHT) ordered tour companies and operators to stop accepting prospective Chinese visitors on an indefinite basis on February 3. Public gatherings are banned until April 30. Authorities closed nursery schools, child care centers, and cinemas until April 30. Authorities in Mandalay ordered the closure of bars, restaurants, and nighttime entertainment venues across the region. This follows similar steps undertaken by Yangon authorities earlier in the week. The closures are indefinite, as of writing. Mandalay also suspended Thingyan, the country's most popular festival, that falls in mid-April. Jetstar Airways announced the suspension of flights between Myanmar and Singapore from March 23 to April 15. On March 18, authorities announced the closure of all border checkpoints to foreign nationals. On March 24, Myanmar announced that all arriving foreign nationals will have to provide a medical certificate of good health in order to gain access to the country. In addition, authorities urged locals returning from abroad to immediately quarantine themselves upon arrival.
<p>NEPAL</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities temporarily halted travel to South Korea on February 24. Authorities started compulsory health screening of all passengers arriving from South Korea. On March 2, authorities temporarily suspended visa-on-arrival for nationals from China, Iran, Italy, South Korea, and Japan.



Confirmed Cases: 2
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 1

- Authorities temporarily suspended labor permits for overseas workers. Authorities also urged citizens to refrain from traveling abroad.
- On March 10, Nepal Airlines suspended flights to and from Doha until further notice.
- All mountaineering expeditions, including Mount Everest ascents, have been halted as of March 13 after Nepalese authorities stopped issuing on-arrival tourist visas. Climbing permits for March 14-April 30 have been canceled.
- Nepal suspended all international flights for March 22-31. A halt on nonessential public and private services went into effect from March 22 until April 3.
- The Nepalese government decided to close all border points with China and India from March 23. On March 24, Nepal began to enforce a previously announced nationwide lockdown.

NEW ZEALAND



Confirmed Cases: 283
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 12

- Air New Zealand reduced its flights to Shanghai through April and its Hong Kong route throughout April and May. Routes between Auckland and Seoul, South Korea, are halted until the end of June. The airline also announced that its total capacity to Asia will be reduced by 17 percent until June.
- New Zealand PM has advised anyone who has entered the country within the last 14 days to self-isolate.
- New Zealand closed its borders from 00:00 (local time) on March 20 to anyone who is not a citizen or resident. Meanwhile, they urged citizens not to travel.
- Drive-through hubs for those displaying symptoms or who came into contact with an infected individual are being set up to test for the virus as of March 21 reports.
- **UPDATE:** On March 26, Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern of New Zealand announced a four-week lockdown across the country, with only essential services remaining open.

NORTH KOREA



Confirmed Cases: 0
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 0

- Per February 23 reports, North Korea tightened customs-related quarantine measures for trade with China. All goods will be quarantined for 10 days before full disinfection and only then will relevant delivery procedures be implemented.

PAKISTAN



Confirmed Cases: 1022
Confirmed Deaths: 8
Recovered Cases: 21

Nationwide/general measures

- Per March 13 reports, Pakistan has shut its borders with Iran and Afghanistan for three weeks. Public events will be canceled, while educational institutions will remain closed for the same period.
- According to the reports quoting Pakistan's Civil Aviation Authorities (CAA) on March 14, international flights will only be operated from Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad airports. Following the new advisory, no international flights will be operated from airports in Peshawar, Gwadar, Quetta, Faisalabad, Sialkot, Multan, Sukkur and Bahawalpur. Pakistan announced on March 21 that all incoming international flights to Pakistan will remain suspended for the next two weeks.



- Authorities have banned gatherings of more than 10 people from March 19. The Wagah border crossing with India will be closed from March 19. The Pakistan Railways will suspend its activity nationwide on March 25 until March 31.
- As per March 25 reports, Pakistan will suspend all domestic flights from March 26 until April 2.
- **UPDATE:** Authorities announced on March 26 that motorways across the country will be closed to passenger vehicles effective immediately.

Sindh (including Karachi)

- Sindh announced the suspension of inter-city transportation and administrative facilities, the Out-Patient Departments at public hospitals, and all nonessential businesses such as restaurants, shopping malls will be closed for 15 days from March 17.
- Authorities announced that gatherings of four or more people will not be allowed, including within vehicles, starting March 20.
- Sindh Province was placed on lockdown for 15 days from March 23. **UPDATE:** Pakistan announced on March 25 that no person will be allowed out on the streets in Sindh province after 20:00 (local time) on a daily basis.

Islamabad & Rawalpindi

- Starting March 20, several major public dealing offices and businesses were closed for 15 days in Islamabad.
- As of March 23, all activities in mosques in Islamabad are banned under Section 144.
- In Islamabad, the authorities imposed a partial lockdown of the city as of March 24. All public gatherings and nonessential services are closed. Metro service will be available from 08:30-10:30 (local time) and 15:00-17:30 daily.

Punjab (including Lahore)

- A medical emergency was declared in Punjab on March 12; this includes enhanced measures, while authorities are advising individuals to avoid public gatherings.
- On March 15, authorities in the province announced a province-wide implementation of Section 144, prohibiting the gathering of more than four people, for the next three weeks.

Other provincewide measures

- The **Balochistan** government-imposed medical emergency measures in all districts bordering Iran after reports of deaths in the neighboring country. The Balochistan provincial government ordered the closure of shopping malls and markets, while suspending intercity transport for three weeks from March 20.
- Per March 5 reports, the **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** government declared a health emergency. The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government announced that beginning March 23, authorities will enforce an inter-district public transport ban until March 30.



PAPUA NEW GUINEA



Confirmed Cases: 1
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 0

- On January 30, the Immigration and Citizenship Authority ordered the indefinite closure of the border crossing between Indonesia and PNG at Wutung in West Sepik. On January 29, authorities reportedly shut down air and seaports to all foreign travelers from Asia.
- On March 18, the military was officially put on alert as the outbreak was declared a quarantinable disaster under the country's health laws.
- From March 22, all international flights were banned for one week.
- A two-week state of emergency was imposed in Papua New Guinea from March 24. Movement between provinces is banned, while domestic flights and public transportation are suspended, per the UK FCO on March 24.

PHILIPPINES



Confirmed Cases: 707
Confirmed Deaths: 45
Recovered Cases: 28

- Cebu Pacific suspended all flights to and from mainland China, Macau, and Hong Kong from February 2-March 29; canceled routes between Manila and Incheon, Cebu and Incheon, and Kalibo and Incheon, until April 30.
- Philippine Airlines canceled several flights to and from South Korea until March 30, including routes between Manila and Busan as well as Manila and Seoul.
- On March 8, the Philippines declared a public health emergency. On March 17, the country was placed under a "state of calamity" for six months.
- The Philippines announced an indefinite ban on the entry of foreigners effective from March 22, with the Department of Foreign Affairs temporarily suspending visa issuances.

Metro Manila & Luzon Island

- President Rodrigo Duterte ordered a "community quarantine" of the capital on March 12 and upgraded the alert for the disease from Code Red Sublevel One to Sublevel Two, used to indicate evidence of community transmission.
- Domestic land, air, and sea travel to and from Metro Manila are suspended until April 14. International flights to Metro Manila may continue, but those arriving at the city must follow strict quarantine guidelines and remain in Metro Manila until the domestic travel restrictions are lifted. Multiple airlines have canceled domestic flights to and from Metro Manila. Foreign nationals in Metro Manila will also be allowed to fly out of the country.
- A nine-hour curfew from 20:00 (local time) to 05:00 is in effect daily until April 14, including in Makati and Quezon City. Working professionals with a work schedule within the curfew hours, health professionals, authorized government officials, residents with medical or humanitarian needs, individuals transiting to the airport for international travels, individuals providing basic services and public utilities, including food and medicine delivery, are exempt from the curfew.
- Individuals who fail to prove the source of employment and business, through Identification cards, certificate of employment from barangay, business permits, pictures of business establishments, will be denied entry into Metro Manila.



- Authorities extended the "community quarantine" to all of **Luzon Island**, effective until April 13. Authorities urge all residents to remain at home and rely on the delivery service. Transportation and work will be suspended except for essential services.
- International flights leaving Luzon were suspended from March 20. Cebu Pacific has announced that all domestic and international flights will be canceled until April 14. AirAsia has announced that it is canceling international flights from Ninoy Aquino International Airport and Clark International Airport until April 14. Philippine Airlines has canceled all domestic flights.


Davao City

- City authorities enacted travel restrictions on March 12: all Davao residents are prohibited from leaving the city; short-term visitors are advised to leave immediately, and all intending to travel to Davao are asked to postpone their visit until the State of Public Health Emergency is lifted.
- Authorities required the cancellation of all meetings, conventions, exhibits, conferences, and other social activities until the public health emergency is lifted.
- Individuals have been advised against attending religious gatherings, while authorities are encouraging all residents to remain at home and refrain from visiting public places.
- Per March 17 reports, Davao suspended all international and domestic air travel to and from the city, to be effective from March 19.
- All malls will remain closed, effective on March 19, except for essential goods' shops, such as supermarkets, pharmacies, in-house department stores, and medical and dental offices. Public markets will also continue to operate.

Other locations

- The **Cebu Provincial** Government will impose a provincial-level curfew daily from 22:00-05:00 until April 14. From March 17 for 30 days, all domestic passengers arriving in Cebu via air travel are denied from entering, while passenger travel at all seaports in the province was banned from March 18. **UPDATE:** Per March 26 reports, Cebu has suspended the entry of all persons arriving on international flights from March 27.
- On March 16, **Negros Oriental** was placed under a State of Calamity, closing the border, ports, and airports in the province until April 14. The entry of individuals has been restricted to residents of Negros Oriental, health workers, specific government employees, law enforcement, individuals traveling for urgent medical or humanitarian reasons, and individuals transporting essential goods. Similar measures have been implemented in **Negros Occidental Province**.
- **Valencia City in Bukidnon, Iligan City in Northern Mindanao and Lanao del Sur**, including **Marawi City**, have also been placed under "community quarantine" from March 16-29.
- Per March 18 reports, the **Sulu Province** has been placed under "community quarantine". Only those transporting food commodities and other essentials such as fuel and medicine are permitted to enter the province.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Towns on the northeast side of Laguna Province (Santa Maria, Mabitac, Famy, Siniloan, Pangil, Pakil, Paete, and Kalayaan) imposed a lockdown on March 18. Tacloban City began a lockdown on March 21 for 23 days. In Central Mindanao, the authorities decided on a region-wide quarantine and closed the borders on March 23. Only travel for vehicles transporting food and other essential services will be allowed to enter.
<p>SINGAPORE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 683 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 160</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jetstar Air suspended all flights to Hefei, Guiyang, and Xuzhou until March 31 and has canceled all routes to Hong Kong. Singapore Airlines and Silkair announced a reduction in flights to China from February onwards. Only flights to key cities like Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, and Chongqing will be maintained, per an airline advisory. The budget carrier Scoot suspended flights from the country to 11 cities in mainland China on January 31, while reducing flights to eight other cities. On February 7, Singapore raised the DORSCON (Disease Outbreak Response System Condition) code to orange from yellow. The raised alert level implies that moderate disruptions due to measures such as quarantines and visitor restrictions at hospitals are to be expected. As of March 4, Singapore Airlines and Silkair reduced flights to select destinations between March and May. Destinations include Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Paris, Frankfurt, Milan, London, Tokyo, Seoul, among others. On March 6, Singapore Airlines canceled all flights to and from Milan in Italy till the end of May. Singapore Airlines announced on March 17 that it will reduce its flight capacity by 50%, with further cuts expected in the near term. Jetstar Asia announced on the same day that it would suspend all flights until April 15. Singapore Airlines cut all routes to Canberra, Australia, as of March 1; Qantas will suspend 100 select flights to the city. On March 18, the Ministry of Health issued a press release urging Singaporeans to defer all nonessential travel abroad with immediate effect. Authorities also announced that all Singaporeans, permanent residents, and other visa class holders will have to stay at home for 14 days if they enter the city-state from March 20 onwards. Bars, cinemas, sporting events and all other entertainment outlets in the city-state are closed until April 30. Mosques will close until further notice. Gatherings of more than 10 people will be banned, excluding inside workplaces and schools, from March 27 until the end of April. Short-term visitors are barred from entering or transiting through the city-state as of March 23. Work pass holders and their dependents will be allowed to return to Singapore only if they work in sectors that provide essential services such as healthcare and transport. Singapore announced on March 23 that all travelers arriving in the country must provide a health declaration from March 27 onwards. UPDATE: All arriving travelers will be notified of stay-home requirements via email before their arrival in the country from March 27 onwards.
SOUTH KOREA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per February 4 reports, airlines in South Korea have suspended over half the total flight services to China. As of February 3, 55 out of 100 routes to China had been

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Confirmed Cases: 9,241
Confirmed Deaths: 126
Recovered Cases: 3,730

- shuttered temporarily, while flights were reduced on operational routes. Korean Air has canceled flights from Incheon to Wuhan, Huangshan, Zhangjiajie, Changsha, and Kunming, and from Busan to Beijing and Nanjing.
- Korean Air gradually started halting services on seven additional routes, including its Busan-Taipei, in late February. The airline is also slated to cut various flights on the Incheon-Guam route, and to 14 other destinations worldwide. The flight suspensions and reductions may be extended beyond March. According to February 24 reports, Korean Air and Asiana Airlines have halted flights to Daegu.
 - Per March 5 reports, Korean Air suspended direct flights between Seoul and Yangon. Korean Air suspended its Incheon-Yangon direct flights until April 29.
 - Authorities announced the tightening of its border checking measures for all arrivals from overseas starting from March 19. Additionally, all Korean and non-Korean nationals arriving from China, Japan, and European countries will be subject to special screening measures. These include body temperature checks and a personal health survey. Individuals will need to share local contact information and download a smartphone application through which users have to report their daily health condition during the self-quarantine.
 - The government announced on March 19 its intention to deport any foreign nationals who do not comply with being tested, treated, or quarantined.
 - Starting March 19, all new arrivals from abroad, including South Korean nationals, are required to undergo 14 days in self-quarantine.
 - On March 22, authorities started testing all passengers on flights from Europe.
 - On March 22, authorities urged all religious, entertainment, and indoor facilities to shut down for 15 days.
 - As of March 22 reports, South Korean budget carrier Eastar Jet stopped services for one month.
 - On March 23, the government advised its citizens against all travel.
 - Fearing a rise in imported cases, South Korea announced on March 25 that all passengers arriving from the US must self-isolate for two weeks.



SRI LANKA



Confirmed Cases: 102
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 7

- Sri Lankan Airlines has suspended services to Kuwait, China, and Saudi Arabia.
- Sri Lanka temporarily suspended visa on arrival services for all foreigners. Travelers from Iran, Italy, and South Korea will be barred from entry from March 14. On March 14, Sri Lanka expanded flight bans to France, Spain, Germany, Switzerland, Denmark, Netherlands, Sweden and Austria for 15 days.
- Events with large crowds are prohibited until March 29.
- Authorities extended visas for Maldivians residing in the country until April 14, while urging residents with recent travel history to Iran, South Korea, and Europe to register at the closest police station.
- Authorities extended the closure of international airports to inbound commercial flights until March 31. Departures with passengers from Colombo, stopovers, transit passengers, or visiting tourists, as well as emergency diversions, freighter operations,



	<p>humanitarian flights, and technical landings at Bandaranaike International Airport will be permitted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATE: Authorities announced on March 26 that curfews will be reimposed at 14:00 on March 27 until 06:00 on March 30 in Puttalam District and the Northern Province districts of Vavuniya, Mannar, Kilinochchi, Mullaitivu, and Jaffna. The current curfew in Colombo, Gampaha, and Kalutara will continue until further notice. Sri Lankan police also warned on March 25 that curfew violators may be arrested without a warrant.
<p>TAIWAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 252 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 29</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A ban on flights between Taiwan and airports in China went into effect on February 10 and will continue until April 29. Exceptions to the ban include flights to and from Beijing, Shanghai, Xiamen, and Chengdu. Taiwan prohibited the entry of children of Taiwanese or Chinese nationals carrying only a Chinese passport. Only minors without relatives in China and with both parents in Taiwan would be allowed to enter the country. • Tigerair Taiwan extended its suspension of flights to Macau through April. • The government is asking the public to avoid gatherings of 1,000 or more participants and has asked those who do participate to keep a distance of one meter from others and wear a face mask if possible. • Taiwan's EVA Airways and China Airlines suspended multiple flights to the US and Europe on March 15. • Authorities in Taiwan reportedly banned non-residents from entering the country from 00:00 (local time) on March 19. • Per March 21 reports, Central Epidemic Command Center (CECC) raised a Level-3 travel advisory, indicating avoid all nonessential travel. • Airlines in Taiwan announced on March 21 that masks will be mandatory on all flights, while passengers with a fever will be barred from boarding flights. • Air transits through Taiwan are to be suspended from March 24 until April 7. • On March 21, the authorities announced that travelers who exhibit mild flu symptoms may quarantine at home instead of in a hospital. • On March 22, the government announced travelers who entered before today would be granted 30-day visa extensions. • As of March 22, two of Taiwan's regional carriers suspended online check-in for domestic flights.
<p>TAJIKISTAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities scaled down a travel ban following an earlier announcement on March 3, reducing the number of targeted countries from 35 to five, specifically China, South Korea, Iran, Afghanistan, and Italy. • The authorities may impose more entry bans in the coming days as announced by the Deputy Health Minister. • On March 18, the US State Department advised its citizens to reconsider travel to Tajikistan due to the coronavirus. • As of March 20, authorities reportedly suspended all international flights.



