

Dentons Flashpoint

Daily Global Situation Report

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

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WHAT WE'RE WATCHING

Greenland held parliamentary elections yesterday, with left-wing opposition party IA winning more than a third of votes. Mining projects in Greenland are increasingly politically sensitive, and IA-led government would likely impede future mining operations. With its vast deposits of rare earth metals (which many international companies are keen to exploit) the election could therefore impact Greenland's long-term economic outlook, potentially hurting the independence prospects for the autonomous Danish territory.



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Global

Globally, confirmed coronavirus infections surpassed 132.3 million, with deaths surpassing 2.8 million.

- The IMF predicted that most advanced economies will emerge from the pandemic with **little lasting damage**, due to the monetary and fiscal response efforts marshalled by authorities.
- Finance officials from the G20 are poised to back a \$650 billion boost in the **IMF's emergency reserves** and extend a **freeze on debt payments** as part of an effort to help developing countries still struggling to combat the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Japan's Takeda Pharmaceutical suspended development of a COVID-19 **plasma therapy** after it failed to prove effective in clinical trials.
- One in three COVID-19 survivors in a study of more than 230,000 mostly American patients were diagnosed with a **brain or psychiatric disorder** within six months, suggesting the pandemic could lead to a wave of mental and neurological problems, per a new Oxford University study.
- The Biden administration has floated the idea of a **boycott of the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics** to protest against the persecution of Uyghurs in China's Xinjiang province.
- The **number of billionaires** soared last year, according to Forbes' annual ranking, reflecting a massive accumulation of personal wealth that stands in sharp contrast with the economic struggles of many caused by the pandemic.

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COVID-19 Vaccine

The Serum Institute of India, the world's largest vaccine manufacturer, could resume exports of the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine in June provided domestic cases of coronavirus are falling.

- **Moderna** announced that deliveries this month of its COVID-19 vaccine are on track to meet the number of doses previously communicated to governments.
- The **EU drug regulator** will launch an investigation into whether clinical trials of Russia's **Sputnik V COVID-19 vaccine** contravened ethical and scientific standards. Regulators will be focusing on whether clinical trial participants were coerced into participation.
- Oxford University paused a small **clinical trial in children** of the COVID-19 vaccine developed with **AstraZeneca**, ahead of new risk assessments this week by regulators investigating possible links between the vaccine and rare but potentially fatal blood disorders in adults.
- Globally, **693.37 million vaccine doses** have been administered.
- **Mexico's** foreign minister said that the country is on the verge of approving India's homegrown COVID-19 vaccine **Covaxin**, despite Brazil's refusal to grant the regulatory green light earlier this month.
- **Brazilian** President Bolsonaro spoke to Russian President Putin to discuss buying or domestically manufacturing the **Sputnik V vaccine**.
- An adviser to the **Hong Kong** government recommended the Chinese territory hold off on ordering the **Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine** citing concerns about its effectiveness against certain variants.

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Markets & Business

Carnival Cruise threatened to move its shops away from US ports due to continued restrictions on its operations.

- **European stocks** hovered near record highs on Wednesday as investors awaited data on services sector activity for the region.
- **Air New Zealand and Qantas Airways** said they will increase flights to at least 70 percent of pre-pandemic levels once the bubble opens.
- **BP** said it saw a strong start to 2021 and is on track to lower net debt to \$35 billion in Q1, in a sign of broader recovery for the oil industry.
- Chinese sportswear brands like **Li-Ning and Anta** are experiencing a surge in interest as numerous Chinese consumers boycott western brands like **Nike and Adidas**.
- A national coalition of small businesses in the US is pushing for stricter antitrust laws, which they hope could break up **Amazon**.
- **Amazon's** outgoing CEO Jeff Bezos said that the company is in support of Biden's plan to raise corporate tax rates.
- **Cryptocurrency** inflows hit an all-time high of \$4.5 billion in Q1.

How do You Manage Incident Response?

2021 has already seen business disrupted by extreme weather, ransomware attack, the ongoing pandemic and more. The common refrain “It’s not if, but when” rings truer than ever for disruptive incidents that will impact business as usual.

Working with Dentons, you can effectively develop an organizational incident-behavior adopted by all your team members. Dentons will help you build muscle memory through tabletop exercises, which are crafted to fit the business strategy of every client.

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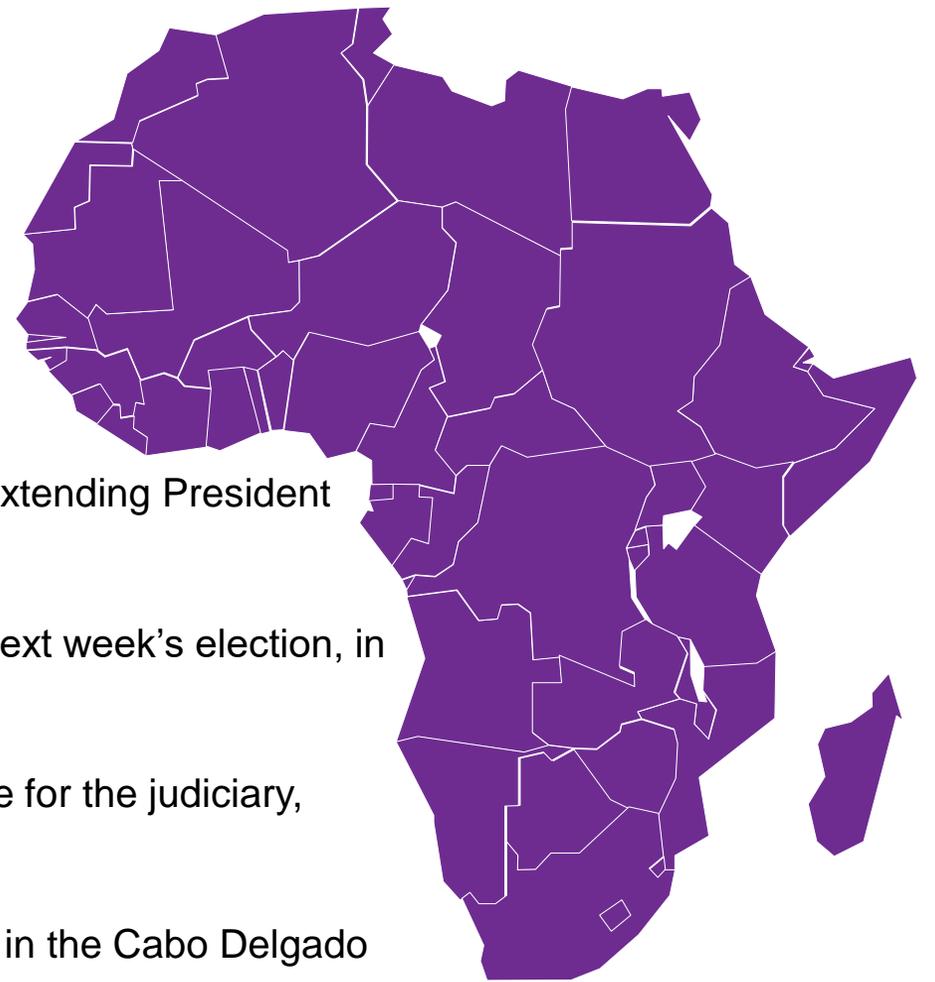
- ❖ Ransomware tabletop exercises
- ❖ Post-tabletop action reports
- ❖ Maturity assessments for preparedness
- ❖ Supply-chain attack simulation
- ❖ Comprehensive incident response plan
- ❖ Threat analysis and monitoring

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Africa

- **Egypt and Sudan** reported that the latest round of talks over the Grand **Ethiopian** Renaissance dam had ended with no progress made.
- **Somali** leaders again failed to decide on a procedure for a new election, extending President Farmaajo's de facto term, which was supposed to end in February.
- Opponents of **Benin** President Talon protested in several cities ahead of next week's election, in which he will seek a second term.
- **Nigerian** judiciary workers began a strike to call for financial independence for the judiciary, shutting down the country's supreme court.
- The **South African** Development Community condemned terrorist attacks in the Cabo Delgado province.
- The UN called on **Tanzania** to not turn away **Mozambican** refugees. Tanzanian President Suluhu announced plans to establish a coronavirus advisory committee, seemingly reversing the country's lax coronavirus policies.



