

# Dentons Flashpoint

## Daily Global Situation Report

January 12, 2021

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## KEY TAKEAWAYS

ILO estimates that global labour income declined by 3.5 trillion in 2020, increasing inequality between rich and poor countries.

CoronaVac efficacy is less than 60 percent in Brazil's clinical trial.

More US businesses pause political donations, citing assault on democracy.

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# Global

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## UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres will seek a second five-year term.

- Gilead expects its **Remdesivir treatment** to be effective against the new UK coronavirus variant B-117.
- Regeneron has called for action to ensure its COVID-19 **antibody treatment** reaches more patients.
- Two gorillas at San Diego Zoo tested positive for COVID-19, in the first known case of **natural transmission to great apes**.
- The International Labour Organization (ILO) estimated that the impact of huge job losses worldwide is creating a fiscal gap that threatens to increase inequality between richer and poorer countries; **global labour income** declined by 10.7 per cent, or \$3.5 trillion, in the first three quarters of 2020, compared with the same period in 2019, excluding government income support.

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# COVID-19 Vaccine

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**Pfizer and BioNTech will supply an additional 500 million doses of their vaccine this year after announcing a new factory and changes to European guidelines on shots per vial.**

- Research suggests most people who recovered from COVID-19 are **immune** for at least eight months. Yet epidemiologists are largely still urging this population to get the vaccine if it's their turn in line.
- France's **Sanofi** said it is considering helping manufacture rival coronavirus vaccines after delays in developing its own.
- **Malaysia** Pharmaniaga Bhd has signed an agreement with **China's Sinovac** to purchase 14 million doses of ready-to-fill COVID-19 vaccines and later to manufacture the vaccine domestically.
- **Indonesia** granted emergency use authorization to Sinovac Biotech's **CoronaVac** vaccine, after a local clinical trial showed 65 percent efficacy.
- The news outlet UOL reported a **CoronaVac** efficacy of less than 60 percent in **Brazil's** clinical trial; official efficacy results are expected today.
- The **Philippines** secured another 25 million doses of **CoronaVac**, the first of which are expected in February.
- **Russia** is considering providing a single dose of its vaccine, rather than two, to speed vaccine distribution.
- The **Palestinian Authority** authorized the *Sputnik V* vaccine for use and will receive doses next month.

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# Markets

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## Twitter shares fell 6.4 percent and Facebook shares 4 percent following the platforms actions against US President Trump.

- **European shares** were mixed on Tuesday as investors paused to assess how much worse the COVID-19 pandemic could get while waiting for a new earnings season on Wall Street to inject fresh direction.
- **Asia equities** dipped on Tuesday, tracking falls on Wall Street amid concerns over the economic hit from rising infection rates and uncertainty in Washington.
- **US stocks** slid on Monday following the best week they had seen since November, as the pandemic continues to worsen, and investors eye the US inflation outlook.
- The **dollar** strengthened while **Treasuries** weakened, with the yield on the 10-year note rising to its highest level since March.
- **Oil** rose above \$56 a barrel on Tuesday and stayed close to an 11-month high.

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# Business

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**Samsung, the world's largest smartphone maker, will be moving roughly a month ahead of its usual timetable when it launches its new flagship Galaxy S21 on Thursday—capitalizing on No. 2 maker Huawei's weakness.**

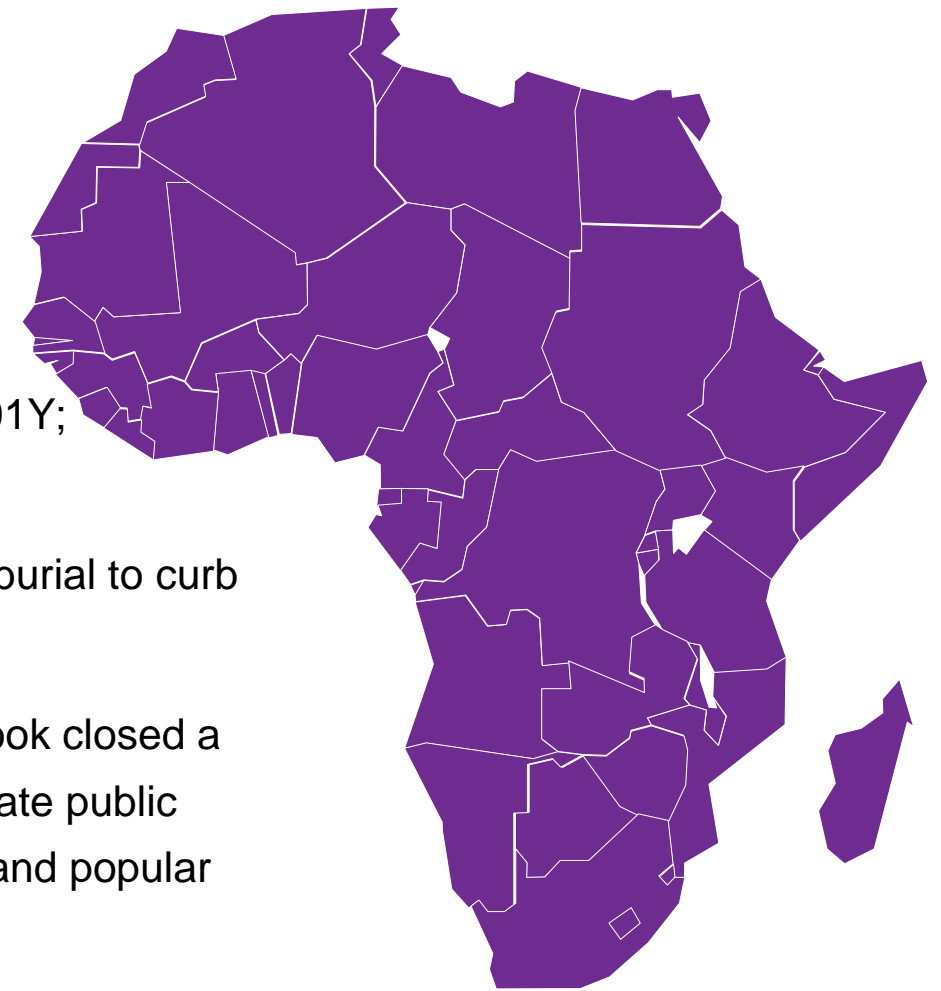
- Cruise operator **Carnival** posted a Q4 loss of \$2 billion as cruises remained largely suspended due to COVID-19.
- **Parler** sued **Amazon** for ending its web-hosting services to the company.
- **Facebook** will remove all content mentioning “stop the steal.”
- **Twitter Inc** has suspended more than 70,000 accounts since Friday that were primarily dedicated to sharing QAnon content.
- **Staples** is again seeking to buy **Office Depot**, a merger that has been previously blocked by antitrust enforcers.
- Finnish telecom operator **Elisa** announced plans to buy German industrial software maker **camLine**, paying 60 million euros (\$73 million) in cash.
- **BMW** said it saw an 8.4 percent drop in vehicles sales in 2020 as the outbreak of coronavirus took its toll and many retail outlets around the world were closed for months.
- **GameStop** reported a drop in holiday sales attributed to store closures.