THAILAND



Confirmed Cases: 1,045

Confirmed Deaths: 4

Recovered Cases: 70

- On February 17, Thai Airways extended its suspension on flights to China until March 29. Thai Airways indicated that it will cancel some flights to China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, South Korea, Singapore, the Philippines, Bangladesh, and the UAE.
- Nok Air suspended its daily morning flights between Yangon and Bangkok, per March 7 reports.
- On March 8, authorities recommended avoiding travel to Singapore, Japan, France, and Germany.
- Bangkok Airlines canceled several flights to Myanmar for seven months, effective from March 29, and suspended flights to Cambodia, Vietnam, India, and the Maldives for varying periods.
- Per March 21 reports, Thai AirAsia suspended all international flights for March 22-April 25. ThaiLion Air is reportedly set to suspend domestic and international flights from March 25-May 1. Meanwhile, authorities closed the Mae Sot border checkpoint with Myanmar from March 21 for an indefinite period.
- Per March 21 sources, Bangkok authorities ordered the closure of shopping malls, markets, theaters, entertainment venues, sporting facilities, exhibition venues, schools, and other venues from March 22-April 12. Only drugstores and supermarkets are to remain open.
- Per March 22 reports, all 19 checkpoints along the border with Cambodia were closed from March 23 until April 5. Per March 23 reports, all border crossings in the north and northeast of Thailand, which offer access to Myanmar and Laos, have been closed to passenger traffic, although freight transport is still permitted.
- Thailand's Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-o-cha declared a one-month state of emergency, effective March 26 to April 30. Public transportation will be halted; domestic flights have been suspended until at least April 4. Under the new measures, foreign nationals will also be barred entry into the country, from both air and land checkpoints, until April 30.
- Thailand announced on March 24 that all train passengers will be required to wear a mask before entering transportation terminals.
- **UPDATE:** Per March 25 reports, buses from Thailand to Laos and Cambodia have been suspended amid stricter measures on domestic routes, with passengers being required to wear face masks and undergo temperature checks.

TURKMENISTAN



Confirmed Cases: 0

Confirmed Deaths: 0

Recovered Cases: 0

- Turkmenistan Airlines reportedly suspended flights to Beijing as part of preventive measures to contain the spread of the coronavirus on February 1.
- On February 20, the UK FCO issued an advisory for Turkmenistan, indicating that travelers holding passports of countries with confirmed COVID-19 cases will be required to undertake testing by an infectious disease clinic and stay in quarantine if necessary.
- The UK FCO issued a notice indicating that all travelers arriving at Ashgabat International Airport (ASB) will be required to undergo a medical examination upon arrival. This will include oral swabs and testing of the respiratory system. Passengers who test positive for COVID-19 will be transferred to a quarantine facility for at least 14 days.
- Authorities announced that only residents of Ashgabat will be allowed into the city.

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<p>UZBEKISTAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 60 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uzbekistan has announced a temporary suspension of all international flights beginning March 16 until April 5. The authorities extend the visa validity period for all foreigners until April 10. Also, charter flights will be organized for the departure of foreign citizens in the country, as well as for the repatriation of Uzbek nationals currently abroad. According to reports, Uzbekistan closed its borders for both foreign and Uzbek nationals from March 23. Foreign nationals will be allowed to leave the country. All businesses and institutions in Tashkent are requested to operate online. All residents are required to wear masks in public places. Anyone without a mask will be fined. As of March 24, public transportation connections to and from Tashkent will be suspended until further notice. Tashkent has been placed under lock down as of March 24. Residents are not allowed to exit or enter the city. UPDATE: On March 26, authorities locked down the cities Samarkand, Namangan, and Andijan.
<p>VIETNAM</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 134 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bamboo Airways suspended all flights to and from South Korea from February 26 until March 28. VietJet Airlines suspended flights to South Korea from March 7. Vietnam Airlines reduced flights from March 25 to Europe, including London, UK; Paris, France; and Frankfurt, Germany. All cinemas, bars, and other entertainment facilities are closed until the end of March. Face masks are required in public places. Per March 17 reports, the country will suspend issuing new visas for foreign nationals. The restrictions are temporary and will only be in place for 15-30 days. The government closed the border with Cambodia on March 15. Per March 20 reports, the Government Committee of Religious Affairs asked places of worship to stop organizing festivals, conferences, and activities for large crowds. As of March 20, the country suspended all inbound international flights. As of March 22, Vietnam temporarily barred entry to all foreign nationals. On March 24, Vietnam announced the closure of all tourist attractions to avoid any further spread of the coronavirus. Additionally, restaurants in Ho Chi Minh City with a capacity for 30 or more individuals must close until March 31. On March 25, the Vietnam Ministry of Foreign Affairs recommended that all citizens minimize international travel and return home. UPDATE: All businesses except for essential services in Hanoi will be closed, per March 26 reports.





Pacific Islands

Countries	Measures
<p>AMERICAN SAMOA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On February 6, ferries between the two American Samoa islands were suspended. According to February 25 reports, American Samoa authorities banned the entry of travelers arriving from South Korea.







 <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per March 3 reports, American Samoa has suspended all government travel to US states and foreign countries with confirmed cases of coronavirus, effective immediately. Per March 6 reports, airlines operating in the country are reducing the number of flights to and from several destinations, while the entry of all charter flights is denied. As per March 11 reports, authorities revised their travel advisory, announcing that US passport holders and residents will not be required to obtain health clearances or spend a 14-day quarantine period before entering.
<p>FIJI</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per February 27 reports, travelers who had been to Italy, Iran, and South Korea's Daegu or Cheongdo will not be permitted entry into Fiji. This is in addition to a travel ban on all visitors who went to China within 14 days of their intended travel to Fiji. Authorities urged nonessential travel to China, Italy, Iran, and South Korea, per March 9 reports. On March 17, Fiji added Spain to its list of banned countries. On March 18, Fiji barred all foreign nationals who have been to mainland China, South Korea, Italy, Iran or Spain within 14 days of their intended arrival in Fiji. Travelers from the US and Europe, including the UK, are required to self-isolate in another country for 14 days. Authorities have placed Lautoka into lockdown. Residents can only leave for essential travel. Nadi International Airport (NAN) suspended operations from March 26.
<p>FRENCH POLYNESIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 25 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 28, all travelers from Asia to French Polynesia are required to present a medical certificate dated less than 15 days to prove that they have had no symptoms of viral infection before embarking for the island nation. Per March 3 reports, authorities announced that travelers to French Polynesia must produce a medical certificate no more than five days old proving they are free from coronavirus. This also applies to aircrew and travelers. Ferry services between Tahiti and Moorea have been reduced. UPDATE: On March 27, the last flight to France is scheduled to take off before regular services are suspended until at least late April.
<p>GUAM</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 37 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 14, the Governor of Guam declared a public health emergency. On March 16, Guam announced new measures restricting public gatherings, closing all schools, and closing government offices for two weeks. All travelers from affected areas will undergo an immediate, mandatory quarantine. Authorities have imposed mandatory social isolation until March 30. All nonessential services and businesses must be closed. Grocery shops, medical services, and transportation will remain in operation.
<p>KIRIBATI</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kiribati placed all visa applications from China on hold as of February 1, per reports, as a precaution. All visitors will reportedly be required to fill out a health form, while those coming from coronavirus-affected countries will be required to go through a self-quarantine upon entry to Kiribati. Passengers who have been in a country with any confirmed cases of coronavirus will not be allowed to enter Kiribati before staying in a country without confirmed cases for 14 days.






Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per February 10 reports, all international travelers will undergo a health check at all ports of entry. Authorities also recommend avoiding nonessential travel to areas and territories with sustained transmission cases. According to February 25 reports, Kiribati banned the entry of travelers arriving from Japan and South Korea.
MARSHALL ISLANDS  Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Marshall Islands declared a State of Health Emergency as of February 7. As of February 10 reports, the country issued an indefinite ban on international travel by government employees and elected leaders to reduce the risk of importing the disease. While the ban does not cover private citizens, authorities have urged all locals to defer foreign travel. Following the suspension of flights by United Airlines as of March 21, the only international service to the Marshall Islands, there are no air links to the country for at least three weeks.
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveillance at ports of entry has been enhanced. On March 22, the government announced an entry ban on travelers.
NEW CALEDONIA  Confirmed Cases: 12 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Isle of Pines extended a ban on cruise ships to the island until the end of March. Authorities added France and Japan to its list of at-risk countries on March 9. The list already included China, Singapore, South Korea, and Italy. The New Caledonian government ordered the closure of all public places, including bars and restaurants, for two weeks from March 20. Per March 21 reports, New Caledonia's international carrier Aircalin has been ordered to halt all flights to the territory. New Caledonia ceased all commercial flights from March 24. Non-residents have been advised to leave the territory as soon as possible, per the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The government has ordered people to stay home for at least 15 days from the end of March 23.
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board of Education will cut the school week down to four days from April due to the economic impact of the coronavirus outbreak. On March 17, the Governor signed an executive order declaring a state of significant emergency and a public health emergency. The measures include a two-week government shutdown, a ban on activities with over 50 participants, and a travel ban for residents.




<p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	
<p>PALAU</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palau has taken preventative measures, including enhanced screenings at airports.
<p>SAMOA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities requested a reduction of international flights, as per March 2 reports. Apia-Auckland, Apia-Nadi, and Apia-Pago Pago routes are slated to be reduced. Samoa declared a state of emergency on March 20 to be in effect for 14 days. All non-citizens will be unable to enter the country during this time. Samoa announced on March 25 that quarantine violators will be fined.
<p>SOLOMON ISLANDS</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All cruise ships and private yachts were banned from March 20 for 90 days. Virgin Airlines and Air Niugini suspended its international flights on March 21, while Solomon Airlines reduced its route to Brisbane. Domestic flights will also be reduced. Residents are advised to avoid all domestic nonessential travel to the capital, while all visitors and unemployed residents of Honiara have been called to return to their home provinces. Social distancing has been encouraged, and residents are urged to avoid nonessential public gatherings. Authorities banned entry to all non-citizens as of March 22. Authorities declared a state of emergency on March 25, which will remain in effect for two weeks. It is unclear, as of writing, what additional restrictions will be implemented as a result.
<p>TONGA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 19, the Prime Minister of Tonga declared a state of emergency. All foreign nationals are barred entry until April 17. Citizens and emergency workers will need to quarantine upon entry for 14 days. UPDATE: On March 26, Tonga's Prime Minister declared a national lockdown, set to take effect on March 29 until April 5. Everyone is required to stay home, except for purchasing or supplying essential goods, obtaining medical supplies or medical assistance, accessing financial services, or attending work as an essential service provider. Night-time curfews will be enforced from 20:00 to 06:00 daily. Bars, restaurants, and night clubs will be closed; supermarkets and retail shops selling essential goods will remain open.





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gatherings held indoors have a 10-person limit, while those outdoors have a 20-person limit and require that an officer be present.
TUVALU  Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Acting Governor-General declared a State of Emergency on March 21 that will last for 14 days; public gatherings will be restricted to no more than 10 people.
VANUATU  Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of February 1, Vanuatu implemented new arrival card questionnaires. Travelers with recent travel history in China are requested to issue a health certificate signed by a certified doctor or other health authorities. Vanuatu's national coronavirus taskforce has advised against accepting cruise ships that were diverted from other countries. On March 17, Vanuatu's prime minister extended the ban on cruise ships for an additional 30 days. UPDATE: Vanuatu has declared a state of emergency in order to allow the government to better prepare the country for a potential outbreak.
WALLIS & FUTUNA  Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wallis & Futuna has taken preventative measures, including enhanced screenings at airports. Authorities have decided to ban a planned visit by a German cruise ship. A decision has yet to be made on a second ship due later in the month.

EUROPE

Country	Measures
ALBANIA  Confirmed Cases: 146 Confirmed Deaths: 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ministry of Health confirmed the country's first cases of COVID-19 on March 9, with the infected individuals being a father and son who had recently returned from Florence, Italy. Albania confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 11. Albania announced new measures including the deployment of the police and army to enforce self-quarantine rules on travelers from Greece and Italy.

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<p>Recovered Cases: 17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government closed borders with neighboring countries including Greece, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia until March 28. • From March 23, all international flights to Albania will be suspended, except for those between Tirana International Airport (TIA) and Istanbul Airport (IST). • 'Essential' businesses, such as groceries, pharmacies, and gas stations, will only be allowed to operate only between 05:00-13:00 (local time) from March 23 onwards. Between 13:00-05:00, there will be a nationwide quarantine, with residents required to remain in their primary residences. • The government announced the suspension of all commercial flights, excluding Air Albania's flight operations for humanitarian missions on March 22. • The government announced a "State of Natural Disaster" enforcing new strict measures as additional cases were confirmed on March 24.
<p>AUSTRIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 6,001 Confirmed Deaths: 42 Recovered Cases: 112</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor Sebastian Kurz has banned entrance to Austria from Italy for those without a health certificate on March 10. • Rail operator OBB has suspended all passenger train connections to and from Italy. • Austria closed 47 smaller border crossings to Italy from March 13. • The government announced the closure of all shops except for banks, drugstores, grocery stores, post offices, pharmacies, post offices and petrol stations from March 16. • Austria has banned gatherings of more than five people from March 15. • The government announced it will introduce an entry ban for travelers from the Netherlands, Russia, UK, and Ukraine on March 15. • Exit restrictions were put in place restricting movement in public space. Playgrounds and sports fields, restaurants, and cafes have been shut without exceptions. • From midnight on March 18, border checks will be implemented at the German-Austria border. Border checks with Italy, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland are already in effect as of March 19. • The entire province of Tyrol has been placed under lockdown until April 5. Further, Gastein Valley, Grobarltal, and Flachau in the Salzburg province have also been placed under lockdown. • Austria has extended all current restrictions until April 13. • Austria is mobilizing its military reservists for the first time since World War II to help with food supplies, medical support, and police operations, per March 23 reports.
<p>ANDORRA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 188 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officials confirmed Andorra's first case of the virus on March 2. • The country recorded its first death from COVID-19 complications on March 22.

**BELARUS**

Confirmed Cases: 86
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 29

- The Ministry of Health announced the implementation of health screenings at Minsk National Airport (MSQ).
- The Belarusian Healthcare Ministry confirmed a case of COVID-19 in an individual from Vitebsk on March 1.
- As per March 6 reports, all public transport in Minsk will reportedly be thoroughly disinfected.

BELGIUM

Confirmed Cases: 6,235
Confirmed Deaths: 220
Recovered Cases: 675

- Brussels Airlines suspended 30 percent of flights to and from Italy until March 14. Brussels Airlines announced on March 5 that it will further reduce the number of flights it offers between March 8-28.
- Belgium confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 11.
- Belgium introduced a partial lockdown on March 18, with residents only allowed to leave their homes to buy essential goods, receive medical attention, or go to banks.
- The government announced that only people living under the same roof will be allowed to go outside together during the lockdown on March 19.
- Belgium has closed all its borders to nonessential travel as of 15:00 (local time) on March 20.
- Brussels South Charleroi Airport (CRL), which services budget airlines, will be closed from 23:59 on March 24 until April 5.
- The government and SNCB announced that fewer trains will be operational due to an increasing number of sick employees.
- Over 100 police reports and fines have already been issued against people and businesses failing to comply with lockdown measures, per March 23 reports.
- The government has introduced a 250 EUR fine for non-essential travel and 750 EUR for commercial establishments violating lockdown measures on March 24. Anyone found violating rules for a second time can be imprisoned for eight days to three months.

BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

Confirmed Cases: 185
Confirmed Deaths: 3
Recovered Cases: 2

- The government of Republika Srpska confirmed the country's first two cases of COVID-19 in Banja Luka City on March 5.
- Bosnia & Herzegovina announced a ban on all travelers from countries most affected by COVID-19 on March 10.
- A nationwide state of emergency was declared on March 17 for both federal regions.
- A curfew will be in place in the Federation of Bosnia & Herzegovina region between 18:00-05:00 (local time) daily as of March 21.
- The Minister of the Interior stated that everyone must wear protective masks in public as per March 23 reports.
- The government plans to suspend all air traffic from March 30. Foreign nationals with exceptions of diplomats and medical practitioners will be denied entry. Only, aircrafts carrying medical equipment will be allowed entry.
- **UPDATE:** The US embassy updated information on entry requirements to Bosnia & Herzegovina on March 25. All non-resident foreign nationals will be banned from entering the country. All citizens and foreign nationals that are residents will be allowed to enter and will be subjected to a mandatory quarantine for 14 days.