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Asia

- In **Myanmar**, a Chinese-owned factory was set on fire in the commercial capital Yangon and activists burned the Chinese flag.
- **Indonesia** reported its first case of a more transmissible variant with the mutation nicknamed “Eek.”
- **India** reported a record of 115,269 new infections yesterday, as government health officials warned that the coming four weeks will be “critical” in controlling the spread of the virus.
- The WHO has raised the alarm about surging coronavirus infections in the **Philippines**.
- The IMF urged **China** to address its high corporate debt levels, which have worsened during the pandemic. **Hong Kong** media tycoon Jimmy Lai and two pro-democracy activists pleaded guilty to charges of participating in an illegal march during mass anti-government protests in 2019.
- **Sri Lanka** banned imports of palm oil, in a further blow to an industry plagued by concerns around forced labor and deforestation.
- **Malaysia** announced Tuesday that it has returned 267 containers of illegal plastic waste to sending countries since 2019 and is in the process of sending back another 81. Malaysia’s policemen are set to start wearing body cameras this year in an effort to improve services and integrity.



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Europe

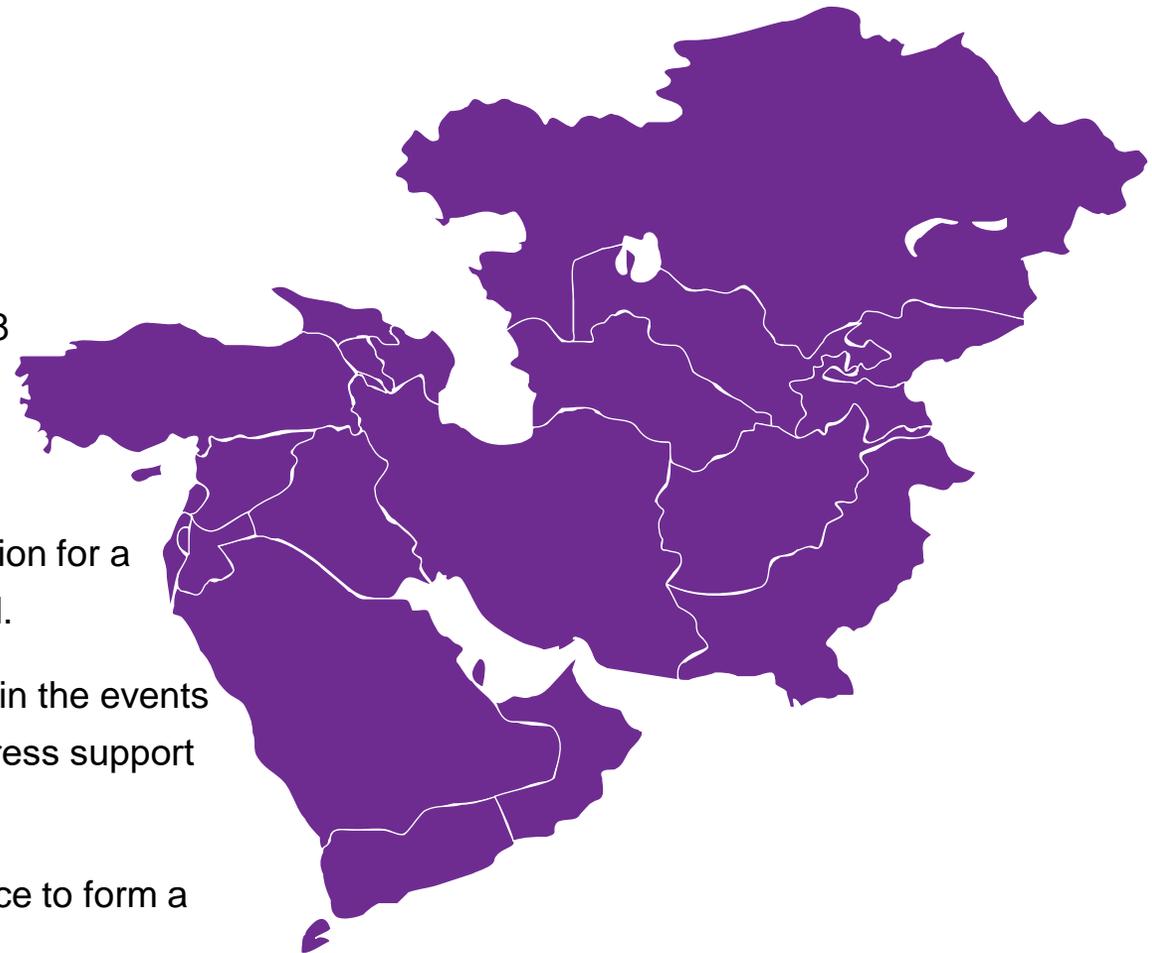
- **France and Germany** threw their support behind the new **US** efforts to establish a global minimum corporate tax.
- **Ukraine's** President Zelensky called on NATO to back a membership action plan (MAP) for the country in order to deter **Russian** aggression.
- Alexei Navalny's lawyer says he is "*seriously ill*" in prison. **Russian** police detained several Navalny supporters outside his prison.
- **Turkey** summoned **China's** envoy to the country over comments condemning two Turkish politicians for criticizing Beijing's actions in Xinjiang.
- **Greece** reopened its embassy in **Libya** and called for a reset of relations after a 2019 maritime agreement between **Turkey** and the western Libyan government.
- In the **UK**, Climate activists from the Extinction Rebellion group used hammers to break the windows and then pasted the message "In Case of Climate Emergency Break Glass" on the front of Barclays London headquarters.
- The **Czech Republic** will reopen some schools and shops from next week, the first time it has lifted restrictions this year. **Hungarian** Prime Minister Orban announced that the country will begin reopening, as a quarter of its 10 million residents have begun vaccination. **France's** COVID-19 hospitalizations are at a near five-month high. Norway surpassed 100,000 confirmed infections.



