

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

Situation Report - 113

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Highlights

WHO has published a new guidance on <u>Considerations for school-related public health measures in the context of COVID-19</u> as an annex to earlier guidance on <u>adjusting public health and social measures</u> published on 15 April 2020.

WHO has issued a <u>Statement on Tobacco use and COVID-19</u>. Tobacco smoking is a known risk factor for many respiratory infections and increases the severity of respiratory diseases. A review of studies by public health experts convened by WHO found that smokers are more likely to develop severe disease with COVID-19, compared to non-smokers. WHO urges researchers, scientists and the media to be cautious about amplifying unproven claims that tobacco or nicotine could reduce the risk of COVID-19.

The Director-General Dr. Tedros in his <u>media briefing</u> yesterday, urged a slow, steady, lifting of public health and social measures (so called lockdowns), which is key to stimulating economies, while also keeping a vigilant eye on the virus so that control measures can be quickly implemented if an upswing in cases is identified.

In the 'Subject in Focus' below, WHO Operations and Support Logistics (OSL), in collaboration with a technical network of universities, architects, biomedical engineers and other health experts, is working to support the establishment of COVID-19 treatment centres, self-quarantine and community facilities at the request of countries seeking technical guidance in setting up such facilities.

Situation in numbers (by WHO Region)

Total (new cases in last 24 hours)

Globally	4 088 848 cases (82 591)	283 153 deaths (4 261)
Africa	46 829 cases (2 296)	1 449 deaths (34)
Americas	1 743 717 cases (41 266)	104 549 deaths (2 675)
Eastern Mediterranean	274 027 cases (8 863)	9 138 deaths (125)
Europe	1 755 790 cases (24 184)	157 880 deaths (1 277)
South-East Asia	105 901 cases (5 020)	3 597 deaths (116)
Western Pacific	161 872 cases (962)	6 527 deaths (34)

Subject in Focus: Technical support for COVID-19 treatment centres

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Since the start of the COVID-19 outbreak, WHO OSL has provided technical recommendations and operational guidance for the construction of treatment centres, or repurposing of existing buildings, to provide medical care to COVID-19 patients.

To support this initiative, OSL is working to establish a global Technical Network that so far has brought together the expertise of 200 architects, academics, civil engineers, biomedical engineers and other technical health experts from 27 institutions across 22 countries. The initiative aims to strengthen national COVID-19 preparedness and rapid response capacities through a multi-disciplinary collaboration, 24-hour remote support and, whenever required and possible, deployment of international experts to support the COVID-19 response in countries in need of technical assistance.

Since March, OSL's HealthTech Unit, with the voluntary support of architects and engineers from the Technical Network, has helped set up COVID-19 treatment centres in the following countries: Senegal, Tanzania, Burkina Faso, Sao Tome and Principe, Nigeria, Republic of Congo, Ivory Coast, Mauritius, Australia and Italy.

In Tanzania, OSL recently completed the design and layout plan to convert a commercial site in Dar Es Salaam into a 500-bed capacity COVID-19 treatment centre. Working in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and colleagues in the WHO Country Office, OSL architects and health experts have provided blueprints and technical operational guidance for the facility.

In Burkina Faso, OSL worked in partnership with the Ministry of Health to set up a 42-bed COVID-19 treatment centre in Bobo-Dioulasso. The centre is currently functioning and run by Médecins Sans Frontières.

In Nigeria, OSL has helped set up a COVID-19 Self-Quarantine Facility in a camp for internally displaced persons (IDPs) run by the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The facility, located next to the camp, aims to provide early recognition and source control, including isolating patients with suspected COVID-19, as a strategy for preventing or limiting transmission in camps and camp-like settings. The facility was designed to allow a safe, controlled, dignified and comfortable self-quarantine for new arrivals in order to (a) limit human-to-human transmission, including reducing secondary infections among close contacts and healthcare workers, preventing transmission amplification events, strengthening health facilities; (b) identify and provide optimised care for infected patients early; and (c) communicate critical risk and information to all communities and counter misinformation.

In Italy, OSL is providing technical assistance, working with hospitals in Bologna and in the southern Puglia region to advise hospitals on adapting existing care facilities into dedicated treatment facilities for COVID-19 patients.