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BULGARIA



Confirmed Cases: 243
Confirmed Deaths: 3
Recovered Cases: 4

- The country's first four cases of COVID-19 were reported on March 8.
- Bulgaria confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 12.
- The government declared a state of emergency until April 13 on March 13.
- The US embassy in Sofia announced the suspension of all non-emergency services until further notice on March 15.
- Bulgaria has banned entrance to citizens of the following countries as of March 18: Bangladesh, China, France, Germany, India, Iran, Italy, the Maldives, Nepal, the Netherlands, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Spain, Switzerland, and the UK.
- Several medical workers reportedly resigned from two hospitals in Sofia due to inadequate provisions of protective gear and equipment on March 19.
- The Bulgarian parliament voted to allow the military to assist civilian authorities in minimizing the movement of citizens amid the outbreak, including a mandate to use force if necessary.
- Most flights have been canceled at the Sofia International Airport (SOF) with exceptions to 5 arrivals and 11 departures on March 25.

CROATIA



Confirmed Cases: 481
Confirmed Deaths: 1
Recovered Cases: 22

- Prime Minister Andrej Plenkovic confirmed that a young man in Zagreb is the country's first confirmed case on February 25.
- Dubrovnik Airport was closed to all international and domestic flights until further notice after an employee was tested positive with the virus on March 19.
- The state public health institute announced the first confirmed death of an individual infected with COVID-19 in Pula on March 19.
- All public transportation, both inter- and intra-city, will be suspended for 30 days as of March 22.
- Prime Minister Andrej Penkovic asked citizens to remain in their homes and maintain social distancing protocols where possible following a 5.3-magnitude earthquake in Zagreb during the morning hours on March 22.
- US Embassy in Zagreb issued a health alert regarding travel restrictions introduced by the government prohibiting intercity travel on March 24

CYPRUS



Confirmed Cases: 132
Confirmed Deaths: 3
Recovered Cases: 4

- Cyprus announced its first two confirmed cases on March 9, both of whom recently returned from abroad, including one from northern Italy and the other is a health professional.
- The Health Minister announced on March 10 that gatherings of more than 75 people will be banned until March 3.
- The government announced a state of emergency, including suspension in operations of private businesses on March 15.
- New entry regulations tighten the partial entry ban in which Cyprus shut its borders for 15 days to all except Cypriots, Europeans and third-country nationals working and studying on the islands with special permits on March 15. From March 16, persons authorized to enter Cyprus will be placed in quarantine.
- Cyprus announced a lockdown on March 23 until April 13. The movement of people is effectively banned unless it is essential.



CZECH REPUBLIC



Confirmed Cases: 1,775
Confirmed Deaths: 6
Recovered Cases: 10

- Prime Minister Andrej Babis announced a state of emergency for 30 days as of March 12. All catering services will be closed between 20:00-06:00 daily. All events with over 30 people are banned from March 13.
- Government to ban all foreign travelers except those with residency and or short-term permits valid for over 90-days, from entering and leaving the country from March 16.
- Authorities have mandated travel restrictions nationwide including a ban on private transportation, public and private businesses until March 24.
- In Prague, face masks must be worn in all shops and offices from March 18, with those not abiding facing fines.
- First COVID-19 related death was reported on March 22. The victim was a 95-year-old individual, reportedly suffering from other serious health issues with the infection.
- Restrictions related to COVID-19 will be extended until April 1. The head of Czech's Crisis Staff reported that border restrictions may last up to two years depending on how other countries in Europe manage the pandemic.
- A large shipment of masks sent from China to Italy was reportedly stolen in the Czech Republic, per March 22 reports.

DENMARK



Confirmed Cases: 1,851
Confirmed Deaths: 34
Recovered Cases: 1





- Denmark confirmed its first case of the virus on February 27 in an individual who recently returned from Italy.
- On March 4 the Minister of Health confirmed its first COVID-19 case in the Faroe Islands. The individual reportedly arrived from Paris on February 24.
- The government announced on March 4 that all healthcare workers in Denmark who have traveled to outbreak areas within the last 14 days will be required to remain at home.
- All 'non-critical' public servants have been ordered to work from home for two weeks as of March 11.
- Denmark announced the closure of nurseries, schools, and universities for two weeks on March 12.
- The government closed all borders and banned foreign travelers from March 14.
- Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) will temporarily halt most of its flights from March 16.
- All public gatherings over 10 people are banned and non-essential businesses will be required to close from March 18.
- All direct flights will be suspended between Denmark and Greenland from March 20. Domestic flights and ferry services in Greenland will be halted by March 21.
- Primary schools will be closed in Greenland from March 23 for a period of two weeks.
- A ban on public gatherings of more than 100 people in Greenland remains in place as of March 19.
- The nationwide lockdown in Denmark has been extended until April 13.
- Danish police will charge 65 different groups of people for violating the ban on events involving ten people or more as per March 24 reports.

ESTONIA

- The Government confirmed the country's first case of the virus on February 27. The patient was an Iranian national resident in Estonia, who reportedly reentered the country recently via a bus from Latvia.


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 <p>Confirmed Cases: 538 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 8</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government introduced entry control measures allowing entry of only Estonian citizens, residents or family members of residents on March 15. • The US Embassy in Tallinn issued an alert on March 23 that flights from Tallinn Airport (TLL) to major European hubs may be suspended and it remains unclear when they will resume.
<p>EU</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first case of COVID-19 among the staff of the EU Council was confirmed in Belgium on March 4. • The European Parliament has suspended the majority of its events over the coming weeks, as of March 10. • The World Health Organization declared Europe the new epicenter of COVID-19 on March 13, with more reported cases and deaths than the rest of the world combined, apart from China. • The EU announced a ban on travelers from outside the bloc for 30 days, as of March 18. The measure is expected to apply to all EU member states, as well as Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland. The travel ban will affect all non-EU nationals from entering the bloc, except long-term residents, family members of EU nationals and diplomats, cross-border and healthcare workers, and individuals transporting goods.
<p>FINLAND</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 926 Confirmed Deaths: 5 Recovered Cases: 10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first case of the COVID-19 in the country was reported on February 26. A resident of the Husi district of Helsinki is believed to have contracted the disease while in Milan, Italy. • Finnair canceled flights to Milan until April 7 and to Seoul, South Korea until April 16, all its flights to Rome until April 7, and mainland China until April 30. • The government ordered restrictions on the sale of pharmaceutical and medical supplies used in hospital care on March 17. • Finland banned the entrance of foreign citizens as of March 17. • Public gatherings over 10 are banned, with most public spaces, businesses, and services closed as of March 17. • A shelter-in-place order has been issued for those aged over 70. • Finland has reintroduced border checks at all its borders as of March 18. • Finland's Helsinki-Vantaa International Airport (HEL) has begun implementing quarantine rules as of March 20. Authorities are informing travelers of mandatory 14-day quarantines, regardless of which country they have traveled from. • UPDATE: Finland's Uusimaa region has been placed under lockdown as of March 26 until April 19. Travel restrictions will be in place for the capital region, with the expectation of the movement of goods deliveries and indispensable work commuting.
<p>FRANCE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 25,233 Confirmed Deaths: 1,331</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On February 15, the Minister of Health announced the death of a Chinese tourist in Paris, marking the first confirmed death from COVID-19 outside Asia. • The government will reportedly take measures to ensure the supply of masks and hand gels to hospitals after a mass theft was reported on March 4. • As of March 6, the EU Parliament in Strasbourg will be closed until further notice. • Air France has canceled all flights to Italy between March 14-April 3.


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<p>Recovered Cases: 3,900</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Emmanuel Macron announced on March 12 that all educational establishments across the nation will be closed until further notice starting 16 March. • Airline Jet2 announced flight cancellations to Lyon, Grenoble, Paris, and Nice on March 15. • President Emmanuel Macron announced that from 12:00 (local time) on March 17 new travel restrictions will be implemented. Only journeys for shopping, commuting when homework is not possible, basic physical activity, and emergencies will be permitted. Macron stated that those not abiding by the restrictions will be punished. The restrictions will last a minimum of 15 days. • The government to deploy 100,000 police to enforce lockdown and fixed checkpoints will be set up across the country. • Individuals who wish to get out of their homes for permitted purposes will require a travel certificate attested by authorities. Authorities will not accept digital formats of the certificate. Only official certificates and honor certificates written on paper are valid. • More than 4,000 individuals were fined for violating the nationwide lockdown as 89 new deaths were reported in a 24 hour period on March 19. • Parliament approved the "state of health emergency" bill sanctioning stringent restrictions to public freedom, including assembly and movement among the other provisions for two months on March 22. • The government announced further restrictions on March 23. Authorities have suspended all commercial flights between mainland France and the overseas departments of French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Mayotte, Reunion, Saint Barthelemy, and Saint Martin until at least April 13. Exceptions will be made for extraordinary circumstances or medical reasons. • France to begin clinical trials of long-established anti-malarial drug chloroquine as a possible cure for patients as per March 24 reports. • UPDATE: France's Paris Orly Airport (ORY) is slated to suspend operations from March 31 at 23:59 to commercial traffic due to decreased demand. • UPDATE: The US embassy in Paris issued a health alert on March 25 warning US citizens who live in the US to either return to the US or prepare to remain abroad for an indefinite period. According to the alert, as of writing, there is one direct flight per day to the US via Air France. • UPDATE: A special train will be introduced to transport patients from Strasbourg, which has seen a surge in cases, to the Loire region. • UPDATE: A military operation, called Operation Resilience, will be launched to provide logistical support and public health assistance.
<p>GERMANY</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 39,502 Confirmed Deaths: 222</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of March 4, Lufthansa suspended flights to and from mainland China until April 24. • Germany has banned the export of medical protection gear to avoid supply shortages of masks, gloves, and protective suits on March 4. • Germany-based airline Lufthansa intends to cancel half of its flights and has suspended all services to Israel until March 28.




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<p>Recovered Cases: 3,547</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government announced a gradual shutdown of schools and day-care centers in Berlin from March 16 until April 19. • Reports from March 15 indicate that Germany will close land borders with Austria, Denmark, France, Luxembourg, and Switzerland from 08:00 (local time) on March 16 other than goods and commuters. • Non-essential businesses will be required to close as of March 16. Exceptions include food, pharmaceuticals, fuel stations, banks, and delivery services. • 10 cases identified among refugees and asylum seekers as per the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) as of March 18. • The threat risk for Germany has been raised from moderate to "high" by its disease control and prevention agency on March 17. The government has also announced the repatriation of its citizens from abroad in the coming days. • Mitterteich town in southern Bavaria has issued a curfew on March 18. The curfew will be in place until April 2. • Government plans to mobilize military reservists to maintain public order during the outbreak as per March 19 reports. • Gatherings of more than two people are prohibited from March 22. • Chancellor Angela Merkel is reportedly under self-quarantine after coming in contact with a COVID-19 positive doctor as of March 23.
<p>GREECE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 821 Confirmed Deaths: 23 Recovered Cases: 36</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The country recorded the first case of the virus on February 26 in Thessaloniki. • The Civil Aviation Authority has announced the suspension of all flights between Greece and northern Italy until March 23. • Greece confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 12. • The government announced a two-week closure of theatres, courthouses, cinemas, gyms, playgrounds, schools, and clubs on March 12. • The government announced a ban on flights, road, and sea routes to Albania, Macedonia, and Spain on March 15. • All non-essential businesses will be closed as of March 18 and religious services will be suspended. • Those returning from abroad must self-isolate for 14-days. • Gatherings of over 10 people will be banned from March 19 and violators will be fined. • The government has imposed restrictions on the movement of refugees and migrants in asylum camps for 30 days on March 19. Temporary exit facilities will only be allowed in small groups every hour between 07:00 - 19:00 (local time) to obtain food supplies. • As of March 23, Greece requires citizens to remain in their primary residences unless buying essential goods, medicine, or carrying out limited outdoor exercise or going to essential work. • The government suspended flights from Turkey and the UK as a lockdown took effect in the country on March 23. The ban will continue until April 15.
<p>HUNGARY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wizz Air has suspended all flights to and from Italy and Israel until April 3 • Hungary confirmed its first two cases of COVID-19 on March 4. The two infected are Iranian nationals studying in the country, who recently returned from Iran.



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 Confirmed Cases: 261 Confirmed Deaths: 10 Recovered Cases: 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government announced the closure of all schools. • The US Embassy in Budapest will offer limited visa services as of March 13. • Hungary will close land borders with Austria and Slovenia from March 14. • Hungary has banned entrance to all foreign nationals as of March 17. • Wizz Air announced on March 17 the suspension of all flights to and from Malta until April 10.
<p>ICELAND</p>  Confirmed Cases: 737 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 56	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On February 28, it was confirmed that a man who had recently returned from Italy was diagnosed as the first case in the country. • As of March 19, Icelandic nationals and residents arriving in the country will have to self-isolate for 14 days regardless of their travel history. However, some transportation workers, such as airline crew, will be exempt from this measure. • A ban on public gatherings of more than 100 people remains in effect on March 19. • A 36-year old Australian man diagnosed with COVID-19 died in Husavik, with his wife placed under quarantine. Authorities are investigating the exact cause of death due to discrepancies between the patient's death and known COVID-19 deaths.
<p>IRELAND</p>  Confirmed Cases: 1,564 Confirmed Deaths: 9 Recovered Cases: 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ryanair has canceled all domestic flights within Italy from March 12 and all international flights to and from Italy from March 14. • Aer Lingus has suspended all flights to and from Italy. • Schools, universities, and other public facilities will be closed from March 12 to March 29. Indoor gatherings of more than 100 people and outdoor gatherings of more than 500 will be canceled. • Irish citizens have been advised to exercise a "high degree of caution" while traveling anywhere in Europe. • Individuals returning to Ireland from Italy and Spain will be asked to "restrict their movements" for 14-days. • Ryanair expects most of its fleet to be grounded from March 24 and onwards. • The government has tightened the criteria for testing of suspected cases, which will now be limited to those with fever and at least one sign of respiratory disease on March 24. • UPDATE: Taoiseach Leo Varadkar announced a stay at home order for all citizens per March 25 reports to deal with the outbreak and stated the need to avoid nonessential travel. • UPDATE: The regional operator of Aer Lingus, Stobart Air announced that the suspension of international flights from March 28 onwards.
<p>ITALY</p>  Confirmed Cases: 74,386 Confirmed Deaths: 7,503 Recovered Cases: 9,362	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte has classified all of Italy as a 'protected zone,' banning public events and all but essential travel outside the country. Those traveling outside and non-Italians arriving in Italy will be required to prove the necessity of their travel. • The decree will last until April 3 and bans all public events. • Religious ceremonies, including funerals and weddings, will be temporarily banned. Authorities announced on March 11 that all shops except food stores, pharmacies, and stores selling "essential" items will be closed until further notice. • Ciampino Airport (CIA) will halt operations for passenger flights as of March 14.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terminal 1 of Leonardo da Vinci–Fiumicino Airport (FCO) will be temporarily closed from March 17. Individuals who violate new regulations will be subject to a three-month prison sentence or a fine of 206 EUR. Hospitals across the country have been forced to prioritize intensive care for patients “with the best chance of survival.” In an address on March 19, Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte said that current lockdown measures will be prolonged beyond the current deadline on April 3. Italy becomes the worst-hit country surpassing China with a total death toll of 3,405. Approximately 2,629 health workers are infected with COVID-19 as of March 19. About 51,892 people have been charged nationwide with breaking quarantine rules as of March 20. Lombardy has banned all outdoor activities, including individual sporting and physical exercise, as of March 22. As per March 21 government directives, only ‘essential’ production activities may be continued, including food, pharmacies, and other related operations. As of March 22, inter-municipal travel is banned. Individuals must remain within the municipality in which they are located. Italy’s petrol stations will begin to close down on March 25. Operators state that it has become impossible to guarantee health and safety standards in their businesses. The government introduced fines of up to 3,000 EUR and a prison term up to five years for violations of lockdown and quarantine rules on March 24. UPDATE: According to reports from March 25, Italy has extended several airport closures until April 3.
<p>KOSOVO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 71 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has canceled flights and bus services from Germany, France, Switzerland, and Italy. Kosovo confirmed its first two cases on March 13 and the third on March 14. The government announced the temporary suspension of all flights from Pristina Airport (PRN) from March 16. The government has enacted a curfew from 10:00-16:00 (local time) and 20:00-06:00 from March 23. Weddings, rallies, and all gatherings are prohibited in both public and private environments.
<p>LATVIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 244 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AirBaltic has announced the suspension of all flights to and from the Italian cities of Milan and Verona. Latvia declared a state of emergency on March 12, banning events with over 200 people and closing schools.