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Middle East

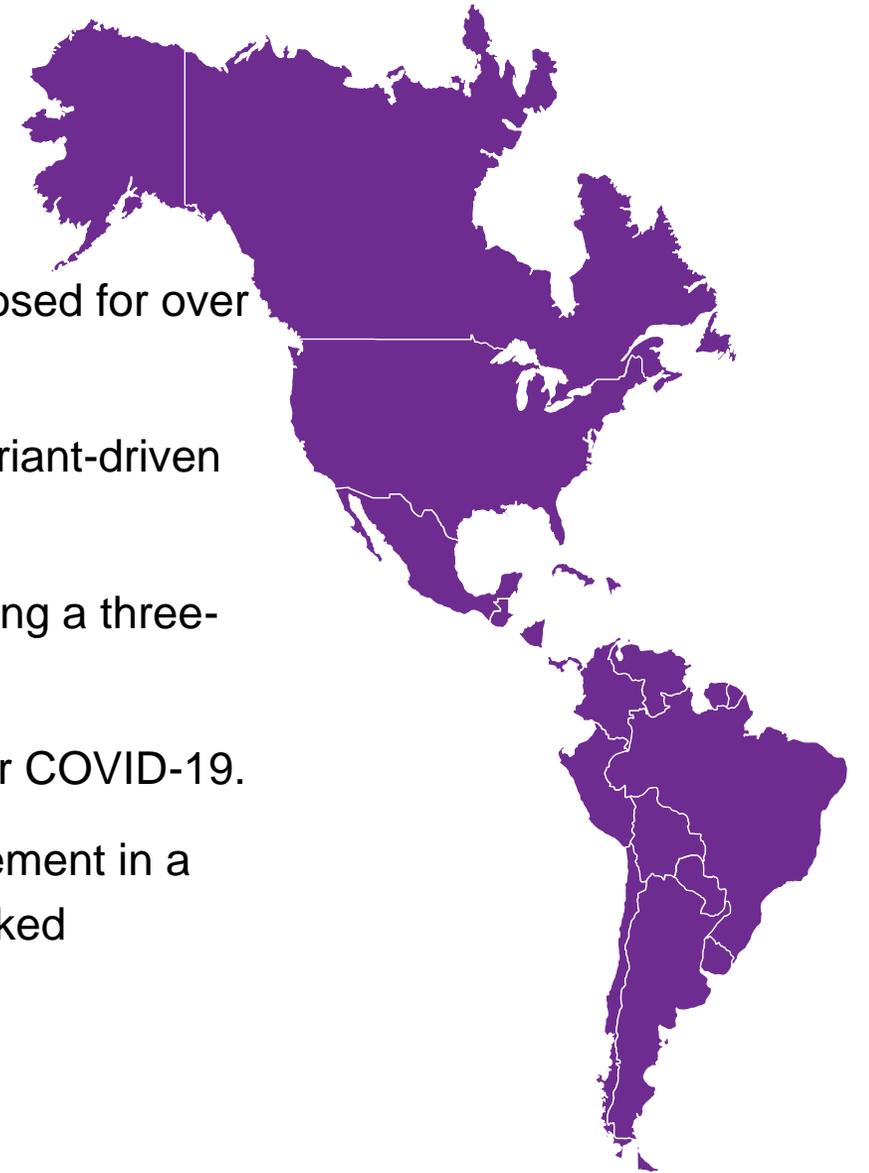
- The **Sudanese** parliament voted to officially repeal the country's 1958 boycott of Israel.
- **UAE**-based Etihad airline began direct flights to **Israel**.
- **Lebanon's** finance ministry agreed to give Alvarez & Marsal information for a financial audit, a long-resisted step that would be required for IMF aid.
- **Jordanian** King Abdullah will make a national address today to explain the events of the weekend. Saudi Arabia's foreign minister visited Jordan to express support for the monarchy.
- **Israeli** President Rivlin gave Prime Minister Netanyahu the first chance to form a governing coalition.
- The **UAE** announced that the first unit of its Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant had begun commercial operations.
- **Iran** has enriched 55 kg of uranium to 20 percent, indicating quicker production than the 10 kg a month rate required by an Iranian law. An Iranian ship linked to the IRGC was attacked in the **Red Sea**. Iran indicted ten over the shooting-down of a **Ukrainian** passenger plane in January 2020 that killed 10.



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Americas

- Schools in **El Salvador** partially reopened on Tuesday after being closed for over a year due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- Toronto, **Canada** will cancel in-person learning due to an ongoing variant-driven surge in cases there.
- **Colombia's** capital Bogota will tighten coronavirus restriction, including a three-day lockdown starting on Saturday.
- **Trinidad and Tobago** Prime Minister Kieth Rowley tested positive for COVID-19.
- A former representative for energy giant Gunvor pled guilty to involvement in a scheme to bribe **Ecuadorian** officials to win business from state-backed Petroecuador.



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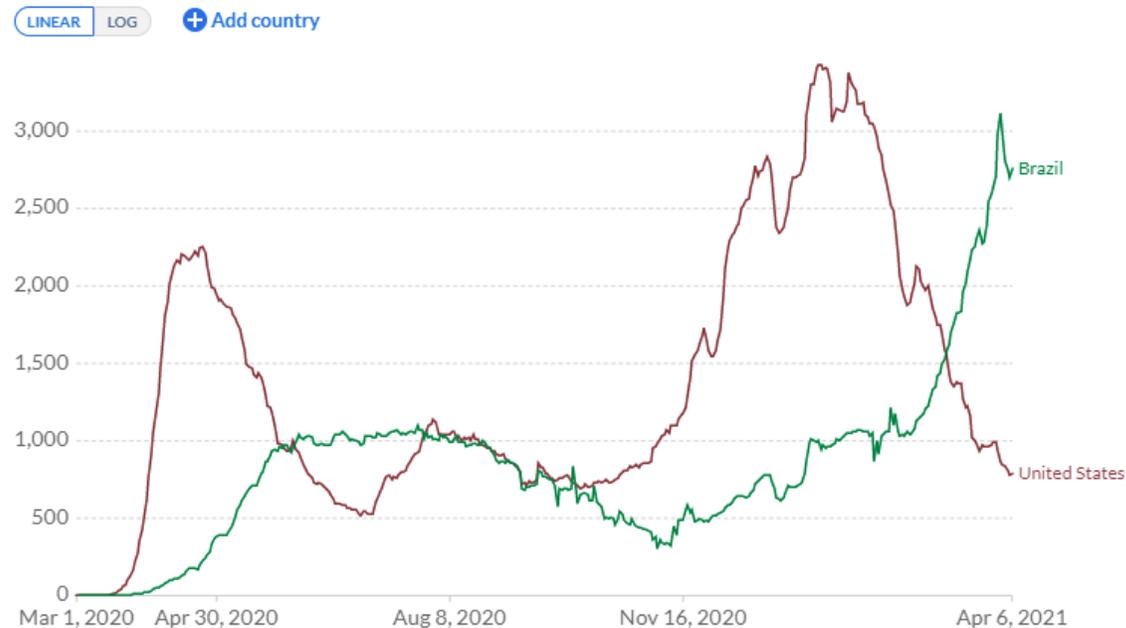
Americas

Scientists are predicting that Brazil's surge in COVID-19 deaths could surpass that seen in the US in January; yesterday new fatalities climbed above 4,000.

