



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 the previous RT report published on 17 March 2021 and as of 18 March 2021, 164 765 new cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) and 2 535 new deaths have been reported in the EU/EEA.

New cases have been reported from EU/EEA. The five countries reporting most new cases are: France (38 501), Poland (25 053), Italy (23 040), Germany (17 504) and Czechia (12 028).

New deaths have been reported from EU/EEA. The five countries reporting most new deaths are: Poland (454), Italy (431), France (241), Spain (228) and Germany (227).

Summary: Since 31 December 2019 and as of 18 March 2021, 24 540 291 cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) have been reported in the EU/EEA, including 584 215 deaths.

EU/EEA cases:

As of 18 March 2021, 24 540 291 cases have been reported in the EU/EEA: France (4 146 609), Italy (3 281 810), Spain (3 206 116), Germany (2 612 268), Poland (1 956 974), Czechia (1 439 019), Netherlands (1 172 008), Romania (874 985), Belgium (818 048), Portugal (815 570), Sweden (732 070), Hungary (539 080), Austria (497 882), Slovakia (342 430), Bulgaria (291 769), Croatia (253 310), Ireland (228 215), Greece (227 247), Denmark (222 629), Lithuania (206 889), Slovenia (202 572), Latvia (95 420), Estonia (91 031), Norway (82 455), Finland (68 693), Luxembourg (58 408), Cyprus (40 726), Malta (27 272), Iceland (6 089) and Liechtenstein (2 697).

EU/EEA deaths: As of 18 March 2021, 584 215 deaths have been reported in the EU/EEA: Italy (103 432), France (91 437), Germany (74 132), Spain (72 793), Poland (48 032), Czechia (24 117), Belgium (22 600), Romania (21 787), Hungary (17 628), Portugal (16 722), Netherlands (16 145), Sweden (13 228), Bulgaria (11 715), Austria (8 747), Slovakia (8 738), Greece (7 252), Croatia (5 709), Ireland (4 566), Slovenia (4 224), Lithuania (3 427), Denmark (2 396), Latvia (1 789), Finland (804), Estonia (758), Luxembourg (704), Norway (648), Malta (361), Cyprus (241), Liechtenstein (54) and Iceland (29).

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EU:

As of 18 March 2021, 24 449 050 cases and 583 484 deaths have been reported in the EU.

Weekly worldwide update:

Update: Since week 2021-9 and as of week 2021-10, 3 107 830 new cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) and 60 723 new deaths have been reported.

New cases have been reported from Europe (1 266 856), America (1 261 953), Asia (511 978), Africa (66 494) and Oceania (549). The five countries reporting most new cases are: United States (506 660), Brazil (467 944), France (167 429), India (155 941) and Italy (155 656).

New deaths have been reported from America (32 133), Europe (21 255), Asia (5 286), Africa (2 043) and Oceania (6). The five countries reporting most new deaths are: Brazil (12 888), United States (10 682), Mexico (4 021), Russia (2 617) and Italy (2 360).

Summary: Since 31 December 2019 and as of week 2021-10, 120 268 427 cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) have been reported, including 2 659 802 deaths.

Cases have been reported from:

Africa: 4 045 716 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are South Africa (1 529 420), Morocco (488 937), Tunisia (242 124), Egypt (190 924) and Ethiopia (175 467).

Asia: 22 641 603 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are India (11 385 339), Iran (1 746 953), Indonesia (1 419 455), Israel (819 987) and Iraq (758 184).

America: 53 497 254 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are United States (29 495 422), Brazil (11 519 609), Colombia (2 305 884), Argentina (2 201 832) and Mexico (2 167 729).

Europe: 40 023 320 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Russia (4 390 608), United Kingdom (4 258 438), France (4 071 662), Italy (3 223 142) and Spain (3 195 062).

Oceania: 59 829 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Australia (29 117), French Polynesia (18 527), Guam (7 768), New Zealand (2 074) and Papua New Guinea (1 819).

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

Deaths have been reported from:

Africa: 107 826 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are South Africa (51 326), Egypt (11 300), Morocco (8 723), Tunisia (8 404) and Algeria (3 036).

Asia: 371 037 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are India (158 725), Iran (61 230), Indonesia (38 426), Iraq (13 751) and Pakistan (13 537).

America: 1 282 028 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United States (535 661), Brazil (279 286), Mexico (194 944), Colombia (61 243) and Argentina (53 836).

Europe: 897 671 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United Kingdom (125 516), Italy (102 145), Russia (92 090), France (90 455) and Germany (73 418).

Oceania: 1 234 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are Australia (909), French Polynesia (141), Guam (133), New Zealand (26) and Papua New Guinea (21).

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

EU/EEA:

As of week 2021-10, 24 175 984 cases have been reported in the EU/EEA: France (4 071 662), Italy (3 223 142), Spain (3 195 062), Germany (2 575 849), Poland (1 917 527), Czechia (1 402 420), Netherlands (1 161 197), Romania (862 681), Portugal (814 513), Belgium (810 909), Sweden (722 590), Hungary (524 196), Austria (490 671), Slovakia (337 960), Bulgaria (278 557), Croatia (251 174), Ireland (226 741), Greece (221 147), Denmark (221 071), Lithuania (205 644), Slovenia (200 579), Latvia (93 781), Estonia (86 086), Norway (80 440), Finland (67 334), Luxembourg (57 877), Cyprus (39 651), Malta (26 748), Iceland (6 083) and Liechtenstein (2 692).