<p>LIECHTENSTEIN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 51 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liechtenstein confirmed its first case on March 4.
<p>LITHUANIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 290 Confirmed Deaths: 4 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On February 28, it was confirmed that a woman who had recently returned from Italy was diagnosed as the first case in the country, and she was admitted to a hospital in Siauliai. Lithuania announced the suspension of all flights from Italy on March 12. The government declared a nationwide quarantine until March 30. Only shops selling 'essential' goods will remain open and public transport will be limited. Foreign citizens' entry has been banned with exceptions to those involved in commercial and international transportation of goods on March 16.
<p>LUXEMBOURG</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 1,333 Confirmed Deaths: 8 Recovered Cases: 6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Luxembourg confirmed its first case on February 29. The individual had recently traveled to Italy. On March 14, the country confirmed their first death from COVID-19. The government announced lockdown measures advising minimal public travel on March 16. Luxair announced flight cancellations to Czech Republic, Denmark, Greece, Italy, Malta, and Spain until April 26. Findel Airport (LUX) to be closed to passengers from March 23. Cargo flights to continue to function. UPDATE: The UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) has updated its Luxembourg travel advisory on March 25 stating that authorities have introduced several measures to curb the spread of the virus. The measures include the closure of several public spaces and social activities.
<p>MALTA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 129 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first case of COVID-19 was confirmed in Malta on March 7. The patient is an eight-year-old Italian national. With the exception of cargo, humanitarian, and repatriation flights, all incoming flights will be stopped from March 21. As of March 23, nonessential businesses will be required to close, other than those selling food and medicine, as well as selected other services.






<p>MOLDOVA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 149 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The health ministry announced Moldova's first confirmed case of COVID-19 on March 8. The patient had reportedly returned from Italy. Moldova announced a temporary ban on all foreign travelers from countries affected by COVID-19 on March 10. Beginning on March 15-16, flights between Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, and the UK will be halted. Foreign nationals will be barred from entering the country until at least March 31. Only citizens and permanent residents are permitted to board remaining flights to Moldova, as of March 16. First death from COVID-19 was reported in the Republic of Moldova on March 18. The deceased had resided in a locality that has been placed under quarantine. UPDATE: The UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) updated its Moldova travel advisory on March 25 warning of travel restrictions in place, including most border crossings to the east and south to be closed.
<p>MONACO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 31 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On February 28, the Monegasque government confirmed that an individual was diagnosed as the first case in the country and that the individual was admitted to a hospital in Nice, France for further treatment. The Minister of State, Serge Telle, tested positive for COVID-19 on March 16. Over 100,000 police and army personnel have been deployed to enforce restrictions as of March 17. Prince Albert of Monaco, the Head of State, was tested positive for COVID-19 on March 19.
<p>MONTENEGRO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 67 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Podgorica on March 13 announced the complete ban of public gatherings and closed schools for two weeks. Ports will also close down to stem the possible outbreak of the virus. Montenegro has banned entrance to non-citizens and permanent and temporary residents as of March 16. The government has temporarily suspended national airline operations, international rail and bus lines from March 16. All 'non-essential' businesses will be required to close. The first two cases of COVID-19 in the country were confirmed on March 17. One of the patients had recently returned from the USA and the other from Spain. The country recorded its first death related to COVID-19 on March 23. UPDATE: Montenegro has placed the town of Tuzi under complete lockdown as of March 25 until further notice. All transportation between Tuzi and Podgorica has been suspended.
<p>NETHERLANDS</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 6,412</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Netherlands recorded its first fatality as a consequence of the COVID-19 on March 5. Prime Minister Mark Rutte announced the banning of gatherings of more than 100 people on March 12 until March 31, with people encouraged to work from home. KLM will reduce its operations by an estimated 25 percent amid a decline in demand.

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<p>Confirmed Deaths: 356 Recovered Cases: 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools, businesses, catering services, and multiple events will be suspended until April 6. The government advised all Dutch nationals against travel abroad unless strictly necessary on March 17. The Netherlands has banned all flights to Spain until April 4, in addition to China, Hong Kong, Iran, Italy, and South Korea. The government enacted more restrictions on March 23. No more than two people may stand within 5 feet of each other while outdoors unless they belong to the same household. Individuals may be heavily fined for violating this measure, which will be in effect through at least June 2020.
<p>NORTH MACEDONIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 177 Confirmed Deaths: 3 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first case of COVID-19 was reported on February 26. The patient is believed to have recently traveled to Italy as per statements by the Health Ministry. Temperature checks will be conducted for all travelers from Italy, Istanbul, and Dubai at Skopje International Airport (SKP). North Macedonia has announced the suspension of all flights from Skopje and Ohrid to northern Italy. On March 13, Skopje announced the prohibiting of public gatherings. North Macedonia will bar the entrance of foreign nationals from March 18 at border crossings and international airports. North Macedonia announced an official nationwide State of Emergency on March 18 for 30 days. The declaration gives greater powers to health authorities. A nationwide curfew is in place from 21:00–06:00. Public transportation will not operate during the curfew First COVID-19 related death was reported in Kumanovo on March 22. The 59-year-old victim was found to have been positive only after her death. North Macedonia has enacted a curfew from 21:00-05:00 (local time) for people older than 67 and youth up to 18 years, as per March 23 reports. The government announced the suspension of long-distance traveling to and from Kumanovo municipality, placing it in quarantine on March 24.
<p>NORWAY</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3,212 Confirmed Deaths: 14 Recovered Cases: 6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scandinavian Airlines, the flagship carriers of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, on January 30, stated in a press release that the airlines would be suspending long-haul flights to mainland China until March 29. Norway announced its first case of the virus on February 26. All schools and other educational institutions will be closed as of March 13 until further notice. Norway confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 13. The government is urging its citizens to return to Norway as soon as possible as the government has advised against travel to all foreign countries, as per March 14 reports. All schools in Oslo are closed for 14 days and kindergartens will be closed from March 16. Libraries and other public facilities are also closed. All events with more than 50 participants are banned in Oslo.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has advised citizens to leave their country-side cabins, as rural hospitals could be overwhelmed in the event that the virus spreads to the rural regions. Norway to close borders for foreign citizens without residence permit as of March 16. The government announced the extension of travel and business restrictions until April 13 on March 24.
<p>POLAND</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 1,085 Confirmed Deaths: 14 Recovered Cases: 7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On January 25, the Polish Deputy Foreign Minister announced the nationwide implementation of preventive measures. These measures include monitoring the country's borders and ports, as well as the establishment of health screening services at Warsaw Frederic Chopin Airport (WAW). The government confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in the country in the city of Zielona Gora on March 4. Poland will enact health checks at borders with the Czech Republic and Germany from March 9, with further measures planned in the coming days. Poland will close all schools, universities, cinemas, theaters, and museums for two weeks beginning March 12 to curtail the spread of COVID-19, as per March 11 reports. All international flights and rail connections (inbound and outbound) were suspended from 00:01 on Sunday, March 15. All citizens entering Poland will be subject to mandatory quarantine. Poland plans to extend a program under which some prisoners will be allowed to serve their sentences at home to help curb the spread of COVID-19, as per March 23 reports. The government announced further restrictions on business and travel, including a ban on groups of three and more, and nationwide confinement with limited exceptions on March 24. Restrictions are expected to continue until April 11.
<p>PORTUGAL</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2,995 Confirmed Deaths: 43 Recovered Cases: 22</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Portugal has banned visits to hospitals, retirement homes, and prisons in the north. The Ministry of Health issued an advisory that events with more than 5,000 people in open spaces, with over 1,000 in closed venues, and over 150 in the municipalities of Felgueiras and Lousada be canceled or postponed. Portugal has temporarily suspended all passenger flights to and from Italy for two weeks. The government has ordered the closure of all schools, restrictions on docking cruise ships in its docks, and a capacity restriction on shopping malls and restaurants. The government of Madeira has ordered the closure of airports in the region. A national State of Emergency (SoE) was issued on March 18 until further notice. UPDATE: The UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) has updated its Portugal travel advisory regarding additional quarantine measures. Those arriving in the Norte region, including Aveiro, Braga, and Porto, post-March 25 will be subjected to a mandatory 14-days quarantine.
<p>ROMANIA</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Romania confirmed its first case on February 27. The interim health minister advised citizens on March 5 to limit their travel from Italy and announced that all individuals returning from Italy will be placed under isolation for 15 days.

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<p>Confirmed Cases: 1,029 Confirmed Deaths: 17 Recovered Cases: 94</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government has announced the suspension of all flights between Romania and Italy. • Romania will temporarily close various points of entry with Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Moldova, and Ukraine into the country from March 14. • The interim government has announced that it will self-isolate for 14 days after a senator tested positive on March 13. • Romania will enact a daily curfew between 22:00-06:00 (local time) from March 21, with residents required to remain in their primary residence. • Romania recorded its first death related to COVID-19 on March 22. • The government announced a total quarantine in Romania, making everything that was previously recommended mandatory, as of March 24. The military has been mobilized to assist. • President Klaus Iohannis announced additional measures on March 24. The government is planning to issue a military decree with restrictions on movement and business taking effect from March 25. • More than 100 of 762 confirmed cases are of health workers as of March 24.
<p>RUSSIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 840 Confirmed Deaths: 3 Recovered Cases: 38</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Russian airlines except Aeroflot suspended flights to China from January 31, with four Chinese airlines continuing flights to Moscow. These connections will operate through Terminal F of the Sheremetyevo Alexander S. Pushkin International Airport (SVO). • The St. Petersburg International Economic Forum scheduled for June 3-6 has been canceled. • On March 7, Moscow issued a health alert regarding enhanced medical screenings. Those who ignore the regulations could face prison terms of up to five years. • Restrictions on visits to hospital patients introduced in Moscow on March 13. • The government banned the entry of foreign nationals and stateless people from March 18. • The government announced that foreigners violating quarantine provisions may be deported from Russia on March 19. • As of March 23, only flights between Moscow and other world capitals will be allowed to continue, with the end date unspecified. • New cases in the country tripled overnight with a total of 658 cases reported as of March 25. • The government announced additional movement and business-related restrictions including the closure of cafes, nightclubs, theaters, among others on March 24. • UPDATE: Russia announced a series of measures on March 25, which include a week-long paid national holiday from March 28. All nonessential work, except for hospitals, emergency services, medical services, banks, and pharmacies will remain closed. • UPDATE: March 27 onwards, all flights except for repatriation flights will be suspended until further notice. • UPDATE: A ban on gatherings of over 50 people remains in effect as of March 26. • UPDATE: The US Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued a Level 3: avoid nonessential travel warning to Russia as of March 25.



SAN MARINO



Confirmed Cases: 208

Confirmed Deaths: 21

Recovered Cases: 4

- San Marino confirmed its first case of the virus on February 29.
- The first death was confirmed on March 1.

SERBIA



Confirmed Cases: 384

Confirmed Deaths: 6

Recovered Cases: 15

- Serbia confirmed its first case of COVID-19 on March 6.
- Serbia announced a temporary ban on all foreign travelers from Italy, certain provinces in China, South Korea, and parts of Switzerland on March 10.
- Air Serbia has announced the suspension of all flights between Nis Constantine the Great Airport (INI) and Bologna and Rome.
- The government declared a state of emergency mandating stringent precautions on March 15.
- The government has postponed the general elections that were slated to take place on April 26, as per March 17 reports.
- As of March 18, all residents will be required to remain indoors between 20:00-05:00 (local time) each night. Additionally, those over 65-years-old must remain indoors at all times in urban centers and 70-year-olds in rural areas.
- Commercial international flights will be suspended from Nikola Tesla Airport in Belgrade from 12:00 on March 19. The airport will remain open for all cargo and all humanitarian flights.
- The government announced closure of its borders to road, rail and water transportation services on March 19.

SLOVAKIA



Confirmed Cases: 226

Confirmed Deaths: 0

Recovered Cases: 7

- Slovakia confirmed its first case of COVID-19 on March 6.
- Slovakia has banned flights to Italy as of March 7 until further notice.
- The government has banned all publically organized cultural, sporting, and other large gatherings and events until March 23.
- All those entering from abroad will need to self-isolate for 14 days and all international airports and rail services will be closed for 14 days as of March 12, except freight and cargo.
- Educational facilities, social and cultural facilities, and entertainment establishments will be closed as of March 12.
- Slovakia has reportedly banned entrance to all foreign citizens except those with a residence permit as of March 14.
- The government has announced the closure of international airports, schools, bars, and clubs under new emergency measures introduced on March 16.
- A woman previously thought to have died from COVID-19 on March 19 in Slovakia had actually died from different medical complications.



SLOVENIA



Confirmed Cases: 528
Confirmed Deaths: 5
Recovered Cases: 10

- Slovenia confirmed its first case of COVID-19 on March 5. The patient had recently returned from Morocco via Italy.
- Slovenia will begin health checks along its border with Italy as of March 9 and at Ljubljana Joze Pucnik Airport (LJU).
- Slovenia announced a ban on all travelers from Italy on March 10.
- The government announced emergency measures indicating the suspension of public transport services, including inter-city trains and buses, from March 16. Cross-border bus and train services have also been suspended.
- The number of border crossings with Italy has been reduced to four as of March 18.
- The government announced lockdown measures prohibiting gatherings and movement of people in public places from March 20.
- The government will reportedly ban people traveling outside their municipality, as per March 22 reports.
- The government will implement health checks along borders with Austria from March 25, allowing only those showing no signs of fever to enter into the territory.. Slovenian nationals and foreign residents will be exempt from the measures.



SPAIN




Confirmed Cases: 56,188
Confirmed Deaths: 4,089
Recovered Cases: 7,015

- The Centro Nacional de Microbiologia (CNM) stated on January 31 that the first case of COVID-19 was confirmed in the country.
- The country's first death was confirmed in Valencia on March 3, however, the death actually occurred on February 13, with subsequent tests confirming it was due to COVID-19.
- The General Secretariat of Penitentiary Institutions ordered all prisons in Spain to suspend visits by inmates' family members and lawyers from Madrid and Basque Country.
- Spain reportedly suspended all flights to and from Italy as of March 10.
- Spain declared a state of emergency on March 13. The Government has banned all non-essential travel within the country from March 14, excluding buying foods or pharmaceuticals, travel to work, returning home, assisting dependents, and emergency situations. Authorities are permitted to close roads and check those in public for their reasons for travel.
- Individuals who do not comply with the COVID-19 restrictions may be fined between 100 and 600 EUR.
- The government announced the closure of its land borders to all foreigners from March 17. Freight will be allowed to enter the country.
- Hospitals across the country have drafted an action protocol, according to which all medical resources, including ICU's, will be reserved for patients with the 'most healing capacity.'
- Spain will ban the entry of all non-citizens or residents, other than diplomats, aircrew, and medical staff, from March 23 for 30 days.
- The government will extend the state of emergency until April 11 as the country reported 394 new deaths on March 22.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Alicante- Elche Airport (ALC) will be closed to commercial flights as per March 25 reports. The airport will, however, remain open to emergency services and special flights. UPDATE: Spain has extended the current State of Emergency (SoE) until April 12.
<p>SWEDEN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2,554 Confirmed Deaths: 64 Recovered Cases: 16</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Public Health Agency in Sweden stated on January 31 that the first case of COVID-19 was confirmed in the country in a patient who had returned from Wuhan. Scandinavian Airlines, the flagship carriers of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, on January 30, stated in a press release that the airlines would be suspending long-haul flights to Beijing and Shanghai until March 29. As of February 11, PostNord postal services to China have been halted due to the outbreak. Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) announced the cancellation of all flights to northern Italy. Scandinavian airline SAS has canceled 2,000 flights scheduled for March. All non-EU citizens will be banned from entry to Sweden from March 19.
<p>SWITZERLAND</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 11,435 Confirmed Deaths: 165 Recovered Cases: 131</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swiss Air announced that it will suspend all flights to and from China until March 28, while smaller aircraft will be used on flights to and from Hong Kong. Switzerland confirmed its first case of COVID-19 in Ticino on February 25. The Swiss government banned gatherings of more than 1,000 people. As of March 4, the UN's European headquarters in Geneva was closed to all visitors. Switzerland reported its first death from the virus in Lausanne on March 5. Switzerland will require Italians working in the country to show their visas when crossing the border as of March 9. Switzerland will be closing nine secondary border crossings with Italy and directing traffic to main routes to slow the spread of COVID-19 on March 11. Switzerland temporarily reintroduced border controls at all of its borders on March 13. The United Nations Geneva Headquarters will be temporarily shut down as of March 14 as one employee tested positive for COVID-19. The government of the canton of Basel-Landschaft declared a state of emergency on March 15, banning all public events with over 50 people and ordering the closure of restaurants, hotels, cinemas and other sports centers. The US Embassy in Bern announced the suspension of its routine consular services on March 17 and will resume limited operations on March 18. Consular agencies in Geneva and Zurich will remain closed until further notice. The government has deployed the army to aid in emergency services during the crisis as per March 24 reports. The government has implemented additional restrictions blocking the entry of individuals from high-risk countries including Austria, France, Germany, Italy, and Spain on March 24. The restrictions do not apply to Swiss citizens and will remain in place until April 19. UPDATE Switzerland has extended the current border controls with Austria, France, Germany, Italy, and Spain, to include all Schengen Area states from March 25. Similar



	<p>restrictions have also been introduced for those traveling to Switzerland by air, except for travelers coming in from Liechtenstein.</p>
<p>UK</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 9,529 Confirmed Deaths: 465 Recovered Cases: 135</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> British Airways has suspended all inbound and outbound flights to and from China until at least March 31. The Foreign Office stated that all Britons in China should leave the country if they can to minimize the risk of exposure. Virgin Atlantic has extended flight suspensions to mainland China, including Shanghai until March 28. British Airways has canceled a number of flights to the USA between March 16 and 28 due to reduced demand, affecting flights between London Heathrow (LHR) and New York John F Kennedy (JFK) airports. On March 3, the National Health Service (NHS) declared COVID-19 a level 4 incident, the highest on its scale of public health emergencies. This declaration gives health officials increased powers to isolate and treat patients. The UK confirmed its first death from the virus on March 5. British Airways and EasyJet suspended all flights between Italy and the UK until April 4 & 3 respectively. The Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) advised against all nonessential travel to the USA due to the ban on the entrance of UK citizens from March 16. The government introduces emergency laws, including banning public gatherings nationwide, mandatory self-isolation for individuals aged above 70, and custody or fine of 1,000 GBP for refusing to be tested or quarantined, per March 15 reports. The Waterloo & City London Underground line will be suspended from March 20. Nine stations have also been closed until further notice and others with limited services, details can be found here. Weekend services will also be significantly reduced going forward. Prime Minister Boris Johnson announced the closure of schools nationwide from March 20. The US Embassy in London and Consulates General in Edinburgh and Belfast have been suspended since March 18. Gibraltar has enforced a partial lockdown as of March 24. Residents will only be allowed to leave their primary residence for essential goods. Prime Minister Boris Johnson established a partial lockdown nationwide from March 23. People will only be allowed to leave their primary residence in order to exercise once a day, travel to or from work when necessary, shop for essential items, and for medical needs or emergencies. Outdoor gatherings of more than two people are prohibited. Police have been given authority to fine those who do not observe the instructions and force those with symptoms to self-isolate. Nonessential businesses have been ordered to close. UPDATE: UK's London City Airport (LCY) will temporarily suspend commercial and private flight operations from March 25 until April 30 due to decreased demand.