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# Africa

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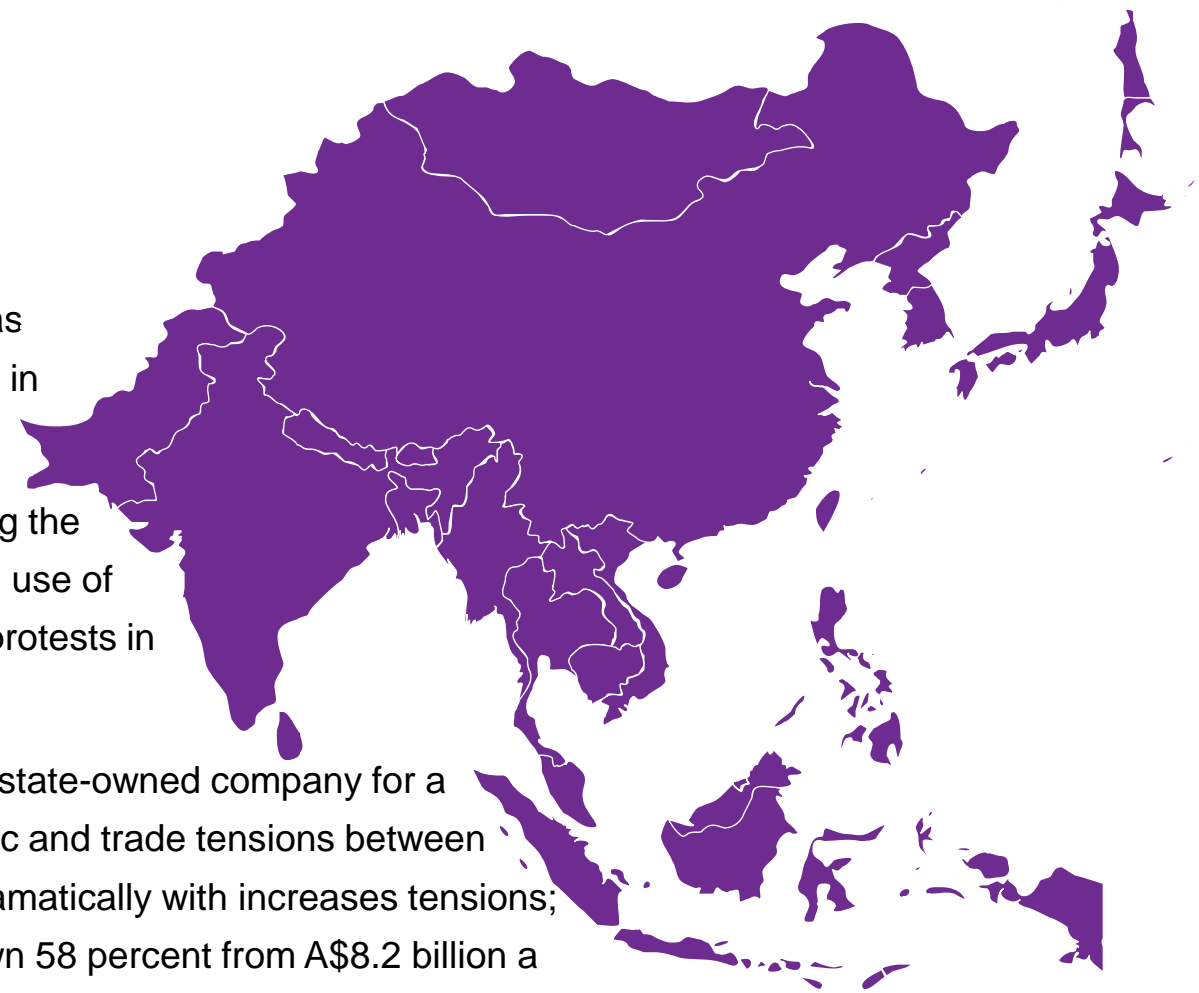
- **South Africa** closed its major land borders in an attempt to control a wave of cases and the emergence of its new coronavirus variant N501Y; the country has logged almost 200,000 cases since the New Year.
- **Zimbabwe** banned the movement of dead bodies between cities for burial to curb virus transmission.
- **Uganda** accused Facebook of interfering in its elections after Facebook closed a slew of Ugandan government-run accounts for attempting to manipulate public debate ahead of a contested election between incumbent Museveni and popular challenger Bobi Wine.
- **Somalia's** Prime Minister reserved 30 percent of parliamentary seats for women.



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# Asia

- Analysts expect a strong turnaround in profits at **Asian** companies as regional economies see a surge in factory activity and an expansion in exports.
- **Thai** authorities charged four activists with royal defamation, bringing the total number of people charged with insulting to monarchy to 41; the use of strict *lese majeste* laws has increased since the onset of youth-led protests in July.
- **Australia** has blocked a A\$300 million takeover offer by a **Chinese** state-owned company for a local building contractor in a move that reflects the intense diplomatic and trade tensions between Beijing and Canberra. Chinese investment in Australia has fallen dramatically with increases tensions; Chinese companies invested A\$3.4 billion (\$2.6 billion) in 2019, down 58 percent from A\$8.2 billion a year earlier.
- Brisbane, **Australia** ended a three-day lockdown prompted by the discovery of a new COVID-19 variant. The **Japanese** government is preparing to declare a state of emergency in Osaka and Kyoto this week. **Chinese** authorities introduced new COVID-19 curbs in areas surrounding Beijing, putting 4.9 million residents under lockdown.

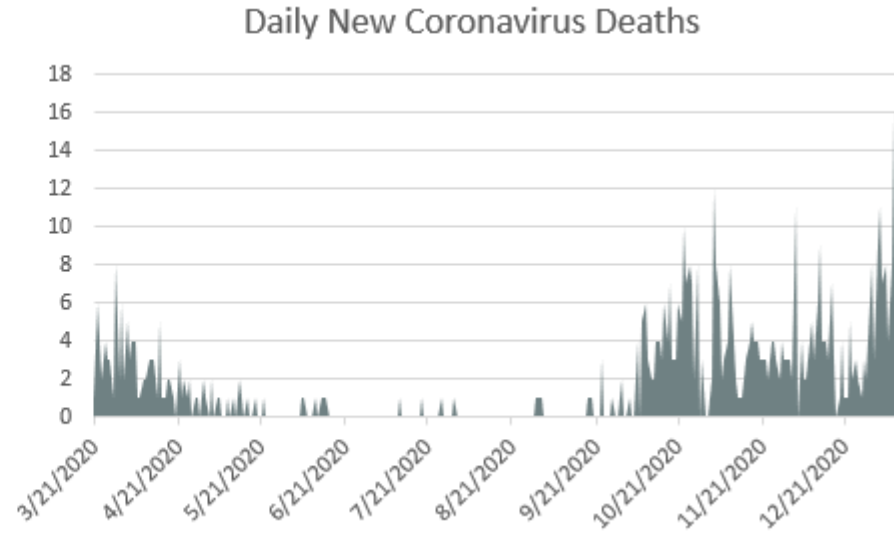
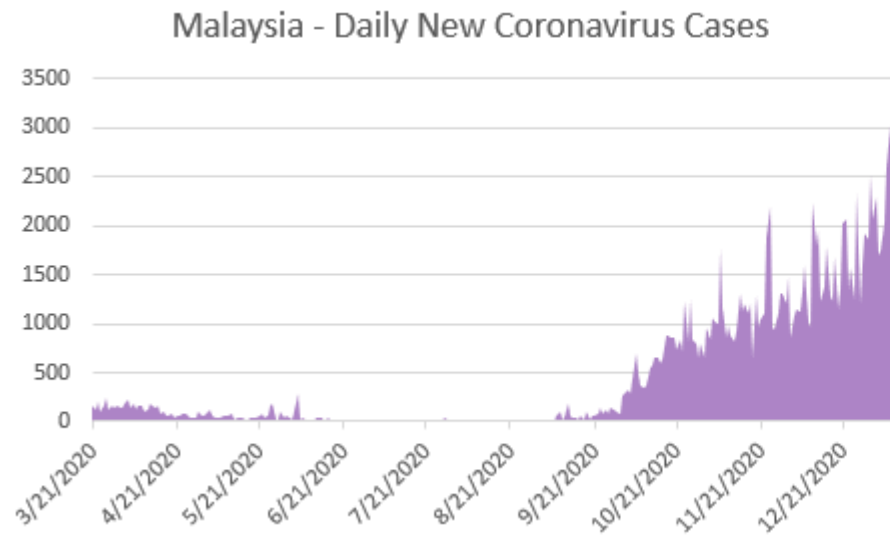


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Yesterday, Malaysia declared a nationwide state of emergency to curb the spread of coronavirus after a surge in cases, seeing an average of 2,200 daily new infections in January. The state of emergency suspends parliament and allows Prime Minister Yassin to govern by fiat and delay elections. The embattled prime minister denied accusations of executing a coup. Malaysia's King Sultan Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah approved the measure after having denied a similar request in October. Most of the country will go under some form of lockdown for two weeks starting this Wednesday.