Daily new confirmed COVID-19 deaths

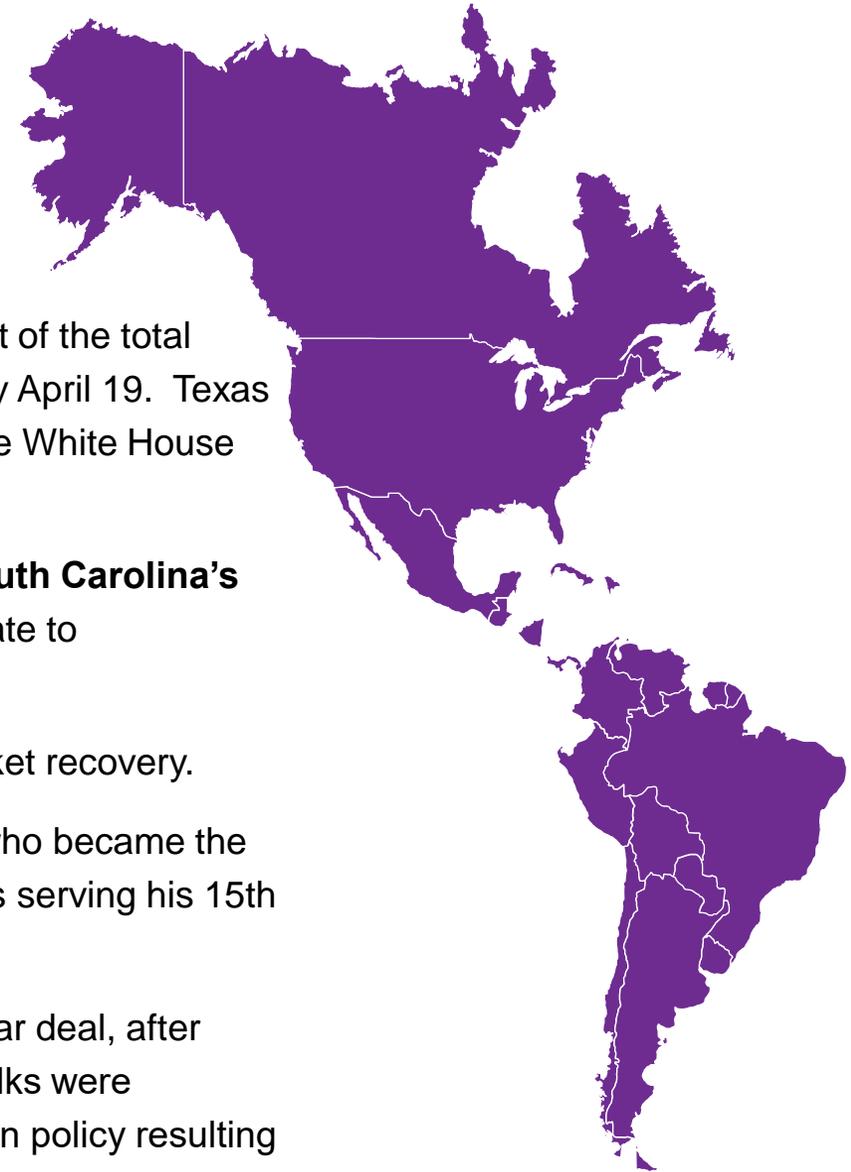
Shown is the rolling 7-day average. Limited testing and challenges in the attribution of the cause of death means that the number of confirmed deaths may not be an accurate count of the true number of deaths from COVID-19.

Our World
in Data



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Americas: US



- Nationally, 108.3 million people have received one or more **vaccine doses**, 32.6 percent of the total population. President Biden urged all states to make **all adults eligible for vaccines** by April 19. Texas Governor Abbot signed an executive order banning **vaccine passports** in the state. The White House said it does not currently support the system of vaccine passports.
- **California** Governor Newsom said the state is targeting full reopening by mid-June. **South Carolina's** Republican governor is being sued by the American Civil Liberties Union over his mandate to *"immediately expedite"* a return to in-person work for state employees.
- **US job openings** climbed to their highest level since 2019 in a sign of strong labor market recovery.
- **Democratic US Representative Alcee Hastings** has died at the age of 84. Hastings, who became the first African American elected to Congress in Florida since the post-Civil War period, was serving his 15th two-year term in the US House of Representatives.
- The US and **Iran** will meet indirectly on Friday to further discuss reviving the 2015 nuclear deal, after experts discuss options to walk back nuclear enrichment and lift sanctions. Tuesday's talks were described as *"constructive."* The White House said that they do not anticipate a change in policy resulting from the talks.

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Emerging and Existing Hotspots: Militant Insurgency in Mozambique's Cabo Delgado Region

By Anni Coonan

In late March, Mozambique grabbed international headlines when an Islamist militant group seized the northwestern city of Palma, a gas hub home to a liquefied natural gas plant owned by French multinational Total, displacing thousands and ultimately forcing Total to suspend operations and evacuate its employees. Although the Mozambican army has now reportedly recaptured Palma, the ongoing Islamist insurgency that began in 2017 in the northwestern Cabo Delgado province has not been quashed, and risks of future incidents, humanitarian impact, and business interruptions remain.

The seizure of Palma is the most recent and most impactful in a string of attacks and provocations by local ISIL affiliates, the largest of which is al-Sunnah, amid a years-long regional insurgency that began in October 2017. Since 2017, al-Sunnah and other Islamist groups have sought to loosen the central government's control over the impoverished Cabo Delgado region, simultaneously threatening the large natural gas discoveries there which leaders in the capital

city of Maputo hope will transform the Mozambican economy. On March 24, militants surrounded and attacked the town of Palma, destroying public buildings, driving thousands of Mozambicans to flee and killing an indeterminate amount of people, constituting the groups' most sustained and impactful offensive thus far. On Friday, Total paused construction of its new LNG plant near Palma and evacuated its staff. On April 4, ten days after militants seized Palma, the Mozambican military regained the town with a "significant number" of militant casualties.

The Palma attack is a stark demonstration of the growing strength of Mozambique's militant Islamist groups and, more broadly, the spread of violent Islamist groups throughout the region. While Mozambican President Nyusi has assured the public that his security forces are capable of countering al-Sunnah, the attack laid bare deficiencies in the country's military and the extent to which al-Sunnah has undermined the central government's ability to function in Cabo Delgado. Al-Sunnah had seized towns before - nearby Mocimboa da Praia in March and August of 2020, which remains the epicenter of their operations - but never for so long, or so close to critical foreign infrastructure.

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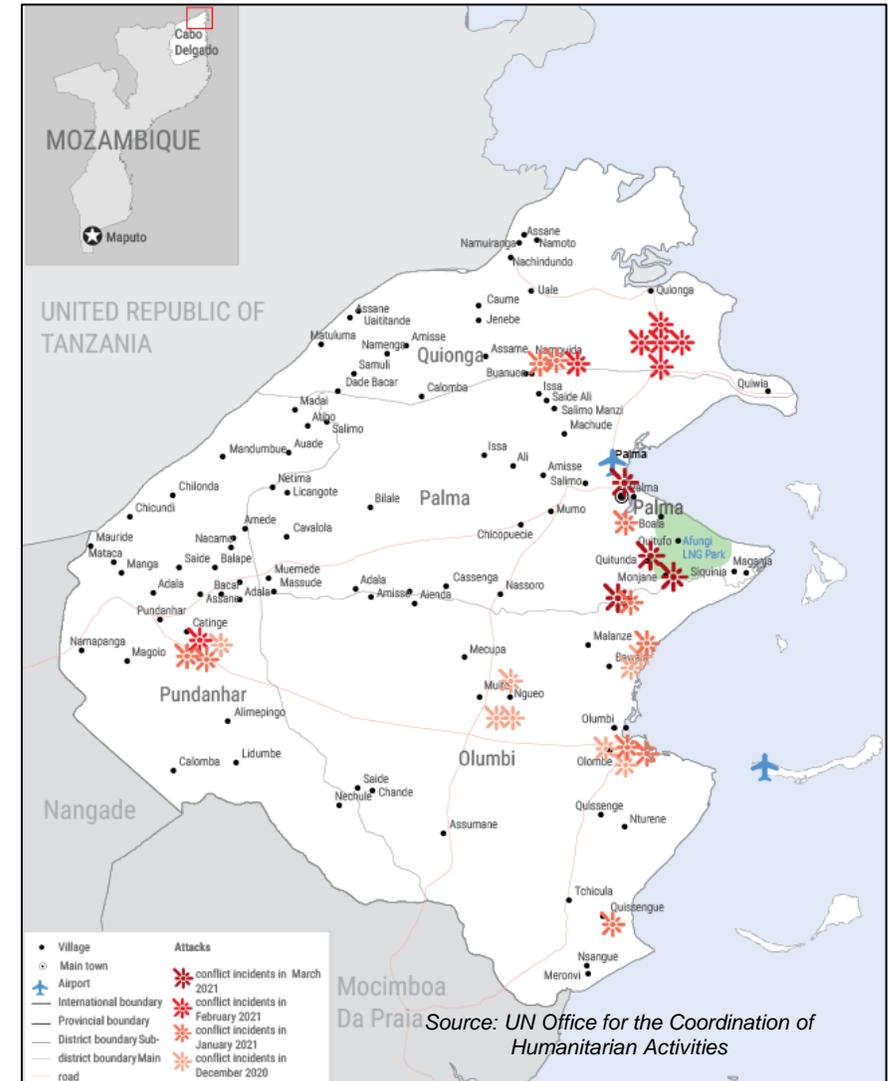
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Total's decision to evacuate its staff is also consequential: the company has been forced to interrupt work at the \$20 billion plant before, pausing work and reducing staff levels at the plant in January and only resuming construction after Total's CEO met personally with Nyusi to request a more robust security perimeter. The decision to entirely evacuate its staff is likely a pessimistic sign that Total does not believe violence will be quelled any time soon.

