

Dentons Flashpoint

Daily Global Situation Report

November 18, 2020

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

Bahrain delegation visits Israel on first Gulf Air flight.

Britain to ban new petrol cars by 2030 on road to net zero emissions.

First self-testing coronavirus diagnostic kit approved by US regulators.

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Global

Overnight, confirmed coronavirus cases rose to 56,016,137 in 216 countries and territories, with 1,345,070 deaths.

- Pfizer said it has reached a safety milestone for its **COVID-19 vaccine**, putting it very close to submitting for emergency authorization.
- US regulators granted emergency approval for the first time to a **self-testing coronavirus diagnostic kit**; the Lucira Covid-19 All-In-One Test Kit involves the user swabbing their nose then swirling the swab in a vial placed in the test unit., with results in 30 minutes.
- The G20 is nearing a consensus on unlocking **additional IMF funds** for poorer nations whose economies have been battered by the coronavirus crisis.

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Markets

Bitcoin broke through \$18,000 on Wednesday to hit its highest since December 2017.

- **European stocks** slipped on Wednesday with worries about further economic damage and fresh lockdown measures.
- **Asian stock** markets were mostly higher Wednesday.
- **US stocks** slipped Tuesday as weak consumer data added to concerns about surging infections; US October **retail sales** grew at the slowest rate in six months.
- **US homebuilder confidence** reached a record high in November and **US industrial production** rebounded in October.
- Saudi Aramco raised \$8 billion in its sale of dollar-denominated **bonds** Tuesday.

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Business

Unilever is aiming to increase its annual sales of plant-based meat and dairy alternatives to €1 billion in five to seven years.

- In France, 4,500 people, including the mayor of Paris, signed a petition for an “Amazon-free Christmas.” **Amazon** launched an online pharmacy delivery service in an effort to challenge retailers like **Walgreens and CVS**.
- The cruise operator **SeaDream** canceled sailing through 2020.
- **British Airways** will launch coronavirus tests on some trans-Atlantic flights in its continuing bid for the UK government to drop quarantine requirements.
- **Insurer Convex** raised \$1 billion in extra capital to back new business as insurance prices rise.
- **Sempra Energy** confirmed its decision to build a new LNG plant in Mexico, the first decision of its kind since the onset of the pandemic.
- Britain will ban the sale of new **petrol and diesel cars** and vans from 2030, five years earlier than previously planned, to cut emissions to net zero by 2050.
- Elon Musk’s **SpaceX** capsule arrived at the International Space Station.
- *Wall Street Journal* analysis showed that about 300 companies that received US pandemic-related aid have filed for **bankruptcy**, the majority of which received less than \$1 million.
- **Deutsche Börse** agreed to buy a majority stake in **Institutional Shareholder Services**.

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Africa

- **Ethiopian** Prime Minister Ahmed promised a “*final and crucial*” offensive in Tigray.
- Opposition figures in **Guinea** were charged with “*disrupting the public order.*”
- The WHO lauded **Mozambique’s** handling of the coronavirus, calling the country’s outbreak mostly under control.
- At least 5 were killed in a suicide bombing in Mogadishu, **Somalia**.
- A **Congolese** singer was arrested over a song interpreted as satirizing the current and former president.
- Hundreds of Malawians protested for tougher rape persecution, continuing months of anti-sexual assault demonstrations. A Malawian preacher, arrested in **South Africa** for money laundering, fled to **Malawi**, prompting tensions between the two countries.