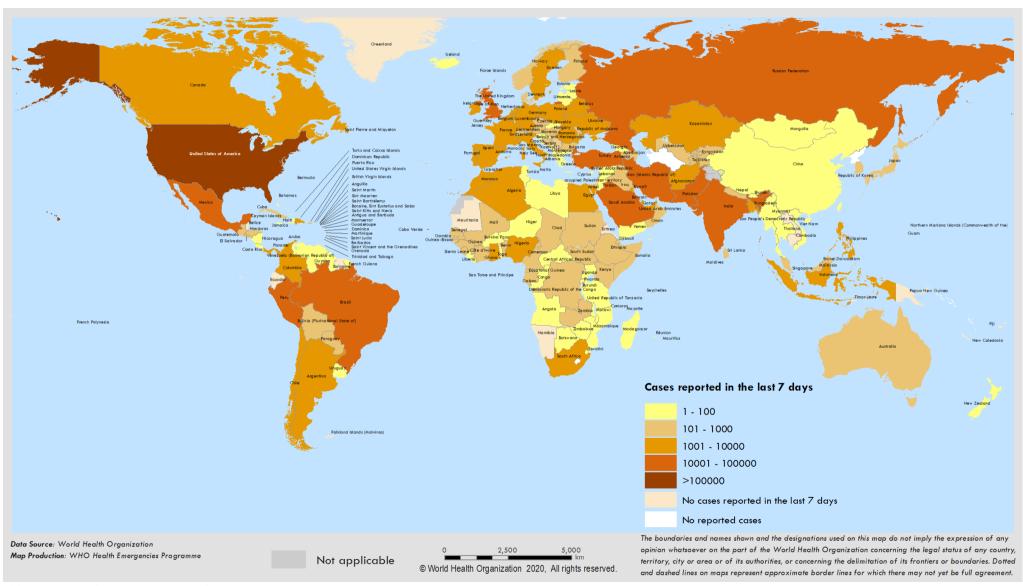
To coordinate technical assistance, OSL has established a COVID-19 Help Desk, a 24-hour global resource to provide technical information and support to the COVID-19 treatment and healthcare facilities. Recommendations and solutions provided by the Help Desk are based on WHO guidelines and are adapted to the social, economic and health context of each country. The Help Desk works in collaboration with other WHO outbreak response pillars, including the COVID-19 Supply Portal, HealthOPS clinical care, case management and other WHO support mechanisms to assist Member States in strengthening response capacity for managing the COVID-19 outbreak.

Development of a standardized assessment tool for COVID-19 treatment centres is currently ongoing. SARI Treatment Centre guidelines are now available in English, French, Portuguese and Italian; translations into other UN languages are forthcoming.

Requests for information or support from the COVID-19 Help Desk can be submitted to: oslhealthtech@who.int

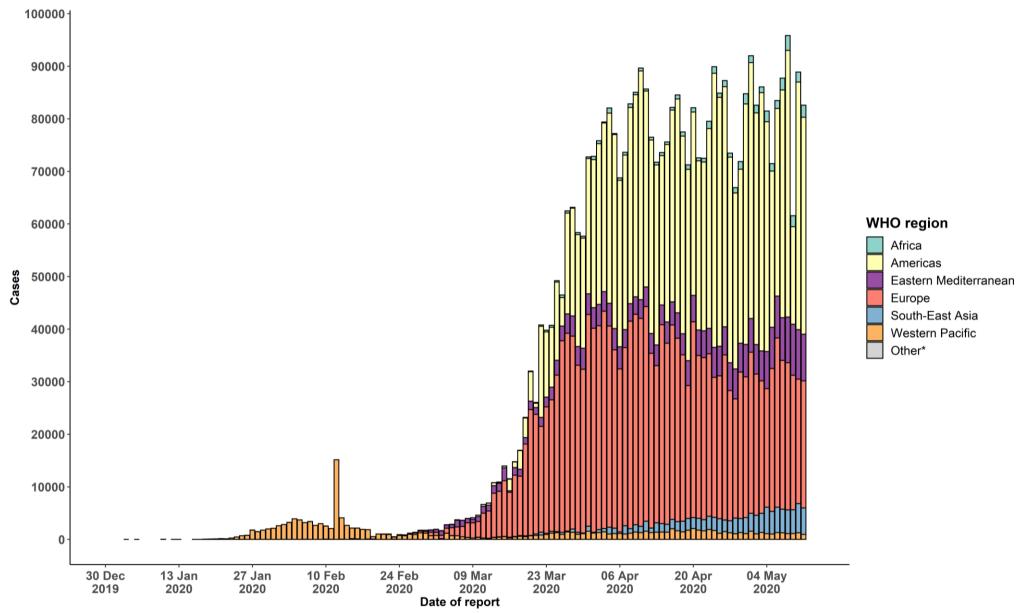
Surveillance

Figure 1. Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases reported in the last seven days by country, territory or area, 6 May to 12 May**



^{**}See Annex 1 for data, table and figure notes.

