

Dentons Flashpoint

Daily Global Situation Report

October 8, 2020

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

The US is considering restrictions on China's Ant Group and Tencent Holdings

Greece rules that the neo-Nazi Golden Dawn party is a criminal organization.

The British NHS will establish clinics for long-haul COVID-19 patients with chronic symptoms.

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Global

Overnight, confirmed coronavirus cases grew to 36,430,705 in 213 countries and territories, with 1,061,153 deaths.

- The **World Economic Forum** postponed its meeting to May 2021 and will take place at Lucerne rather than Davos.
- The World Bank raised its estimate of how many people would be pushed into **extreme poverty** as a result of the coronavirus to 150 million.
- France, the US, and Russia will meet in Geneva today to discuss **Nagorno-Karabakh**.

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Markets

Foreign investors have snapped up Chinese debt this year, lured by relatively high yields and the country's strong economic recovery following the coronavirus pandemic.

- **Asia-Pacific equities** rose on Thursday, on hopes for partial economic stimulus from President Trump.
- **European stocks** also resumed gains on Thursday, inching closer to a three-week high.
- The **US stock market** rallied after President Trump reversed his claim that he would cancel stimulus talks until after the election in tweets calling for individual aid and support for airlines and small businesses.
- The ECB's Lagarde said that a **digital euro** remains "*high on the agenda*" for the bank.
- Central banks became net sellers of **gold** in August for the first time in over a year as they seek to free up resources to handle the coronavirus crisis.
- New York Fed leader Williams said that **bond** buying, one of the central bank's stimulus options, is already at an "*extremely high level*."

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Business

Nearly one in five UK businesses are planning to increase homeworking permanently, a trend seen as a threat to the livelihood of city centers, particularly in London.

- **Ruby Tuesday** filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.
- **United Airlines and Cathay Pacific** are trialing an app through which airline passengers can upload and verify negative coronavirus tests.
- **Eli Lilly** is seeking emergency use authorization for its antibody drug for high-risk COVID-19 patients.
- Some US business groups are pushing back against a Trump Administration directive to limit **racial-sensitivity training**.
- Regulators fined **Citigroup** \$400m for falling short in “*various areas of risk management and internal controls*.”
- The US is reportedly exploring restrictions on **China’s Ant Group and Tencent Holdings**.
- Technological glitches at the **Swiss Roche** factory caused delays in the UK’s testing regime.
- All **Nippon Airlines** reportedly proposed staff layoffs as it struggles to handle the pandemic’s fallout.
- The US indicted **six chicken industry** executives over allegations of price-fixing.
- **Imperial Brands** warned that sales of vaping products and other alternatives to cigarettes fell by nearly a third last year, as smokers spent more money on tobacco during the pandemic.
- **Samsung Electronics** said its third-quarter operating profit probably surged by nearly 60 percent, as its smartphone and chip businesses benefited from tougher US sanctions on China’s **Huawei**.

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Africa

- **South Africa's** largest trade unions held strikes and marches to protest the severe job destruction in the country amid the pandemic.
- The **Ethiopian** parliament voted to sever all relations with the Tigray state; longstanding tensions between the state and the federal government had come to a head last month when Tigray held an election despite a federal ban on elections due to COVID-19.
- Five were injured in vehicle ambushes in **Mozambique** amid a spike in violent extremism in the country.
- A **Kenyan** court found two men guilty of supporting the Westgate shootings, 2013 attacks on a Nairobi mall that left 67 dead.



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Asia

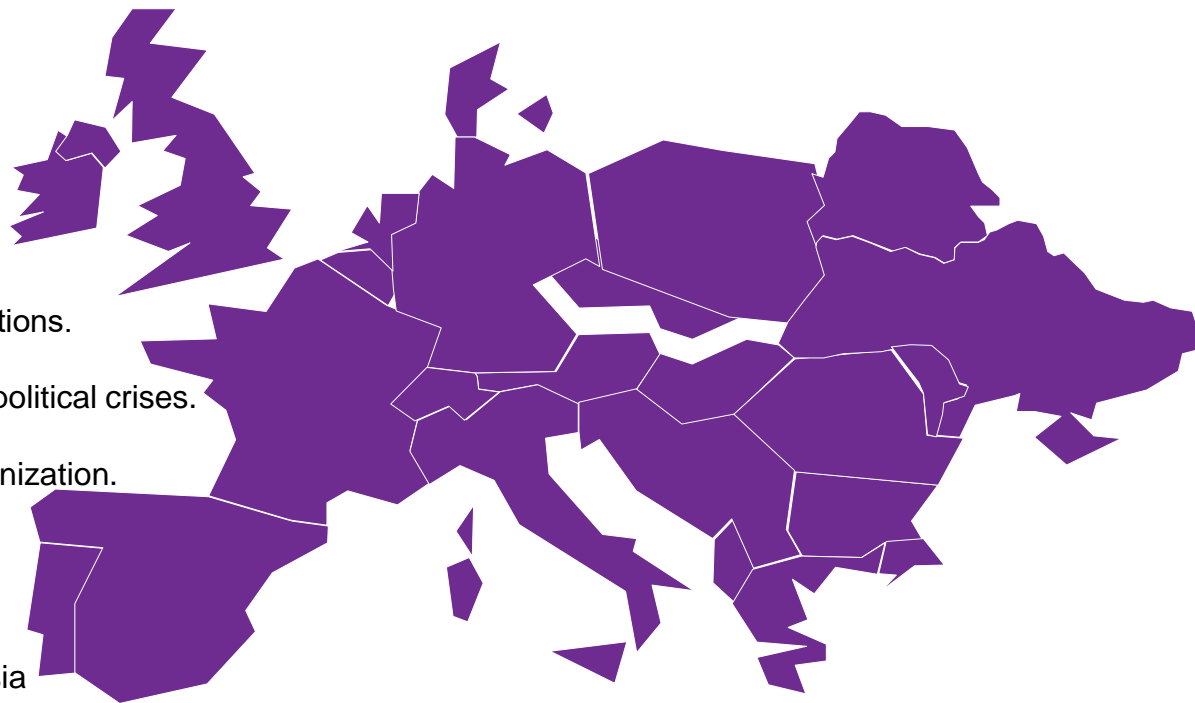
- **Jakarta** is preparing its third COVID-19 cemetery; labor rallies and coming elections add to fears of mounting death tolls.
- **Thailand** is introducing tax incentives to boost domestic consumption.
- Officials and experts say there are signs **India's** outbreak is peaking.
- **Malaysian** PM Yassin tested negative for COVID-19.
- Researchers said a **Chinese** experimental vaccine under development by the Institute of Medical Biology was shown safe in an early-stage trial. Wood Mackenzie estimates that the cost of China's carbon neutral goal could reach \$5tr. The WHO is waiting on Beijing to approve the make-up of an international team to investigate the origins of COVID-19 in China. The wealth of ultrarich Chinese jumped 41 percent between April 2019 and July 2020, helping boost global billionaire wealth to a record high.
- **Singapore** will allow its residents to take round-trip cruises that do not stop in other countries in an effort to restart the industry safely.



