

COVID-19 Global Tracker Project

1. Objective

Track the spread, impact, and recovery trends of COVID-19 across countries using ETL workflow and visualization in Power BI & Tableau.

2. Data Sources

Johns Hopkins CSSE COVID-19 Time Series Data (Confirmed, Deaths, Recovered)

WHO daily situation reports

Kaggle curated datasets

Our World in Data (Vaccination Data)

Population Data (World Bank / UN)

3. ETL Workflow

Extract: Download daily CSVs via GitHub API.

Transform: Standardize country names, unpivot date columns, calculate daily new cases and 7-day averages, handle missing data.

Load: Export cleaned data into Power BI / Tableau-friendly fact table.

4. Data Model

Star Schema with dimensions and fact table:

Table	Key Fields
dim_date	date_id, year, month, day, quarter
dim_country	country_id, country_name, iso3, population
fact_covid_cases	date_id, country_id, confirmed, deaths, recovered, new_confirmed, new_deaths, active_cases

5. Visualizations in Power BI

Global map heatmap (Confirmed per 100k population)

Line chart of Daily New Cases with 7-day average

KPI Cards: Total Confirmed, Total Deaths, Recovery Rate, Active Cases

Bar chart of Top 10 countries by cases

Drillthrough report for individual countries

6. Sample DAX Measures

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Total Confirmed = SUM(fact_covid_cases[confirmed_cumulative])
Total Deaths = SUM(fact_covid_cases[deaths_cumulative])
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Active Cases = [Total Confirmed] - [Total Deaths] -
SUM(fact_covid_cases[recovered_cumulative])
Case Fatality Rate = DIVIDE([Total Deaths], [Total Confirmed], 0)
Recovery Rate = DIVIDE(SUM(fact_covid_cases[recovered_cumulative]), [Total
Confirmed], 0)
Seven Day Avg =
AVERAGEX(
DATESINPERIOD(Date[date], LASTDATE(Date[date]), -6, DAY),
SUM(fact_covid_cases[new_confirmed])
)

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7. Visualizations in Tableau

Map: Country colored by total confirmed cases or per-100k

Trendline of Daily New Cases + 7-day average overlay

KPIs: Confirmed, Deaths, Recovery Rate

Dashboard with interactive filters (Country, Date range)

8. Tableau Calculated Fields

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Daily New Cases = SUM([Confirmed]) - LOOKUP(SUM([Confirmed]), -1)
7-Day Average = WINDOW_AVG([Daily New Cases], -6, 0)
Active Cases = SUM([Confirmed]) - SUM([Deaths]) - SUM([Recovered])
Case Fatality Rate = SUM([Deaths]) / SUM([Confirmed])
Recovery Rate = SUM([Recovered]) / SUM([Confirmed])

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9. Challenges & Pitfalls

Inconsistent country names across sources

Missing recovered data in some regions

Data gaps and reporting delays

Performance issues with large daily-level datasets

10. Extensions / Advanced Ideas

Add vaccination data (Our World in Data)

Forecast trends using machine learning (Prophet / ARIMA)

Per-region drilldowns (states, provinces)

Anomaly detection on daily spikes