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Asia

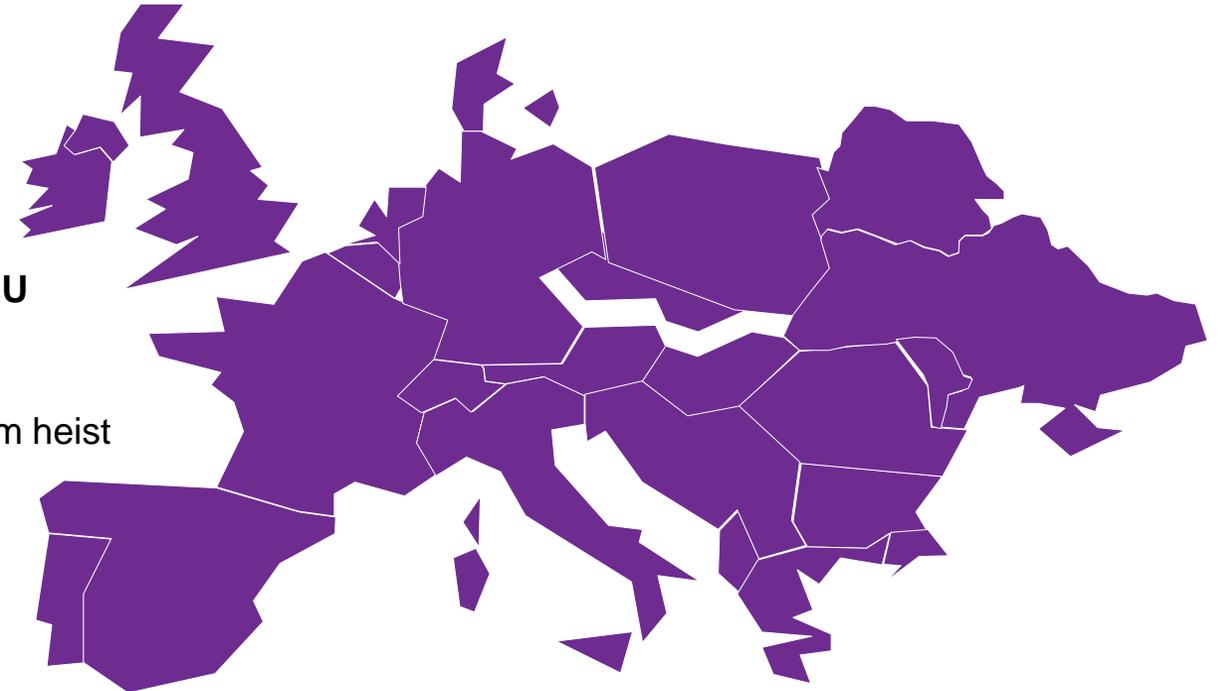
- Russian state media reported that **India and China** may begin producing **Russia's** Sputnik V vaccine.
- **Asian airlines** continue to feel the pandemic's strain, despite fewer infections relative to other regions and hopes around travel bubbles: AirAsia Japan filed for bankruptcy, leaving 23,000 flyers without refunds, and Vietnamese lawmakers approves a \$520m lifeline to rescue Vietnam Airlines.
- Tokyo is reportedly close to raising its four-tier COVID-19 alert to the highest level. A Japanese government survey showed that **Japanese** companies are cutting job offers to new graduates at the fastest pace since 2009.
- **Indonesia's** mass vaccination plan may be delayed as the country's food and drug agency warned incomplete data will slow emergency authorization until January.
- **China** has suspended routes from eight airlines over passengers testing positive for Covid-19, in the government's latest effort to make borders airtight against the virus. Chinese investigations into a shock bond default by a state-owned coal miner broadened on Wednesday with a regulator threatening sanctions against one of the country's biggest brokerages for suspected market manipulation. Police in **Hong Kong** arrested three former opposition lawmakers.



