

APPLE MOBILITY TRENDS ACROSS THE WORLD (Jan to Apr) - COVID 19 impact on Mobility

ABSTRACT:

The COVID-19 pandemic is considered as the most crucial global health calamity of the century and the greatest challenge that the humankind faced since the 2nd World War. In December 2019, a new infectious respiratory disease emerged in Wuhan, Hubei province, China and was named by the World Health Organization as COVID-19 (coronavirus disease 2019). A new class of corona virus, known as SARS-CoV-2 (severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2) has been found to be responsible for occurrence of this disease. As far as the history of human civilization is concerned there are instances of severe outbreaks of diseases caused by a number of viruses. According to the report of the World Health Organization (WHO as of April 18 2020), the current outbreak of COVID-19, has affected over 216411 people and killed more than 146,198 people in more than 200 countries throughout the world. Till now there is no report of any clinically approved antiviral drugs or vaccines that are effective against COVID-19.

It has rapidly spread around the world, posing enormous health, economic, environmental and social challenges to the entire human population. The coronavirus outbreak is severely disrupting the global economy. Almost all the nations are struggling to slow down the transmission of the disease by testing & treating patients, quarantining suspected persons through contact tracing, restricting large gatherings, maintaining complete or partial lock down etc. This paper describes the impact of COVID-19 on society and global environment, and the possible ways in which the disease can be controlled has also been discussed therein.

COVID 19 cases began surfacing around January, and increasing every day. This dataset can be used to study impacts on mobility in this COVID 19 period

Due to COVID 19 spreading all across the world, there have been strict measures taken by the Governments of various Countries. Due to this people's mobility has also reduced across regions. The given dataset is an Apple provided mobility report (across transportation types such as walking, driving, transit).

How the mobility of people carrying the Apple mobile phones has changes, provides us an opportunity to study the mobility behaviors across the regions.

In this notebook, we shall do some EDA on this data to understand how the nations/regions followed some strict lockdown measures imposed by the government, and how was the distribution of decreased mobility across different transport types. We will plot the population mobility (population using Apple product) to understand whether lockdown restrictions were abided by people of those regions.

Further Work: This dataset can be further used for making judgments in taking decisions or actions, as to which region is more vulnerable to become a hotspot (if the mobility of a city/region is increasing suddenly, that would mean that the chances of COVID 19 spreading would increase, and government would require to take best measures to control this mobility).

Limitation: The dataset comes from Apple's product mobility, and hence the inferences would represent only fraction of the people who use Apple products. This becomes even more limiting in making inferences for regions, where Apple products do not have enough reach - this will result in very less data from that region.

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
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In [2]: apple = pd.read_csv('applemobility.csv')
apple.head()
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Out[2]:

	geo_type	region	transportation_type	2020-01-13	2020-01-14	2020-01-15	2020-01-16	2020-01-17	2020-01-18
0	country/region	Albania	driving	100	95.30	101.43	97.20	103.55	111.67
1	country/region	Albania	walking	100	100.68	98.93	98.46	100.85	100.85
2	country/region	Argentina	driving	100	97.07	102.45	111.21	118.45	112.67
3	country/region	Argentina	walking	100	95.11	101.37	112.67	116.72	111.67
4	country/region	Australia	driving	100	102.98	104.21	108.63	109.08	98.46

5 rows × 96 columns

One can observe the transportation type taken into consideration countrywise.

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In [3]: apple.shape
Out[3]: (395, 96)
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The above dataset contains data about relative volume of Direction Requests from different region in Apple Maps. The Data of Jan 13 2020 has been fixed as 100 and for the succeeding dates it is the relative volume as compared with Jan 13th data.

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In [4]: #Break into countries/regions and cities
geo_mask = apple['geo_type'] == "country/region"
mobility_countries = apple[geo_mask]
mobility_cities = apple[~geo_mask]
print("There are a total of {} countries and {} cities with provided mobility data.".format(len(mobility_countries), len(mobility_cities)))
```

There are a total of 153 countries and 242 cities with provided mobility data.

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In [5]: def get_trans_count(df):
    name = df['geo_type'].iloc[0]
    return df[['transportation_type'].value_counts().rename(str(name))
transport_types_count = pd.concat([get_trans_count(mobility_countries
), get_trans_count(mobility_cities)], axis=1)
print("Here we can find mobility count in respective country and the city")
print(transport_types_count)
```

