



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 threats

COVID-19 associated with SARS-CoV-2 – multi-country (world) – 2019-2021

Update: Since week 2021-2 and as of week 2021-3, 4 328 434 new cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) and 100 585 new deaths have been reported.

New cases have been reported from America (2 209 843), Europe (1 473 955), Asia (460 650), Africa (183 817) and Oceania (169). The five countries reporting most new cases are: United States (1 358 783), Brazil (359 623), Spain (256 931), United Kingdom (251 504) and Russia (147 624).

New deaths have been reported from America (48 277), Europe (39 293), Asia (6 513), Africa (6 501) and Oceania (1). The five countries reporting most new deaths are: United States (23 518), Mexico (9 025), United Kingdom (8 678), Brazil (7 365) and Germany (5 454).

Summary: Since 31 December 2019 and as of week 2021-3, 99 727 853 cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) have been reported, including 2 137 670 deaths.

Cases have been reported from:

Africa: 3 447 422 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are South Africa (1 412 986), Morocco (466 289), Tunisia (198 636), Egypt (161 817) and Ethiopia (133 767).

Asia: 19 536 946 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are India (10 667 736), Iran (1 372 977), Indonesia (989 262), Iraq (613 763) and Israel (601 069). **America:** 44 467 429 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are United States (25 297 071), Brazil (8 871 393), Colombia (2 027 746), Argentina (1 874 784) and Mexico (1 771 740).

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647 463), France (3 053 617), Spain (2 593 382) and Italy (2 466 813).

Oceania: 56 991 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Australia (28 766), French Polynesia (17 635), Guam (7 554), New Zealand (1 932) and Papua New Guinea (849).

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

Deaths have been reported from:

Africa: 85 395 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are South Africa (40 874), Egypt (8 959), Morocco (8 150), Tunisia (6 287) and Algeria (2 863).

Asia: 330 807 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are India (153 470), Iran (57 383), Indonesia (27 835), Iraq (12 993) and Pakistan (11 318).

America: 1 018 269 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United States (421 129), Brazil (217 664), Mexico (150 273), Colombia (51 747) and Argentina (47 034).

Europe: 701 991 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United Kingdom (97 939), Italy (85 461), France (73 049), Russia (69 918) and Spain (56 208).

Oceania: 1 202 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are Australia (909), Guam (129), French Polynesia (126), New Zealand (25) and Papua New Guinea (9).

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

EU/EEA:

As of week 2021-3, 18 849 065 cases have been reported in the EU/EEA: France (3 053 617), Spain (2 593 382), Italy (2 466 813), Germany (2 141 665), Poland (1 478 119), Netherlands (951 776), Czechia (940 004), Romania (712 561), Belgium (695 252), Portugal (636 190), Sweden (556 289), Austria (401 534), Hungary (360 418), Slovakia (237 027), Croatia (229 054), Bulgaria (214 817), Denmark (195 296), Ireland (187 554), Lithuania (177 166), Slovenia (158 139), Greece (151 980), Norway (61 082), Latvia (61 008), Luxembourg (49 704), Finland (42 580), Estonia (40 716), Cyprus (30 017), Malta (16 861), Iceland (5 990) and Liechtenstein (2 454).

As of week 2021-3, 449 395 deaths have been reported in the EU/EEA: Italy (85 461), France (73 049), Spain (56 208), Germany (52 087), Poland (35 401), Belgium (20 837), Romania (17 841), Czechia (15 453), Netherlands (13 564), Hungary (12 024), Sweden (11 247), Portugal (10 469), Bulgaria (8 820), Austria (7 362), Greece (5 646), Croatia (4 859), Slovakia (4 068), Slovenia (3 581), Ireland (2 970), Lithuania (2 664), Denmark (2 010), Latvia (1 111), Finland (655), Luxembourg (564), Norway (548), Estonia (376), Malta (253), Cyprus (186), Liechtenstein (52) and Iceland (29).

EU:

As of week 2021-3, 18 779 539 cases and 448 766 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](#), [fifth](#) and [sixth](#) International Health Regulations (IHR) Emergency Committee meeting for COVID-19 were held in Geneva on 30 April, 31 July, 29 October 2020, and 14 January 2021, respectively. The committee concluded during these meetings that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to constitute a PHEIC.

The [sixth](#) International Health Regulations (IHR) Emergency Committee meeting for COVID-19, held on 14 January 2021, [considered](#) issues that needed urgent discussion, such as the recent variants and the use of vaccination and testing certificates for international travel.

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's [rapid risk assessment](#) on the risk of increase of COVID-19

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infection related to end-of-year festive season was published on 4 December 2020. ECDC's [rapid risk assessment](#) on the risk related to spread of new SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern in the EU/EEA was published on 29 December 2020, and it will be updated and circulated on 20 January 2021.

Risk assessment under production

Joint ECDC and EFSA rapid outbreak assessment to be produced on *Salmonella* Enteritidis contamination in poultry products from Poland to be published 28 February 2021.

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