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Europe

- Top **EU and UK** Brexit negotiators hinted at “cause for optimism” in negotiations.
- The **Turkish** lira again hit a record low against the dollar amid ongoing geopolitical crises.
- A **Greek** court ruled that the neo-Nazi Golden Dawn party is a criminal organization.
- **Spain** set out the goal of creating over 800,000 jobs in the next three years using €72bn of EU funds.
- **Germany and France** are set to jointly propose EU sanctions against Russia over the poisoning of Alexei Navalny.
- **Russia’s** President Putin praised President Trump and criticized Joe Biden’s anti-Russian rhetoric, but said he was reassured by Democratic support for arms-control agreements, in the leaders first substantive comments on the 2020 **US** elections.
- The **UK’s** NHS will establish “*long COVID*” clinics to deal with chronic symptoms of COVID-19 including breathlessness and brain fog. COVID-19 has killed three times more English and Welsh people this year than influenza and pneumonia combined, according to the Office for National Statistics. The UK will shut pubs and restaurants in the north. **Irish** health officials warned that infection rates are rising “*exponentially*.” **Germany’s** federal states agreed to ban overnight visits for domestic travelers from high-risk areas. **Italy** made face masks mandatory nationwide. Former Italian PM Berlusconi recovered from COVID-19. **Poland’s** daily coronavirus cases surged over 40 percent on Thursday compared to the previous day, as infection rates hit a new record. **Austria** surpassed 50,000 confirmed virus cases. **France, Spain, the UK and Russia** again registered new virus cases in excess of 10,000 yesterday.



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Middle East

- **Iran** recorded its highest daily death toll on Wednesday.
- PM Netanyahu's wife is accused of violating Israel's home quarantine for a haircut.
- The new **Kuwaiti** emir named Sheikh Meshal, a brother of the late emir and deputy chief of the National Guard, as Crown Prince.
- **France** will hold an aid conference for Lebanon in November.
- **Saudi Arabia** reported that 24,000 pilgrims had performed Umrah since the reopening of the Grand Mosque four days ago, with no cases linked to the gatherings.
- **Tunisia** is considering instituting a curfew to combat the country's second wave.
- An advisor of President Trump said that the **US** would draw down forces in **Afghanistan** to 2,500 in 2021.
- **Qatar** submitted a formal request to the US to purchase F-35 fighter jets.



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Americas

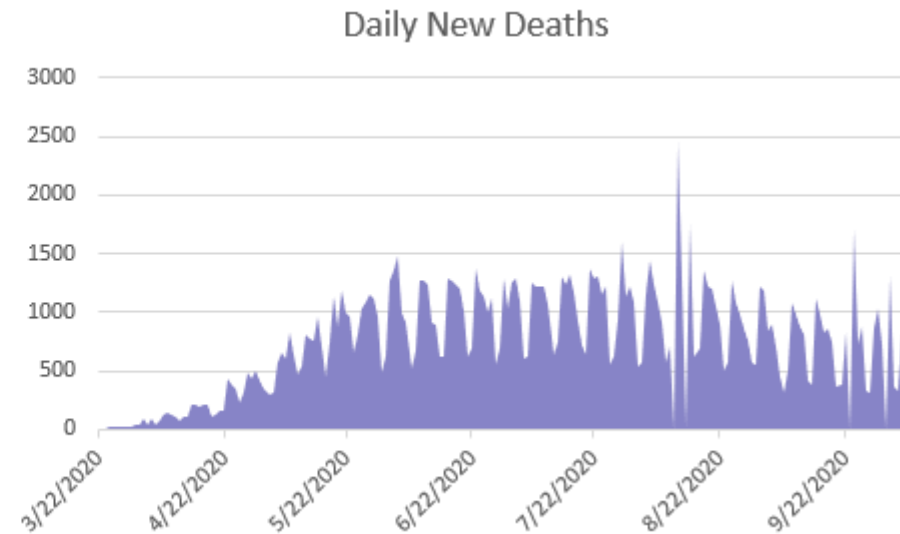
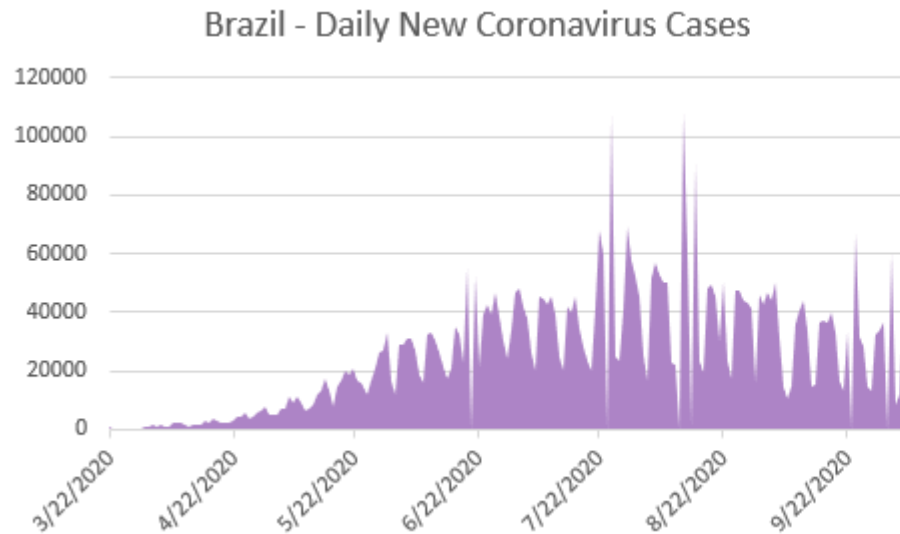
- Damage to Cancun, **Mexico** from Hurricane Delta was less than feared. Former top Mexican security official Genaro Garcia pleaded not guilty to drug trafficking charges.
- A 5.3 magnitude earthquake that struck in the open ocean was felt in several **Caribbean** islands Wednesday.
- Many months into the pandemic, public health experts believe that **Peru's** bet on cheap antibody tests, which it invested in rather than molecular tests, greatly hurt the country's pandemic response.