In addition to immediately endangering the town of Palma and international LNG operations, the humanitarian effects of the insurgency threaten to continue to destabilize the country. Humanitarian organizations estimate that some 10,000 have fled Palma, many to the regional capital of Pemba, straining an already overburdened refugee infrastructure and,

according to some reports, fueling food scarcity. Some refugees have remained in the bush awaiting al-Sunnah's retreat, but it will be difficult to resettle the refugees or reconstruct the areas of Palma destroyed by militants. Further destabilization and displacement in Cabo Delgado will continue to strain the low-income region, while threatening the foreign investments - such as the Total LNG plant - that Maputo has relied on to transform the country's economy.

The deteriorating situation in Mozambique has prompted some international powers to pledge support. Portugal will send a group of soldiers to Mozambique, which is a former Portuguese colony, to lead a training mission. The move builds on calls in early March from Portugal's representatives at the European Union



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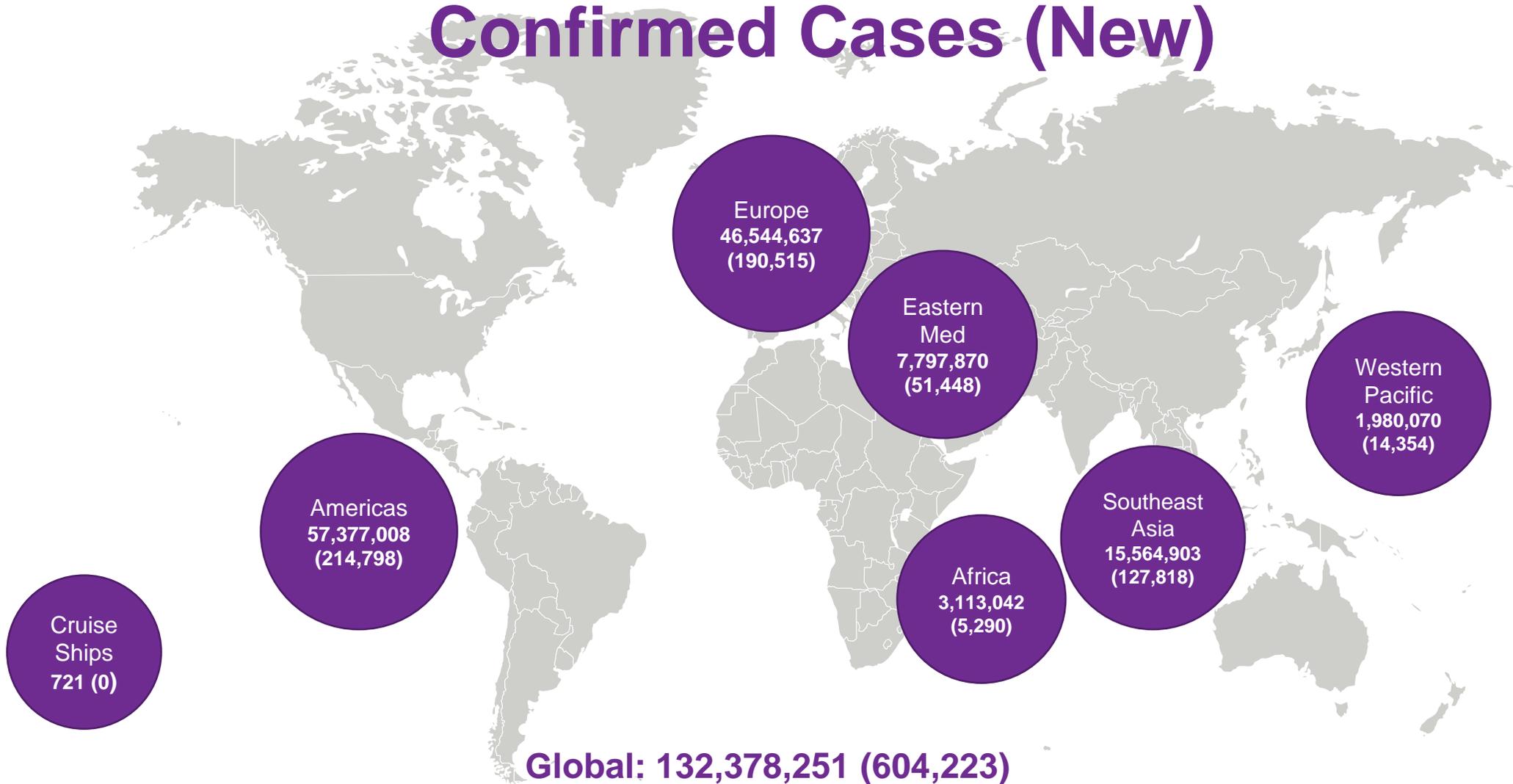
for a united European effort to counter Islamists in Somalia and Mozambique, although those failed to garner support in the bloc. The US had designated al-Sunnah and sent a training mission to Mozambique just two weeks prior to the attack to counter the spreading Islamist insurgency in Africa. In the past, the Mozambican military has struggled to address militants but has declined foreign troops in case foreign intervention strengthens anti-west recruitment rhetoric from Islamists. In recent years, Maputo has turned to private military companies to supplement their operations; however, the government seems unlikely to renew its relationship with its primary contractor, Dyck Advisory Group, which is under investigation by Amnesty International for committing war crimes in Cabo Delgado. Another option to bolster the country's military capabilities is direct intervention by the South African Development Community, aided by foreign contributions, but this too seems unlikely as regional countries deal with their own Islamist insurgencies and domestic issues. Despite the end of the immediate Palma crisis and pledges from governments in Maputo, the US and Portugal to bolster Mozambique's military capabilities, al-Sunnah has not been defeated, and the destabilizing trend in the country is likely to continue.