Figure 2. Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases, by date of report and WHO region, 30 December 2019 through 12 May 2020**



^{**}See Annex 1 for data, table and figure notes.

Table 1. Countries, territories or areas with reported laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths, by WHO region. Data as of 10 AM CEST, 12 May 2020**

Reporting Country/ Territory/Area	Total confirmed cases	Total confirmed new cases	Total deaths	Total new deaths	Transmission classification ⁱ	Days since last reported case
Africa						
South Africa	10 652	637	206	12	Community transmission	0
Algeria	5 891	168	507	5	Community transmission	0
Ghana	4 700	437	22	0	Community transmission	0
Nigeria	4 641	242	150	7	Community transmission	0
Cameroon	2 579	0	114	0	Clusters of cases	1
Guinea	2 146	0	11	0	Community transmission	1
Senegal	1 886	177	19	0	Clusters of cases	0
Côte d'Ivoire	1 730	30	21	0	Clusters of cases	0
Democratic Republic of the Congo	1 102	78	44	3	Clusters of cases	0
Niger	832	11	46	0	Clusters of cases	0
Gabon	802	141	9	1	Clusters of cases	0
Guinea-Bissau	761	119	3	0	Sporadic cases	0
Burkina Faso	760	9	50	1	Community transmission	0
Mali	712	8	39	1	Clusters of cases	0
Kenya	700	28	33	1	Clusters of cases	0
United Republic of Tanzania	509	0	21	0	Clusters of cases	4
Equatorial Guinea	439	0	4	0	Clusters of cases	6
Sierra Leone	338	31	19	1	Clusters of cases	0
Congo	333	46	11	1	Clusters of cases	0
Mauritius	332	0	10	0	Community transmission	15
Chad	322	0	31	0	Sporadic cases	2

Reporting Country/ Territory/Area	Total confirmed cases	Total confirmed new cases	Total deaths	Total new deaths	Transmission classification ⁱ	Days since last reported case
Benin	319	0	2	0	Sporadic cases	1
Rwanda	285	1	0	0	Clusters of cases	0
Zambia	267	0	7	0	Sporadic cases	1
Cabo Verde	260	14	2	0	Sporadic cases	0
Ethiopia	250	11	5	0	Clusters of cases	0
Liberia	211	7	20	0	Clusters of cases	0
Madagascar	186	17	0	0	Clusters of cases	0
Togo	181	8	11	0	Clusters of cases	0
Central African Republic	179	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	1
Eswatini	175	3	2	0	Sporadic cases	0
South Sudan	174	18	0	0	Sporadic cases	0
São Tomé and Príncipe	165	0	4	0	Sporadic cases	2
Uganda	122	1	0	0	Sporadic cases	0
Mozambique	103	12	0	0	Sporadic cases	0
Malawi	57	1	3	0	Sporadic cases	0
Angola	45	0	2	0	Sporadic cases	1
Eritrea	39	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	23
Zimbabwe	36	0	4	0	Sporadic cases	1
Botswana	24	1	1	0	Sporadic cases	0
Gambia	22	2	1	0	Sporadic cases	0
Burundi	19	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	9
Namibia	16	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	36
Comoros	11	0	1	0	Pending	2

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Seychelles	11	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	35
Mauritania	8	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	11
Territories ⁱⁱ						
Mayotte	1 061	38	12	1	Clusters of cases	0
Réunion	436	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	1
Americas						
United States of America	1 298 287	26 642	78 652	1 736	Community transmission	0
Brazil	162 699	6 760	11 123	496	Community transmission	0
Canada	69 156	1 160	4 906	178	Community transmission	0
Peru	67 307	2 292	1 889	75	Community transmission	0
Mexico	35 022	1 562	3 465	112	Community transmission	0
Chile	30 063	1 197	323	11	Community transmission	0
Ecuador	29 509	- 50	2 145	18	Community transmission	0
Colombia	11 063	568	463	18	Community transmission	0
Dominican Republic	10 634	287	393	5	Community transmission	0
Panama	8 448	166	244	7	Community transmission	0
Argentina	6 034	110	305	5	Community transmission	0
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	2 556	119	118	4	Clusters of cases	0
Honduras	1 972	142	108	0	Community transmission	0
Cuba	1 783	17	77	0	Clusters of cases	0
Guatemala	1 052	85	26	2	Clusters of cases	0
El Salvador	958	69	17	0	Clusters of cases	0
Costa Rica	792	12	6	0	Clusters of cases	0
Paraguay	724	11	10	0	Community transmission	0