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Americas

Brazil continues to report high numbers of new cases of coronavirus, with total reported infections now surpassing 5 million. While the spread appears to have peaked, the country continues to report a high death rate. After the US, Brazil has the second highest numbers of deaths due to coronavirus, totaling 148,228 as of yesterday.



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Americas: US

- **President Trump's** doctors described him as “*symptom-free*,” and he returned to the Oval Office in the afternoon.
- New **polls** show Biden leading in the battleground states of Pennsylvania, Iowa and Florida. VP Mike Pence and Democratic challenger Kamala Harris clashed over coronavirus handling in a civil **vice-presidential debate**; Harris made history as the first black woman to appear in a presidential-level debate.
- Seven states set new records for **coronavirus hospitalizations** on Tuesday. **Texas** became the second state to surpass 800,00 virus infections; **21 states** reported more than 1,000 new infections. **Florida** became the fifth US state to surpass 15,000 COVID-19 deaths. Protests broke out in Orthodox Jewish areas in **New York** City over renewed virus rules. NFL players on three teams tested positive, endangering this weekend's already postponed games. Saturday Night Live paid audience members \$150 to attend its premiere to comply with New York City rules prohibiting live audiences unless they are cast members.
- White House economic advisor Kudlow said there is a “*low probability*” that Congress will agree with the Trump Administration on limited targeted aid **stimulus package**.
- Vaccine developers face significant difficulties persuading Black participants to join **clinical trials**.
- House panels released reports calling for stringent controls on **tech companies'** power and market share; one Democratic leader called for reversing Facebook's purchase of Instagram.
- Two alleged **ISIL militants** called the “ISIS Beatles” arrived in the US to face charges after prolonged extradition negotiations with the UK.

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China Briefing: The Defense Industry and Military Modernization

By Briana Boland

On September 1, the US Department of Defense released its annual report to Congress on military and security developments in China. The report was attention-grabbing for both its content and the context of heightened great power tension in which it was published. Along with over 100 pages of detailed assessment of China's military capabilities, strategy, technology, and growing global presence, the report situates the importance of the People's Liberation Army (PLA) in the broader domestic and foreign policy goals of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

Two decades after the Department of Defense first began issuing this annual report, the state of play for China's military has changed dramatically. 20 years ago, the PLA was sizeable but largely obsolete, reliant on outdated technologies and lacking needed training for efficiencies. However, the rapid development of PLA capabilities over the past two decades has strengthened and modernized the force, and China now seeks to build a “world-class” military by the end of 2049, which many analysts interpret as a military equal or superior to the US or other great powers.

The report taps into several broader trends of the growing integration of China's political strategy, as the CCP's leadership under President Xi takes an increasingly interconnected strategy to achieving foreign policy and economic growth goals. In line with this trend, the PLA is taking a more prominent role in furthering China's

foreign policy goals, and analysts have identified an increasing alignment between defense policy and that of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, resulting in more synchronized actions and rhetoric. The Department of Defense sees this new integration of goals as a sign of the increasingly global character that China sees in its military power. The PLA is therefore expected to help further China's foreign policy goals, which the report characterizes as a “revisionist” approach to the international order to shape it in the interests of the CCP. China's 2019 defense white paper used language such as the “New Era” of China's national defense and describes the “global significance” of the PLA. Towards this end, China will seek to develop its military relationships with partner across Europe, Africa, Latin America, and the South Pacific, and has expanded defense exchange mechanisms with 17 neighboring countries.

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The possibility of increased overseas basing is another key question in China's global power projection, and the report affirms that China is seeking to establish a “*more robust overseas logistics and basing infrastructure*” to allow the PLA to sustain its growing military power at greater distances. Beyond the already established base in Djibouti, the report predicts that Myanmar, Thailand, Singapore, Indonesia, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, the UAE, Kenya, Seychelles, Tanzania, Angola, and Tajikistan are likely places China would consider for building bases.