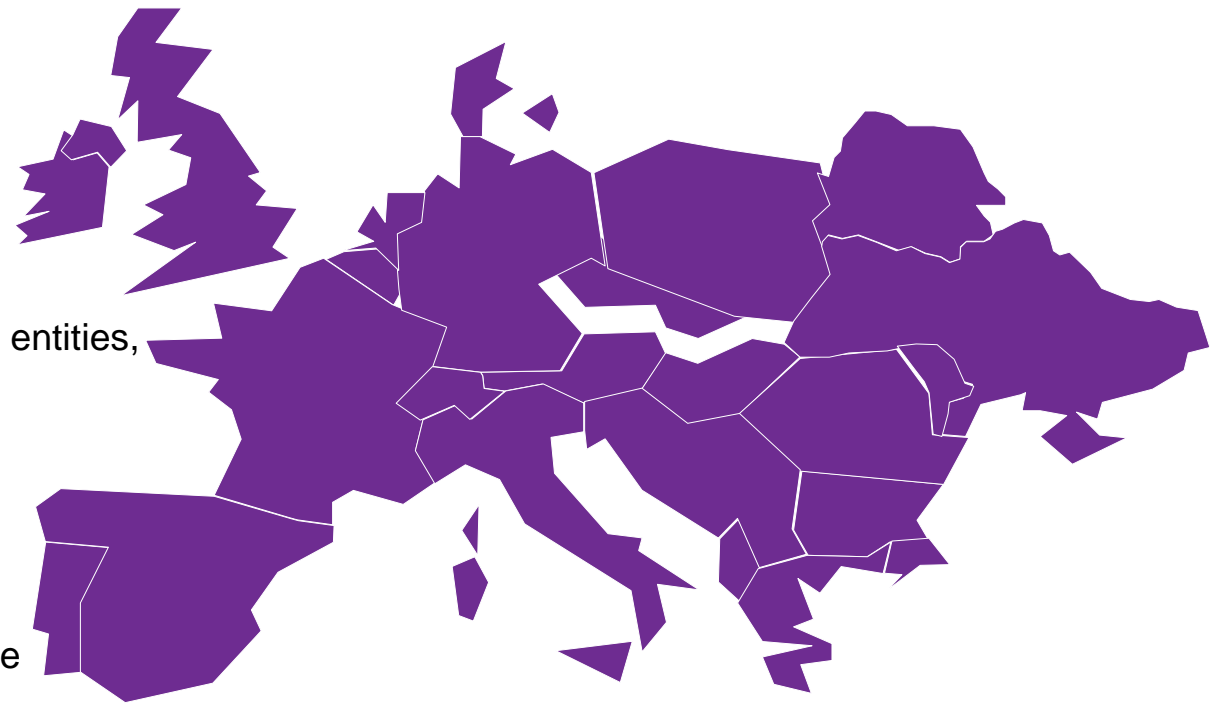
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# Europe

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- The US imposed sanctions on several **Ukrainian** individuals and entities, accusing them of US election interference.
- Supermarkets in **Northern Ireland** are seeing shortages due to new Brexit supply chain issues. **UK** Chancellor Sunak told MPs that Brexit will “*reinforce*” the country’s position as a financial center, as debate surrounds how London will be reshaped outside the **EU**.
- **Turkey and Greece** will resume suspended talks on territorial claims in the Mediterranean Sea on January 25.
- Europe surpassed 30 million virus infections. Primary schools reopened in **Greece** after a two-month closure. While record snowfall in Madrid has prompted **Spanish** authorities to urge citizens to stay home, national and Madrid governments have resisted imposing a new coronavirus lockdown. **French** Prime Minister Castex said a third national lockdown was impossible to rule out, as concern about the new UK coronavirus variant B-117 increases. **German** Chancellor Merkel expects the country’s lockdown to curb the spread of the coronavirus to last until the start of April. President Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa of **Portugal**, 72, tested positive for the coronavirus just two weeks before he seeks reelection. **Ireland**, which currently has the world’s higher per capita rate of coronavirus infections, may ask people who have already contracted the virus to wait to be vaccinated.