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Europe

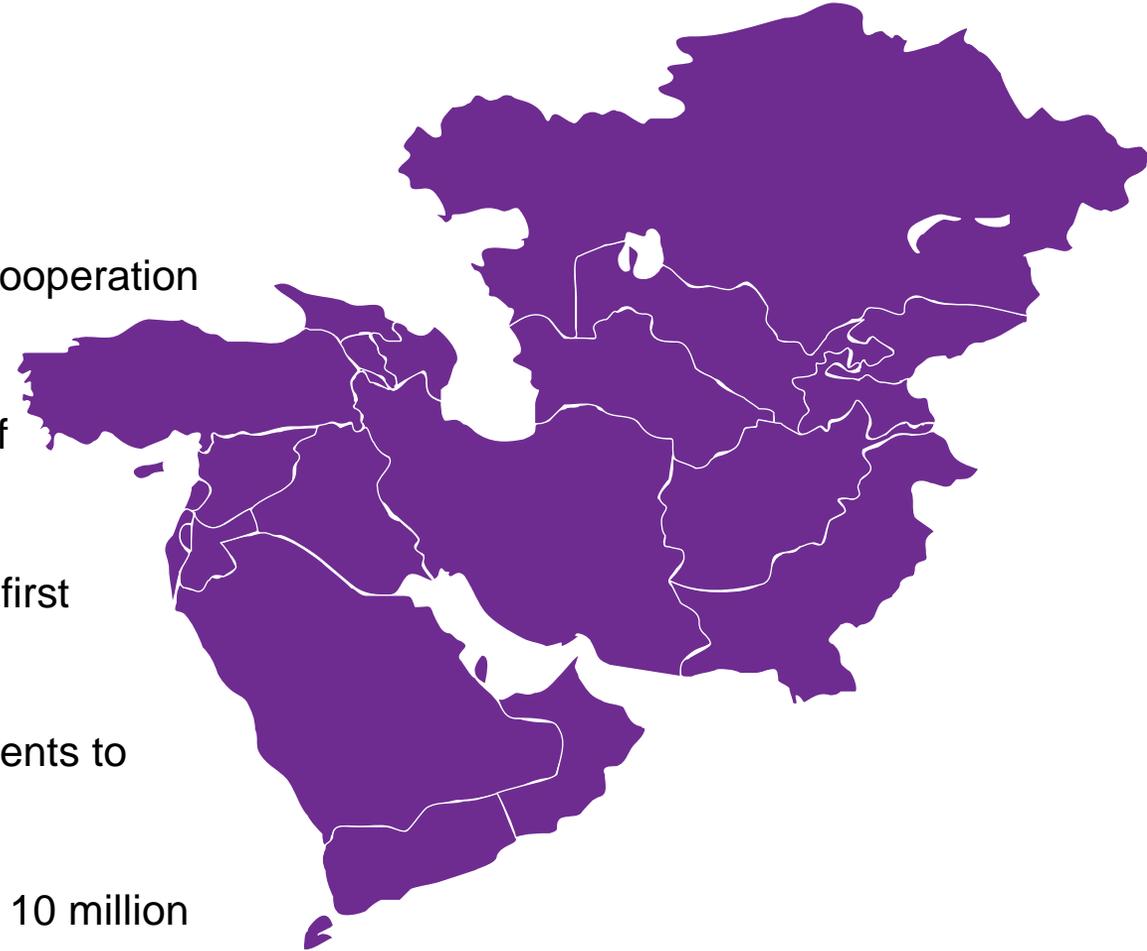
- **Bulgaria** blocked **North Macedonia** from progressing towards **EU** membership.
- **German** police arrested three suspects for an audacious museum heist committed last year.
- Ireland's Prime Minister signaled optimism for a post-Brexit **EU-UK** trade deal to be reached next week.
- The head of Britain's Royal Air Force said that **future wars** may be fought in space.
- **EU** ministers urged **Poland and Hungary** to drop their budget deal veto.
- **France** cut its 2021 growth forecast from 8 percent to 6 percent due to the second nationwide lockdown; France surpassed 2 million confirm virus infections. **Turkey** introduced an 8 pm to 10 am curfew on the working-age population; people over 65 or under 20 face stricter restrictions. Education unions in the **UK** are calling for a rota system for in-person learning due to the number of students forced to self-isolate. UK Prime Minister Johnson tested negative for COVID-19. The Scottish government will impose its highest level of coronavirus restrictions on 11 districts including Glasgow. New coronavirus cases in **Russia** have topped 22,000 for four consecutive days. **Ukraine's** parliament on Tuesday voted down a bill that would have lifted a weekend lockdown in the country.



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Middle East

- The **Palestinian Authority** announced that it would resume cooperation with **Israel**.
- **Israel** launched air raids against what it called a wide range of **Syrian and Iranian** targets in Syria.
- Today, **Bahrain's** foreign minister will lead a delegation on its first official visit to **Israel**.
- Army helicopters dropped leaflets in **Lebanon** to remind residents to adhere to coronavirus restrictions, including a 5 pm curfew.
- **Iran's** president announced new financial assistance to about 10 million families who live on daily wages but whose jobs are affected by the coronavirus pandemic.
- **Morocco** surpassed 300,000 confirmed virus cases.