Along with insights on the PLA's rising importance in Chinese foreign policy, the report provided insight into how China's military strategy is growing more intertwined with economic and development policy as well. Military modernization and economic development support each other through allowing for larger defense budgets, a growing military-industrial base, and the integration of military goals and the PLA in other keystone CCP initiatives, including the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and Made in China 2025. Moreover, the report addresses a topic of increasing interest to international China watchers: the Military-Civil Fusion (MCF) Development Strategy, which seeks to “*fuse*” efforts for China's “*national rejuvenation*” goals, tying together military, economic, and social development and

governance. The MCF strategy consists of six interrelated efforts, aimed at fusing the defense industrial base and civilian technology base and maximizing the gains for military and civilian science and technology expertise and infrastructure. The report warns that the MCF means that there is no clear distinction between China's civilian and military economies, increasing the difficulty for international entities engaged with China, particularly in technology, who do not seek to contribute to its military modernization.

Neither the idea of military-civilian integration nor the MCF strategy itself is new to China, having been a growing idea since the early 2000s, initially echoing the cooperation of civilian and defense sectors observed in many other countries, including the US. However, the CCP has renewed interest in MCF over the past few years, elevating its importance and integration in broader national strategies. Beyond heightened focus on the MCF, the increasing importance of the defense industry and integration of military strategy into CCP national agendas can often be seen clearly in the makeup and rhetoric of the party under President Xi. Promotions of party members with defense backgrounds have been frequent, and party regulations and rhetoric often reinforce the importance of President Xi's absolute leadership over the military.

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Many other aspects of the lengthy report sparked analytical conversations, from discussion of China's expanding nuclear arsenal to debate over the assertion that China's shipbuilding capacity and capability has already surpassed the US. Perhaps the most immediate questions prompted by the report, however, focused on the likely most dangerous flashpoints for Chinese military action: China's regional territorial claims and most specifically, Taiwan. Many analytical reactions to the report focused on the question of how changing Chinese military capacity may or may not increase the likelihood of use of force against Taiwan, but the report does not provide clear answers. Chad Sbragia, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for China within the Department of Defense, when asked directly about the implications of the report for Taiwan, indicated that it is less an issue of capacity than of political will, noting that there are certainly situations in which the PLA could use force even without full confidence of military capability. However, Sbragia and other analysts have pointed to the importance of watching China's developing military technology, which may have

critical implications for the regional conflicts that are most important in Chinese foreign policy. As the report explains, 2020 represents a key CCP military transformation milestone, before which the military sought to complete "*mechanization*." The country is now entering a new period in which China plans to pursue, through 2035, a "*modernized*" military force. This modernization phase, while broadly defined, is often described in official rhetoric as focusing on innovation, informatization and technology. Although it will be many more years until a fuller understanding of China's "*modernization*" can be reached, the CCP's clear focus ensures that changing military capabilities will have key implications for both China's wider global power projection and its leverage in high-priority regional disputes.

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Selected Chinese Territorial Claims



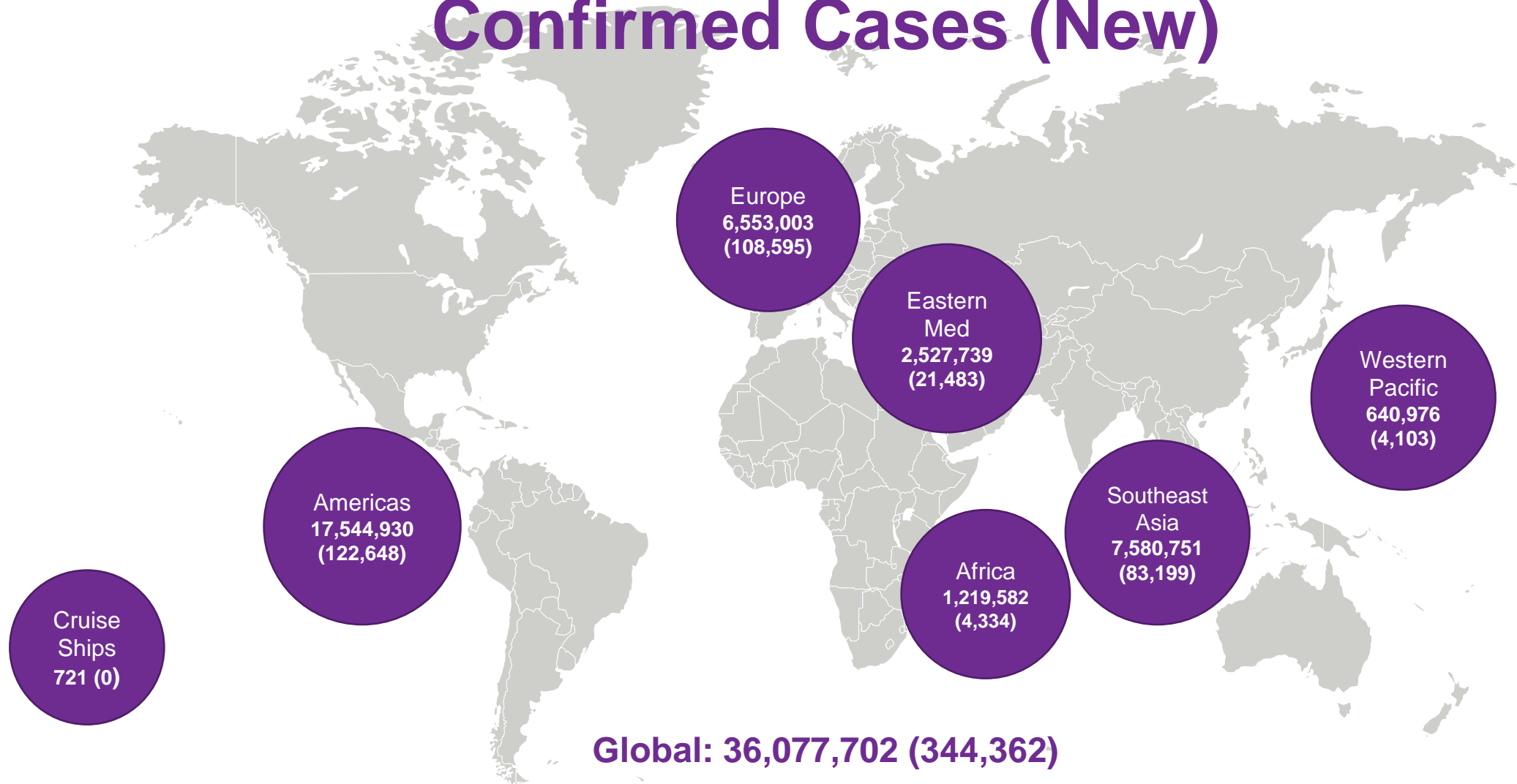
From the Department of Defense Annual Report: "Military and Security Developments Involving the People's Republic of China." Chinese regional territorial claims represent some of the most dangerous flashpoints for military conflict with the PLA.