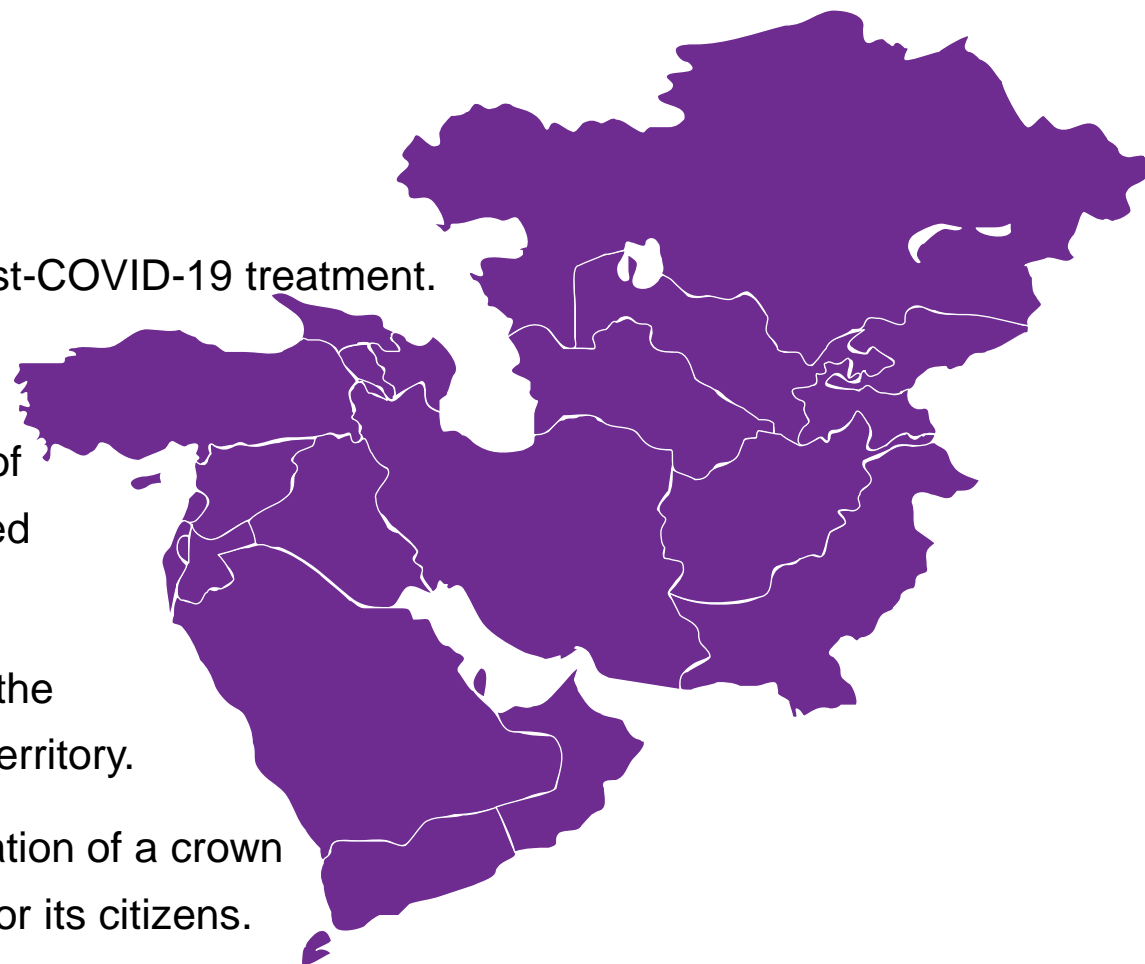


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# Middle East

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- **Algeria's** President Tebbouene will return to Germany for post-COVID-19 treatment.
- **Lebanon** will enforce a 24-hour curfew amid rising cases.
- **Israeli** Prime Minister Netanyahu approved the construction of 800 new settler homes in Palestinian territory. Israel surpassed 500,000 virus infections.
- The **US** began the process of establishing a US consulate in the Western Sahara, which it recently recognized as **Moroccan** territory.
- **Oman** announced a constitutional overhaul including the creation of a crown prince, new rules for the Omani parliament, and more rights for its citizens.
- The leader of **Sudan's** governing council announced that the new Sudanese government, to include members of the military and rebel movements, will be announced this week.



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# Americas

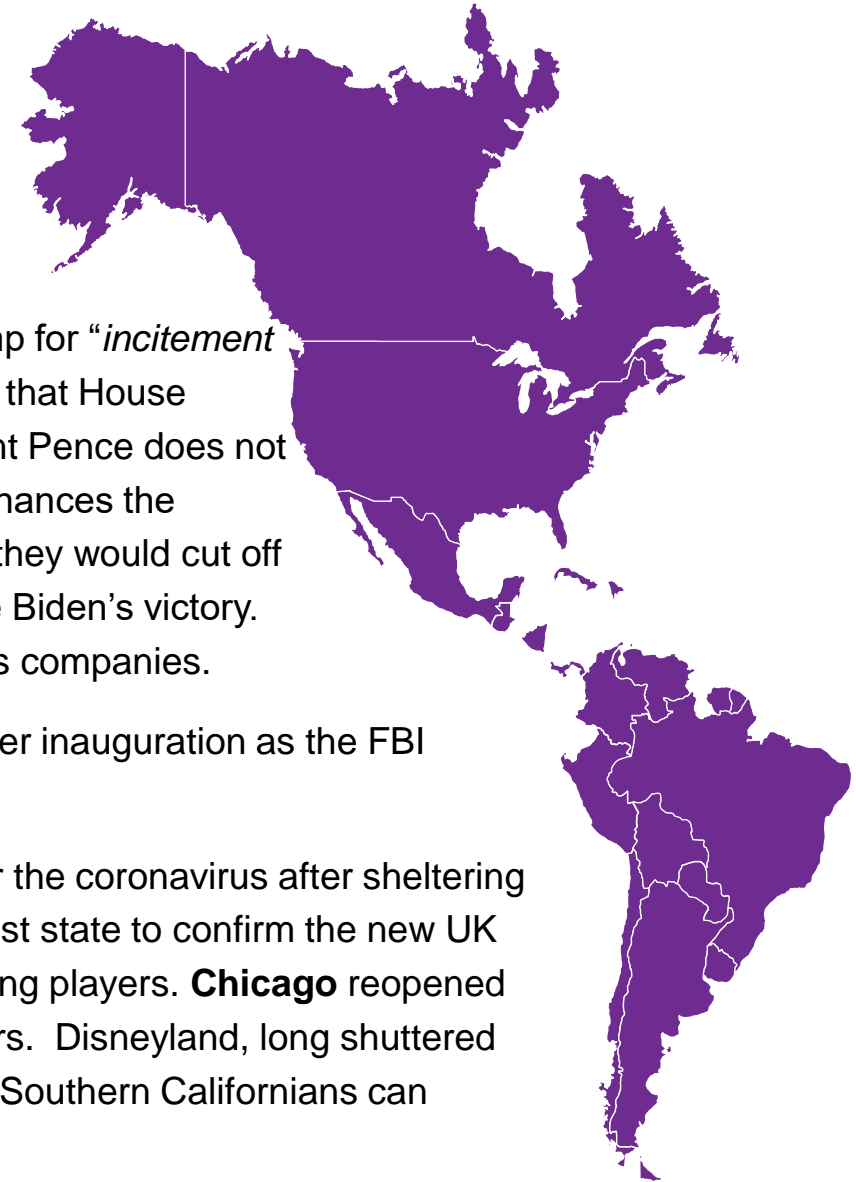
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- **Colombia's** foreign minister Blum tested positive for COVID-19 amid a spike in cases across the country. Colombia is facing an invasive hippo population, four illegally imported in the 2000s by a drug lord, which if not culled will swell to almost 1,500 individuals by 2040, warn scientists.
- Ford will shutter its three **Brazilian** production plants and take \$4.1 billion in charges.
- **Mexico's** foreign ministry asked the US to extend restrictions of non-essential travel across their shared land border due the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Mexican President Lopez Obrador's spokesperson tested positive.
- The Trump Administration redesignated **Cuba** as a State Sponsor of Terrorism in a move that will complicate the Biden Administration's efforts to engage with Havana.



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# Americas: US



- House Democrats formally introduced **articles of impeachment** against President Trump for “*incitement to insurrection*” with 218 cosponsors, sufficient for passage. Speaker Pelosi (D-CA) said that House Democrats will move forward on impeachment if Trump does not resign or Vice President Pence does not invoke the 25th amendment by Wednesday. With only eight days left in Trump’s term, chances the Democratic drive will result in his removal appear remote. More businesses announced they would cut off **campaign contributions** to those who voted last week to challenge President-elect Joe Biden’s victory. Deutsche Bank will not do **business** in the future with US President Donald Trump or his companies.
- DC Mayor Bowser asked federal authorities to deny **public gatherings permits** until after inauguration as the FBI warns of a **heightened risk** of armed protest through the inauguration.
- **Congresswomen** Coleman (D-NJ) and Rep. Pramila Jayapal (D-WA) tested positive for the coronavirus after sheltering with mask-less colleagues during the Wednesday riots. **Indiana** became the first Midwest state to confirm the new UK coronavirus variant, B-117. **The NBA** postponed two games following positive tests among players. **Chicago** reopened its public schools in-person for the first time since March, prompting protest from teachers. Disneyland, long shuttered due to the pandemic, will soon reopen as a **mass vaccination site** where thousands of Southern Californians can receive shots each day. As of Monday, 8.99 million Americans have been vaccinated.
- The US will begin **collecting new duties** on aircraft parts and other products from France and Germany from Tuesday after failing to resolve a 16-year dispute over aircraft subsidies with the EU.