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UKRAINE



Confirmed Cases: 156

Confirmed Deaths: 5

Recovered Cases: 1

- Violent unrest recorded outside hospitals for COVID-19 evacuees in Lviv and Poltava on February 19-20.
- Reports indicate that Ukraine recorded its first case of the virus on March 3 in Chernivtsi. The individual reportedly arrived from Italy via Romania.
- Ukraine will temporarily close schools.
- Ukraine confirmed its first death from COVID-19 on March 13.
- Ukraine announced on March 13 that all foreign nationals will be barred entry into the country from March 15-29. Citizens entering the country from the worst affected regions will be subject to medical observation for an unspecified amount of time.
- The government announced the suspension of public transport services from March 18-April 3. Kyiv metro services will be suspended from 23:00 on March 16.
- All events with more than 10 people, including religious celebrations, will be banned from March 17.
- Civilians who violate quarantine rules and other measures will be fined between 1,000-2,000 UAH. Officials who violate regulations will be fined between 2,000-10,000 UAH.
- Ukraine International Airlines (UIA) announced the suspension of all international flights until March 31.
- The self-proclaimed Donetsk People's Republic (DPR) closed human movement through the line of demarcation with Ukrainian territories. The decision follows Russia banning the entry of Donbas residents who do not have a Russian passport and Ukraine banning entry into Ukrainian territory to those without registration in the uncontrolled territories.
- A state of emergency has been enacted in Kyiv as of March 20, however, as yet, it does not require any additional actions or enact further restrictions.
- The government imposed a state of emergency in Cherkasy, Donetsk, and Ternopil on March 23.
- **UPDATE:** Ukraine announced the suspension of all air and rail transport with other countries from March 27.
- **UPDATE:** Internal travel restrictions are in place until April 24. Ukrainian nationals and foreign nationals who are Ukrainian residents will be allowed entry to the country and will be subjected to screening and quarantine measures.

VATICAN CITY



Confirmed Cases: 4


Confirmed Deaths: 0

Recovered Cases: 0

- Vatican City reports its first case of COVID-19 on March 6.
- Saint Peter's Square and Basilica in Vatican City will remain closed for tourists until further notice.





MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA


Country	Measures
<p>ALGERIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 302 Confirmed Deaths: 21 Recovered Cases: 32</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 12, President Abdelmadjid Tebboune reportedly announced the closure of all educational institutions, including universities, schools, and kindergartens as a preemptive measure. The measure is slated to last until April 5. Algerie Ferries announced the suspension of its ferry services from March 15 until further notice. The state news agency reported that cruises will stop functioning starting from March 19. On March 16, the authorities reportedly announced the suspension of all air and maritime travel with Europe from March 19 onwards. On March 16, Algeria announced the suspension of all flights to and from the African cities of Nouakchott, Bamako, Niamey, Dakar, Abidjan, and Ouagadougou from March 19 until further notice. On March 16, Algeria announced the closure of all cultural, educational, sports, and recreational venues as well as a ban on public demonstrations in Algiers until further notice. The Minister of Religious Affairs decided to "suspend Friday prayers and groups and to close mosques and places of worship across Algeria" from March 17, according to Algeria's official news agency. The US Embassy in Algiers issued an advisory on March 17 announcing the suspension of all routine consular activities. US citizens requiring assistance are advised to contact the embassy at ACSAlgiers@state.gov email address for services. On March 17, the official news agency reported that President Tebboune has decided to close all land borders as well as ban all gatherings and marches within Algeria. Air Algerie has suspended all international flights from March 18 until further notice. Air Algerie reportedly announced on March 19 that all domestic flights will be suspended from March 22 to April 4. The development follows an announcement on March 19 that all public and private means of public transport within cities and across states, including rail traffic, will be suspended from March 22 to April 4. President Tebboune further stated that 50 percent of all employees must be exempt from work, while all employees for essential vital services will continue to operate, with wages remaining intact. All working women with young children must also be exempt from work. In major cities, cafes and restaurants will be closed. These measures came into effect at 01:00 on March 22 and will last until April 4. According to Algeria's official news agency, on March 23, President Abdelmadjid Tebboune issued a decree declaring a curfew from 19:00 (local time) to 07:00 for a period of ten days in Algiers Province. The measure will be effective from March 24 to April 2. Those planning to leave their homes during this period will be required to take permission from the relevant authorities. The curfew may be renewed at the president's discretion. A complete curfew has been declared in Blida Province, where the most number of

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	<p>coronavirus cases in the country have been recorded. The statement further indicated that the curfew would be extended to all provinces where the coronavirus has been recorded and is anticipated to spread in accordance with daily observations by the Ministry of Health (MoH).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATE: According to Algeria's official news agency, 38 new coronavirus cases were recorded in the country on March 25, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 302. Two additional individuals infected with the virus died.
<p>BAHRAIN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 419 Confirmed Deaths: 3 Recovered Cases: 190</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities reportedly issued travel bans to Iran, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, and South Korea on February 21. • Also on February 21, the authorities announced that all foreign visitors who have visited China, Iran, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, and South Korea in the past 14 days will be denied entry into Bahrain. • On February 27, Bahrain's Civil Aviation Agency (CAA) confirmed the suspension of all flight operations to and from Iraq and Lebanon, until further notice. • On March 7, the Ministry of Health (MoH) asked individuals returning to the Kingdom from Lebanon, Egypt, Italy, and South Korea to self-quarantine for two weeks and register for an examination via the MoH website. • Gulf Air, the national air carrier of Bahrain, temporarily suspended its flights to and from a number of airports in Pakistan from March 14 to March 31. • The US Embassy in Manama reported on the closure of the King Fahd Causeway, which connects Bahrain to Saudi Arabia, to non-commercial traffic as of March 14. According to the statement, neither commuters nor tourists will be permitted to use the causeway to travel between Bahrain and Saudi Arabia until further notice. • During the National Taskforce for Combating the Coronavirus Conference on March 22, the authorities announced that they will be temporarily closing all retail stores from March 26 to April 9. However, hypermarkets, supermarkets, cold stores, bakeries, and banks will remain open. Meanwhile, gatherings at public parks and beaches have been prohibited until further notice. In general, public gatherings of more than five individuals have been banned in the country. • Bahrain's state-owned news agency reported on March 24 that the Bahraini Cabinet approved an 11.44 billion USD economic package to fight the coronavirus outbreak. • UPDATE: Bahrain's state-owned news agency reported on March 25 the registration of nine new coronavirus cases, raising the total number of confirmed cases in the Kingdom to 419. Out of these, 190 cases have recovered.
<p>EGYPT</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 442 Confirmed Deaths: 21</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 14, the authorities decided to close down universities and schools, starting from March 15 for two weeks. • According to March 16 reports, Egypt announced the closure of all religious shrines, gyms, and sports centers, until further notice, following the Prime Minister's (PM) orders to prevent mass gatherings.



<p>Recovered Cases: 80</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Egypt's Prime Minister reportedly announced that all shopping centers, restaurants, cafes, nightclubs, bars, and casinos in the country will be shut down every night between 19:00 (local time) and 06:00, starting from March 19 until March 31. • On March 21, Egypt reportedly decided to suspend mass prayers in mosques and churches for two weeks. • On March 21, Egypt reportedly decided to close museums and archeological sites from March 23 to 31. • On March 23, the US Embassy in Cairo announced that it will be suspending routine consular services from March 24 until further notice. In case of an emergency, US citizens are advised to visit the following website for additional information: https://eg.usembassy.gov/. • Reports quoting Prime Minister Dr. Mostafa Madbouly indicate that the Egyptian authorities will impose a nationwide curfew between 19:00 (local time) to 06:00 from March 25 until April 8. Public services will reportedly be inoperational during the time of the curfew for the following two weeks starting from March 25. • The authorities extended the suspension of air traffic at all Egyptian airports for an additional two weeks, from April 1 until April 15. This extension follows the initial directive announced on March 16, wherein all air traffic was suspended from March 19 to March 31. • UPDATE: On March 25, 40 new coronavirus cases and one new death were recorded in Egypt. This raises the total number of confirmed cases to 442 and the total number of coronavirus-related deaths to 21.
<p>IRAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 29,406</p> <p>Confirmed Deaths: 2,234</p> <p>Recovered Cases: 10,457</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iran suspended all passenger flights from China, per February 12 reports. • On February 27, Iran banned Chinese citizens from entering the country. • In addition, all communication channels used by citizens, including internet and phone services, will be monitored to identify individuals who may have contracted the virus. • Iran's official news agency reported on March 24 that all centers and communities will remain closed until April 3 and that all state-run offices are required to reduce the number of employees physically present at the workspace by two-thirds, until April 3. All gatherings, including weddings and funerals, have been banned until April 3. Iranian Security Forces will continue to be present across the country to ensure compliance with the latest measures. • UPDATE: On March 25, Iran's official news agency reported on the closure of government departments, with the exception of departments providing essential services, until April 5. • UPDATE: On March 26, Iran's Health Ministry Spokesperson reportedly announced the detection of 2,389 additional coronavirus cases, raising the total number of confirmed cases to 29,406 in the country. Meanwhile, a total of 10,457 patients have recovered and an additional 157 individuals have died from the virus, bringing the total number of corona-related deaths in the country to 2,234.



IRAQ



Confirmed Cases: 382

Confirmed Deaths: 36

Recovered Cases: 105

- Reports citing the Ministry of Interior (MoI) in Iraq on February 2 indicated that the arrival of travelers from China will be prohibited.
- The Iraqi authorities closed its border crossings with Kuwait on February 24 until further notice.
- The Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) reportedly announced on February 26 that it will not issue entry visas to tourists.
- On February 26, the MoH issued a decree banning Iraqi citizens from traveling to China, Iran, Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Singapore, Italy, Bahrain, and Kuwait. Authorities also banned travelers from Bahrain and Kuwait from entering the country.
- Reports from March 6 quoting the Iraqi Foreign Ministry indicate that Iraq has banned entry for travelers coming from France and Spain. The ban does not extend to Iraqi citizens and foreign diplomats, a ministry spokesman said in a statement.
- Reports from March 7 indicate that the Iraqi authorities will close passenger access to the five border gates with Iran from March 8.
- On March 9, the MoH stated that Iraqi nationals returning from Iran, China, South Korea, Italy, Japan, Thailand, Singapore, Kuwait, and Bahrain must stay in quarantine for 14 days and recommended avoiding visiting sacred places and public gatherings.
- According to a March 13 update by the UK's FCO, British nationals arriving at airports in Iraq's KRG will be subject to a period of quarantine. The statement further indicated that British nationals who have arrived from Lebanon in the past 30 days should immediately present themselves to the Ministry of Health (MoH) in KRG-administered territories.
- According to reports from March 22, the ongoing curfew in KRG-administered territories has been extended until April 1.
- **UPDATE:** On March 26, the Iraqi government announced the extension of an ongoing nationwide curfew until April 11. The measure includes a nationwide ban on all domestic and international flight operations at the countries' airports. The following groups are exempt from the curfew: Health workers, diplomatic staff, and journalists holding identification cards. Vital services, such as grocery stores, pharmacies, and gas stations will remain open.
- **UPDATE:** On March 26, Iraq's Ministry of Health (MoH) announced 76 new coronavirus cases and seven new coronavirus-related deaths. This raises the country's total number of confirmed cases to 382 and deaths to 36. Additionally, as of March 26, a total of 105 cases have recovered.

ISRAEL



Confirmed Cases: 2,495

Confirmed Deaths: 6

Recovered Cases: 64


- The Ministry of Health (MoH) reportedly stated on February 20 that Israeli nationals who have recently visited East Asia and are caught knowingly violating a mandatory home quarantine could face a prison sentence of seven years. Those who do so out of negligence could get a three-year sentence.
- On February 27, Israel's national airline, El Al, canceled flights to Thailand between March 2 and March 27. It also extended flight cancellations to Beijing until May 20, Hong Kong until May 25, and Tokyo until April 4.
- Reports from March 8 indicate that Israel closed its land borders with Egypt. Israel also closed its land borders with Syria and Lebanon from March 6.

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- The Portugal-based airline, TAP, has canceled all its flights between Tel Aviv and Lisbon until March 31, as per March 11 reports.
- Starting March 15, according to the MoH, all commercial and entertainment venues will remain closed until further notice. Educational institutions, including kindergartens, are closed as well. Essential services, such as grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations, and banking services, remain open. Gatherings of more than ten people have been prohibited. A distance of two meters between employees is requested. Health authorities also urged to avoid using public transportation.
- Jerusalem's Al-Aqsa Mosque/Temple Mount will be closed to the public as part of a measure to contain the coronavirus, authorities stated on March 15, until further notice.
- On March 17, Israel's Defense Minister, Naftali Bennet, announced the tightening of travel restrictions on Palestinians entering Israel. Only Palestinian workers in healthcare, agriculture, and construction sectors will be allowed to enter Israel. Furthermore, Palestinians will not be allowed to travel back-and-forth from the West Bank to work sites, but would be accommodated in Israel in places provided by employers.
- On March 17, Israel's MoH advised Israelis not to leave their homes unless for essential purposes- shopping for groceries, picking up medicine, and receiving medical care. Visiting parks, playgrounds, beaches, pools, museums, national parks or other public places is forbidden unless required for pets and children.
- The Population and Immigration Authority in Israel announced a complete ban on the entry of all foreign nationals and non-residents into Israel starting from 18:00 (local time) on March 18, until further notice. The measure applies to all of Israel's international borders. According to the announcement, exceptions will be granted for those whose main place of residence ("the center of their life") is based in Israel. However, entry will only be granted upon permission from the relevant authorities. The measure will also reportedly apply to foreign nationals seeking medical treatment in Israel. The Population and Immigration Authority reportedly released a directive that airline companies are responsible for returning any passenger whose entry to Israel is prohibited.
- According to an advisory issued by the US Embassy in Jerusalem on March 20, routine consular services were suspended at the US Embassy in Jerusalem as well as its branch in Tel Aviv on March 16, until further notice. The US Embassy in Jerusalem has advised US citizens seeking emergency services, including emergency passports, to visit their passport services webpage: <https://il.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/passport-services/>.
- The Israeli Cabinet approved additional restrictions to those announced on March 17 on the movement of the public. These restrictions will come into effect at 17:00 (local time) on March 25 and will last for a seven-day period. The regulations include the restriction on movement of civilians to 100 meters from their places of residence, the closure of all places of worship, limiting the number of individuals in a private vehicle to two people, and a requirement for all individuals to have their temperature check upon entering a place of work. Public transportation will be significantly reduced, and can only be used for essential purposes such as food delivery and essential services. However, supermarkets, pharmacies, gas stations, and banks will continue to operate as usual.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATE: Reports from March 25 indicate that 126 new coronavirus cases were recorded in Israel, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 2,495. • UPDATE: According to March 26 reports, Israel recorded its sixth coronavirus-related death in the country.
<p>JORDAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 172 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 14, the authorities announced the closure of schools, universities, and nurseries starting from March 15 for two weeks. All public events and gatherings including funerals and weddings are prohibited. This also applies to prayers in churches and mosques as well. • Jordanian authorities announced on March 14 the cancellation of all international flights to and from Jordan starting from March 17 until further notice. All land and sea border crossings will be closed to passenger traffic but will remain open for commercial traffic. The staff of diplomatic missions and international organizations are exempted from the travel ban, however, they will need to quarantine for 14 days. • On March 17, the government announced a ban on all travel between governorates in Jordan as well as advised citizens to avoid all nonessential movement within cities, except in case of an emergency. All government and private institutions, except sectors considered as "vital" by the prime minister, such as the health sector, will be closed. Public transport across the country will be suspended and the assembly of more than ten people will be banned. All commercial centers will be closed, except for pharmacies, bakeries, stores supplying food, water, electricity, and fuel. All non-emergency medical operations will be suspended throughout the country. These measures will come into effect on March 18 and last until April 1. • On March 17, Jordan announced the closure of all certification centers, except the ones at the headquarter, at the Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriate Affairs, until further notice. • On March 18, the Jordanian Armed Forces (JAF) announced the closure of all crossing points from and to Amman, starting from 07:00 (local time) on March 19, until further notice. Relevant bodies known to the JAF, including security services, and people whose "nature of work" requires them to enter the capital, will be exempt from this decision. • A nationwide lockdown was implemented by the authorities starting at 07:00 (local time) on March 21 until further notice. • The government announced an easing of the ongoing nationwide curfew. Starting from March 25, food stores, pharmacies, and beverage shops will be open daily between 10:00 (local time) and 18:00, until further notice. Citizens are allowed to attend such shops. Vehicular traffic remains prohibited except for permit holders. • UPDATE: According to the MoH, 19 new coronavirus cases were recorded in Jordan on March 25, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 172. • UPDATE: On March 26, the Jordanian Embassy in Japan published a statement advising all Jordanians in Japan, residents or visitors, whose visas or residencies are about to expire and cannot return to Jordan, to review the same with the Immigration Bureau of Japan that is closest to their place of residence.