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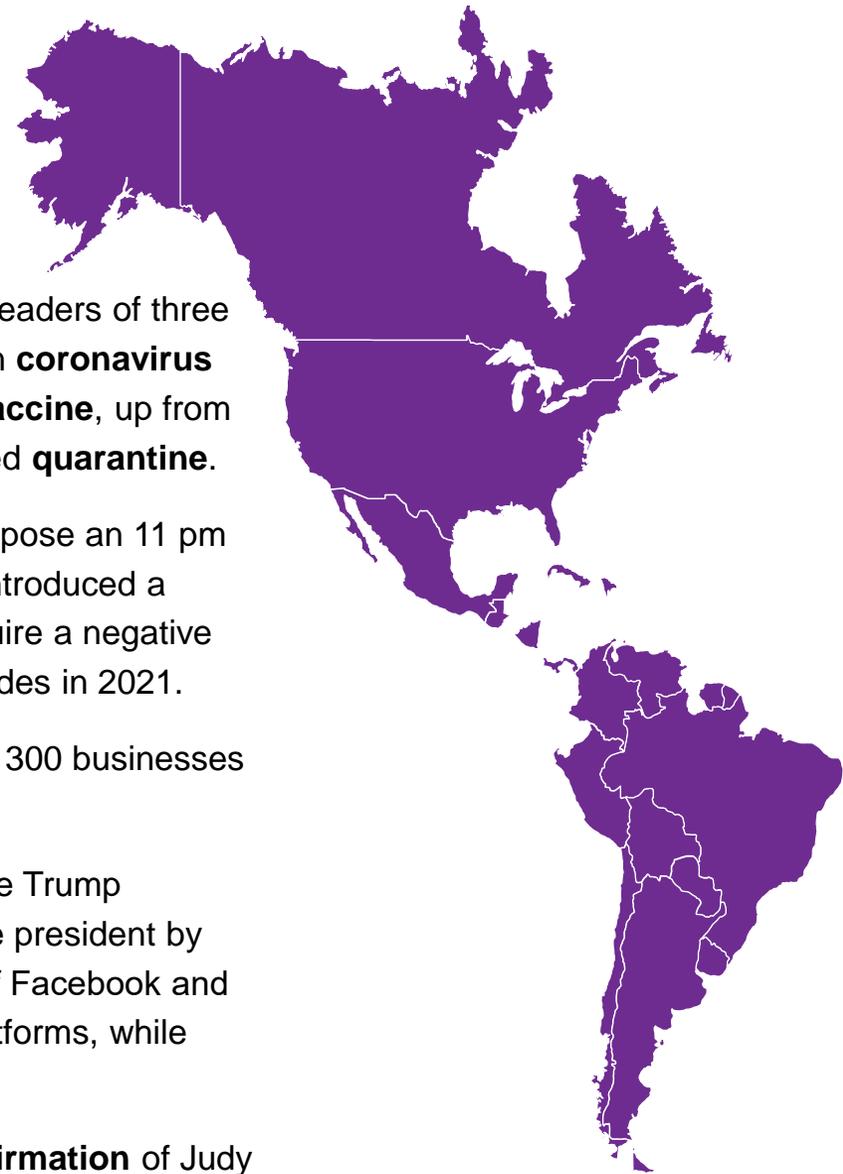
Americas

- **Brazil's** Butantan Institute said it will receive the first doses of China's Sinovac vaccine this week.
- Hurricane Iota battered **Nicaragua** with winds and flooding Tuesday, displacing tens of thousands from their homes.
- **Peru** prepares to swear in a new president following days of protests and a constitutional crisis.
- **US** prosecutors will drop drug charges against ex-Mexican Defense Minister Salvador Cienfuegos and turn over the investigation to **Mexico**, saying "*sensitive*" foreign policy considerations outweighed the interest in pressing the case.



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Americas: US



- Across the US, seven-day average **coronavirus deaths** have surpassed the summer spike. Leaders of three major medical associations urged President Trump to coordinate with President-Elect Biden on **coronavirus response**. A new Gallup poll shows that 58 percent of Americans would get a **coronavirus vaccine**, up from 50 percent two months ago. Senator Grassley (R-IA), the second-oldest sitting Senator, entered **quarantine**.
- **Illinois, Texas and California** registered more than 10,000 new cases yesterday. **Ohio** will impose an 11 pm to 5 am curfew on businesses. **Maryland** tightened capacity limits on indoor gatherings and introduced a curfew for dine-in services; Maryland's hospitals are reaching capacity. **Pennsylvania** will require a negative test within 72-hours for out-of-state visitors. New Orleans, **Louisiana** banned Mardi Gras parades in 2021.
- Senate Majority Leader McConnell said he is open to a \$500 billion **stimulus package**. Nearly 300 businesses that received Paycheck Protection Loans have since filed for **bankruptcy**.
- A Pennsylvania declined to halt the certification of Pennsylvania **election results**, a loss for the Trump campaign. President Trump fired the top **US election security** official after he contradicted the president by saying that the November 3 election had been the “*most secure*” in history. Chief executives of Facebook and Twitter told Congress Tuesday of progress in combating **political misinformation** on their platforms, while acknowledging some mistakes.
- Senate Republicans failed to secure enough votes Tuesday to advance the controversial **confirmation** of Judy Shelton to the Federal Reserve's board of governors.