Here we can find mobility count in respective country and the city

	country/region	city
driving	63	89
walking	63	89
transit	27	64

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In [6]: apple.describe() #statistical description of the data
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Out[6]:

	2020-01-13	2020-01-14	2020-01-15	2020-01-16	2020-01-17	2020-01-18	2020-01-19
count	395.0	395.000000	395.000000	395.000000	395.000000	395.000000	395.000000
mean	100.0	102.051367	104.575949	107.315089	118.304886	116.855418	96.516025
std	0.0	4.074084	6.255253	7.713471	13.879839	22.067678	14.519740
min	100.0	90.140000	73.720000	74.530000	83.960000	69.280000	43.790000
25%	100.0	99.860000	101.205000	102.705000	108.080000	100.310000	86.675000
50%	100.0	101.780000	104.190000	106.870000	117.780000	114.840000	97.880000
75%	100.0	104.045000	107.030000	110.265000	127.260000	129.935000	105.955000
max	100.0	115.040000	138.000000	139.900000	173.980000	184.300000	157.280000

8 rows × 93 columns

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In [7]: print(apple.geo_type.unique())
print(apple.transportation_type.unique())
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['country/region' 'city']

['driving' 'walking' 'transit']

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In [8]: # drop country/ region as it is not needed in the analysis
apple = apple.drop(['geo_type'], axis = 1)
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In [9]: print(apple.region.nunique())
regions = list(apple.region.unique())
print(regions)
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['Albania', 'Argentina', 'Australia', 'Austria', 'Belgium', 'Brazil', 'Bulgaria', 'Cambodia', 'Canada', 'Chile', 'Colombia', 'Croatia', 'Czech Republic', 'Denmark', 'Egypt', 'Estonia', 'Finland', 'France', 'Germany', 'Greece', 'Hong Kong', 'Hungary', 'Iceland', 'India', 'Indonesia', 'Ireland', 'Israel', 'Italy', 'Japan', 'Latvia', 'Lithuania', 'Luxembourg', 'Malaysia', 'Malta', 'Mexico', 'Morocco', 'Netherlands', 'New Zealand', 'Norway', 'Philippines', 'Poland', 'Portugal', 'Republic of Korea', 'Romania', 'Russia', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Serbia', 'Singapore', 'Slovakia', 'Slovenia', 'South Africa', 'Spain', 'Sweden', 'Switzerland', 'Taiwan', 'Thailand', 'Turkey', 'UK', 'United States', 'Ukraine', 'United Arab Emirates', 'Uruguay', 'Vietnam', 'Amsterdam', 'Athens', 'Atlanta', 'Auckland', 'Baltimore', 'Bangkok', 'Barcelona', 'Berlin', 'Birmingham', 'Bochum', 'Bonn', 'Boston', 'Brisbane', 'Brussels', 'Buenos Aires', 'Cairo', 'Calgary', 'Cape Town', 'Chicago', 'Cologne', 'Copenhagen', 'Dallas', 'Delhi', 'Denver', 'Detroit', 'Dubai', 'Edmonton', 'Dusseldorf', 'Edmonton', 'Frankfurt', 'Fukuoka', 'Guadalajara', 'Halifax', 'Hamburg', 'Helsinki', 'Houston', 'Hsin-chu', 'Istanbul', 'Jakarta', 'Johannesburg', 'Kuala Lumpur', 'Leeds', 'Lille', 'London', 'Los Angeles', 'Lyons', 'Madrid', 'Manchester', 'Manila', 'Melbourne', 'Mexico City', 'Miami', 'Milan', 'Montreal', 'Moscow', 'Mumbai', 'Munich', 'Nagoya', 'New York City', 'Osaka', 'Oslo', 'Ottawa', 'Paris', 'Perth', 'Philadelphia', 'Rio de Janeiro', 'Riyadh', 'Rome', 'Rotterdam', 'Saint Petersburg', 'San Francisco', 'San Jose', 'Santiago', 'Sao Paulo', 'Seattle', 'Seoul', 'Stockholm', 'Stuttgart', 'Sydney', 'Taipei', 'Tajpei', 'Tel Aviv', 'Tijuana', 'Tokyo', 'Toronto', 'Toulouse', 'Utrecht', 'Vancouver', 'Vienna', 'Washington DC', 'Zurich']

Visualization Objectives:

-Visualize mobility of people in different countries over time (1/13/2020 to 04/14/2020)