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Uruguay	707	5	19	2	Clusters of cases	0
Jamaica	502	4	9	0	Clusters of cases	0
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	414	12	10	0	Clusters of cases	0
Haiti	182	31	15	3	Clusters of cases	0
Trinidad and Tobago	116	0	8	0	Sporadic cases	14
Guyana	104	7	10	0	Clusters of cases	0
Bahamas	92	0	11	0	Clusters of cases	4
Barbados	84	0	7	0	Clusters of cases	1
Antigua and Barbuda	25	0	3	0	Clusters of cases	8
Grenada	21	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	8
Belize	18	0	2	0	Sporadic cases	27
Saint Lucia	18	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	7
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	17	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	7
Dominica	16	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	31
Nicaragua	16	0	5	0	Pending	5
Saint Kitts and Nevis	15	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	21
Suriname	10	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	38
Territories ⁱⁱ						
Puerto Rico	2 256	58	113	2	Clusters of cases	0
Martinique	187	0	14	0	Clusters of cases	1
Guadeloupe	154	0	13	0	Clusters of cases	3
French Guiana	144	0	1	0	Clusters of cases	1

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Bermuda	118	0	7	0	Clusters of cases	4
Aruba	101	0	3	0	Sporadic cases	6
Cayman Islands	81	0	1	0	Clusters of cases	2
Sint Maarten	77	0	15	0	Sporadic cases	2
United States Virgin Islands	69	0	5	1	Clusters of cases	1
Saint Martin	39	0	3	0	Sporadic cases	1
Curaçao	16	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	14
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	13	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	16
Turks and Caicos Islands	12	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	14
Montserrat	11	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	28
British Virgin Islands	7	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	6
Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba	6	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	14
Saint Barthélemy	6	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	42
Anguilla	3	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	38
Saint Pierre and Miquelon	1	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	34
Eastern Mediterranean						
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	109 286	1 683	6 685	45	Community transmission	0
Saudi Arabia	41 014	1 966	255	9	Clusters of cases	0
Pakistan	32 081	1 140	706	39	Clusters of cases	0
Qatar	23 623	1 103	14	0	Community transmission	0
United Arab Emirates	18 878	680	201	3	Pending	0
Egypt	9 746	346	533	8	Clusters of cases	0
Kuwait	9 286	598	65	7	Clusters of cases	0

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Morocco	6 360	297	188	0	Clusters of cases	0
Bahrain	5 236	295	8	0	Clusters of cases	0
Afghanistan	4 967	303	127	7	Clusters of cases	0
Oman	3 721	147	17	0	Clusters of cases	0
Iraq	2 818	51	110	1	Clusters of cases	0
Sudan	1 526	161	74	4	Sporadic cases	0
Djibouti	1 227	17	3	0	Clusters of cases	0
Somalia	1 089	35	52	1	Sporadic cases	0
Tunisia	1 032	0	45	0	Community transmission	2
Lebanon	859	14	26	0	Clusters of cases	0
Jordan	562	22	9	0	Clusters of cases	0
Libya	64	0	3	0	Clusters of cases	5
Yemen	58	5	10	1	Pending	0
Syrian Arab Republic	47	0	3	0	Community transmission	3
Territories ⁱⁱ						
occupied Palestinian territory	547	0	4	0	Clusters of cases	4
Europe						
Russian Federation	232 243	10 899	2 116	107	Clusters of cases	0
Spain	227 436	3 046	26 744	123	Community transmission	0
The United Kingdom	223 064	3 877	32 065	210	Community transmission	0
Italy	219 814	744	30 739	179	Community transmission	0
Germany	170 508	933	7 533	116	Community transmission	0
Turkey	139 771	1 114	3 841	55	Community transmission	0
France	137 491	418	26 600	262	Community transmission	0