KUWAIT



Confirmed Cases: 208
Confirmed Deaths: 0
Recovered Cases: 49

- On March 9, the Kuwaiti Ministry of Interior (MoI) decided to close down cinemas, theaters, as well as public and private wedding halls until further notice.
- Reports from March 11 indicate that the MoI and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs have been instructed to stop issuing all visas, except for travelers holding a diplomatic passport who have received prior authorization to enter the country from the Ministry of Health. Furthermore, all citizens arriving in Kuwait will have to undergo compulsory quarantine at their private residence or in an authorized center for a period determined by the MoH as a precautionary measure.
- According to Kuwait's official news agency, all commercial flights in and out of the Kuwait International Airport will be suspended from March 13 onwards. Flight arrivals will be restricted to Kuwaitis and their "first-degree relatives".
- The Kuwaiti government announced on March 10 the closure of its land borders with Saudi Arabia and Iraq.
- The Kuwaiti government announced the suspension of work in all "ministries, government agencies, bodies and institutes" from March 12 to April 9, as a precautionary measure against the coronavirus. According to the statement, "Employees essential to certain operations" will continue working and will be paid "in accordance with overtime rates".
- On March 12, the MoH called on all expatriates that arrived in the country on February 27 and after to visit the ministry's new headquarters (at Kuwait Fair Grounds, 6th Ring Road entrance, Hall No. 6) to adhere to the ongoing precautionary measures. Non-attendance will result in a penalty. All expatriates are required to bring their IDs and passports.
- On March 14, the government's spokesperson said that all shopping malls and hairdressers in the country will be shut down due to the coronavirus, and that coffee shops and restaurants will not be allowed to receive more than five customers at once.
- According to March 18 reports, authorities announced a ban on social gatherings, including weddings, across the country. The ban extends to both public and private venues. The Ministry of Interior (MoI) announced that individuals in violation of the ban will be subject to imprisonment of up to three months or a fine ranging from 160 to 643 USD. The statement further indicated that police personnel has been tasked with enforcing the ban.
- According to March 19 reports, authorities announced the closure of all educational institutions, including both public and private schools as well as universities, until August 4.
- According to the official news agency, during the evening hours of March 21, Kuwait's Interior Minister Anas al-Saleh announced a nationwide curfew to be implemented every evening from 17:00 (local time) to 04:00. The measure will come into effect on March 22 and will continue until further notice.
- The suspension of non-essential government services, which was initially implemented from March 12 and slated to conclude on March 26, has been extended by two additional weeks.
- **UPDATE:** The MoH reported on March 26 that 13 new coronavirus cases were recorded in Kuwait, bringing the total number of confirmed cases in the country to 208.



LEBANON



Confirmed Cases: 368

Confirmed Deaths: 5

Recovered Cases: 8

- According to Lebanon's official news agency, the authorities have declared a national emergency in Lebanon on March 15 due to the spread of coronavirus. They have requested citizens to minimize nonessential movement across the country and have imposed a two-week closure on public and private institutions from March 15. These measures will exclude public institutions that perform vital tasks and private firms related to "food security", as well as the medical sector, banks, money exchange services, and import and export companies.
- Airports across the country will be closed from March 18-29 to all flights except for cargo planes and passenger planes carrying United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) members, diplomatic crews, the staff of international organizations, and employees of firms linked to partial oil and gas drilling in Lebanon's Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). All land and seaports will also remain closed during this period.
- On March 21, Lebanon's Prime Minister called on citizens to implement a "self-curfew" and urged authorities and security forces to "step up measures to keep citizens at home".
- **UPDATE:** On March 26, Lebanon announced 35 new coronavirus cases and one new coronavirus-related death. This raises the total number of confirmed cases in the country to 368 and coronavirus-related deaths to five.
- **UPDATE:** The Lebanese government, on March 26, announced its decision to extend the national emergency until April 12. The emergency was earlier slated to end on March 30.

LIBYA



Confirmed Cases: 1



Confirmed Deaths: 0

Recovered Cases: 0


- Government of National Accord (GNA) Prime Minister Fayeze al-Serraj announced a state of emergency in Libya on March 14 as well as ordered the closure of all land borders and airports from March 16 until further notice.
- On March 14, the GNA announced the suspension of all schools for two weeks, starting from March 15.
- On March 15, Libyan authorities reportedly announced the suspension of all movement at the Ras Jedir border crossing with Tunisia.
- The House of Representatives (HoR) announced that all air, sea, and land travel to its held territories in Libya will be banned from March 19 until further notice, excluding emergency travel, freight shipping, and domestic flights.
- According to the HoR's official media outlet, a daily curfew in HoR-held territories in Libya will be implemented from 18:00 (local time) to 06:00, starting from March 18.
- The Central Bank of Libya (CBL) in Benghazi has reduced its working hours to three hours per day from 09:00 (local time) to 12:00, from March 18. Some exceptions may be granted on a case-by-case basis.
- The Tripoli-based MoI issued a statement on March 19 indicating that it would arrest individuals and vendors hoarding food and medical supplies, as it serves to increase the prices of essential goods amid the global coronavirus pandemic.
- The GNA announced the imposition of a curfew across its held-territories from 18:00 (local time) to 06:00 starting on March 22. The statement indicates that the curfew obligations exclude individuals who work in the security, healthcare, pharmacies, energy, telecommunications, and cargo sectors. Furthermore, all mosques, educational institutions, cafes, restaurants, wedding halls, parks, clubs, and shops will be closed. Additionally,

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	<p>public transportation will be suspended, and large gatherings, such as weddings and funerals, will be prohibited during the curfew period. Food shops and gas stations will remain open to provide citizens' essential needs, while government institutions will continue to work during non-curfew hours. The statement indicated that individuals transgressing the curfew will be subjected to punitive actions.</p>
<p>MOROCCO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 225 Confirmed Deaths: 6 Recovered Cases: 7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to a statement released by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on March 15, all incoming and outgoing international flights will be suspended until further notice. • On March 16, Morocco announced the closure of all mosques, restaurants, cinemas, halls for recreation and luxury purposes, gyms, and stadiums in the country until further notice. Stores selling essential goods, and restaurants providing home food delivery will remain open. • Morocco's state news agency announced that authorities will impose a "state of health emergency" from 18:00 (local time) on March 20 to 18:00 on April 20. Those wishing to leave their homes will be required to obtain an official document from the relevant authorities. Only citizens working in vital sectors, such as banks, gas stations, the food industry, pharmacies, hospitals and clinics, telecommunication firms and shops that sell cleaning materials, are allowed to carry these documents. Moreover, mobility will be limited to those employees who must be present in their workplaces, provided that they carry a certificate signed by their employers. Citizens will reportedly be allowed outside only for primordial purposes such as purchasing supplies, food, getting medicine, and treatment. The MoI reportedly stated that those found in violation of the aforementioned restrictions are liable to be penalized. • Morocco will reportedly suspend all train services throughout the country, starting from March 23. Reports citing the MoI further indicate that all intercity buses will be suspended, starting from 00:01 on March 24. • On March 21, the Ministry of Interior (MoI) announced that its national air carrier, Royal Air Maroc, has suspended all domestic flights in line with the state of emergency, until further notice. • UPDATE: According to the Ministry of Health (MoH), 55 new coronavirus cases were recorded in Morocco on March 25, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 225. Two additional individuals infected with the virus died, while two others recovered.
<p>OMAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 109 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 23</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to February 5 reports, Oman's Ministry of Health (MoH) has intensified the preventive measures to control the spread of coronavirus at all entry points i.e. air, land, and sea including distributing self-disclosure form to arriving passengers at various entry points, seeking details about the presence of any symptoms. • On February 25, the Omani authorities reportedly suspended export operations with Iranian vessels at the Port of Khasab. • According to Oman's official news agency, schools and sports tournaments have been suspended. Tourist cruise ships are no longer allowed to dock. The measure is slated to last for one month.




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 15, the government stated that Friday prayers across the country will be suspended. All public parks will be closed and social gatherings, such as weddings, will be prohibited, starting from March 17. Oman's Ministry of Transport reportedly announced on March 18 that all public transport facilities in the Sultanate will be suspended from March 19, until further notice. This includes buses, ferries, and taxis, except for public transport facilities running to and from Musandam and Masirah governorates. On March 18, the Royal Oman Police (ROP) announced the suspension of the issuance of all types of visas. In addition, the Ministry of Tourism reportedly urged all tourists who are currently in Oman to leave the Sultanate and return to their respective home countries. On March 22, the MoH banned any gathering in public areas, while indicating that violations of the order would be punished. In addition, the number of workers in workplaces in the government sector has been limited to 30 percent of the normal capacity. The Royal Oman Police announced on March 22 that its service halls will be closed from March 23 until further notice. All police services related to civil status, passports, residence, and traffic will be suspended. According to Oman's official news agency, all international and domestic passenger flights to and from the country's airports will be suspended from March 29 until further notice. Cargo flights and all flights to Musandam Governorate have been exempt from the directive. The Ministry of Transport (MoT) has ordered that by March 24 and until further notice, no more than two passengers will be allowed to travel in taxis. UPDATE: The MOH reported on March 26 that ten new coronavirus cases were recorded in the country, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 109.
<p>Palestinian Territories</p>  <p>West Bank Confirmed Cases: 84 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 17</p> <p>Gaza Strip Confirmed Cases: 7 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 5, the authorities announced the closure of all mosques and churches in the Bethlehem area. The authorities have imposed a ban on visits by tourist groups throughout the West Bank. On March 5, Israel's Coordination of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT) announced that foreign citizens arriving from risk countries" will not be permitted to cross into the West Bank from "Allenby Bridge and Judea and Samaria crossings": This includes China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Macau, Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Italy, Spain, France, Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. Palestinian residents may enter, "subject to questioning, medical examinations as needed, and respective quarantine guidelines." Foreign residents who recently visited Iran, Iraq, Syria, and Lebanon will not be allowed entry into the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. On March 14, the Hamas government in the Gaza Strip announced the closure of the Rafah pedestrian border crossing with Egypt for travelers in both directions until further notice. During the early morning hours of March 18, a curfew was reportedly imposed by the Governor of Bethlehem on the West Bank town of Beit Sahour. The measure will be implemented until further notice.




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 22, the Prime Minister (PM) of the Palestinian Territories announced a curfew across the West Bank, starting from March 23 for 14 days. This includes restrictions on movement across the territory. Movement is permitted only for emergency cases, such as to access health facilities, buy food, medicine, and fuel. All institutions are to remain closed except those providing essential services, such as healthcare, water, and electricity. All ministerial services will remain suspended except the ministries of health, finance, national economy, social development, and civil aviation. According to the statement, banking services will remain operational, albeit only for emergency cases, and security forces will be employed to ensure compliance with the curfew. All Palestinians returning from foreign countries will be required to self-quarantine themselves for 14 days. UPDATE: On March 26, the official Palestinian news agency reported on the registration of 22 new coronavirus cases, raising the total number of confirmed cases in the Palestinian Territories to 84. The first coronavirus-related death was recorded in the West Bank on March 25.
<p>QATAR</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 526 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 41</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 9, Qatar announced the suspension of studies in all private and public schools as well as in universities, until further notice. On March 12, Qatar's Ministry of Health (MoH) announced the closure of all cinemas, theaters, children's play areas, gyms, and wedding halls in the country, starting on March 13. According to the official Qatari news agency, Qatar has decided to suspend all incoming flights to Doha from March 18 until April 1, except for cargo and transit flights. On March 21, the authorities banned "all forms of gatherings by law, including but not limited to the Corniche, public parks, beaches, and social gatherings". According to the MoH, "pharmacies and food stores will operate as normal and delivery services, including restaurants, remain available. Mobile patrols will be deployed to arrest violators. Security checkpoints will be established nationwide. The measures are valid until further notice.
<p>SAUDI ARABIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 900 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 29</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The US Embassy in Manama reported on the closure of the King Fahd Causeway, which connects Bahrain to Saudi Arabia, to non-commercial traffic as of March 14. According to the statement, neither commuters nor tourists will be permitted to use the causeway to travel between Bahrain and Saudi Arabia until further notice. According to the official Saudi news agency, Saudi Arabia has decided to suspend all international flights to and from the country from March 15 for two weeks. Those unable to work due to the flight restrictions will be given an official holiday. The official Saudi news agency reported on March 16 that operations have been suspended in all government agencies for 16 days, except for the health, security, and military sectors. Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs announced the closure of shopping malls, stores, wedding halls, barbershops, and suspension of sports tournaments from March 15. The Saudi Ports Authority suspended on March 15 maritime passenger traffic between Saudi Arabia and the European Union, Syria, Lebanon, Bahrain, Kuwait, UAE, Oman, Iraq,

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	<p>China, Egypt, South Korea, Turkey, Pakistan, India, Switzerland, Sri Lanka, Kenya, Ethiopia, Sudan, Eritrea, Philippines, Somalia, Djibouti, and South Sudan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the official Saudi news agency, on March 17, the authorities suspended prayers at mosques across the Kingdom until further notice. The Grand Mosque in Mecca and the Prophet's Mosque in Medina are exempted and remain open. • According to March 18 reports, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia ordered all private businesses to introduce a work-from-home policy for 15 days. Businesses that require staff to be physically present, particularly in vital sectors such as water and electricity, must limit the number of staff to 40 percent of the company's total capacity. The measure does not apply to pharmacies, supermarkets, and their suppliers. • According to the official Saudi news agency, domestic flights, trains, buses, and taxis will be suspended for 14 days, starting from 06:00 (local time) on March 21. However, flights related to humanitarian services, medical evacuation aircraft, and private aviation will be exempt, provided that they are covered by the necessary permits issued by the Civil Aviation Authority. Similarly, buses belonging to government agencies, public or private health facilities, commercial establishments transporting their employees, or those that are used for health, humanitarian or security purposes will also be exempt from the aforementioned measure. • According to the Saudi Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA), a nationwide curfew will be implemented every evening from 19:00 (local time) to 06:00 from March 23 for 21 days. The measure is slated to last until April 14. • According to a March 23 statement by the Ministry of Interior (MoI) announced that individuals who violate the provisions of the ongoing curfew will have to pay a fine of approximately 2,662 USD. Moreover, in the case of a second violation, the fine will be doubled by the authorities. • UPDATE: On March 25, Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Interior (MoI) published a statement announcing additional precautionary measures to combat coronavirus. This includes a ban on entry to and exit from the cities of Riyadh, Mecca, and Medina, until further notice.
<p>SYRIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 13, Syria's official news agency reported on the closure of public and private schools from March 14 to April 2. All examinations have been postponed until April 2. • On March 17, Syria's official news agency reported on the closure of several facilities across the country. These include all citizen service centers, parks, cinemas, nightclubs, wedding halls, internet cafes, restaurants, and cafes with built-in seating facilities. The statement does not specify the duration of the measure. • On March 21, the official Syrian news agency reported that operations in all government ministries "and their affiliated entities" will be suspended, starting on March 22. Cultural and commercial centers, excluding food-related businesses and pharmacies, will also be closed. • According to reports citing the Syrian Minister of Transport, Ali Hammoud, all air travel to and from Syria will be indefinitely suspended from March 22.