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# Emerging and Existing Hotspots: Thawing of the Gulf Rift

By Anni Coonan

***On Tuesday, January 5, leaders of the Arab Gulf states signed an agreement to end the Gulf rift, a three-year diplomatic dispute between Qatar and its neighbors Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Bahrain and Egypt (sometimes called “the Quartet”). The rift began in 2017 over Qatar’s ties to groups including the Muslim Brotherhood and Hamas, political Islamist groups that the Quartet, especially the UAE, consider terrorists, its relationship with Iran, and what the Quartet saw as inflammatory rhetoric from al-Jazeera, Qatar’s state-owned news organization.***

Shortly after the Quartet severed ties with Doha, they released a list of 13 demands, including cutting off relationships with the Muslim Brotherhood and Hamas, scaling back ties with Turkey and Iran, and shuttering al-Jazeera; Qatar agreed to none, and the years since have been marked by souring relations and false starts between the countries. The agreement signed last week, mediated by Kuwait and the US, reestablishes diplomatic ties between the Quartet and Doha and reopens Saudi borders and airspace to Qatar in exchange for Qatar withdrawing multiple international suits against the Quartet. While the declaration is a step towards Gulf unity, analysts are divided on whether the agreement will produce any substantial cooperation or strategic gain, as deep divisions remain unresolved.

The de facto reconciliation resulted from a combination of pressure from the outgoing Trump Administration, considerations for US-Gulf relationships under the incoming Biden White House, and changing regional contexts, namely rising tensions with Iran. Saudi Arabia likely saw an opportunity in addressing one of several initiatives advanced by the US so as to start the policy discussion with the incoming Biden Administration from more positive terrain. The other initiative, normalization of ties with Israel, remains too domestically contentious among Saudi leaders and citizens at large. Ending the Gulf rift is no small matter, as it impacts Gulf security, energy security and counter-proliferation efforts.

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Furthermore, it demonstrates willingness to embrace the multilateral spirit that Biden has highlighted as the focus of his foreign policy.

The reconciliation is also occurring against the backdrop of rising US-Iranian tensions in the final days of the Trump Administration, and ahead of likely attempts to reenter or renegotiate the Iran nuclear deal. Gulf leaders, who still begrudge their exclusion from the original negotiations, have called for more Gulf participation and to widen the scope of negotiations to include Iranian proxies and conventional arms proliferation. Despite lofty claims of a new united front against Iran, the mending of the rift is unlikely to create a consensus on Iran within the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). Qatar does not support the maximum pressure campaign against Iran, as Saudi Arabia does, enjoys a closer relationship with Tehran than the rest of the Quartet, and Qatar's foreign minister told Western media outlets last week that Doha has no plans to scale back its relations with Iran or Turkey as a result of the agreement. On the other hand, in the unlikely cases that Qatar is willing to negotiate from the same side of the table as the Quartet and the US and Gulf actors are willing to accept a less sweeping renegotiation, Qatari involvement could be helpful getting Iran to the table.

While any easing of tensions in the Middle East is worthy of celebration, it remains to be seen if the reconciliation will forward US strategic objectives or lead to substantive cooperation between the GCC states. From Washington's perspective, the effect of the rift on the US' material interests in the Gulf was limited, and the reconciliation as it stands does little but establish goodwill. Nominally, ending the rift bolsters the long-term hope of many policymakers to establish more robust security cooperation between the Gulf states as the US pivots to Asia - but that is only feasible if GCC countries commit to more serious cooperation. From a more optimistic perspective, the agreement establishes multilateral working groups to discuss steps forward on a variety of areas of cooperation, and the countries have signaled that trading and travel will resume as early as this week. Nonetheless, the fact remains that the Quartet countries still view Qatar as a reckless actor in the region with interests that directly contravene their own, or that Riyadh and Abu Dhabi see as an existential threat, such as legitimizing political Islamist groups or engaging Iran.

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Qatar, on the other hand, accuses Quartet countries of trampling its sovereignty, and likely feels emboldened by a reconciliation wherein Doha conceded little of consequence. Aside from withdrawing multiple international lawsuits that were unlikely to succeed anyway, Qatar has mostly maintained its position from 2017 - it made no promises to downgrade its relationships with political Islamist groups or harden its stance on Iran, and its state news organization, and al-Jazeera remains intact (although it will likely tone down its rhetoric against the Quartet in light of the agreement). Divides between Qatar and the Quartet and within the Quartet itself persist, and sustained diplomatic pressure from the US - however unlikely it is to come in Biden's busy first year - will be needed for the agreement to progress beyond simple de-escalated rhetoric, reopened trading networks and superficial political cooperation.

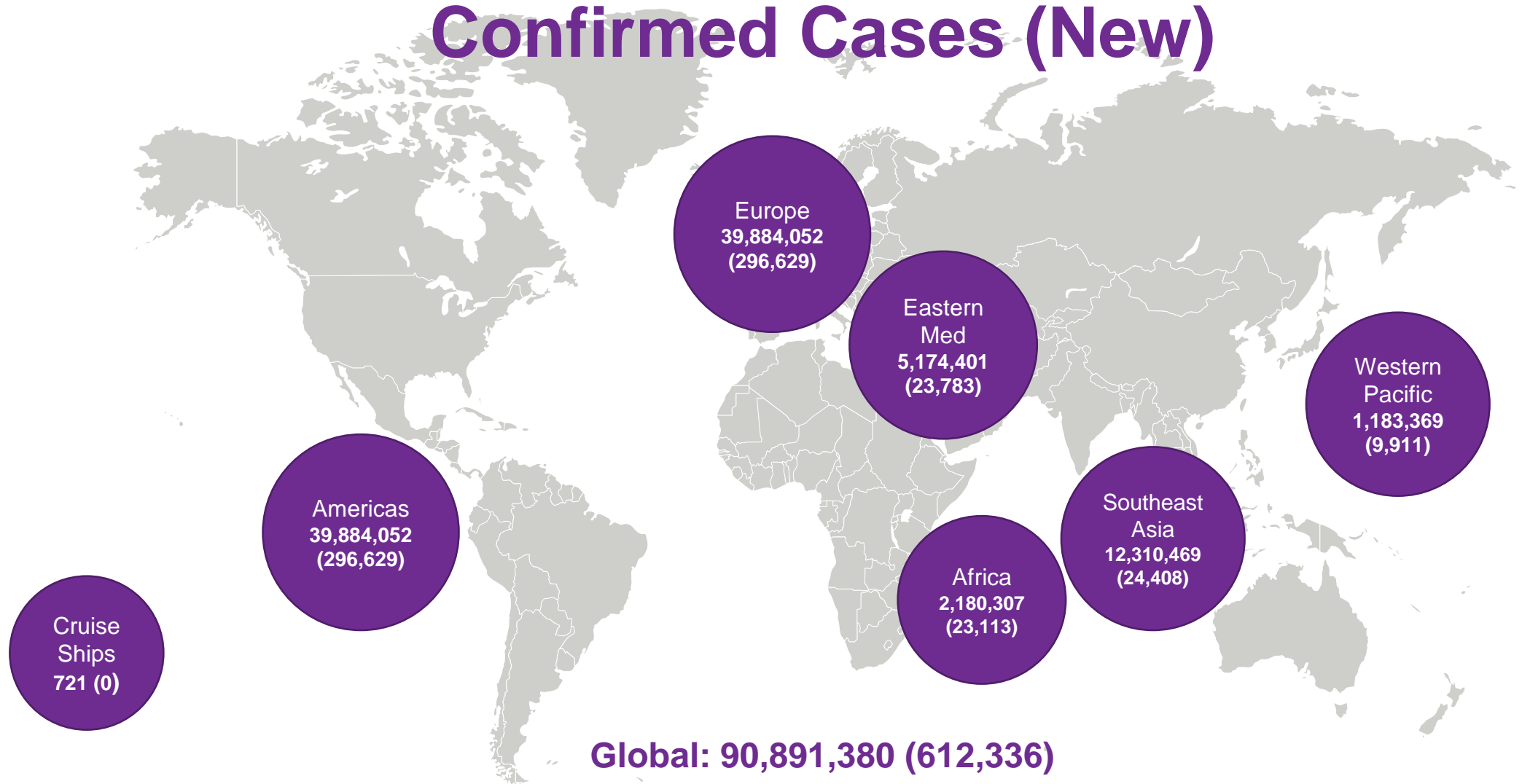
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# Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on January 11, 2021