-Mobility can be visualized for the Transportation_types

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In [10]: apple_total_mob_per_day = apple.groupby(['region']).sum().reset_index()
apple_total_mob_per_day.head()
```

Out[10]:

	region	2020-01-13	2020-01-14	2020-01-15	2020-01-16	2020-01-17	2020-01-18	2020-01-19	2020-01-20	2020-01-21	...	2020-04-14
0	Albania	200	195.98	200.36	195.66	204.40	212.80	186.96	190.04	191.85	...	191.85
1	Amsterdam	300	302.08	305.87	316.03	371.64	405.75	327.67	302.16	312.82	...	312.82
2	Argentina	200	192.18	203.82	223.88	235.17	238.15	179.98	196.50	201.54	...	201.54
3	Athens	200	200.20	202.58	213.19	235.32	237.09	190.43	187.43	192.26	...	192.26
4	Atlanta	300	308.82	318.46	326.05	355.01	339.10	261.15	282.91	290.49	...	290.49

5 rows × 94 columns

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In [11]: print("Now we have taken total mobility into consideration, as shown in above data according to the religion")
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In [12]: # defining a function for plotting the cumulative mobility across all transport types for a given region/country
def plot_mobility_total(region_country):
    apple_total_mob_per_day_region = apple_total_mob_per_day[apple_total_mob_per_day.region == region_country]
    apple_total_mob_per_day_region = apple_total_mob_per_day_region.drop(['region'], axis = 1)
    apple_total_mob_per_day_region = apple_total_mob_per_day_region.T
    apple_total_mob_per_day_region.columns = ['Cumulative Mobility across all transport']
    apple_total_mob_per_day_region.plot.line()
```

defining function to take region name input from the user.

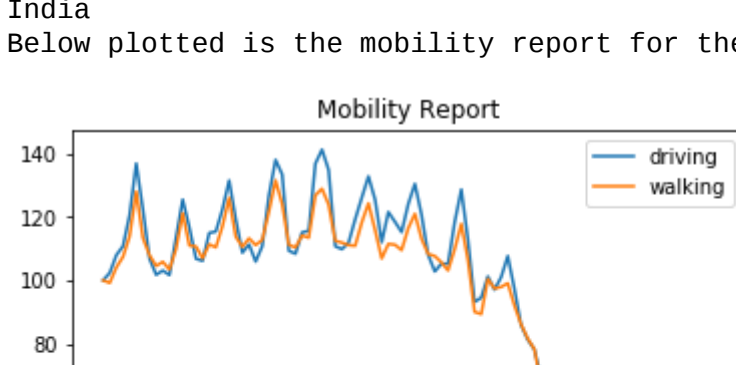
```
def input_region():
    print('\nWhich region/country mobility report would you like to see?')
    region_name = input()
    if(region_name in regions):
        print('\nBelow plotted is the mobility report for the region/country: ', region_name)
        plot_mobility_total(region_name)
    else:
        print('\nData on this region/country is not available')
        print('\nI would like to see the mobility plots of some other region/country? Enter 'Y' or 'N')
        ques = input()
        if(ques == 'Y' or 'y'):
            input_region()
        else:
            print('\n\n\nCOVID-19 has spread all across the world. Many countries have adopted lockdown measures in their regions, evident from the plots you saw. Stay Home Stay Safe.')
```

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In [13]: # Lets plot for Germany.
input_region()
```

Which region/country mobility report would you like to see?

Germany

Below plotted is the mobility report for the region/country: Germany



Germany has been hard hit by COVID 19. As of 21st April, there are 147,183 cases and around 5000 deaths. Due to an excellent countrywide Medical and Health care system, Germany also happens to have the highest recovery rate among top hard hit countries by COVID19.

Germany government had declared a nationwide curfew on 22nd of March, however strict measures on people's movements already began being taken around 10th March. The same is clearly evident from our plot. The cumulative mobility across Germany looks to be sharply falling down starting around 12th March. As of now, German government has started loosening the lockdown restrictions as the country marches towards, what appears to be a stability in daily cases. The same is again evident from the plot, of late in April mobility has again begun picking up.

Now lets also work on plots for mobility across transport types

```
In [14]: apple.transportation_type.value_counts()
Out[14]: driving    152
walking    152
transit     91
Name: transportation_type, dtype: int64
```

Note from above that all the 152 countries/regions have data for driving and walking transportation type, some have Transit type too.