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Belgium	53 449	368	8 707	51	Community transmission	0
Netherlands	42 788	161	5 456	16	Community transmission	0
Switzerland	30 261	39	1 542	5	Community transmission	0
Portugal	27 679	98	1 144	9	Community transmission	0
Sweden	26 670	348	3 256	31	Community transmission	0
Belarus	23 906	0	135	0	Clusters of cases	1
Ireland	23 135	139	1 467	9	Community transmission	0
Israel	16 526	34	258	4	Pending	0
Poland	16 326	330	811	11	Community transmission	0
Ukraine	16 023	375	425	17	Community transmission	0
Austria	15 874	87	620	2	Community transmission	0
Romania	15 588	226	972	20	Community transmission	0
Denmark	10 513	84	533	4	Pending	0
Serbia	10 176	62	218	3	Pending	0
Czechia	8 176	53	282	2	Community transmission	0
Norway	8 106	7	224	7	Pending	0
Finland	5 984	22	271	4	Pending	0
Kazakhstan	5 207	69	32	1	Pending	0
Republic of Moldova	4 995	68	179	8	Pending	0
Luxembourg	3 888	2	101	0	Pending	0
Armenia	3 538	146	47	2	Clusters of cases	0
Hungary	3 313	29	425	4	Clusters of cases	0
Greece	2 726	10	151	0	Community transmission	0
Azerbaijan	2 589	70	32	0	Clusters of cases	0

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Uzbekistan	2 509	98	10	0	Clusters of cases	0
Croatia	2 196	9	91	1	Community transmission	0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2 142	44	112	9	Community transmission	0
Bulgaria	1 990	25	93	2	Clusters of cases	0
Iceland	1 801	0	10	0	Community transmission	4
Estonia	1 741	2	61	1	Pending	0
North Macedonia	1 664	22	91	0	Clusters of cases	0
Lithuania	1 485	6	50	0	Community transmission	0
Slovenia	1 460	3	102	0	Community transmission	0
Slovakia	1 457	0	26	0	Clusters of cases	1
Kyrgyzstan	1 037	21	12	0	Clusters of cases	0
Latvia	946	7	18	0	Community transmission	0
Cyprus	901	3	22	0	Clusters of cases	0
Albania	872	4	31	0	Clusters of cases	0
Andorra	756	0	48	0	Community transmission	1
Tajikistan	661	49	21	1	Pending	0
San Marino	647	10	41	0	Community transmission	0
Georgia	639	1	11	1	Community transmission	0
Malta	503	7	5	0	Pending	0
Montenegro	325	0	8	0	Clusters of cases	1
Monaco	96	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	1
Liechtenstein	83	0	1	0	Pending	16
Holy See	12	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	5

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Territories ⁱⁱ						
Kosovo ^[1]	884	14	28	0	Community transmission	0
Isle of Man	330	0	23	0	Pending	1
Jersey	294	1	25	0	Pending	0
Guernsey	252	0	13	0	Community transmission	9
Faroe Islands	187	0	0	0	Pending	18
Gibraltar	146	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	2
Greenland	11	0	0	0	Pending	36
South-East Asia						
India	70 756	3 604	2 293	87	Clusters of cases	0
Bangladesh	15 691	1 034	239	11	Clusters of cases	0
Indonesia	14 265	233	991	18	Community transmission	0
Thailand	3 017	8	56	0	Clusters of cases	0
Maldives	897	62	3	0	Clusters of cases	0
Sri Lanka	869	6	9	0	Clusters of cases	0
Nepal	191	71	0	0	Sporadic cases	0
Myanmar	180	0	6	0	Clusters of cases	1
Timor-Leste	24	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	18
Bhutan	11	2	0	0	Sporadic cases	0
Western Pacific						
China	84 451	1	4 644	1	Clusters of cases	0
Singapore	23 822	486	21	1	Clusters of cases	0
Japan	15 874	76	643	22	Clusters of cases	0
Philippines	11 086	292	726	7	Clusters of cases	0
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Reporting Country/ Territory/Area	Total confirmed cases	Total confirmed new cases	Total deaths	Total new deaths	Transmission classification ⁱ	Days since last reported case
Republic of Korea	10 936	27	258	2	Clusters of cases	0
Australia	6 948	7	97	0	Clusters of cases	0
Malaysia	6 726	70	109	1	Clusters of cases	0
New Zealand	1 147	0	21	0	Clusters of cases	1
Viet Nam	288	0	0	0	Clusters of cases	4
Brunei Darussalam	141	0	1	0	Sporadic cases	4
Cambodia	122	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	30
Mongolia	42	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	3
Lao People's Democratic Republic	19	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	29
Fiji	18	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	21
Papua New Guinea	8	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	19
Territories ⁱⁱ						
Guam	147	0	5	0	Clusters of cases	5
French Polynesia	60	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	6
Northern Mariana Islands (Commonwealth of the)	19	3	2	0	Pending	0
New Caledonia	18	0	0	0	Sporadic cases	39
Subtotal for all regions	4 088 136	82 591	283 140	4 261		
Other*	712	0	13	0	-	57
Grand total	4 088 848	82 591	283 153	4 261		