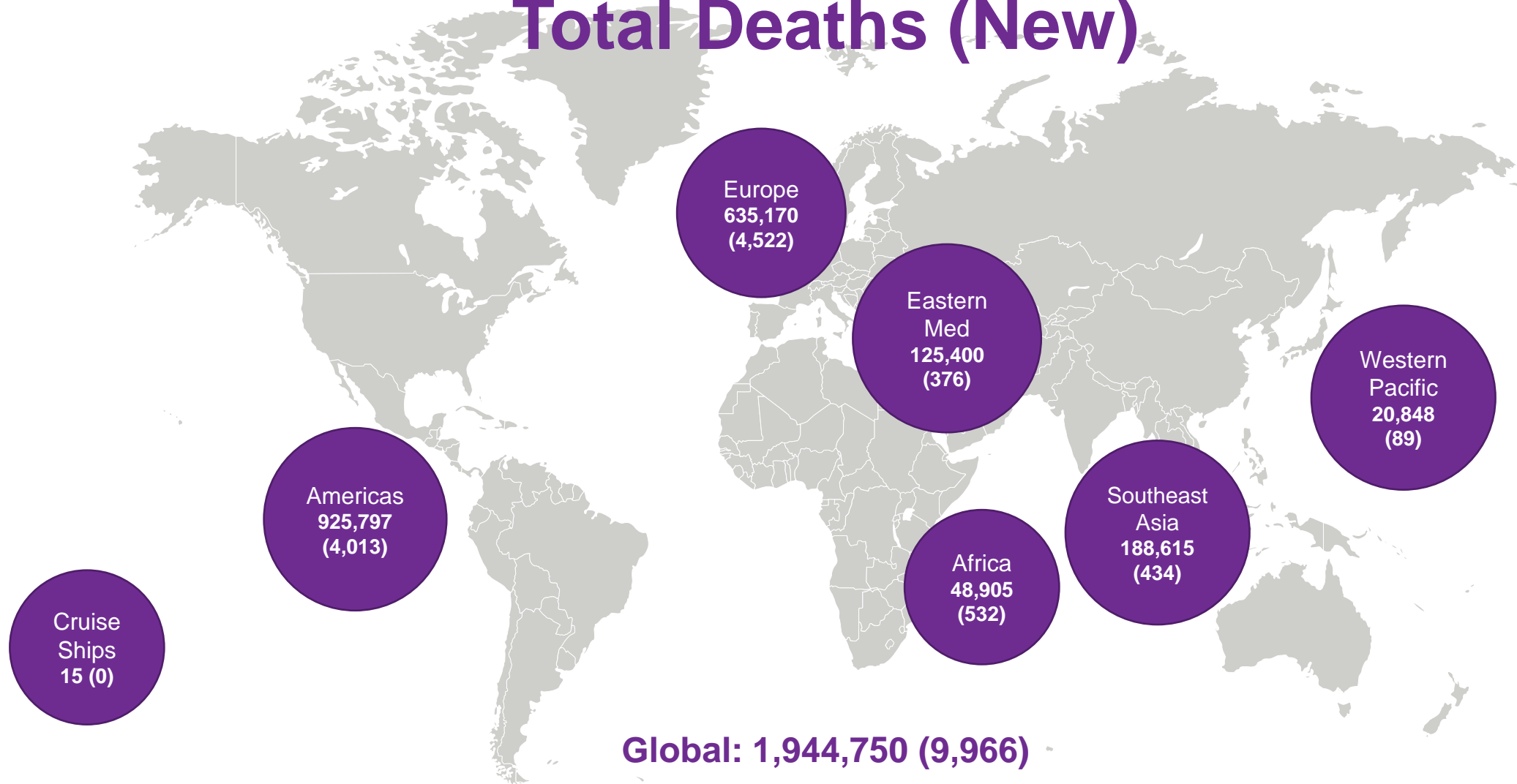
# Confirmed Cases (New)



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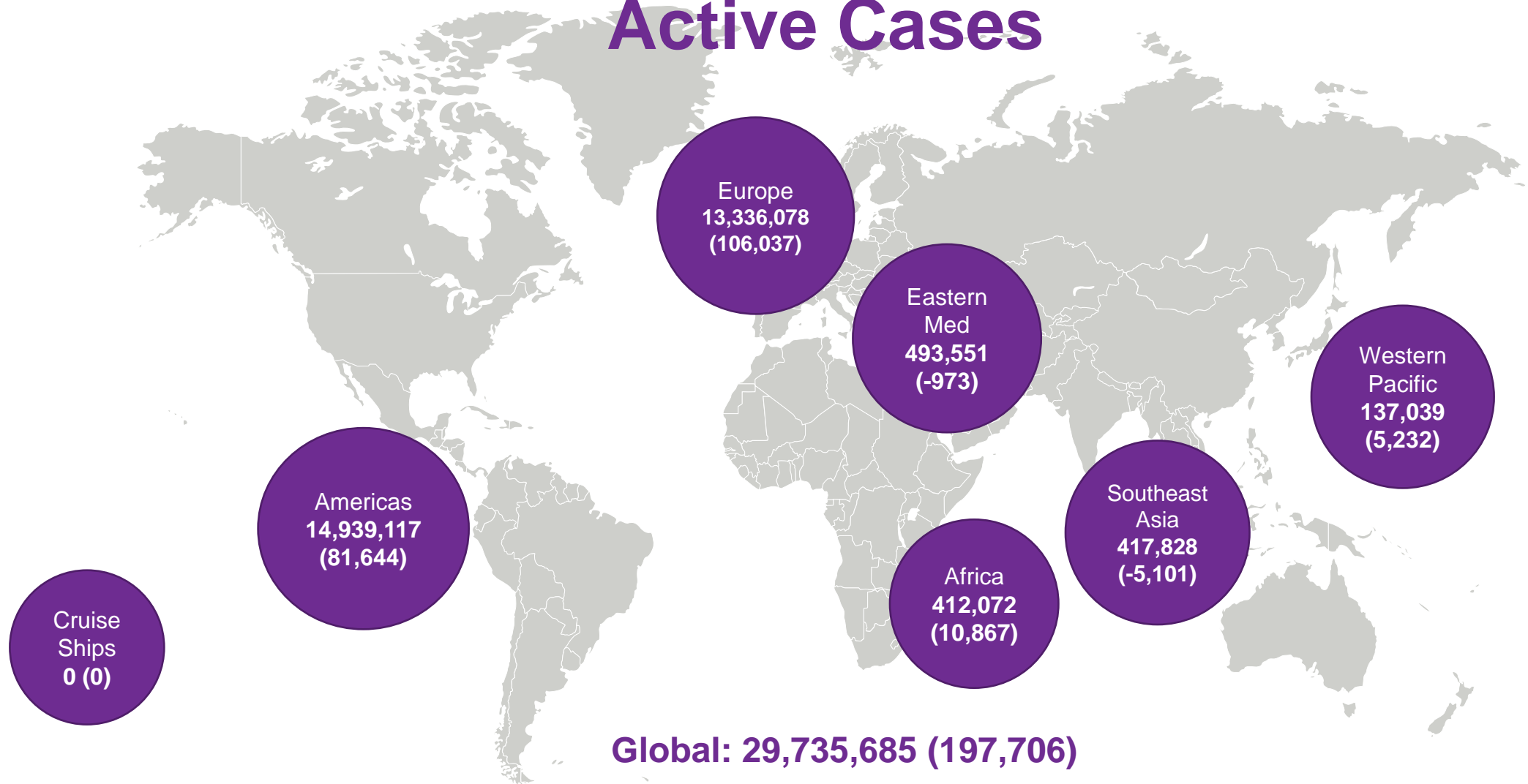
# Total Deaths (New)