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Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on April 6, 2021

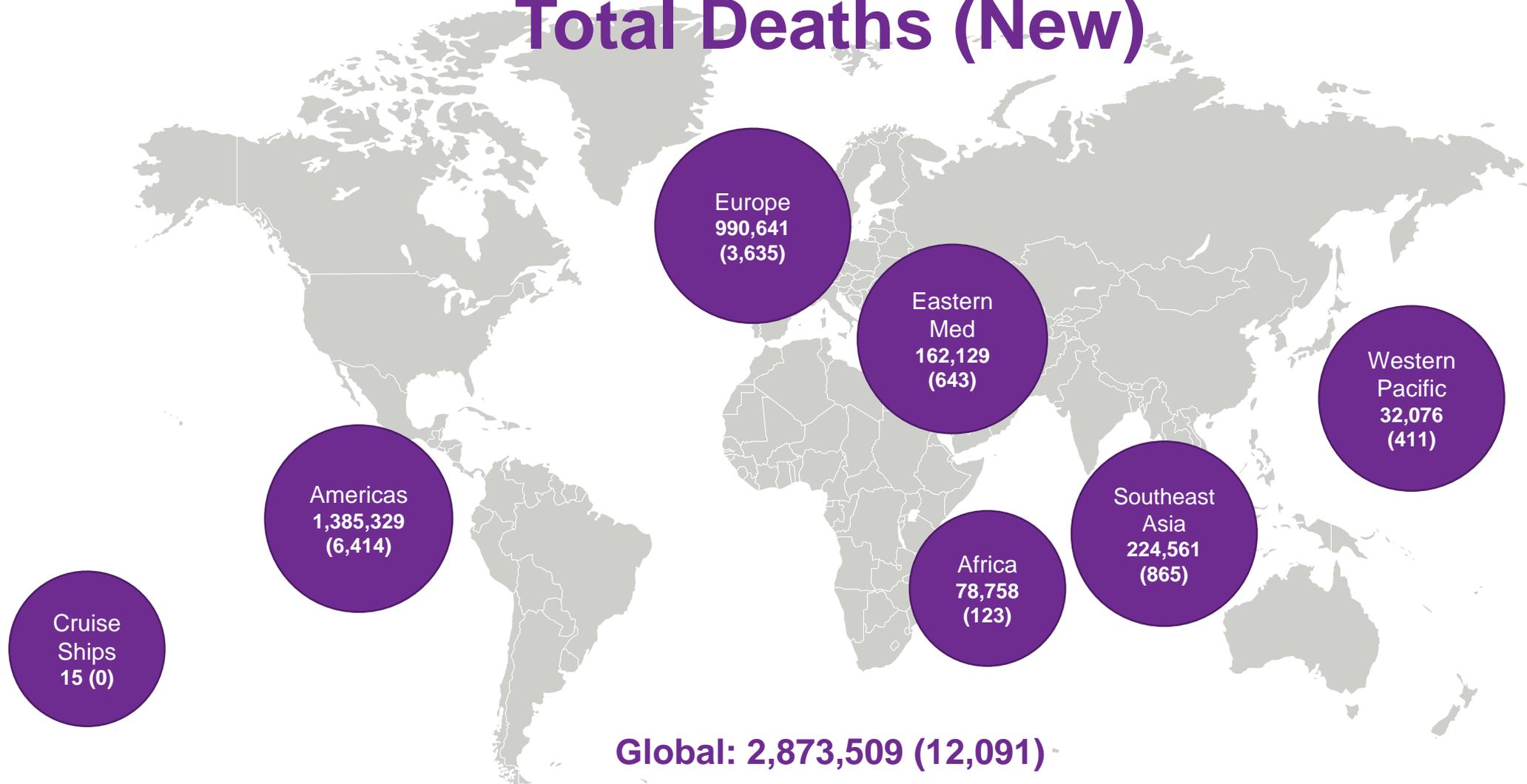
Confirmed Cases (New)



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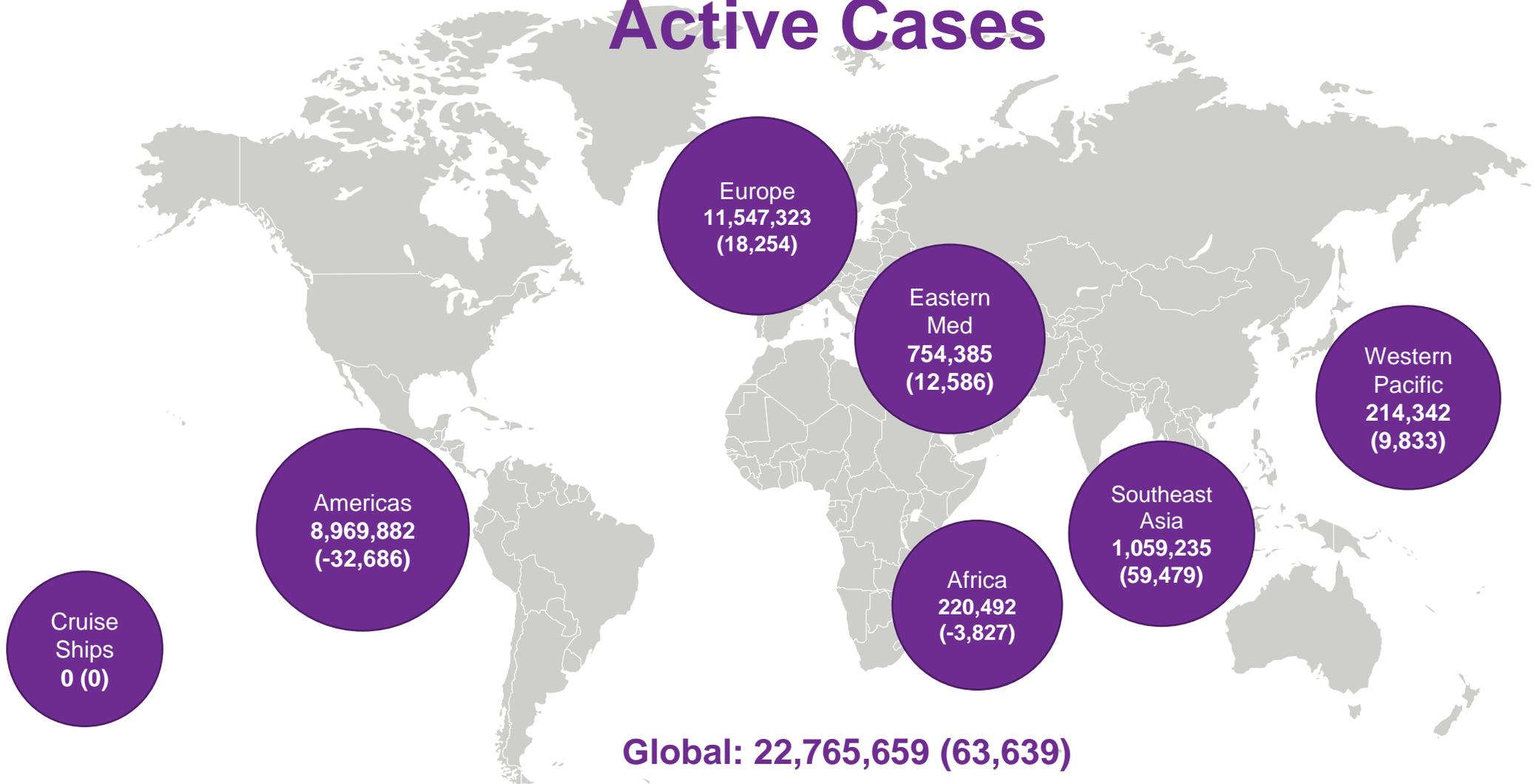
Total Deaths (New)