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Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on October 7

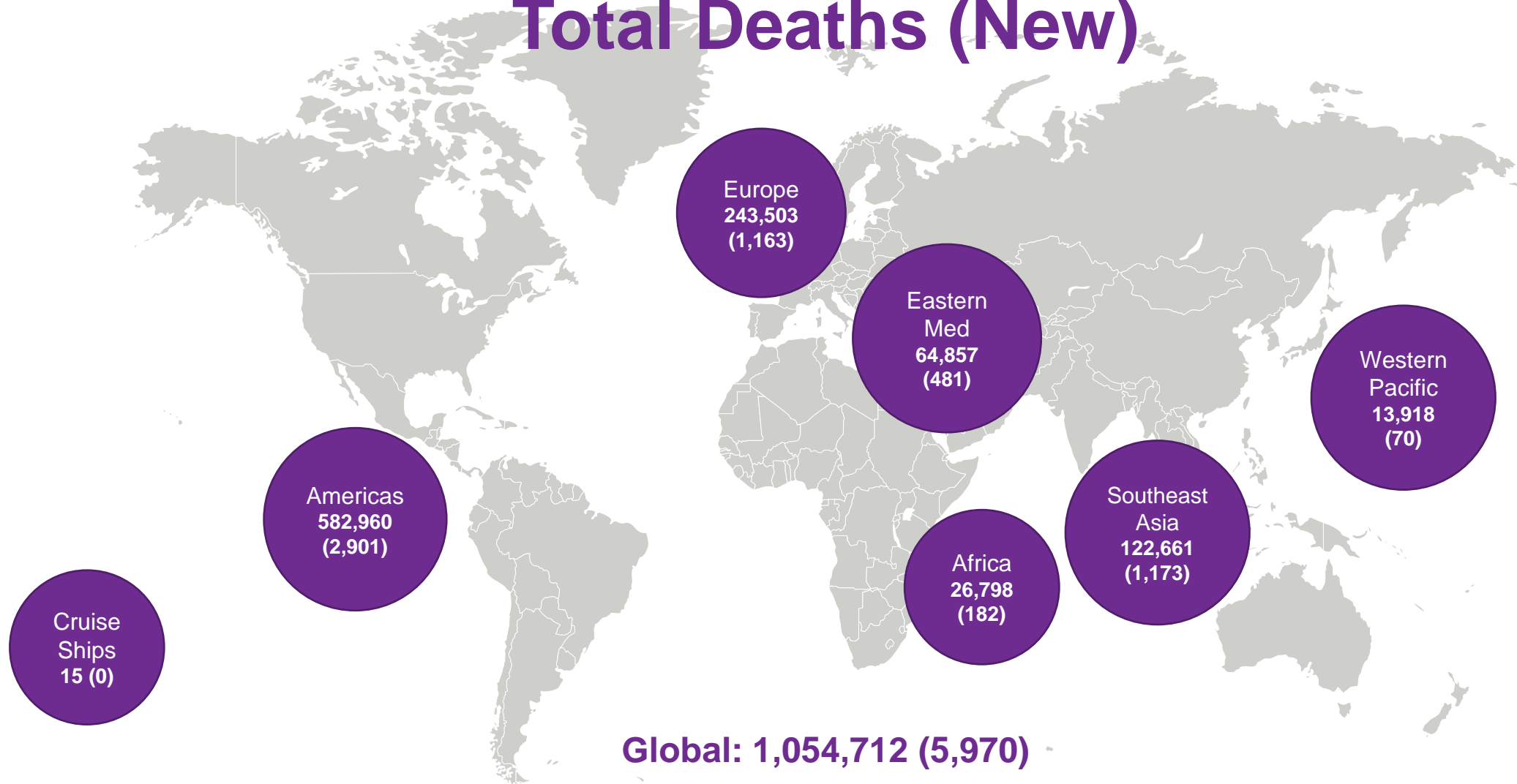
Confirmed Cases (New)