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Role of Animals in COVID-19 Transmission

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SARS-CoV-2 is a zoonotic disease, meaning that it is naturally transmitted between animals and humans, but the original animal host has not yet been definitively determined. The zoonotic nature of coronaviruses such as SARS-CoV-2 only came to the attention of researchers in 2003 when the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) virus entered the human population, likely as a result of contact with palm civets. Since that time the ability of coronaviruses to cross the species barrier has been reinforced with the emergence of both Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and SARS-CoV-2.

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noted, however, that cats are highly susceptible to the virus and that there is some chance that they could transmit to humans (3).

Over the course of the pandemic cats have been confirmed to be infected in Spain, France, the US, Hong Kong, Belgium, Germany, Russia, and China (4). Dogs have tested positive for the virus in the US, the Netherlands, and Hong Kong and tigers and lions at the Bronx Zoo were infected by their human handlers (5). None of these animal transmissions have drawn as much attention or raised as much concern as infections in minks, however.

The first cases of infected minks appeared in the Netherlands in June 2020 (6). Several mink farms were reporting unusually high mortality in their animals and testing concluded that many were infected with SARS-CoV-2. Additionally, “genetic and epidemiological sleuthing has shown that at least two farm workers have caught the virus from mink...” (7) The virus seems to affect minks in a similar manner to humans in that some are asymptomatic, some have mild symptoms, and some

become severely ill and die. In response to the infections, farms in the Netherlands culled much of their mink (8).

In August 2020, the first COVID-19 cases appeared in farmed mink in the United States when farmers in Utah reported higher than normal mortality rates on their farms (9). Since the first cases were reported there have been instances of COVID-19 infection in minks on 245 farms across 22 states (10). Such transmission activity raised concerns in the United States that the animals could transmit the virus back to people, making the pandemic worse.

Such fears have gained traction in recent months. Since June 2020 there have been more than 200 cases of COVID-19 on mink farms in Denmark (11). Most importantly, a cluster of 12 cases reported in September are a unique variant of the virus that shows “moderately decreased sensitivity to neutralizing antibodies.” (12) Based on the mutations, it appears that people initially infected the minks, the virus was then passed between minks on the farm, it mutated during this passage, and then it was passed back to humans from the minks (13). The impact of

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minks ability to transmit virus back to humans is not yet known, though there are concerns that it could impact immunity, reinfection, and vaccine effectiveness (14). In other words, the mutations caused by the virus's passage through minks could mean that people already infected with COVID-19 do not have immunity to the new mutated virus and that the vaccine currently being created might not be as effective in protecting against infection.

To date there is still limited understanding on the role that mink play in the mutation and transmission of SARS-CoV-2. Denmark is planning to cull all of its mink, including its breeding stock (15). The World Health Organization has recommended that further virological studies be conducted to understand the mutations. If such studies are undertaken it will provide greater understanding of the role that mink and other mustelids play in SARS-CoV-2 transmission.

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Country in Charts: US Pre-Holiday Surge

The announcement of two successful vaccine candidates in the past week buoyed markets and spirits: both vaccines by Moderna and Pfizer boast efficacy rates over 90 percent, and Moderna's formula requires relatively moderate chilling, making it reasonable for rural hospitals. Both vaccines will be available to select populations later in the year and become more widely available in the spring. However, with months until mass vaccination will be possible, the US is in the midst of what may prove the most dangerous stage of the pandemic yet.

COVID-19 cases continue to surge across the country, and states have responded by imposing stricter limits on indoor gathering and dining: California, Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Washington, Michigan and Virginia imposed new limits on indoor gatherings and restaurant dining; North Dakota became the 35th state to mandate mask usage; Oregon and New Mexico imposed full stay-at-home orders. As Thanksgiving approaches, public health experts worry that holiday travel will drive a further spike in transmission. The death toll, while remaining well below the April peak, continues to edge up. Over the past week, the Midwest

reported a 38 percent average increase in coronavirus-related deaths, while the South report a 39 percent average increase.

