Japan

Japan did not accept the USA drug testing and insisted on its own testing which caused a delay in vaccine availability. Vaccines were ultimately utilized in July in order to hold the Tokyo Olympic games.

The government offered financial aid to businesses. Most were through loans. There were also loans available for the health industry.

The government offer aid to citizens who experienced a loss of income from 2020 to 2022. It was 100,000 yen.

[Japan Has Weathered COVID-19 Better Than Many, but Problems Persist | Council on Foreign Relations (cfr.org)](https://www.cfr.org/in-brief/japan-covid-19-pandemic-response-restrictions-two-years)

[COVID-19: Japanese Government Financial Assistance Measures | White & Case LLP (whitecase.com)](https://www.whitecase.com/insight-alert/covid-19-japanese-government-financial-assistance-measures)

[How to apply for coronavirus financial aid programs | NHK WORLD-JAPAN News](https://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/en/news/backstories/1097/)

[COVID-19 pandemic in Japan - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/COVID-19_pandemic_in_Japan)

Poland

March 13th 2020 Poland banned public gatherings of 50 or more and shut down non-essential business. April 16 2020 masks are mandatory. March 13 2020 Poland closed all borders. March 8 2020 a stimulus package for the economy began focusing on aid for small business, self-employed, and unemployed citizens. July 2021 is when a lottery began to start vaccinating.

[Poland's Response to the Coronavirus « Economics# « Cambridge Core Blog](https://www.cambridge.org/core/blog/2020/05/19/polands-response-to-the-coronavirus-pandemic/)

[COVID-19 pandemic in Poland - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/COVID-19_pandemic_in_Poland)

Singapore

Singapore reacted quickly with stay at home measures. The government provided a wide range of support including mental health support. Mask policies were implemented early. The government paid a portion of workers salaries resulting in fewer lost jobs.

[What Singapore did well during the Covid-19 pandemic and where there were lapses | The Straits Times](https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/what-singapore-did-well-in-handling-the-covid-19-pandemic-and-where-there-were-lapses)

[2020–21 Singapore circuit breaker measures - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2020%E2%80%9321_Singapore_circuit_breaker_measures)

Sweden

Sweden did not go into lockdown and had not mandates. The country shut down elementary schools but not any of the middle or high schools. Citizens were encouraged to live as usual.

[Did Sweden’s controversial COVID strategy pay off? In many ways it did – but it let the elderly down (theconversation.com)](https://theconversation.com/did-swedens-controversial-covid-strategy-pay-off-in-many-ways-it-did-but-it-let-the-elderly-down-188338)

[COVID-19 pandemic in Sweden - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/COVID-19_pandemic_in_Sweden)

Tunisia

The government is still trying to get people to vaccinate, they have not yet reached 50%. In 2021 there were riots leading to the prime minister stepping down due to the handling of Covid. The government had shifted from funding the public healthcare system to funding the private medical system that attracted medical tourism. Tunisia received UN aid it was used for medical supplies.

[COVID-19 pandemic in Tunisia - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/COVID-19_pandemic_in_Tunisia)

[Tunisia: Challenges and Successes in COVID-19 Pandemic Response | RAND](https://www.rand.org/pubs/commentary/2022/07/tunisia-challenges-and-successes-in-covid-19-pandemic.html)

[COVID-19 Response | Tunisia | U.S. Agency for International Development (usaid.gov)](https://www.usaid.gov/tunisia/covid-19-response)

[Health Alert: New Quarantine Policy for International Arrivals to Tunisia - U.S. Embassy in Tunisia (usembassy.gov)](https://tn.usembassy.gov/health-alert-new-quarantine-policy-for-international-arrivals-to-tunisia/)

USA

[COVID-19 pandemic in the United States - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/COVID-19_pandemic_in_the_United_States)