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Technical guidance and other resources

- To view all technical guidance documents regarding COVID-19, please go to this webpage.
- Updates from WHO regional offices

WHO AFRO
 WHO EMRO
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 WHO EURO
 WHO WPRO

- Research and Development
- Online courses on COVID-19 and in additional national languages
- The Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan (SPRP) outlining the support the international community can provide to all countries to prepare and respond to the virus.
- WHO Health Emergency dashboard
- Weekly COVID-19 Operations Updates

Recommendations and advice for the public

- Protect yourself
- Questions and answers
- Travel advice
- <u>EPI-WIN</u>: tailored information for individuals, organizations and communities

Case definitions

WHO periodically updates the <u>Global Surveillance for human infection with coronavirus disease</u> (<u>COVID-19</u>) document which includes surveillance definitions.

Definition of COVID-19 death

COVID-19 death is defined for surveillance purposes as a death resulting from a clinically compatible illness in a probable or confirmed COVID-19 case, unless there is a clear alternative cause of death that cannot be related to COVID-19 disease (e.g. trauma). There should be no period of complete recovery between the illness and death.

Annex 1: Data, table and figure notes

Caution must be taken when interpreting all data presented. Differences are to be expected between information products published by WHO, national public health authorities, and other sources using different inclusion criteria and different data cut-off times. While steps are taken to ensure accuracy and reliability, all data are subject to continuous verification and change. Case detection, definitions, testing strategies, reporting practice, and lag times differ between countries/territories/areas. These factors, amongst others, influence the counts presented with variable underestimation of true case and death counts, and variable delays to reflecting these data at global level.

The designations employed, and the presentation of these materials do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of WHO concerning the legal status of any country, territory or area or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries. Dotted and dashed lines on maps represent approximate border lines for which there may not yet be full agreement. Countries, territories and areas are arranged under the administering WHO region.

^[1] All references to Kosovo should be understood to be in the context of the United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999). In the map, number of cases of Serbia and Kosovo (UNSCR 1244, 1999) have been aggregated for visualization purposes.

Counts reflect laboratory-confirmed cases and deaths, based on <u>WHO case definitions</u> unless stated otherwise (see *Country, territory, or area-specific updates and errata*), and include both domestic and repatriated cases.

Other*: includes cases reported under the international conveyance (Diamond Princess).

Due to the recent trend of countries conducting data reconciliation exercises which remove large numbers of cases or deaths from their total counts, WHO will now display such data as *negative* numbers in the "new cases" / "new deaths" columns as appropriate. This will aid readers in identifying when such adjustments occur. When additional details become available that allow the subtractions to be suitably apportioned to previous days, graphics will be updated accordingly. Prior situation reports will not be edited; see covid19.who.int for the most up-to-date data.

Additional table notes

ⁱ Transmission classification is based on a process of country/territory/area self-reporting. Classifications are reviewed on a weekly basis, may be revised as new information becomes available, and are based on the highest category reported. Differing degrees of transmission may be present within countries/territories/areas. Categories:

- No cases: with no confirmed cases (not shown in table).
- Sporadic cases: with one or more cases, imported or locally detected.
- Clusters of cases: experiencing cases, clustered in time, geographic location and/or by common exposures.
- Community transmission: experiencing larger outbreaks of local transmission defined through
 an assessment of factors including, but not limited to: large numbers of cases not linkable to
 transmission chains; large numbers of cases from sentinel lab surveillance; and/or multiple
 unrelated clusters in several areas of the country/territory/area.
- Pending: transmission classification not been reported to WHO.

[&]quot;Territories" include territories, areas, overseas dependencies and other jurisdictions of similar status.

Country, territory, or area-specific updates and errata

Update 12 May 2020, Ecuador: The Ecuador Ministry of Public Health has reported 20 572 cases positive by RT-PCR and 8,937 by rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs); data reclassification accounts for the decrease by 50 cases. Further detail is available from the Ecuador Ministry of Public Health: https://bit.ly/2LlmI3S. Information on WHO guidance for laboratory confirmation can be found here. The Ecuador Ministry of Public Health additionally reported 1,486 "probable deaths" under investigation that are not included in this table; further details available at: https://bit.ly/2RZtqjR