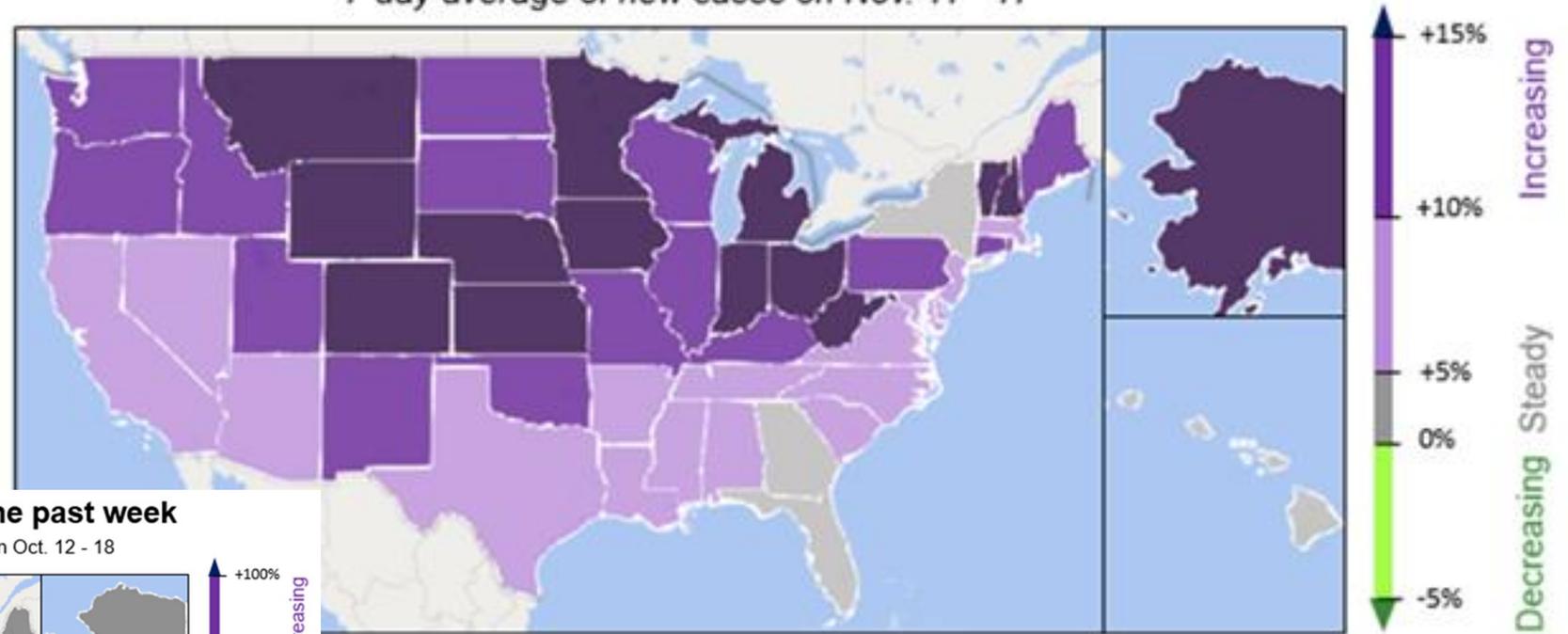
The Presidential transition remains a flashpoint for coronavirus control; this week, three major medical associations called on the President to collaborate with the President-Elect. Meanwhile, Biden appointed coronavirus-focused White House staff and foreshadowed strategies including a national mask mandate. For the moment, however, coronavirus response remains a state and local-level concern.

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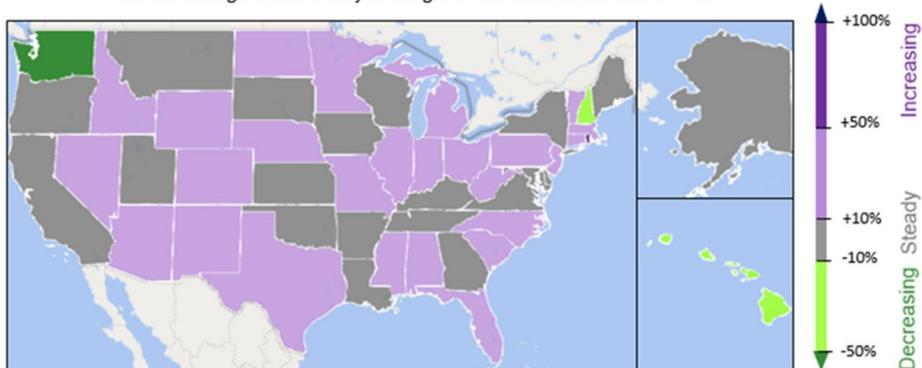
Change in new COVID-19 cases in the past week