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Syrian Ministry of Interior (MoI) announced the closure of the country's borders with Turkey and Lebanon from 12:00 (local time) on March 23. The measure will be implemented until further notice. • The official Syrian news agency announced on March 22 that all public and private transportation within each province will be suspended from 20:00 (local time) on March 23 and all public and private transportation between provinces will be suspended from 20:00 on March 24. • UPDATE: According to Syria's official news agency, the number of confirmed cases in the country rose to five on March 25.
<p>TUNISIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 173 Confirmed Deaths: 4 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 13, the Tunisian government decided on the closure of the country's maritime borders until further notice. • On March 16, Tunisia's official news agency reported that the Department of Consular Services, particularly the certification authority, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will only receive Tunisian citizens and foreign nationals that have "actual and reasoned urgent cases", until further notice. • According to Tunisia's official state news agency, during the evening hours of March 16, Prime Minister Elyes Fakhfakh announced the suspension of all international passenger flights to and from Tunisia as well as the closure of all land borders, until further notice. The report indicated that some flights will remain operational for evacuation purposes. According to the UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), the suspension began on March 18. • According to the state news agency, President Kais Saied declared a nationwide curfew every night from 18:00 (local time) to 06:00 to contain the spread of coronavirus. The directive came into effect on March 18 and will last until further notice. • According to the official Tunisian news agency, President Kais Saied announced that a nationwide general lockdown will be imposed from 06:00 (local time) on March 22 effective until April 4. Travel between cities has been prohibited, except for necessary cases. Furthermore, citizens and residents have been advised to self-quarantine and minimize non-essential movement, except for healthcare or purchase of basic commodities. The report further indicated that the state will continue to provide public services such as "food, health, administration, judiciary, energy, security, water, transportation, communications, media, hygiene, and vital industrial activities", while also stating that "necessary professional activity in the private sector will also continue in the aforementioned fields." • Authorities announced on March 21 that passengers returning to Tunisia aboard "evacuation flights" will be subject to a mandatory quarantine. • According to the state news agency, on March 22, President Kais Saied issued an order banning the movement of vehicles and persons as well as any gatherings of over three people on public roads nationwide outside the ongoing daily curfew hours between 18:00 and 06:00. This is valid "except for urgent necessities." The measure is effective immediately until further notice.




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Minister of State for Civil Service, Governance and Anti-Corruption announced the suspension of the presence of the workforce in all public administrations and institutions, effective from March 23. The measure is slated to last until April 4. UPDATE: The state news agency reported on March 25 that 59 new coronavirus cases have been recorded in the country, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 173.
<p>TURKEY</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2,433 Confirmed Deaths: 59 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turkey announced on February 3 that it will halt all incoming flights from China. Passengers arriving from Japan, Thailand, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, and Malaysia will be screened at airports. According to the Turkish national news agency, the Foreign Ministry released an advisory on February 10 warning its citizens to reconsider travel to Mongolia, citing that the health institutions in Mongolia "are limited". The Turkish government closed its land border with Iran as well as the Dilucu land border crossing with Azerbaijan. The US Embassy in Turkey announced that the Turkish authorities will not issue entry visas to foreign citizens who were in China or Iran in the last 14 days. The General Directorate of Civil Aviation announced on February 26 the suspension of all passenger and cargo flights between Iran and Turkey. Turkey's official news agency reported that Turkish Airlines has temporarily suspended flights to Azerbaijan's Nakhchivan region, which borders Iran. However, flights to Azerbaijan's capital, Baku, will continue. On February 29, the Turkish Ministry of Health (MoH) reportedly announced the closure of all border crossings with Iraq's Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG)-administered territories and the cancellation of all flights to and from the KRG until further notice. On March 1, Turkish Airlines announced the cancellation of all flights from and to Italy, effective immediately and until further notice. Authorities reportedly closed down Uzumlu custom gate in Hakkari's Cukurca district on March 1. Only Turkish nationals arriving from Iraq can enter the country. On March 3, the MoH stated that passengers who do not possess Turkish residency will not be permitted to enter Turkey if they have visited China, South Korea, Iran, Iraq, or Italy in the past 14 days. Also, if a passenger has a residency permit, he/she may be allowed to enter Turkey but will be tested for coronavirus. On March 13, Turkey announced the suspension of all flights from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, and Sweden until April 17. Turkish nationals returning from these countries will be denied entry upon return to Turkey. Outbound flights to the aforementioned countries have currently not been suspended. There are no restrictions on cargo flights. On March 13, Turkey announced the closure of all universities across the country from March 16 to April 6. On March 15, Turkey's official news agency reported that all border crossings with Georgia have been closed for passenger traffic but remain open to cargo traffic.




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), Turkey has announced that all flights to and from the UK, Ireland, Switzerland, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and the UAE will be canceled from March 17, until further notice. • On March 17, Turkey announced that the issuance of passports, identification cards, and drivers' licenses will be suspended from March 18 onwards, except in case of an emergency. In such a situation, a prior appointment will need to be made with the relevant authority. • On March 18, the Turkish authorities announced the closure of Turkey's land border gates with Greece and Bulgaria to passenger traffic. Passengers will not be permitted to enter or leave Turkey's border with Greece at the Pazarkule and Ipsala border gates, as well as the Uzunkopru railway border gate. Additionally, passenger travel will be suspended via the Derekoy, Hamzabeyli and Kapikule border gates at the Bulgaria-Turkey frontier. Moreover, starting from March 19, entrance into Turkey via either land or sea is prohibited for Greek and Bulgarian citizens, as well as nationals of other countries who were in these countries for the past 14 days. Freight transportation across the borders will be allowed. • On March 21, Turkey suspended flights to and from 46 countries: Mauritania, Algeria, Sudan, Angola, Philippines, Moldova, Montenegro, Bangladesh, Ukraine, Tunisia, Poland, Portugal, Oman, Uzbekistan, North Macedonia, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), Mongolia, Cameroon, Taiwan, Canada, Slovenia, Chad, Colombia, Sri Lanka, Czechia, Morocco, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Nepal, Peru, Ecuador, Panama, Equatorial Guinea, Finland, Niger, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kosovo, Kuwait, Latvia, and Lebanon. • On March 22, the Turkish official news agency reported that Turkey's national flag carrier, Turkish Airlines, will suspend all its international flights, except to and from Hong Kong, Moscow, Addis Ababa, New York, and Washington DC, from March 27 until April 17. • The official Turkish news agency reported on March 24 that the MoI announced new restrictions on public transport and shopping for groceries. All public transport vehicles will now only be allowed to carry half their capacity and grocery stores will be open between 09:00 (local time) and 21:00 every day. The number of people allowed to shop in a store will be limited according to its size and the number of customers inside. • UPDATE: According to the Health Minister, 561 new coronavirus cases were detected in Turkey on March 25, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 2,433. Meanwhile, a total of 59 individuals have died from the virus in the country.
<p>UAE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 333 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 52</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On February 27, the authorities announced the suspension of ferry services with Iran until further notice. • From February 27 and until further notice, commercial ships arriving in the UAE are obliged to submit a statement on the health status of their crews 72 hours prior to arrival. • On March 21, the UAE's MoH announced the closure of public, private beaches, parks, swimming pools, cinemas, sports halls and lounges for two weeks, starting on March 22. In addition, restaurants and cafes are required to operate only 20 percent of their seating capacity, during the above period.







	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 23, the UAE's official news agency reported that all international passenger flights to and from the UAE will be suspended from March 25 for two weeks. The transit of passenger flights through airports in the UAE will also not be permitted during this period. However, all cargo and evacuation flights will be exempt from the travel ban. Meanwhile, according to the latest statement issued by the UAE's state-owned Emirates Airlines on March 22, the airline will temporarily suspend passenger operations to all except 13 countries by March 25, until further notice. The airline will "continue to operate passenger and cargo flights to the following countries and territories until further notice, as long as borders remain open, and there is demand: the UK, Switzerland, Hong Kong, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines, Japan, Singapore, Australia, South Africa, South Korea, USA, and Canada". All Emirates cargo operations will remain unaffected. However, as most Emirates flights transit through the UAE, flights to and from the aforementioned 13 countries may nevertheless be affected by the latest travel restriction. UPDATE: On March 25, the UAE announced 85 new coronavirus cases and seven new recoveries. This raises the total number of confirmed cases in the country to 333 and recovered cases to 52. UPDATE: The authorities announced on March 25 that public transportation will be suspended from 20:00 (local time) on March 26 to 06:00 on March 29. The suspension is part of a nationwide sterilization program, during which public transportation facilities are to be sanitized, including the Metro. Furthermore, the authorities have urged citizens not to go out during this period except for buying crucial commodities.
<p>YEMEN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to March 18 reports, the Houthis announced a total ban on travel between northern and southern Yemen. The Hadi-led government announced the suspension of all flights to and from all the airports in the territories under its control, from March 18 until further notice. Flights for humanitarian purposes are exempted. In addition, all educational institutes in Hadi's government-run territories are closed until further notice. On March 23, the Hadi-led government in Yemen published a statement announcing the suspension of both government-run and private-run newspapers until further notice. UPDATE: The authorities announced a nightly curfew in Aden between 22:00 (local time) to 06:00 (local time), starting from March 26. The statement indicates that all commercial stores and malls will be closed for a two-week period.

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Country	Measures
<p>ANGOLA</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government suspended all international flights to and from Angola from March 20. All land borders are closed for 15 days from March 20. Additionally, the docking and disembarkation of international passenger ships are prohibited for 15 days from March 20. Public events and gatherings with more than 200 people are prohibited.

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<p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Minister of Health confirmed the third case on March 23. Educational and religious institutions have suspended all activities. UPDATE: The government declared a State of Emergency on March 26. The presidential decree empowers police and security forces to enforce all health directives and other regulations.
<p>BENIN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities have banned all travelers who have been to China within 15 previous days. The government stated on March 19 that all travelers will be subject to 14-day compulsory quarantine if arriving from air. Additionally, any person who fails to self-quarantine will be subject to prosecution. The Ministry of Health installed disinfection equipment and thermal scanners at Cotonou Cadjehoun Airport. The government announced the closure of all churches and other places of worship. The government confirmed three new cases on March 23. Authorities have announced the closure of all educational institutions and suspension of public transportation services from March 13 - April 13.
<p>BOTSWANA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 25, the government closed all of the borders. Only citizens and residents will be able to re-enter at the airport while commercial goods may enter at land borders. However, everyone entering is subject to a mandatory 14-day quarantine. On March 13, the government suspended all overseas trips by government officials and suspended the hosting of all international events and conferences to avoid the spread of COVID-19 into the country. The government has prohibited all government or public meetings, with gatherings of more than 100 people banned. UPDATE: The flagship carrier, Air Botswana announced the grounding of all flights for 35 days on March 25.
<p>BURKINA FASO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 146 Confirmed Deaths: 7 Recovered Cases: 10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has suspended all international flights and closed all land borders from March 21 to April 4 with an exception for commercial traffic. The Ministry of Transport has suspended road transport from March 23. The government halted all demonstrations until the end of April. The Catholic Church suspended all public masses, while Islamic organizations have suspended prayers at all mosques and other Muslim cultural ceremonies involving more than 50 people from March 20 until April 4. Authorities announced the closure of restaurants and markets in Ouagadougou and surrounding rural communes on March 23. UPDATE: The government confirmed 32 additional cases, three new deaths, and two recoveries of patients on March 26.
<p>BURUNDI</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of March 21, authorities have suspended all international flights. The Foreign Ministry has suspended the issuance of visas. Additionally, all official missions abroad have been suspended until further notice.



<p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 24, the government said that all travelers arriving from other countries will have a mandatory 14-day quarantine.
<p>CAMEROON</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 75 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 17, the government announced it would close all borders and suspend all flights in and out of Cameroon. All educational institutions will also remain closed indefinitely. The government also banned gatherings of more than 50 people. The Port of Douala has implemented a 14-day quarantine for all vessels traveling from areas affected by the coronavirus. As a precaution, the government has suspended the importation of all animals and animal products from countries that are an "active focal point" for coronavirus. On March 14, the government officially suspended all official missions to overseas countries. The government confirmed nine additional cases on March 25.
<p>CAR</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government announced a range of restrictions, including new quarantines for those traveling from countries with local transmission, a halt on all mass gatherings, and the closure of bars and clubs for one month. On March 20, the government announced two more confirmed cases, both individuals coming from France. A fifth case was confirmed on March 25.
<p>CAPE VERDE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 4 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 8, Cape Verde Airlines suspended its route to Washington, DC in the US through the end of May. The government announced a ban on all flights to Italy until March 30. Cabo Verde Airlines (CVA) temporarily suspended all flights for 30 days on March 18. The government has announced new restrictions to reduce public transport by 50 percent on March 23. UPDATE: The government confirmed the fourth case on March 25.
<p>CHAD</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 16, the government-mandated the closure of the N'djamena International Airport for the next two weeks as a precaution. Health screening teams were deployed to the border with Cameroon, as of March 9. The government has announced the closure of all restaurants, bars, gaming centers, and casinos. Additionally, all gatherings of more than 50 people are prohibited in public and private spaces. An Indian and a French national have been reported as two new confirmed cases on March 23 as per a government communique. The government has announced the closure of all non-groceries stores.
<p>COMOROS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 20, the government banned the entry of travelers from countries that have declared more than ten cases of COVID-19. The government also banned travelers from China, Italy, Iran, France, Spain, Tunisia, Morocco, Egypt, and South Africa.



 <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports suggest that anyone arriving in Comoros from any country with confirmed cases must have spent 14 days in quarantine in a country that does not have coronavirus to gain entry. • As of March 24, all commercial flights are banned with the exception of cargo. Sea travel between East Africa and Comoros is also set to be banned.
<p>CONGO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 4 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 21, the government closed all air, land, and sea borders, except for cargo. • The government advised citizens to be vigilant and report to a health facility if they have any symptoms following a visit to virus-affected countries. • A fourth case was confirmed on March 21, an individual who had arrived in Pointe-Noire from France. • The government has shut down all religious institutions for the next 30 days on March 23.
<p>DJIBOUTI</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 11 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government has suspended all international travel in and out of Djibouti City, effective March 18. This applies only to passengers, not cargo. • The government announced the suspension of the passenger trains linking Djibouti to Ethiopia, effective from March 20. • The government confirmed nine more cases on March 25. • UPDATE: The government deployed the military in the capital, Djibouti City, to enforce the lockdown on March 25.
<p>DRC</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 51 Confirmed Deaths: 3 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 25, the government declared a state of emergency, closed all of the borders, and took measures to quarantine Kinshasa, suspending travel to the city from other provinces. • President Felix Tshisekedi banned public gatherings of more than 20 people, shut down schools, and churches for four weeks, effective March 19. • The government imposed a two-day lockdown in Haut-Katanga Province as two of the country's largest mines took steps to reduce staff levels in response. • UPDATE: The government confirmed six additional cases on March 25.
<p>EQUATORIAL GUINEA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 11 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On March 13, the Ministry of Health released a statement stating that all land and maritime borders would be closed, international flights restricted and that any passengers showing symptoms of the virus would be compulsorily quarantined for 14 days. • The government announced the postponement of the Exhibition and Forum on Investment in African Oil that was scheduled for June 1-2. It is currently rescheduled for November. • The government prohibited gatherings of more than 10 people on March 17. • UPDATE: The government confirmed two additional cases on March 25.
<p>ERITREA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ministry of Health banned all travel within the country on March 16. • The authorities banned public gatherings of more than 10 people on March 23.