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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	6738314	30847168 (62760)	556535 (929)	94923	1715	1.47%
France	4499694	4937168 (9162)	98036 (412)	74044	1488	5.22%
Netherlands	1301683	1336594 (5762)	16837 (25)	76498	970	3.80%
Brazil	1209910	13106058 (82869)	337364 (4211)	61326	1579	3.37%
India	843779	12799746 (115269)	166208 (631)	9206	120	5.09%
Sweden	821460	834993 (0)	13533 (32)	82287	1334	4.62%
Belgium	821393	902964 (1968)	23202 (33)	77653	1995	3.33%
Italy	555705	3686707 (7767)	111747 (421)	61044	1850	3.41%
Turkey	387043	3579185 (49584)	32667 (211)	42093	384	8.42%
Ukraine	371768	1769164 (13276)	35017 (430)	40640	804	6.00%
Poland	365067	2456709 (8245)	55065 (60)	64967	1456	6.83%
UK	316299	4379077 (2404)	127126 (20)	64035	1862	0.53%
Russia	276727	4597868 (8328)	101106 (389)	31496	693	1.33%
Mexico	255412	2251705 (1247)	204399 (252)	17325	1573	1.06%

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Hungary	251077	691743 (1890)	22098 (170)	71746	2292	6.65%
Germany	237674	2912636 (9600)	77862 (232)	34679	927	3.54%
Iran	232809	1963394 (17430)	63506 (174)	23150	749	4.49%
Ireland	210816	238907 (441)	4727 (9)	47975	949	1.45%
Argentina	207350	2428029 (20870)	56634 (163)	53349	1244	3.92%
Spain	161571	3317948 (6623)	75911 (128)	70944	1623	1.27%
Philippines	152562	812760 (9373)	13817 (382)	7343	125	8.81%
Indonesia	114566	1542516 (4549)	41977 (162)	5594	152	2.38%
Honduras	112992	191136 (505)	4681 (37)	19067	467	1.65%
Slovakia	100339	365733 (333)	10094 (0)	66964	1848	1.75%
Czechia	97505	1555255 (1411)	27276 (102)	145023	2543	2.03%
Serbia	88829	625773 (4398)	5537 (40)	71842	636	4.84%
Lebanon	86110	482798 (2296)	6479 (36)	70979	953	3.68%
Bangladesh	83885	651652 (7213)	9384 (66)	3927	57	7.02%

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Iraq	83332	887291 (7300)	14535 (33)	21691	355	4.85%
Romania	78402	983217 (5231)	24386 (196)	51372	1274	3.72%
Jordan	76172	645449 (6005)	7383 (100)	62785	718	6.27%
Bulgaria	70757	360863 (4004)	13918 (132)	52236	2015	6.22%
Colombia	67356	2468236 (11827)	64524 (231)	48117	1258	2.86%
Pakistan	63102	696184 (3953)	14924 (103)	3106	67	4.74%
Canada	60296	1020893 (6519)	23141 (23)	26870	609	4.34%
Ethiopia	52400	219381 (2054)	3025 (25)	1873	26	6.77%
Switzerland	47880	610274 (4932)	10403 (26)	70123	1195	1.89%
Cyprus	46516	48837 (559)	264 (2)	40226	217	6.98%
Chile	41401	1037780 (5168)	23734 (57)	53935	1233	4.65%
Kenya	41006	139842 (394)	2258 (14)	2558	41	5.15%
Bolivia	37565	275392 (458)	12344 (20)	23350	1047	1.83%
Egypt	37251	206510 (778)	12253 (43)	1990	118	2.46%

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Dominican Republic	36544	254603 (168)	3355 (4)	23292	307	0.87%
Greece	36013	281570 (4293)	8532 (79)	27116	822	7.63%
Bosnia	35754	177506 (1093)	7052 (99)	54363	2160	5.55%
Paraguay	35083	224736 (2073)	4522 (59)	31217	628	5.36%
Austria	34188	562907 (1935)	9517 (35)	62230	1052	3.62%
Tunisia	33359	263043 (1866)	9039 (46)	22081	759	4.13%
Finland	33208	80068 (331)	860 (14)	14434	155	4.03%
Algeria	32671	117879 (140)	3112 (4)	2652	70	0.69%
Ecuador	30384	337702 (925)	17004 (17)	18922	953	3.07%
Albania	29618	126936 (141)	2283 (9)	44146	794	1.74%
West Bank & Gaza	29174	256461 (2539)	2735 (19)	49402	527	6.39%
Kazakhstan	27330	256837 (1809)	3129 (19)	13555	165	5.26%
Azerbaijan	26659	273869 (2035)	3743 (32)	26827	367	5.26%
Peru	26406	1598593 (8384)	53411 (273)	47975	1603	3.66%

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Portugal	25944	824368 (874)	16887 (2)	81027	1660	0.40%
Uruguay	25309	123063 (3105)	1191 (45)	35333	342	16.74%
Japan	24241	487545 (2220)	9249 (18)	3864	73	3.56%
Costa Rica	22989	219846 (1690)	3000 (26)	42858	585	1.40%
Jamaica	22262	41328 (315)	622 (4)	13910	209	6.00%
N Macedonia	21265	136426 (1259)	4022 (45)	65485	1931	5.80%
South Africa	21001	1552853 (437)	53032 (37)	25934	886	0.39%
Estonia	20611	110680 (899)	964 (14)	83393	726	4.76%
Norway	19449	100149 (1077)	677 (1)	18364	124	4.93%
Qatar	17996	185261 (927)	312 (6)	65981	111	3.28%
Armenia	16645	197873 (760)	3627 (13)	66681	1222	3.23%
Oman	15449	165480 (1206)	1728 (6)	31793	332	4.49%
Lithuania	15434	220904 (690)	3625 (8)	82026	1346	2.55%
Venezuela	14318	169074 (1526)	1693 (15)	5959	60	5.87%

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Kuwait	13878	239952 (1403)	1373 (8)	55562	318	3.81%
UAE	13735	474136 (1988)	1516 (4)	47502	152	3.12%
Moldova	13733	236563 (773)	5224 (46)	58747	1297	3.46%
Slovenia	13395	220698 (273)	4089 (7)	106148	1967	3.01%
Libya	11075	164318 (876)	2765 (8)	23669	398	3.69%
Croatia	11028	280899 (735)	6113 (30)	68749	1496	4.23%
Kosovo	10488	76070 (0)	1688 (0)			0.00%
Bahrain	10141	150811 (1020)	545 (4)	86367	312	4.80%
Mozambique	9581	68292 (65)	785 (3)	2140	25	1.46%
Denmark	8874	235010 (520)	2433 (2)	40345	419	1.88%
Guatemala	8585	197020 (1340)	6903 (9)	10845	380	1.62%
Nigeria	7700	163388 (58)	2058 (0)	778	10	0.38%
Myanmar	7505	142530 (19)	3206 (0)	2606	59	0.08%

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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
Belarus	7353	329258 (968)	2304 (10)	34853	244	2.63%
South Korea	7115	106230 (478)	1752 (4)	2071	34	3.43%
Latvia	6838	104533 (309)	1937 (3)	55895	1036	2.68%
Saudi Arabia	6686	394169 (792)	6711 (7)	11190	191	1.20%
Papua New Guinea	6492	7405 (0)	67 (0)	816	7	24.11%
Somalia	6344	11978 (70)	576 (8)	738	35	5.73%
Lesotho	5921	10707 (0)	315 (0)	4968	146	0.20%
Georgia	5906	284958 (897)	3832 (10)	71538	962	1.34%
Mongolia**	5628	11651 (831)	13 (1)	3511	4	30.74%
Cuba	5329	81640 (1030)	440 (4)	7211	39	9.10%
Montenegro	5192	93030 (290)	1326 (9)	148107	2111	2.36%

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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
Israel*	4931	834920 (317)	6257 (9)	90776	680	0.27%
Syria	4875	19641 (115)	1332 (9)	1102	75	4.41%
Cameroon	4717	57337 (0)	851 (0)	2120	31	16.86%
Panama	4614	356913 (357)	6146 (8)	81741	1408	0.65%
Morocco	4453	499035 (696)	8866 (8)	13399	238	0.72%
Botswana	4136	41710 (0)	616 (0)	17469	258	4.46%
Sudan	3834	30111 (0)	2063 (0)	675	46	0.95%
Luxembourg	3483	62625 (211)	761 (1)	98821	1201	2.19%
Mali	3353	10758 (138)	396 (3)	520	19	7.06%
Maldives	3088	25053 (145)	67 (0)	45736	122	4.85%
Gabon	2834	19863 (0)	119 (0)	8767	53	3.64%
Togo	2829	11310 (61)	113 (1)	1342	13	9.38%
Madagascar	2599	25874 (165)	462 (3)	917	16	6.22%
Zambia	2509	89071 (62)	1224 (2)	4745	65	0.98%

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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
Afghanistan	2433	56873 (94)	2512 (0)	1436	63	0.74%
Sri Lanka	2396	93690 (95)	586 (5)	4361	27	1.33%
Kyrgyzstan	2380	89277 (124)	1509 (2)	13515	228	1.12%
Nicaragua	2323	6727 (50)	179 (1)	1006	27	0.74%
Burundi	2191	2970 (6)	6 (0)	244	1	7.17%
Yemen	2177	4975 (94)	976 (21)	164	32	14.63%
Australia	2137	29364 (7)	909 (0)	1141	35	0.24%
Guinea	2121	20510 (4)	130 (0)	1530	10	3.50%
Nepal	1979	278470 (260)	3036 (0)	9429	103	0.48%
Djibouti	1951	9111 (415)	85 (9)	9121	85	14.50%
Rwanda	1843	22862 (178)	314 (3)	1733	24	5.32%
Namibia	1825	45008 (122)	542 (4)	17473	210	2.13%
Congo (Kinshasa)	1791	28377 (23)	745 (0)	310	8	1.06%

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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
Congo (Brazzaville)	1739	10084 (403)	137 (2)	1794	24	4.00%
Malawi	1712	33685 (12)	1124 (0)	1727	58	0.47%
Thailand	1528	29571 (250)	95 (0)	423	1	2.54%
Cote d'Ivoire	1468	44854 (13)	256 (0)	1669	10	2.93%
Ghana	1451	90946 (46)	752 (0)	2881	24	0.72%
Uzbekistan	1422	83935 (133)	632 (1)	2480	19	1.49%
Haiti	1235	12803 (0)	251 (0)	1112	22	0.34%
Cabo Verde	1180	18023 (84)	173 (0)	32150	309	4.13%
El Salvador	1118	65491 (0)	2033 (3)	10058	312	1.62%
Sierra Leone	1086	3990 (1)	79 (0)	493	10	0.50%
Guyana	1036	10637 (31)	247 (1)	13474	313	4.18%
Cambodia**	1008	2824 (72)	22 (1)	167	1	15.79%

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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 Change 7-Day Av
California	1672234	3685045 (2980)	59887 (99)	93277	1516	0.53%
New York	649719	1918437 (6041)	50751 (45)	100787	2624	2.77%
Virginia	565154	627605 (1434)	10401 (41)	73529	1219	1.54%
Florida	471581	2090862 (5556)	33780 (70)	97350	1574	1.84%
Maryland	400758	419055 (867)	8378 (15)	69315	1386	2.17%
Kentucky	373596	429841 (330)	6184 (13)	96211	1384	0.88%
South Carolina	310256	557803 (1334)	9204 (1)	108338	1788	1.28%
Georgia	297176	1066671 (1474)	19238 (26)	100464	1812	0.84%
New Jersey	200216	933736 (3710)	24700 (51)	105125	2781	3.06%
Michigan	191639	786123 (6149)	17343 (61)	78716	1737	5.96%
Alabama	185881	517114 (196)	10652 (14)	105465	2172	0.41%
Washington	184010	370652 (635)	5299 (14)	49055	703	2.00%
Rhode Island	128495	139549 (376)	2632 (2)	131729	2485	1.99%
Missouri	126864	585131 (576)	8876 (9)	94559	1498	0.71%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Colorado	120112	470254 (1266)	6132 (6)	81659	1088	2.11%
Texas	92938	2811270 (4362)	48815 (86)	97081	1691	0.78%
Pennsylvania	82544	1052450 (4722)	25217 (37)	82448	1980	2.80%
Idaho	78198	182182 (346)	1974 (2)	101945	1105	1.16%
Illinois	69639	1261577 (2947)	23673 (8)	99565	1868	1.56%
Wisconsin	66709	640704 (1151)	7349 (8)	99798	1142	0.84%
Nebraska	45546	212257 (299)	2183 (2)	109727	1129	1.58%
Maine	38568	52277 (291)	746 (0)	38890	555	3.87%
Ohio	35165	1028800 (1871)	18741 (98)	88014	1603	1.29%
Massachusetts	34652	648023 (1803)	17337 (12)	94019	2515	2.31%
Connecticut	34077	317729 (1074)	7930 (7)	89117	2224	2.41%
Hawaii	31022	31489 (59)	467 (0)	21391	330	2.65%
North Carolina	23517	923430 (870)	12189 (16)	88046	1162	1.22%
Indiana	20118	692240 (615)	13084 (9)	102825	1943	0.98%

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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 Change 7-Day Av
Arizona	17674	845480 (570)	16996 (5)	116158	2335	0.52%
Nevada	16583	305652 (295)	5297 (22)	99233	1720	0.71%
Minnesota	15601	530662 (3012)	6967 (4)	94095	1234	2.41%
Oregon	14885	167658 (530)	2427 (33)	39751	575	1.84%
New Mexico	14474	192773 (178)	3961 (8)	91935	1889	0.72%
Iowa	13090	354557 (728)	5835 (13)	121305	1849	1.07%
Tennessee	12553	818008 (986)	11967 (38)	119781	1752	0.91%
Puerto Rico	12196	110233 (400)	2139 (8)	61972	631	2.84%
District of Columbia	12122	45234 (122)	1074 (2)	64094	1522	1.82%
Oklahoma	10485	440142 (120)	4953 (0)	111232	1252	0.49%
Alaska	10261	64081 (80)	313 (0)	84041	422	2.00%
Utah	9057	387814 (300)	2137 (4)	120967	667	0.69%
Kansas	7849	304793 (9)	4891 (0)	104860	1702	0.44%
Delaware	7305	96806 (229)	1567 (1)	99414	1609	2.31%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
West Virginia	6854	144010 (277)	2707 (11)	80356	1510	1.87%
Louisiana	6846	446955 (218)	10174 (9)	96144	2189	0.57%

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

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Mississippi**	3534	306158 (0)	7055 (0)	102932	2377	0.42%
Vermont	3446	20373 (106)	229 (0)	32650	367	6.20%
New Hampshire	3324	86521 (396)	1249 (0)	63624	919	3.24%
Virgin Islands	2919	2945 (0)	26 (0)			1.29%
South Dakota	2419	118680 (163)	1938 (0)	134153	2191	1.00%
Arkansas	1648	331261 (163)	5653 (5)	109769	1873	0.32%
North Dakota	1111	103974 (260)	1499 (2)	136438	1926	1.05%

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