7-day average of new cases on Nov. 11 - 17



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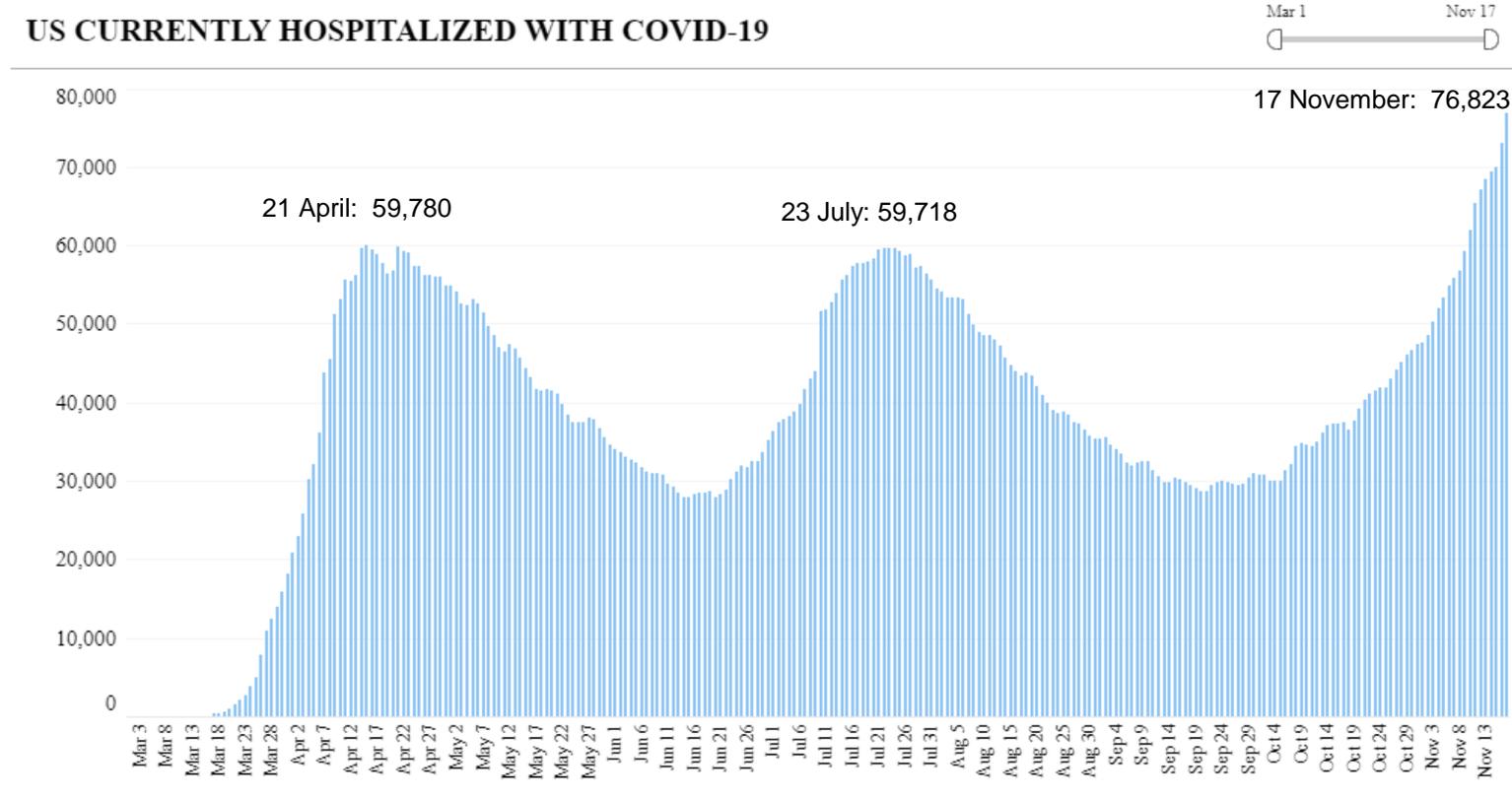
Percent change of the 7-day average of new cases on Oct. 12 - 18



In one month, the US has gone from 15 states to 38 states reporting more than 1,000 daily new coronavirus cases.