```
In [15]: # defining a function for plotting the transportation_type wise mobility for a given region/country
def plot_mobility_region_trans(region_country_trans):
    apple_mob_trans_wise = apple[apple.region == region_country_trans]
    apple_mob_trans_wise = apple_mob_trans_wise.drop(['region'], axis = 1)
    apple_mob_trans_wise = apple_mob_trans_wise.T
    if len(apple_mob_trans_wise.columns) < 3:
        apple_mob_trans_wise.columns = ['driving', 'walking']
    elif len(apple_mob_trans_wise.columns) == 3:
        apple_mob_trans_wise.columns = ['driving', 'walking', 'transit']
    apple_mob_trans_wise = apple_mob_trans_wise[1:]
    apple_mob_trans_wise.plot.line(title='Mobility Report')
```

defining function to take region name input from the user.

```
def input_region_trans():
    print('\nWhich region/country mobility report would you like to see?')
    region_name_trans = input()
    if(region_name_trans in regions):
        print('\nBelow plotted is the mobility report for the region/country: ', region_name_trans)
        plot_mobility_region_trans(region_name_trans)
    else:
        print('\nData on this country is not available')
        print('\nI would like to see the mobility plots of some other region/country? Enter 'Y' or 'N')
        ques = input()
        if(ques == 'Y'):
            input_region_trans()
        else:
            print('\n\n\nCOVID-19 has spread all across the world. Many countries have adopted lockdown measures in their regions, evident from the plots you saw. Stay Home Stay Safe.')
```

Lets plot people's mobility for some of the countries/regions and observe how lockdown measures have impacted the region.

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In [16]: # Lets plot for Detroit, USA
input_region_trans()
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Which region/country mobility report would you like to see?

Detroit

Below plotted is the mobility report for the region/country: Detroit



Detroit is best known as the center of the U.S. automobile industry, and the "Big Three" auto manufacturers General Motors, Ford, and Fiat Chrysler are all headquartered in Metro Detroit. This industry requires many laborers who come from far off places.

Observe there is a major spike in transit mobility around 22nd Feb. Also throughout February, there was a strong transit mobility. I suppose this high transit mobility must have been due to people taking public transport to move back to their homes (as a panic action) due to sudden strong US government measures to fight COVID 19.

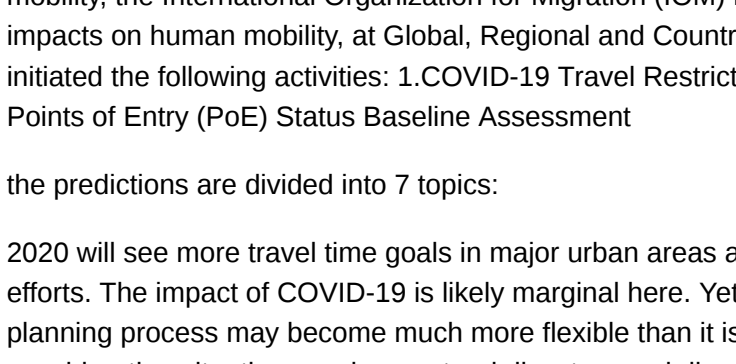
Other than transit mobility, the mobility via driving or walking are not much and start dying down March onwards.

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In [17]: # Lets plot for Spain
input_region_trans()
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Which region/country mobility report would you like to see?

Spain

Below plotted is the mobility report for the region/country: Spain



Spain is one among the top worst hit countries by COVID 19. As of 21st April there are 284,178 cases in Spain, and more than 20000 deaths.

Note how the mobility was pretty decent until a strict lockdown measures was taken by the Spanish Government. Note the dramatic drop around 12th March. This seems to be very much inline with the fact that Spanish Government imposed a nation wide lockdown on 14th March.

The mobility in India

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In [22]: input_region_trans()
Which region/country mobility report would you like to see?
India
Below plotted is the mobility report for the region/country: India
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Above is the visualization of the mobility report in India which used to be at peak before the spread of covid-19 and now it shows a drastic change which decreased the mobility of people. This also insures that the Lockdown is taken into consideration by People.

dividing the dataframe : before corona(bc) and after corona(bc) in India

India reported the first confirmed case of the coronavirus infection on 30 January 2020 in the state of Kerala. The affected had a travel history from Wuhan, China.

