



Round Table Report

1 December 2020

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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 the previous RT report published on 30 November 2020 and as of 01 December 2020, 484 685 new cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) and 8 821 new deaths have been reported.

New cases have been reported from America (218 356), Europe (175 022), Asia (81 394), Africa (9 864) and Oceania (49). The five countries reporting most new cases are: United States (157 903), India (31 118), Russia (26 402), Brazil (21 138) and Spain (19 979).

New deaths have been reported from Europe (4 682), America (2 524), Asia (1 348), Africa (266) and Oceania (1). The five countries reporting most new deaths are: United States (1 172), Italy (672), Russia (569), India (482) and France (406).

Summary: Since 31 December 2019 and as of 01 December 2020, 63 245 164 cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) have been reported, including 1 469 469 deaths.

Cases have been reported from:

Africa: 2 174 027 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are South Africa (790 004), Morocco (356 336), Egypt (115 911), Ethiopia (110 074) and Tunisia (96 769).

Asia: 15 775 670 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are India (9 462 809), Iran (962 070), Iraq (552 549), Indonesia (538 883) and Bangladesh (464 932).

America: 27 041 305 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are United States (13 541 224), Brazil (6 335 878), Argentina (1 424 518), Colombia (1 316 806) and Mexico (1 113 543).

Europe: 18 202 050 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Russia (2 322 056), France (2 222 488), Spain (1 648 187), United Kingdom (1 629 657) and Italy (1 601 554).

Oceania: 51 416 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are Australia (27 904), French Polynesia (14 096), Guam (6 852), New Zealand (1 703) and Papua New Guinea (655).

Other: 696 cases have been reported from an international conveyance in Japan.

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Deaths have been reported from:

Africa: 51 992 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are South Africa (21 535), Egypt (6 650), Morocco (5 846), Tunisia (3 260) and Algeria (2 431).

Asia: 273 730 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are India (137 621), Iran (48 246), Indonesia (16 945), Iraq (12 258) and Philippines (8 392).

America: 729 315 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United States (268 045), Brazil (173 120), Mexico (105 940), Argentina (38 730) and Colombia (36 766).

Europe: 413 296 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are United Kingdom (58 448), Italy (55 576), France (52 731), Spain (45 069) and Russia (40 464).

Oceania: 1 129 deaths; the five countries reporting most deaths are Australia (908), Guam (112), French Polynesia (73), New Zealand (25) and Papua New Guinea (7).

Other: 7 deaths have been reported from an international conveyance in Japan.

EU/EEA and the UK:

As of 01 December 2020, 13 229 794 cases have been reported in the EU/EEA and the UK: France (2 222 488), Spain (1 648 187), United Kingdom (1 629 657), Italy (1 601 554), Germany (1 067 473), Poland (990 811), Belgium (577 249), Czechia (523 298), Netherlands (522 835), Romania (475 362), Portugal (298 061), Austria (280 530), Sweden (243 129), Hungary (221 073), Bulgaria (145 300), Croatia (128 442), Slovakia (105 929), Greece (105 271), Denmark (80 481), Slovenia (75 814), Ireland (72 544), Lithuania (62 515), Norway (35 826), Luxembourg (34 538), Finland (24 912), Latvia (17 075), Estonia (12 308), Cyprus (10 565), Malta (9 873), Iceland (5 392) and Liechtenstein (1 302).

As of 01 December 2020, 325 407 deaths have been reported in the EU/EEA and the UK: United Kingdom (58 448), Italy (55 576), France (52 731), Spain (45 069), Poland (17 150), Belgium (16 645), Germany (16 636), Romania (11 331), Netherlands (9 363), Czechia (8 295), Sweden (6 681), Hungary (4 977), Portugal (4 505), Bulgaria (4 035), Austria (2 983), Greece (2 406), Ireland (2 053), Croatia (1 786), Slovenia (948), Slovakia (839), Denmark (837), Lithuania (519), Finland (399), Norway (332), Luxembourg (312), Latvia (206), Malta (137), Estonia (118), Cyprus (49), Iceland (26) and Liechtenstein (15).

EU:

As of 01 December 2020, 11 557 617 cases and 266 586 deaths have been reported in the EU.

Other news: According to [media](#) quoting an EC official: "Hungary is allowed to use Russia's Sputnik vaccine, but it must assume "full responsibility" and liability."

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 detection of new SARS-CoV-2 variants related to minks has been published on 12 November 2020.

Risk assessments under production

ECDC rapid risk assessment Risk of increase of COVID-19 infection related to end-of-year festive season, to be published on 4 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.

Expert deployments

One EPIET working remotely with WHO headquarters, Geneva, until 4 December 2020, to support response activities in the Ebola outbreak in DRC.

Two EPIET are deployed to DRC until 10 and 22 December 2020 respectively, to support response activities in the Ebola outbreak in DRC.

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