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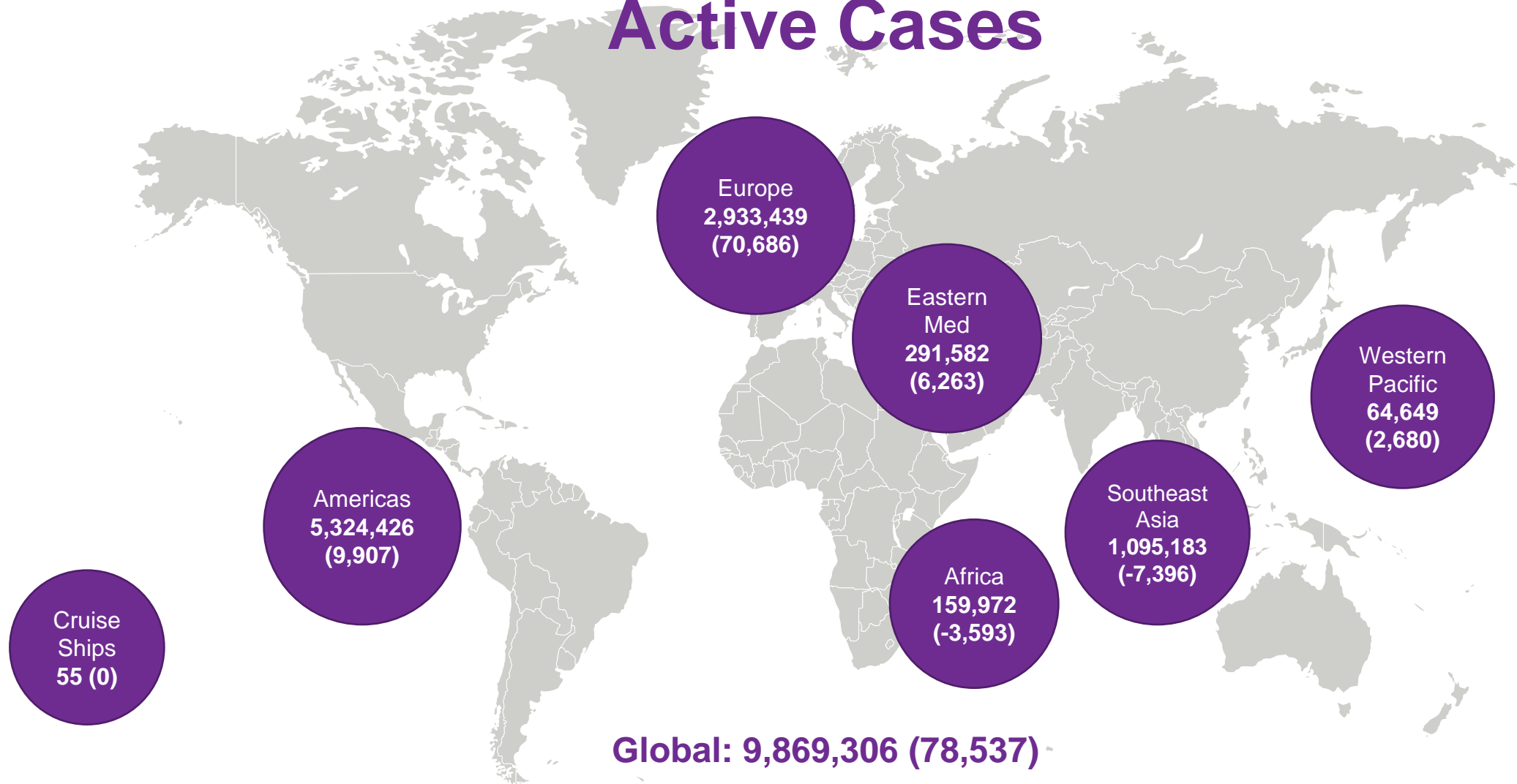
Total Deaths (New)



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Active Cases



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Country Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
US	4308322	7493649 (48636)	211017 (904)	23456	654	3.59%
India	907883	6757131 (72049)	104555 (986)	4938	76	6.58%
Spain	652963	835901 (10491)	32562 (76)	18654	696	6.85%
France	550528	664178 (17647)	32219 (79)	10006	497	11.19%
UK	501884	545763 (14173)	42587 (70)	8006	625	15.42%
Brazil	395294	5000694 (31553)	148228 (734)	23489	696	3.07%
Russia	229226	1242258 (10981)	21755 (196)	8555	150	5.04%
Argentina	147964	840915 (16447)	22226 (399)	18560	491	9.03%
Netherlands	143470	149988 (4989)	6518 (36)	8748	380	17.26%
Ukraine	131023	245698 (4887)	4707 (83)	5482	105	11.02%
Belgium	107865	137868 (3577)	10108 (16)	11574	870	12.19%
Sweden	90785	96677 (532)	5892 (9)	9557	582	3.17%
Bangladesh	81080	373151 (1520)	5440 (35)	2260	33	2.19%
Colombia	76531	877684 (7876)	27180 (163)	17200	533	4.82%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

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Peru	76409	832929 (2930)	32914 (80)	25251	997	2.17%
Indonesia	63951	315714 (4538)	11472 (98)	1151	42	7.77%
Israel	63044	281481 (4455)	1824 (27)	30604	198	9.94%
Italy	62576	333940 (3677)	36061 (31)	5525	597	4.95%
Iraq	61656	391044 (3923)	9604 (73)	9665	237	6.03%
Iran	59077	483844 (4019)	27658 (239)	5741	328	4.71%
Philippines	49989	329637 (2804)	5925 (60)	2996	54	4.72%
South Africa	49780	685155 (1913)	17248 (145)	11514	290	1.32%
Honduras	47960	81016 (354)	2466 (19)	8110	246	4.22%
Ethiopia	43970	80895 (892)	1255 (17)	699	11	5.93%
Czechia	43764	95360 (5338)	829 (35)	8900	77	22.13%
Mexico	36769	799188 (4580)	82726 (378)	6146	637	6.37%
Serbia	33435	34193 (121)	758 (1)	3918	87	1.55%
Costa Rica	32178	83497 (1355)	1024 (20)	16351	201	7.99%