```
In [18]: bc= apple_total_mob_per_day.iloc[:,0:19]
bc= bc.loc[bc['region'] == 'India']
bc=bc.iloc[:,1:19]
print(bc.shape)
bc = bc.T
bc.plot_line(title='Before 1st case of corona, mobility in India')
bc.head()
```

(1, 18)

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Out[18]:
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	59
2020-01-13	200.00
2020-01-14	201.53
2020-01-15	212.04
2020-01-16	218.18
2020-01-17	234.55


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In [19]: ac= apple_total_mob_per_day.loc[apple_total_mob_per_day['region'] == 'India']
ac= ac.iloc[:,73:]
print(ac.shape)
ac = ac.T
ac.plot_line(title='After 1st case of corona, mobility in India', color='red')
ac.head()
```

(1, 75)

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Out[19]:
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	59
2020-01-31	239.54
2020-02-01	257.45
2020-02-02	233.04
2020-02-03	219.29
2020-02-04	224.55


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In [20]: ld= apple_total_mob_per_day.loc[apple_total_mob_per_day['region'] == 'India']
ld= ld.iloc[:,73:]
print(ld.shape)
ld = ld.T
ld.plot_line(title='After 1st case of corona, mobility in India', color='green')
ld.head()
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(75, 1)

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Out[20]:
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	59
2020-03-25	52.26
2020-03-26	53.25
2020-03-27	56.33
2020-03-28	54.77
2020-03-29	51.12

we can see that the lockdown in India starts from 25-03-2020. Since, there was mobility in India for few days, later on the lockdown showed its impact and hence the spread of corona virus came into control.

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In [21]: fig1 = plt.figure()
ax1 = fig1.add_subplot(111)
ax1.plot(bc[59])
ax1.plot(ac[59])
ax1.plot(ld[59])
```

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Out[21]: <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x244a9a2fcc0>
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the above graph shows the mobility in India throughout the period in respective before corona, after corona and the lockdown. considering after corona as after the first case of corona patient in India

CONCLUSION:

The data has been taken from the Apple Mobility Trends which shows the Apple mobile phone users in the world. In all the above visualization we have considered some data which represents before and after Covid-19 spread in World. we can conclude that the years and years before Covid-19 the mobility in the country was at the peak and suddenly in Year 2020 at certain point it decreases. this shows the impact of Lockdown which was taken into consideration looking ahead for the spread of Covid-19. Lockdown as well as the virus spread varies from country to country. Atlast we have considered the country India to plot a visualization graph of mobility through the tenure.

Beside all other impacts of Covid-19 we can see the impact on mobility; that is the migration of people as they are stuck at the same place.

The current outbreak of COVID-19 has affected global mobility in the form of various travel disruptions, restrictions and blockages. To better understand how COVID-19 affects global mobility, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) has been working to model the impacts on human mobility, at Global, Regional and Country level. Subsequently, the IOM have initiated the following activities: 1.COVID-19 Travel Restriction Monitoring 2.COVID-19 Country Points of Entry (PoE) Status Baseline Assessment

the predictions are divided into 7 topics:

2020 will see more travel time goals in major urban areas as a result of transportation planning efforts. The impact of COVID-19 is likely marginal here. Yet, it is possible that the transport planning process may become much more flexible than it is now and start taking into consideration situations such as natural disasters and disease outbreaks.

Autonomous vehicles (AVs) will actually be put into public transport services. Measures like the implementation of rear-door boarding, elimination of on-board payment and installation of panels next to the driver, were applied to reduce driver exposure. In this context, the deployment of AVs could be seen as a further solution to safeguard transit operators.

Higher use of artificial intelligence and deep learning in public transport. COVID-19 may accelerate the development of artificial intelligence in many different areas representing a reduction of human contact or proximity. For example, digital assistants could be used to check the temperatures of boarding travellers as well as regulate the number of passengers.

Traffic management will be recognised as a significant portion of Mobility-as-a-Service (MaaS). Even though mobility choices will be affected, COVID-19 effects on this prediction are minimal as including data from traffic management and operations should still be feasible.

Perfecting the 'complete' trip. Before COVID-19, there were numerous barriers to disabled, older, and low-income people attempting to make a 'complete' trip. Now, the barriers are even bigger. Performing a complete trip during a pandemic may be challenging unless several solutions are improved. For example, providing real-time seating and wheelchair space availability to help to comply with physical distancing.

The proliferation of kerb management initiatives and systems. COVID-19 has already made significant changes in this area. Many cities have introduced changes to allow short-term parking and reduce parking near highly frequented areas.

2020 will continue to move toward open platforms and data to drive technology-enabled mobility services. COVID-19 can be seen as an accelerator for the development of open platforms and data. For example, incorporating social distancing into a MaaS platform would be one way of ensuring that travellers are provided with all available and safe mobility options.