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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	13312294	22613784 (207037)	376060 (1738)	69701	1160	7.94%
UK	3038398	3127643 (46275)	82096 (529)	45810	1204	12.98%
France	2567486	2844680 (3816)	68197 (312)	42644	1041	4.49%
Spain	1909131	2111782 (61422)	52275 (401)	45158	1118	7.24%
Netherlands	866965	890566 (5468)	12512 (51)	51196	723	5.75%
Brazil	654795	8131612 (25822)	203580 (480)	38122	954	4.65%
Belgium	645101	665223 (960)	20122 (44)	57183	1728	2.16%
Italy	575979	2289021 (12530)	79203 (448)	37889	1311	5.36%
Russia	556551	3389733 (23018)	61389 (426)	23466	427	4.81%
Sweden	480038	489471 (0)	9433 (0)	48306	931	10.64%
Serbia	358172	361782 (2093)	3610 (28)	41496	414	4.20%
Germany	309146	1941116 (11706)	41799 (863)	23129	502	7.46%
Ukraine	308832	1154850 (4585)	20719 (78)	25676	455	3.74%
Mexico	246892	1541633 (7594)	134368 (662)	11832	1031	5.61%

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South Africa	239799	1246643 (15046)	33579 (416)	20880	562	10.69%
Poland	228661	1390385 (4863)	31264 (75)	36754	827	4.85%
India	216558	10479179 (12584)	151327 (167)	7555	109	1.17%
Argentina	167552	1730921 (8704)	44654 (159)	38113	983	4.74%
Czechia	159753	835454 (4289)	13272 (157)	77942	1252	10.62%
Switzerland	158542	484506 (6523)	8364 (97)	55766	963	4.65%
Iran	154616	1292614 (6208)	56262 (91)	15286	665	3.33%
Hungary	128959	343656 (1419)	10725 (77)	35622	1112	4.31%
Ireland	126823	152539 (4926)	2352 (8)	30710	474	29.20%
Indonesia	123636	836718 (8692)	24343 (214)	3042	89	7.72%
Colombia	122838	1801903 (15003)	46451 (337)	35214	908	6.42%
Portugal	109312	489293 (5604)	7925 (122)	48060	778	11.79%
Turkey	105044	2336476 (10220)	22981 (174)	27546	271	3.46%
Canada	80683	672931 (8325)	17096 (136)	17622	451	8.44%

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Lebanon	77046	222391 (3095)	1629 (23)	32661	239	13.60%
Israel	72365	501073 (9754)	3704 (33)	54479	403	10.56%
Japan	67041	293746 (4928)	3898 (48)	2271	32	15.36%
Honduras	66115	128701 (756)	3285 (12)	12810	328	4.12%
Lithuania	65606	160446 (774)	2232 (35)	59384	826	7.76%
Bulgaria	63057	209131 (620)	8232 (106)	30219	1190	2.42%
Panama	56020	281353 (2157)	4500 (45)	64670	1034	8.93%
Romania	55836	673271 (1987)	16725 (71)	35123	873	4.41%
Slovakia	55823	209069 (860)	3007 (89)	38284	551	10.03%
Bangladesh	47781	523302 (849)	7803 (22)	3161	47	1.22%
Greece	46113	145179 (441)	5302 (39)	13965	510	3.21%
Dominican Republic	41967	183282 (1179)	2427 (0)	16806	223	4.31%
Costa Rica	39077	180061 (2447)	2353 (48)	35176	460	4.23%
Tunisia	37620	162350 (3074)	5284 (69)	13661	445	10.81%

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Norway	37427	55903 (429)	478 (6)	10269	88	8.33%
Pakistan	34007	506701 (2408)	10717 (41)	2260	48	3.20%
Iraq	32056	603739 (801)	12906 (11)	14835	317	0.89%
Algeria	30154	102369 (225)	2812 (5)	2312	64	1.68%
Bosnia	29678	115633 (0)	4330 (0)	35401	1333	2.58%
Malaysia	28554	138224 (2232)	555 (4)	4242	17	12.59%
Bolivia	27064	175288 (1392)	9415 (39)	14791	797	6.63%
Peru	27041	1035184 (9004)	38280 (231)	31232	1154	1.52%
Denmark	25451	183400 (1239)	1598 (27)	31488	275	6.52%
Cyprus	25428	27638 (288)	153 (5)	22803	126	10.85%
Albania	24743	63971 (376)	1247 (6)	22242	434	6.80%
Uganda	24564	37808 (66)	302 (1)	813	6	4.65%
Slovenia	24320	139713 (432)	3022 (24)	67199	1454	9.92%
UAE	23905	232982 (2404)	711 (3)	23407	71	7.83%

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Egypt	23292	150753 (961)	8249 (52)	1459	80	4.84%
Chile	22675	645892 (3969)	17162 (66)	33634	894	3.91%
Libya	22552	105378 (633)	1589 (8)	15227	230	3.23%
Philippines	22114	489736 (2046)	9416 (11)	4438	85	2.24%
Paraguay	21791	116535 (802)	2420 (15)	16233	337	5.75%
Austria	19981	382258 (1536)	6747 (24)	42315	747	3.88%
Nigeria	19479	101331 (1244)	1361 (3)	485	7	9.85%
Morocco	19215	452988 (456)	7767 (24)	12196	209	2.03%
Ecuador	16972	221506 (436)	14184 (7)	12455	798	2.90%
Belarus	16183	213993 (1792)	1526 (9)	22650	162	5.68%
N Macedonia	15970	86597 (103)	2635 (13)	41567	1265	2.85%
Kenya	15520	98334 (63)	1713 (3)	1808	31	1.45%
South Korea	14917	69651 (537)	1165 (25)	1347	22	6.71%

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Jordan	14197	308670 (1461)	4043 (19)	30094	394	2.86%
Myanmar	13719	131186 (582)	2858 (12)	2403	52	3.24%
Ethiopia	13050	128616 (300)	2003 (9)	1104	17	2.10%
Latvia	12775	49899 (331)	864 (15)	26613	461	13.59%
Azerbaijan	12379	224827 (176)	2926 (17)	22069	287	1.88%
Georgia	10769	239780 (551)	2796 (23)	60169	702	4.18%
Estonia	10511	33805 (289)	287 (4)	25473	216	12.67%
Montenegro	9521	52819 (388)	729 (4)	84092	1161	6.04%
Armenia	9484	162288 (157)	2931 (2)	54713	988	1.27%
Zimbabwe	8556	22297 (820)	528 (21)	1489	35	29.01%
Sudan	8324	23316 (0)	1468 (0)	525	33	0.00%
Moldova	7641	149662 (271)	3156 (17)	37147	783	2.24%
Zambia	7344	28596 (868)	471 (2)	1533	25	23.09%

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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 Change 7-Day Av
Guatemala	7201	143243 (0)	5025 (0)	7918	278	3.20%
Finland	7193	38790 (200)	597 (11)	6995	108	4.82%
Afghanistan	7113	53538 (49)	2288 (11)	1360	58	0.98%
Uruguay	7084	26901 (715)	262 (6)	7730	75	20.35%
Sri Lanka	6618	48949 (569)	240 (8)	2281	11	7.57%
Oman	6248	130780 (172)	1508 (0)	25273	291	0.91%
Kosovo	5949	53982 (206)	1383 (6)			3.74%
Syria	5583	12462 (98)	781 (7)	703	44	5.32%
Venezuela	5037	116983 (373)	1073 (12)	4120	38	2.20%