As of week 2021-10, 577 310 deaths have been reported in the EU/EEA: Italy (102 145), France (90 455), Germany (73 418), Spain (72 424), Poland (47 206), Czechia (23 379), Belgium (22 544), Romania (21 565),

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Hungary (17 083), Portugal (16 694), Netherlands (16 067), Sweden (13 137), Bulgaria (11 285), Austria (8 669), Slovakia (8 605), Greece (7 091), Croatia (5 685), Ireland (4 534), Slovenia (4 220), Lithuania (3 410), Denmark (2 393), Latvia (1 767), Finland (800), Estonia (728), Luxembourg (689), Norway (640), Malta (354), Cyprus (240), Liechtenstein (54) and Iceland (29).

EU:

As of week 2021-10, 24 086 769 cases and 576 587 deaths have been reported in the EU.

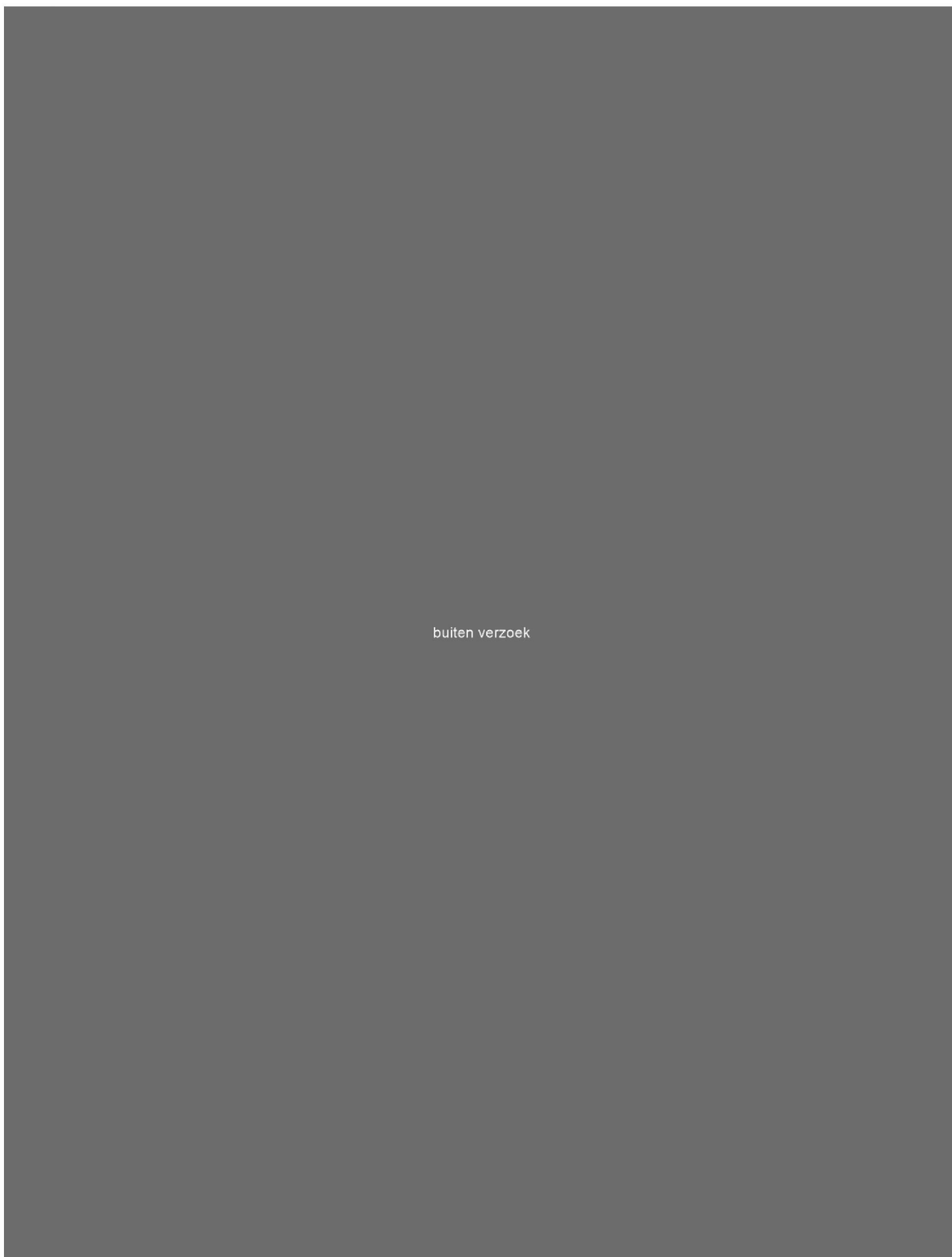
Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC):

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 2020, 31 July 2020, 29 October 2020, and 14 January 2021, 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's dedicated webpage](#).

Actions: ECDC has published the 14th 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 related to the spread of new SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern in the EU/EEA was published on 29 December 2020, and a [first update](#) published on 21 January 2021.

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