 Confirmed Cases: 4 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATE: The government confirmed three additional cases, all Eritrean nationals returning from Dubai on March 25. • UPDATE: The government banned all commercial flights for two weeks effective from March 25.
<p>ESWATINI (SWAZILAND)</p>  Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign nationals from high-risk COVID-19 countries are banned from entering, while Swazi citizens returning from these countries will be subjected to screening and mandatory self-isolation for 14 days. • The government declared a state of emergency on March 17 over the pandemic. All educational institutions will remain shut indefinitely, while all public gatherings of more than 50 people are banned. • Authorities confirmed an additional case on March 23. The individual had recently traveled to the US. • The government announced a partial lockdown to take effect on March 27, with all unnecessary movements outside the home restricted, with exceptions for food, health, and essential workplaces.
<p>ETHIOPIA</p>  Confirmed Cases: 12 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities have closed all borders. Additionally, they have banned large gatherings and overcrowding of public transport and mandated the practice of social distancing. Security forces are authorized to enforce these measures. • The government on March 16 suspended all schools, sporting events, and meetings for the next 15 days. Bars and nightclubs have been ordered closed by the government. • Ethiopian Airlines has suspended flights to 30 countries from March 20. • The Minister of Health confirmed an additional case on March 24. The Ethiopian individual had arrived from Dubai on March 19. • UPDATE: The government announced the temporary closure of all university campuses on March 25.
<p>GABON</p>  Confirmed Cases: 7 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities have banned the entrance of all passengers from China as of February 8. • On March 17, the government announced restrictions of international flights to and from Gabon to one per week, and one flight per airline. Additionally, all restaurants, bars, and places of worship will remain closed indefinitely. • The government closed all land borders. Authorities also suspended tourist visa issuance to all passengers coming from affected countries, including Europe, China, South Korea, and the US. • New surveillance teams have been deployed to Libreville International Airport to scan for the virus. • The government has instructed its diplomats and others employed by international organizations not to return to Gabon. • The government announced the first death of a patient from COVID-19 on March 20. The victim had underlying conditions and had concealed a recent visit to France where he contracted the virus.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities have imposed a curfew between 19:30 and 06:00 from March 22. • A seventh case was confirmed on March 24.
<p>THE GAMBIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities closed the Gambian airspace, except for medicinal cargo flights, as well as the border with Senegal from March 23. • On March 18, the government banned all public gatherings, closed all educational institutions for three weeks. Additionally, the National Assembly suspended all its sessions indefinitely. • The Ministry of Health confirmed the first death on March 22, with the victim being a 70 year old Bangladesh national. • A third case was confirmed on March 24. All cases thus far were recent travelers.
<p>GHANA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 132 Confirmed Deaths: 3 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government announced that all air, land, and sea borders would be closed on March 22, except for goods and cargo. • The government has also suspended all nonessential international travel for public officers and has placed several health measures at the Ghana-Togo border. All public gatherings have also been banned. • The tourism authority has shut down the country's beaches starting March 24. • One more positive case was confirmed on March 24, with Accra, Kumasi, and Tema all representing the epicenters. • UPDATE: The government confirmed 68 new cases on March 26.
<p>GUINEA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All flights from countries with more than 30 cases have been suspended from March 21 for a month, except for cargo and humanitarian aid. • The government announced limitations on public transportation and shut down the Conakry-Gbessia International Airport on March 23. • Authorities have implemented thermal cameras and other screening measures at all ports of entry, with particular focus on foreigners, missionaries, and students. • UPDATE: A fifth case was confirmed on March 26, a woman who recently traveled to the UK.
<p>GUINEA-BISSAU</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government announced the closure of all borders into the country, effective March 18. • Authorities have installed surveillance mechanisms at ports of entry, including Bissau's Osvaldo Vieira International Airport. • The government banned all public gatherings including mass and prayers for all religions. Additionally, all bars and restaurants are ordered to be shut along with all educational institutions. • Reports indicate that there are two positive cases in Bissau as of March 24.
<p>IVORY COAST</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 80 Confirmed Deaths: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land, sea, and air borders are indefinitely closed from March 22. Goods traffic is still permitted across the borders. • On March 23, the authorities declared a state of emergency over the spread of the disease, announcing a 21:00 (local time) to 05:00 curfew, the closing of all restaurants and a restriction on travel between the capital and interior regions.

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<p>Recovered Cases: 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government stated that all parks and beaches were to be closed for one month, effective March 18. All schools have been closed and all sporting and cultural events suspended. Additionally, religious leaders have announced the suspension of public worship. UPDATE: The government announced seven additional cases on March 25. UPDATE: The government banned all travel into and out of Abidjan on March 25.
<p>KENYA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 28 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The authorities have announced the suspension of all international flights, barring cargo flights, to and from Kenya from March 25. Additionally, those coming into the country till the suspension goes into effect have to undergo a mandatory 14-day quarantine at personal cost. Authorities have noted delays in shipping and processing at Mombasa port due to the increased restrictions both in Kenya and China. On March 6, the government announced a 30-day ban on all international conferences. Mombasa County ordered the indefinite closure of beaches and recreational areas. The Central Bank of Kenya on March 16 has implemented emergency measures to limit the use of cash and to enhance mobile money transfers. UPDATE: The government confirmed three more cases, and announced the first full recovery of a patient on March 25. UPDATE: President Uhuru Kenyatta announced a daily curfew from 19:00 - 05:00 (local time) effective from March 27.
<p>LESOTHO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has imposed new screening measures at Maseru's Moshoeshoe I International Airport. Travelers who arrive with a fever from any coronavirus-affected country may be transported to a quarantine facility. Those traveling from a coronavirus-affected country without any symptoms will be instructed to self-quarantine for 14 days. On March 10, the government suspended international travel for all government officials and employees. The government declared COVID-19 as a national emergency on March 19 and closed all educational institutions. UPDATE: On March 26, the government announced a 21-day lockdown to take place from March 29 to April 21.
<p>LIBERIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All commercial flights except cargo, chartered, and special flights have been suspended by the authorities. A second case was confirmed on March 17, a domestic worker of the first case. The government suspended the issuance of passports to Liberian citizens with immediate effect on March 19.



<p>MADAGASCAR</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 19 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All international flights to and from Madagascar have been suspended from March 20 for 30 days. On March 21, the authorities ordered a lockdown of Antananarivo and Toamasina with only stores selling essentials and banks to be open to business. A curfew has been imposed from 20:00 to 5:00 for 15 days. Seven more cases were confirmed as of March 24.
<p>MALAWI</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has prohibited the entry of foreign nationals from countries that are highly affected by the virus. However, Southern African Development Community members are exempt from the restriction. Authorities have announced that residents returning from countries with confirmed cases will be subject to quarantine. Authorities have implemented health surveillance measures at Lilongwe's Kamuzu International Airport and Blantyre's Chileka airport. On February 21, the government suspended all visas to China. The government has banned all international meetings and prohibited officials from attending meetings in countries that are affected by the virus.
<p>MALI</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government suspended all flights from COVID-19 affected countries, effective from March 19. Additionally, all educational institutions were closed and public gatherings of more than 50 people were banned. The Coordination of Azawad Movements (CMA) announced the intent to close the country's borders with Algeria and Mauritania even though the central government has not ordered the same. They will ban crossings at Timiaouine, Tin Tiska, Telhandak, and Khalil, along the border with Algeria and in Foyta on the Mauritanian border. The government confirmed the first two cases in the country on March 25, both Malian nationals who returned from France. UPDATE: The government declared a night-time curfew from 21:00 - 05:00 (local time) on March 25. UPDATE: The government ordered the closure of all land borders on March 25
<p>MAURITANIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 13, the government suspended all commercial flights to the country. All land and sea borders have been closed by the government on March 22. The government has imposed a nationwide curfew from 20:00 to 06:00 and banned all public gatherings. UPDATE: The government confirmed the third case on March 26, a person who had recently traveled from France.
<p>MAURITIUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government suspended all flights into Sir Seewoosagur International Airport from 10:00 (local time) on March 19.

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 Confirmed Cases: 36 Confirmed Deaths: 2 Recovered Cases: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The country went on a two-week lockdown from March 20 with all non-essential activities barred. The Ministry of Health confirmed the first death due to COVID-19, a Belgian national. The government has instituted a curfew from 20:00 on March 23 to 20:00 on April 2. Eight new cases were confirmed by the authorities on March 23.
MAYOTTE  Confirmed Cases: 40 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to a communique released by the French government, the department of Mayotte has confirmed the first case of COVID-19 on March 14. The government confirmed an additional case on March 18, a person traveling from mainland France. UPDATE: The government has confirmed 40 cases as of March 26. UPDATE: The authorities have imposed a curfew between 20:00 to 05:00 (local time).
MOZAMBIQUE  Confirmed Cases: 5 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President Filipe Nyusi announced the closure of the country to travelers from Europe, Reunion, and Mayotte for 30 days. Health screening measures have been implemented at all entry points. From March 23, the government will suspend the issuance of visas and cancel the visas already issued for 30 days. All educational institutions have been temporarily closed and the government has banned events and gatherings with more than 50 people. The post at Ressano-Garcia is the only open border crossing with South Africa as of March 23. Long-distance trains have been canceled while only 50 passengers are allowed per carriage in short-distance trains. Authorities have also decreed that buses will only carry a maximum of 50 passengers from March 23 to April 23. UPDATE: The government confirmed two more cases on March 25.
NAMIBIA  Confirmed Cases: 7 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government imposed a partial lockdown order on March 24 and banned all travel to the country. Namibians are banned from leaving and if they return from abroad, they face mandatory quarantine. Commercial traffic is not affected. On March 15, the government announced the closure of all schools. The government confirmed four more cases on March 24.
NIGER  Confirmed Cases: 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 17, the government announced the closure of all borders and international airports for an indefinite period. All educational institutions, along with bars, nightclubs, cinema theaters, and entertainment venues will also remain closed. Religious leaders have announced the temporary closure of all places of worship.






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Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of confirmed cases rose to seven on March 25, while the first death was confirmed in Niamey.
<p>NIGERIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 51 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities have halted all international flights to take effect on March 23. The government has shut down all land borders and announced a one-month lockdown on March 23. All tertiary institutions and unity colleges are closed as per the order of the federal government. Anambra, Lagos, Benue, Niger, and Enugu states have announced the closure of all schools. Lagos and Ogun states have banned public gatherings of more than 50 people. The authorities have ordered police personnel to only detain suspects for the most serious offenses. Six more cases were confirmed, including the Bauchi State governor and President Muhammadu Buhari's Chief of Staff. UPDATE: The government confirmed five new cases, including the first case in Port Harcourt on March 25. UPDATE: Dana Air, Air Peace, and Arik Air suspended operations. Dana Air will suspend flights from March 25 for two weeks, while Air Peace suspensions will begin on March 27 for 23 days per March 25 reports.
<p>REUNION</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 115 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All nonessential travel to and from the country has been banned including travel to France. Health checks have been implemented at Roland Garros airport. The prefect of the island requested that all Reunionese stay home. All public gatherings of more than 100 people are banned and schools closed. UPDATE: The government confirmed 32 additional cases on March 25.
<p>RWANDA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 41 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All passenger flights to and from the country will be suspended for 30 days, effective March 20. The government imposed a ban on all public gatherings in Kigali as a precaution, which includes concerts, conferences, and other events. Subsequently, they closed schools and houses of worship. Authorities announced new restrictions on movement, to be kept to essential needs only, work from home except for essential personnel, and closure of all nonessential shops. This took effect on March 21. The government has closed all borders with only goods and cargo and returning Rwandan residents allowed entry. Any returning citizen is subject to a mandatory 14-day quarantine. Four new cases were confirmed on March 25, two from Dubai and one from Brussels. UPDATE: The government confirmed one additional case, a traveler from Dubai on March 25.
<p>SAO TOME & PRINCIPE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorities banned all air travel on March 22.





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 <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government declared a state of emergency. Foreign nationals will be prevented from entering, travelers will have a mandatory quarantine, all public gatherings are banned, and schools are closed, to take effect on March 20. The government has mandated that all passengers provide proof of being tested for COVID-19 while entering the country. Authorities have imposed screening measures and established an isolation center at Sao Tome & Principe International Airport on Sao Tome Island.
<p>SENEGAL</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 105 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 9</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government will suspend all international commercial flights on the night of March 20, intended to last until at least April 17. Thermal cameras and other screening measures have been implemented at Dakar's Blaise Diagne International Airport as well as at the Dakar port and Kalifourou border crossing with Guinea. Port authorities have announced increased screening and health checks of those arriving in Senegal by boat from countries affected by coronavirus. President Macky Sall banned public demonstrations and events for 30 days and suspended schools for three weeks. On March 23, the authorities declared a state of emergency over the spread of the disease, announcing a 20:00 (local time) to 06:00 curfew, the closing of all restaurants and a restriction on travel between the capital and interior regions. UPDATE: Six new cases were confirmed on March 26, five of which were imported.
<p>SEYCHELLES</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 7 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government banned its citizens from traveling to China until further notice as a preventative measure. The government has banned the entry of all non-citizens who have recently traveled to China, Hong Kong, Macau, South Korea, Iran, and all of Europe, with only Seychellois citizens allowed entry. This includes those arriving via air and sea. The seventh case was confirmed on March 20, a Seychellois who had been in contact with a positive case. UPDATE: The government announced the suspension of all international flights effective on March 27.
<p>SIERRA LEONE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All international flights have been suspended from March 21 until further notice. President Julius Maadia Bio declared a 12-month state of emergency, though said that it does not constitute a lockdown.
<p>SOMALIA</p>  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government suspended all travel in and out of the country, effective March 18. The government has implemented health screening measures at Mogadishu's Aden Adde International Airport as of February 5. A quarantine unit has reportedly been established at the airport.

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<p>Confirmed Cases: 2 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ministry of Health confirmed the first case in Mogadishu on March 16, a Somali citizen who returned from China. UPDATE: The government confirmed the second case on March 26.
<p>SOMALILAND</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government banned flights from China, Italy, Iran, France, Spain, South Korea, Kenya, Somalia, for four weeks effective from March 19. The Somaliland government announced the deployment of health officials to Hargeisa Egal International Airport for preventative measures. The Somaliland authorities announced that all schools would be closed and all public gatherings banned for one month, starting March 17.
<p>SOUTH AFRICA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 709 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 23, President Cyril Ramaphosa announced a 21-day nationwide lockdown starting from March 26 to April 16. Essential supplies and medical treatment will be available, while public transit will be closed. Security forces have been authorized to enforce these measures. The government has banned the entrance of foreign nationals from high-risk countries including France, Germany, Iran, Italy, South Korea, Spain, the US, and the UK. Authorities have canceled visa issuance to these countries and thus revoked previously-granted visas. South African Airways (SAA) has suspended all international flights till May 31. 35 out of 53 land ports will be closed as of March 16, as well as two of eight seaports for passenger and crew exchanges. The government has suspended schools from March 18 and prohibited all gatherings of more than 100 people. Parliament will be closed indefinitely and all non-essential official travel abroad has been suspended. An additional 155 cases were confirmed on March 25. UPDATE: The government announced that the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) will be deployed nationwide to assist police on March 26.
<p>SOUTH SUDAN</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 0 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government closed all airports and land borders on March 23, with exceptions for humanitarian aid. On March 16, the government banned all public events and imposed a self-quarantine on senior government officials arriving from countries with COVID-19 cases. The government ordered the closure of all schools and universities and banned all religious and sporting events. A nighttime curfew was imposed from 20:00 to 06:00 as of March 24.
<p>SUDAN</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 16, the government announced the closure of all airports and border crossings except for humanitarian aid and commercial shipments of goods. On March 13, the government suspended all flights to and from the Republic of Korea, China, Japan, Italy, Iran, Spain, Egypt, and France. It also closed its land border with Egypt.



<p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 19, the Civil Aviation Authority decided to briefly re-open Khartoum airport to air traffic for 48 hours, effective March 19 evening, to enable Sudanese stranded abroad by travel restrictions to return to Sudan, and to allow foreigners to leave. The authorities have suspended the bus service between Egypt and Sudan. On March 24, the authorities declared a partial nationwide curfew from 20:00 (local time) to 06:00. A third case was confirmed on March 24, a Sudanese citizen returning from an Arab country.
<p>TANZANIA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 13 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has implemented screening measures at Dar es Salaam's Julius Nyerere International Airport, Kilimanjaro Airport, and Mwanza Airport, as well as at other ports and land entry points. On March 17, the government banned all public gatherings, closed schools, and suspended sports leagues. All passengers arriving from high-risk countries will be quarantined at their own expense at government-designated facilities. UPDATE: The government confirmed an additional case on March 25. UPDATE: Air Tanzania and Precision Air have suspended all international flights from March 25.
<p>TOGO</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 23 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 17, the government banned the entry of any persons returning from COVID-19 affected nations, excluding Togolese citizens. Authorities have imposed health screenings and isolation facilities at Lome's Gnassingbe Eyadema International Airport. All cultural or sporting events are suspended, with a prohibition on public gatherings of more than 100 people. The government confirmed two cases on March 22. UPDATE: The government confirmed an additional three cases on March 25 and reported that one recovered patient has been released.
<p>UGANDA</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 14 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective on March 22, all borders have been closed and all air travel has been banned. The government announced that all political and religious gatherings would be suspended and schools will be closed for one month starting on March 20. All Ugandans returning to the country from abroad will face a mandatory quarantine. Five more cases were confirmed on March 25, including several Chinese nationals. UPDATE: President Yoweri Museveni ordered the immediate suspension of all public transport nationwide for 14 days on March 25. UPDATE: The government announced the suspension of reception of refugees and asylum seekers with immediate effect for a period of 30 days on March 25.
<p>ZAMBIA</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From March 16, all visitors who have recently traveled to countries affected by coronavirus will have to spend 14 days in quarantine. The government closed all schools and universities as of March 20.



<p>Confirmed Cases: 12 Confirmed Deaths: 0 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government confirmed nine more cases on March 25 and announced widespread restrictions to close bars, casinos, and other leisure venues. Restaurants will be takeaway only. UPDATE: The government announced that international airports in Ndola, Livingstone, Mfuwe will suspend international flights until further notice from March 26.
<p>ZIMBABWE</p>  <p>Confirmed Cases: 3 Confirmed Deaths: 1 Recovered Cases: 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 23, President Emmerson Mnangagwa closed all borders to inbound and outbound traffic except for cargo and returning Zimbabwean citizens, who would be quarantined. All bars, restaurants, and other entertainment venues are closed. All schools and tertiary institutions are closed as of March 24. Authorities confirmed the first coronavirus-related death on March 23. A third case was confirmed on March 24. UPDATE: The government banned all gatherings of more than 100 people on March 26.

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