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Germany	31833	311137 (4010)	9582 (16)	3710	115	5.01%
Turkey	31575	329138 (1581)	8609 (56)	3891	102	2.76%
Bolivia	30246	137706 (238)	8192 (36)	11734	696	1.45%
Poland	29181	107319 (3003)	2792 (75)	2836	74	12.89%
Puerto Rico	28717	51768 (31)	705 (9)	15285	208	5.22%
Portugal	28179	81256 (944)	2040 (8)	7975	200	5.98%
Lebanon	26824	48377 (1459)	433 (9)	7096	64	15.49%
Romania	25803	142570 (2958)	5203 (82)	7425	271	9.06%
Nepal	25007	94253 (3439)	578 (15)	3220	20	15.41%
Hungary	23088	33114 (816)	877 (24)	3430	91	17.53%
Dominican Rep	21832	116148 (777)	2159 (10)	10678	198	2.94%
Panama	21242	117300 (698)	2448 (8)	27073	565	3.37%
Morocco	19443	140024 (2776)	2439 (29)	3782	66	9.98%
Greece	19176	20947 (406)	424 (4)	2012	41	9.84%

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Tunisia	19146	24542 (2312)	364 (43)	2071	31	24.97%
Canada	17973	175380 (1624)	9593 (11)	4576	252	7.10%
Paraguay	16176	46435 (788)	989 (23)	6489	138	9.98%
Libya	16074	39513 (1045)	608 (6)	5730	88	10.90%
Moldova	14908	58794 (1062)	1406 (17)	14584	349	8.05%
Myanmar	14839	21433 (1400)	510 (39)	393	9	32.89%
Jordan	14494	20200 (1199)	131 (9)	1975	13	35.14%
Ireland	14404	39584 (611)	1816 (5)	7993	367	7.55%
Chile	14297	474440 (1134)	13090 (20)	24762	683	2.04%
Algeria	13892	52520 (121)	1771 (3)	1192	40	1.58%
Ecuador	11277	143531 (1475)	11743 (41)	8103	663	3.45%
Oman	11136	103465 (817)	1000 (10)	20127	195	4.72%
UAE	9694	101840 (1046)	436 (1)	10264	44	6.37%
Saudi Arabia	9556	337711 (468)	4947 (24)	9661	142	0.77%

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Austria	9519	50848 (1029)	830 (8)	5637	92	10.15%
Slovakia	9434	14689 (877)	55 (0)	2690	10	25.54%
Guatemala	8333	95704 (834)	3335 (25)	5316	185	3.44%
Switzerland	8327	57709 (1077)	2082 (1)	6655	240	6.72%
Venezuela	8202	80404 (608)	671 (6)	2830	24	5.44%
Pakistan	8015	316934 (583)	6544 (9)	1425	29	1.11%
Armenia	7650	53755 (672)	995 (5)	18131	336	5.40%
Kenya	7500	39907 (321)	748 (5)	738	14	2.99%
Kuwait	7328	108743 (475)	639 (7)	25364	149	2.82%
Nigeria	7222	59738 (155)	1113 (0)	288	5	1.23%
West Bank and Gaza	6532	42840 (408)	355 (6)	8347	69	5.88%
Bulgaria	6422	22743 (437)	873 (11)	3280	126	8.40%
Japan	6302	87039 (499)	1614 (5)	685	13	3.21%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Sudan	6068	13668 (15)	836 (0)	310	19	0.11%
Denmark	5807	30710 (331)	663 (0)	5297	114	7.54%
Bosnia	5553	29075 (365)	908 (5)	8877	277	4.56%
Albania	5208	14730 (162)	407 (4)	5120	141	6.27%
Afghanistan	5034	39548 (62)	1469 (2)	1010	38	0.67%

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Country Risk Assessment

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

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Belarus	4948	81505 (415)	874 (6)	8626	93	3.05%
Georgia	4455	9753 (508)	63 (5)	2446	16	31.92%
Jamaica	4365	7191 (82)	126 (3)	2426	43	8.84%
Bahrain	4259	73932 (456)	262 (0)	43065	153	3.46%
El Salvador	4221	29737 (103)	873 (4)	4578	134	1.89%
Guadeloupe	4043	6319 (0)	77 (0)	15792	192	12.52%
Montenegro	3697	12794 (210)	190 (2)	20370	303	14.12%
Uganda	3587	9260 (178)	85 (1)	201	2	10.51%
Malaysia	3351	13993 (489)	141 (0)	431	4	17.93%
Kyrgyzstan	3230	48097 (298)	1069 (3)	7340	163	2.61%
Kazakhstan	3104	108454 (92)	1746 (0)	5753	93	0.38%
Syria	3094	4504 (47)	212 (3)	256	12	5.71%
Uzbekistan	2923	59579 (236)	491 (2)	1773	15	4.01%
Angola	2916	5725 (0)	211 (0)	173	6	10.67%

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

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N Macedonia	2892	19413 (317)	772 (4)	9318	371	6.57%
CAR	2876	4852 (0)	62 (0)	1000	13	0.47%
Norway	2875	15013 (229)	275 (0)	2763	51	5.76%
Qatar	2855	127181 (238)	218 (2)	45296	78	0.96%
Lithuania	2782	5483 (117)	101 (2)	2022	37	12.75%
Mozambique	2614	9494 (96)	68 (1)	302	2	6.38%
Slovenia	2426	7120 (356)	159 (0)	3425	76	17.63%
Botswana	2320	3172 (0)	18 (0)	1342	8	0.00%
Finland	2203	11049 (120)	346 (0)	1993	62	8.56%
Bahamas	2004	4713 (154)	102 (2)	11749	259	12.52%
Namibia	1915	11714 (41)	126 (1)	4588	49	2.91%
Senegal	1863	15174 (33)	313 (1)	900	19	1.02%
Croatia	1830	18447 (363)	309 (5)	4501	75	8.78%
Trinidad and Tobago	1793	4887 (41)	84 (1)	3489	60	6.49%