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

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Croatia*	4976	220223 (230)	4403 (35)	53822	1076	3.14%
Kuwait	4523	154841 (527)	945 (2)	35977	220	2.02%
Mozambique	4514	22334 (395)	197 (5)	704	6	12.85%
Nepal	4373	265268 (488)	1927 (10)	9019	66	1.13%
Lesotho	4280	5937 (0)	85 (0)	2760	40	46.00%
El Salvador	4121	48905 (0)	1428 (9)	7520	220	3.72%
Congo (Kinshasa)	4117	19496 (60)	619 (8)	214	7	6.89%
Thailand	4035	10834 (536)	67 (0)	151	1	17.24%
Namibia	3879	28602 (343)	261 (7)	11150	102	11.24%
Eswatini	3639	11711 (276)	298 (3)	10039	255	13.43%
Botswana	3399	16768 (718)	59 (11)	7055	25	8.35%
Angola	3009	18254 (61)	420 (4)	547	13	3.12%
Kyrgyzstan	3006	82380 (107)	1371 (2)	12518	208	1.20%
Qatar	2995	146068 (203)	246 (0)	52022	88	0.97%

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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 Change 7-Day Av
Malawi	2954	9027 (452)	235 (10)	466	12	23.17%
Bahrain	2878	95879 (321)	356 (0)	55346	206	2.20%
Cuba	2832	15007 (431)	153 (2)	1325	14	15.11%
Senegal	2707	21533 (288)	469 (4)	1269	28	8.03%
Rwanda	2686	9784 (154)	124 (4)	746	9	9.57%
Luxembourg	2647	48027 (283)	535 (8)	76070	847	2.17%
Malta	2360	14529 (133)	233 (0)	32858	527	8.94%
Burkina Faso	2318	8279 (197)	89 (0)	390	4	13.93%
Mali	2039	7664 (64)	299 (1)	373	15	5.27%
Saudi Arabia	1948	363949 (140)	6295 (4)	10369	179	0.22%
Australia	1882	28634 (20)	909 (0)	1115	35	0.41%
Jamaica	1818	13637 (89)	313 (1)	4595	105	3.18%
Nicaragua	1706	6097 (0)	166 (0)	915	25	0.84%

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

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Mauritania	1585	15611 (99)	387 (3)	3312	82	4.71%
Cameroon	1508	26848 (0)	448 (0)	998	17	0.00%
Bahamas	1498	8004 (35)	175 (0)	20251	443	1.00%
Niger	1392	3924 (47)	128 (2)	159	5	11.70%
China	1355	96920 (96)	4793 (1)	61	3	0.70%
Haiti	1334	10386 (114)	238 (0)	905	21	2.49%
Ghana**	1261	56230 (458)	338 (2)	1790	11	1.89%
Congo (Brazzaville)	1173	7127 (0)	108 (0)	1275	19	0.28%
Cote d'Ivoire	1087	23894 (144)	139 (0)	894	5	4.58%

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# US Risk Assessment

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
California	2723479	2753739 (38262)	30260 (263)	69824	769	10.74%
Florida	1465515	1488586 (11576)	23071 (159)	69308	1074	7.52%
Illinois	1014163	1033526 (4776)	19363 (70)	81561	1528	4.71%
New York	999337	1149771 (14179)	39834 (202)	60778	2046	9.97%
Georgia	753024	764499 (7454)	11475 (17)	72004	1081	8.95%
Arizona	531482	627541 (8995)	10147 (6)	86216	1394	10.52%
New Jersey	510256	590162 (5334)	19854 (0)	66443	2244	16.45%
Missouri	430324	436461 (1750)	6137 (4)	74488	1059	5.10%
Texas	390909	1990204 (22015)	30585 (106)	68899	1062	8.09%
Virginia	364851	403386 (4530)	5393 (10)	47260	632	8.89%
Colorado	338390	362825 (1677)	5213 (5)	63004	905	5.34%
Maryland	293954	309686 (3012)	6301 (29)	51224	1042	7.07%
Washington	272987	276686 (5091)	3699 (1)	36742	504	7.32%
Kentucky	263764	305706 (2082)	2922 (21)	68426	654	8.69%

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Nevada	246749	250249 (1680)	3500 (33)	81246	1136	6.88%
Kansas	240502	248646 (4998)	3248 (107)	85694	1117	5.77%
Connecticut	197142	213358 (7364)	6416 (92)	59843	1800	8.77%
Indiana	190588	567338 (3685)	9016 (31)	84272	1339	6.64%
Alabama	186969	404000 (2100)	5347 (13)	82395	1091	7.40%
South Carolina	186523	357654 (3129)	5826 (15)	69465	1132	9.00%
Pennsylvania	175618	730773 (6908)	17802 (85)	57176	1399	8.31%
Michigan	138411	567682 (5129)	14192 (47)	56843	1421	4.24%
Ohio	136175	784957 (7892)	9702 (75)	67153	830	7.33%
Massachusetts	126130	432803 (12)	13151 (0)	63408	1916	9.30%
Oregon	119124	126607 (924)	1613 (9)	30018	382	6.44%
North Carolina	100071	629124 (5936)	7578 (11)	59985	723	9.38%
Rhode Island	92660	100607 (2993)	1947 (31)	94970	1838	7.85%
Idaho	82683	150239 (572)	1544 (10)	84070	864	4.62%

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# US Risk Assessment

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Tennessee	80621	657396 (3527)	7865 (80)	96263	1152	6.87%
New Mexico	75497	157087 (930)	2764 (15)	74916	1318	6.22%
Wisconsin	71537	551942 (1682)	5575 (5)	87308	887	4.36%
Louisiana	59943	348234 (1405)	7918 (45)	74908	1703	7.48%
Utah	54917	307483 (1484)	1396 (4)	95910	435	7.11%
Nebraska	53188	176670 (644)	1772 (12)	91330	916	4.01%
Delaware	45990	65827 (554)	986 (14)	67601	1013	8.35%
Oklahoma	43163	335247 (3885)	2775 (14)	84723	701	8.49%
Alaska	43005	50394 (176)	224 (0)	66704	305	4.03%
Iowa	37484	297774 (1092)	4139 (1)	94230	1312	3.83%
Mississippi	36235	240309 (1227)	5186 (19)	80745	1743	6.92%
West Virginia	29257	102282 (1070)	1594 (12)	57072	889	10.16%
Arkansas	25563	256344 (1268)	4081 (38)	84944	1352	8.41%
Maine	17421	29611 (313)	438 (6)	22029	326	12.31%

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## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Minnesota	14768	437552 (980)	5779 (4)	77585	1025	3.17%
Hawaii	11482	23748 (162)	308 (0)	16607	218	5.77%
District of Columbia	9019	31993 (202)	821 (4)	45332	1163	6.53%
Puerto Rico	8066	83468 (349)	1642 (12)	42026	485	5.59%
New Hampshire	6118	52307 (707)	869 (0)	38469	639	9.52%
South Dakota	5102	103499 (181)	1585 (0)	116993	1792	2.76%

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

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Montana*	4922	86653 (329)	1057 (1)	81077	989	4.60%
Vermont	2895	9078 (111)	156 (0)	14548	250	13.27%
Wyoming	1924	47395 (563)	489 (0)	81891	845	4.51%
North Dakota	1881	94830 (114)	1352 (0)	124439	1774	1.68%

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