

# Oxford COVID-19 Government Response Tracker

## Regional report - North America



This report summarises the major changes in the region for the Oxford COVID-19 Government Response Tracker's [Containment and Health Index](#), providing a high level overview of shifts in government policies.

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<b>REGION</b>	North America
<b>Date range</b>	1-16 July
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### Brief summary of major changes:

Canada has continued to see a drop in the number of new cases on average each day, although a few new cases have emerged in provinces such as Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick after a period of time where no new cases had been recorded. Canada continues to recommend limited travel between provinces as well as travelling internationally only if essential. The border between Canada and the US remains closed for non-essential travel until July 21. As of 1 July, much of Bermuda has reopened. There remains a nightly curfew from midnight to 5am to limit excess movement in the country.

Despite continuous increases in COVID cases in Florida, Disney has reopened it's Disney World Magic Kingdom, Epcot, Hollywood Studio, and Animal Kingdoms requiring guests to wear masks. Texas and Arizona have run out of state morgue capacity, requiring the use of portable morgues to keep up with demand, and Los Angeles, California, will not rule out the possibility that they may have to reinstate lockdowns to control the spread of COVID.

<b>C1: School Closing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>BMU:</b> From 1 July, schools may operate with specific guidance in place.</li> </ul>
<b>C2: Workplace Closing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>BMU:</b> 1 July sees the end of the mandated working from home order, but those who can, should still if possible</li> <li><b>USA: California</b> - as of 13 July, all counties in California were required to close indoor operations of: dine-in restaurants, wineries and tasting rooms, movie theatres, family entertainment centres (bowling alleys, mini golf, etc), zoos and museums, cardrooms. Additionally, bars, brewpubs, breweries and pubs must close all operations indoor and outdoor unless the offer sit-down, outdoor dine-in meals. Some counties will be required to close businesses such as gyms, places of worship, salons etc if they continue to be on county monitoring lists for more than 3 consecutive days.</li> </ul>
<b>C3: Cancel Public Events</b>	No changes reported
<b>C4: Restrictions on Gatherings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>BMU:</b> From 1 July, gatherings of up to 50 people are permitted.</li> <li><b>CAN: Yukon</b> - 1 July Yukon eased its restrictions to allow indoor events of up to 10 people, and outdoor events of up to 50.</li> <li><b>USA:</b> As of 15 July, MN, NC and MD maintain limits of 10 or less,</li> </ul>

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<b>C5: Close Public Transport</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>USA:</b> NY continues with nightly subway closures from 0100hrs-0500hrs.</li> </ul>
<b>C6: Stay at Home requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>USA:</b> As of 15 July, MA, NY, GA, CO and CA all have stay at home orders of some capacity (for CA, statewide).</li> </ul>
<b>C7: Restrictions on Internal movement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CAN: PEI, NS, NB, NLD-</b> From 3 of July, residents of the 4 maritime provinces are members of the 'Atlantic Travel Bubble' and can travel within the respective provinces without having to self-isolate for 14 days. Canadian Residents outside of the 4 provinces will have to seek permission to enter each of the 4 Atlantic provinces, each having their own policy to deal with entry.</li> </ul>
<b>C8: International Travel Controls</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>BMU:</b> From 1 July, Bermuda is open to international travellers again, but subject to proof of a negative COVID test within 72 hrs of travel to Bermuda, and must self-report their temperature twice per day while in the country.</li> </ul>
<b>H2: Testing Policy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>USA:</b> Most states continue to not meet stated testing goals, although fee-for-service options continue to be offered for those who wish to pay to be tested.</li> </ul>
<b>H3: Contact Tracing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>USA:</b> Harvard Global Health Institute testing and tracing tracker (released July 1) shows most states not meeting their stated contact tracing goals.</li> </ul>

### Cases vs Government Response Index:

