



Round Table Report

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This report summarizes the ECDC daily roundtable discussion and provides update on threats detected and monitored by Epidemic Intelligence.

Active threat

COVID-19 associated with SARS-CoV-2 – multi-country (world) – 2020

Sources: This update is based on multiple official sources, including [WHO updates](#), Ministries of Health, National Health authorities and official social media accounts. Detailed updates are presented on the [ECDC website](#) and [ECDC COVID-19 dashboard](#).

Update: Since week 2020-51 and as of week 2020-52, 4 212 527 new cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) and 75 539 new deaths have been reported.

New cases have been reported from America (1 855 223), Europe (1 760 675), Asia (433 601), Africa (162 438) and Oceania (590). The five countries reporting most new cases are: United States (1 306 812), Russia (315 367), United Kingdom (289 583), Brazil (220 666) and India (152 311).

New deaths have been reported from Europe (35 903), America (28 538), Asia (7 251), Africa (3 841) and Oceania (6). The five countries reporting most new deaths are: United States (15 656), Russia (6 114), Mexico (4 257), Germany (3 851) and Brazil (3 848).

Summary: Since 31 December 2019 and as of week 2020-52, 80 316 555 cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) have been reported, including 1 770 695 deaths.

Cases have been reported from:

Africa: 2 674 387 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are South Africa (1 011 871), Morocco (432 079), Egypt (132 541), Tunisia (131 592) and Ethiopia (123 145).

Asia: 17 672 147 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are India (10 207 871), Iran (1 200 465), Indonesia (713 365), Iraq (591 597) and Bangladesh (509 148).

America: 35 072 089 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are United States (19 151 651), Brazil (7 484 285), Colombia (1 603 807), Argentina (1 590 485) and Mexico (1 389 430).

Europe: 24 842 295 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Russia (3 078 035), France (2 562 646), United Kingdom (2 329 730), Italy (2 047 696) and Spain (1 879 413).

Oceania: 54 932 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Australia (28 312), French Polynesia (16 550), Guam (7 270), New Zealand (1 788) and Papua New Guinea (780).

Other: 705 cases have been reported from an international conveyance in Japan.

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Deaths have been reported from:

Africa: 63 193 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are South Africa (27 071), Egypt (7 405), Morocco (7 240), Tunisia (4 466) and Algeria (2 737).

Asia: 305 079 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are India (147 901), Iran (54 693), Indonesia (21 237), Iraq (12 780) and Pakistan (9 929).

America: 848 838 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United States (333 326), Brazil (191 139), Mexico (122 855), Argentina (42 868) and Colombia (42 374).

Europe: 552 404 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are Italy (71 925), United Kingdom (71 109), France (63 109), Russia (55 265) and Spain (50 122).

Oceania: 1 175 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are Australia (908), Guam (121), French Polynesia (108), New Zealand (25) and Papua New Guinea (9).

Other: 6 deaths have been reported from an international conveyance in Japan.

EU/EEA and the UK:

As of week 2020-52, 17 348 389 cases have been reported in the EU/EEA and the UK: France (2 562 646), United Kingdom (2 329 730), Italy (2 047 696), Spain (1 879 413), Germany (1 651 834), Poland (1 261 010), Netherlands (769 494), Czechia (674 340), Belgium (639 636), Romania (618 429), Sweden (421 449), Portugal (396 666), Austria (351 386), Hungary (316 669), Croatia (205 246), Bulgaria (197 716), Slovakia (168 092), Denmark (155 826), Greece (135 931), Lithuania (132 369), Slovenia (115 327), Ireland (86 894), Norway (47 057), Luxembourg (45 849), Latvia (36 838), Finland (35 137), Estonia (25 808), Cyprus (19 657), Malta (12 426), Iceland (5 726) and Liechtenstein (2 092).

As of week 2020-52, 427 798 deaths have been reported in the EU/EEA and the UK: Italy (71 925), United Kingdom (71 109), France (63 109), Spain (50 122), Germany (30 126), Poland (27 147), Belgium (19 226), Romania (15 334), Czechia (11 152), Netherlands (11 028), Hungary (9 161), Sweden (8 459), Bulgaria (7 164), Portugal (6 677), Austria (5 872), Greece (4 672), Croatia (3 739), Slovenia (2 584), Ireland (2 205), Slovakia (1 879), Lithuania (1 269), Denmark (1 204), Latvia (578), Finland (546), Luxembourg (487), Norway (429), Malta (215), Estonia (213), Cyprus (112), Iceland (28) and Liechtenstein (27).

EU:

As of week 2020-52, 14 963 784 cases and 356 205 deaths have been reported in the EU.

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC):

On 30 January 2020, the World Health Organization declared that the outbreak of COVID-19 constitutes a PHEIC. On 11 March 2020, the Director-General of the [WHO](#) declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic. The [third](#), [fourth](#) and [fifth](#) International Health Regulations (IHR) Emergency Committee meeting for COVID-19 were held in Geneva on 30 April, 31 July and 29 October 2020, respectively. The committee concluded during these meetings that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to constitute a PHEIC.

Assessment: For the last available risk assessment, please visit [ECDC dedicated webpage](#).

Actions: ECDC has published the thirteenth update of its [rapid risk assessment](#). A [dashboard](#) with the latest updates is available on ECDC's website. ECDC [rapid risk assessment](#) on the risk of increase of COVID-19 infection related to end-of-year festive season was published on 4 December 2020. On 29 December 2020, ECDC published [rapid risk assessment](#) on the risk related to spread of new SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern in the EU/EEA.

Risk assessments under production

Rapid Risk Assessment: [Risk related to spread of new SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern in the EU/EEA](#) was published on 29 December 2020.

Joint ECDC and EFSA rapid outbreak assessment to be produced on *Salmonella* Enteritidis contamination in poultry products from Poland to be published in week 03-2021.

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