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* Indicates moved down a risk category

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Country Risk Assessment

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Martinique	1731	1851 (0)	22 (0)	4934	59	16.64%
Azerbaijan	1653	41113 (182)	602 (2)	4045	59	1.96%
Haiti	1596	8838 (0)	229 (0)	773	20	0.64%
South Korea	1532	24422 (69)	427 (2)	475	8	1.92%
Rwanda	1446	4883 (10)	29 (0)	375	2	0.82%
South Sudan	1408	2748 (14)	50 (0)	245	4	1.60%
Australia	1372	27206 (25)	897 (0)	1063	35	0.36%
Gambia	1261	3613 (0)	117 (0)	1484	48	0.80%
Zimbabwe	1249	7919 (4)	229 (0)	531	15	0.87%
Sri Lanka	1172	4459 (207)	13 (0)	208	0.6	24.15%
Kosovo**	1157	15938 (3255)	638 (150)			20.42%
Congo (Brazzaville)	1113	5089 (0)	89 (0)	916	16	0.00%
Guyana	1113	3292 (104)	95 (3)	4180	121	11.03%

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** Indicates moved up a risk category

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Tajikistan	1101	10055 (41)	78 (0)	1048	8	2.43%
Luxembourg	1091	9119 (140)	128 (0)	14505	204	5.75%
Maldives	1075	10656 (35)	34 (0)	19622	63	2.83%
Malawi	1048	5803 (7)	180 (0)	301	9	0.41%
Reunion**	1009	4385 (57)	16 (0)	4888	18	8.94%

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US Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
California	825590	841928 (3726)	16338 (94)	21314	414	2.71%
Florida	707803	722707 (2582)	14904 (137)	33649	694	2.24%
New York	357775	468268 (1360)	33226 (7)	25871	1715	2.05%
Georgia	318883	326142 (1492)	7259 (30)	30718	684	2.49%
Illinois	301208	310335 (2630)	9127 (42)	24494	720	4.71%
Arizona	180469	222538 (604)	5733 (20)	30574	788	1.81%
New Jersey	158553	209850 (508)	16152 (5)	24067	1832	2.18%
Missouri	135182	137420 (1093)	2238 (29)	23294	387	5.38%
Virginia	131962	153451 (506)	3300 (12)	18006	387	3.49%
Maryland	117026	128664 (460)	3973 (6)	21282	657	3.06%
Texas	94906	803690 (5121)	16661 (133)	28280	579	3.82%
Alabama	90869	161418 (941)	2601 (21)	32921	530	4.16%
Washington	89031	91208 (545)	2177 (12)	12382	286	4.04%
Nevada	79450	83347 (431)	1636 (7)	27059	531	4.04%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
South Carolina	74435	153705 (735)	3502 (31)	29853	680	3.75%
Colorado	66118	74899 (730)	2085 (4)	13010	362	5.85%
Kentucky	62564	76587 (2393)	1223 (5)	17142	274	10.12%
Kansas	62115	65069 (1131)	723 (22)	22315	248	9.27%
Connecticut	45434	59364 (123)	4522 (1)	16651	1268	3.06%
Michigan	38402	145092 (1215)	7169 (8)	14528	718	4.88%
Oregon	29181	35634 (295)	583 (2)	8449	138	5.96%
Pennsylvania	28373	171527 (1303)	8247 (24)	13400	653	4.33%
North Carolina	26632	222969 (1711)	3693 (23)	21259	352	5.53%
Wisconsin	25518	138698 (2319)	1415 (16)	23821	243	11.84%
Indiana	24698	128227 (1281)	3727 (16)	19047	554	6.40%
Rhode Island	22248	25776 (180)	1126 (1)	24332	1063	3.99%
Idaho	21965	45753 (671)	500 (8)	25602	280	8.10%
Utah	20661	80446 (1007)	496 (8)	25093	155	9.20%

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US Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Iowa	20363	95093 (1288)	1419 (6)	29994	448	6.15%
Ohio	17922	162723 (1424)	4970 (23)	13924	426	5.37%
Tennessee	16237	207455 (2080)	2642 (21)	30378	387	5.45%
Nebraska	13837	49396 (639)	507 (0)	25205	262	7.76%
Oklahoma	13066	94352 (1006)	1075 (9)	23845	272	7.58%
New Mexico	12987	31372 (425)	896 (2)	14962	427	6.17%
Massachusetts	10571	136492 (535)	9557 (19)	19803	1387	3.21%
Delaware	9830	21550 (84)	649 (3)	22131	666	4.35%
Mississippi	8613	102241 (563)	3051 (24)	34353	1025	3.96%
Minnesota	7881	106651 (911)	2154 (14)	18911	382	7.05%
Arkansas	6695	88880 (809)	1482 (13)	29452	491	5.83%
Louisiana	6620	170097 (1053)	5604 (12)	36589	1205	2.39%
Montana**	5352	16063 (716)	193 (1)	15029	181	18.63%

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HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
South Dakota	4511	25906 (1030)	258 (10)	29284	292	13.58%
West Virginia	4332	17150 (208)	375 (5)	9563	206	7.58%
North Dakota	3706	24857 (493)	304 (24)	32618	399	12.11%
Alaska	3193	8878 (126)	59 (1)	12136	81	11.87%
District of Columbia	2715	15697 (45)	632 (1)	22242	896	2.36%
Hawaii	2356	13045 (108)	163 (3)	9213	115	4.87%
Wyoming	1342	6899 (129)	53 (0)	11920	92	13.78%

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