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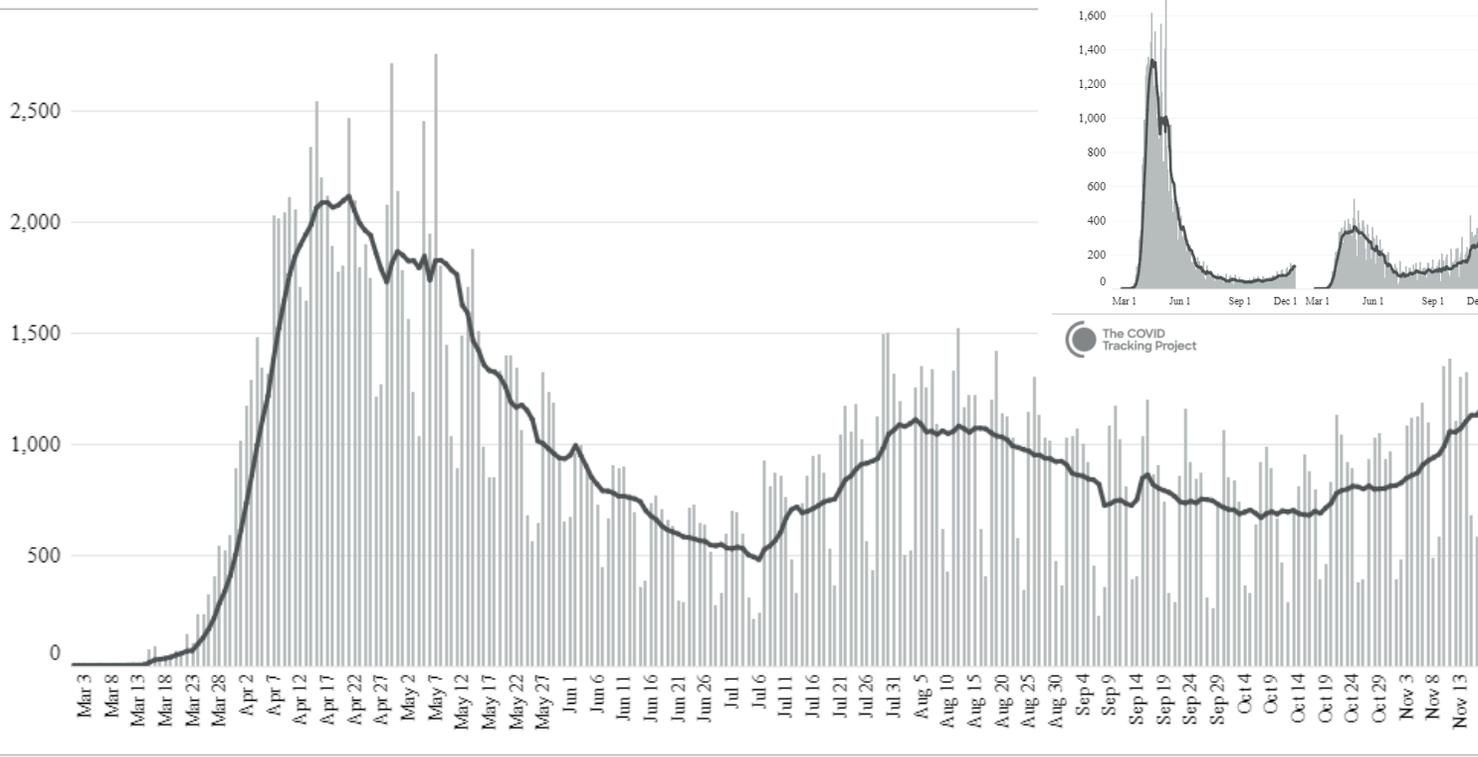
Note: Florida began reporting this figure on July 10.

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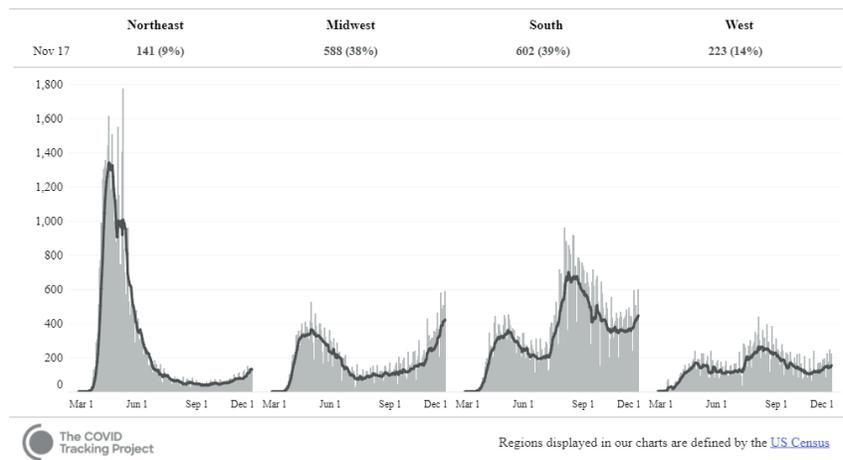


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US DAILY DEATHS. 7-DAY AVERAGE LINE



REGIONAL DAILY DEATHS. 7-DAY AVERAGE LINE



Source: The COVID Tracking Project at The Atlantic

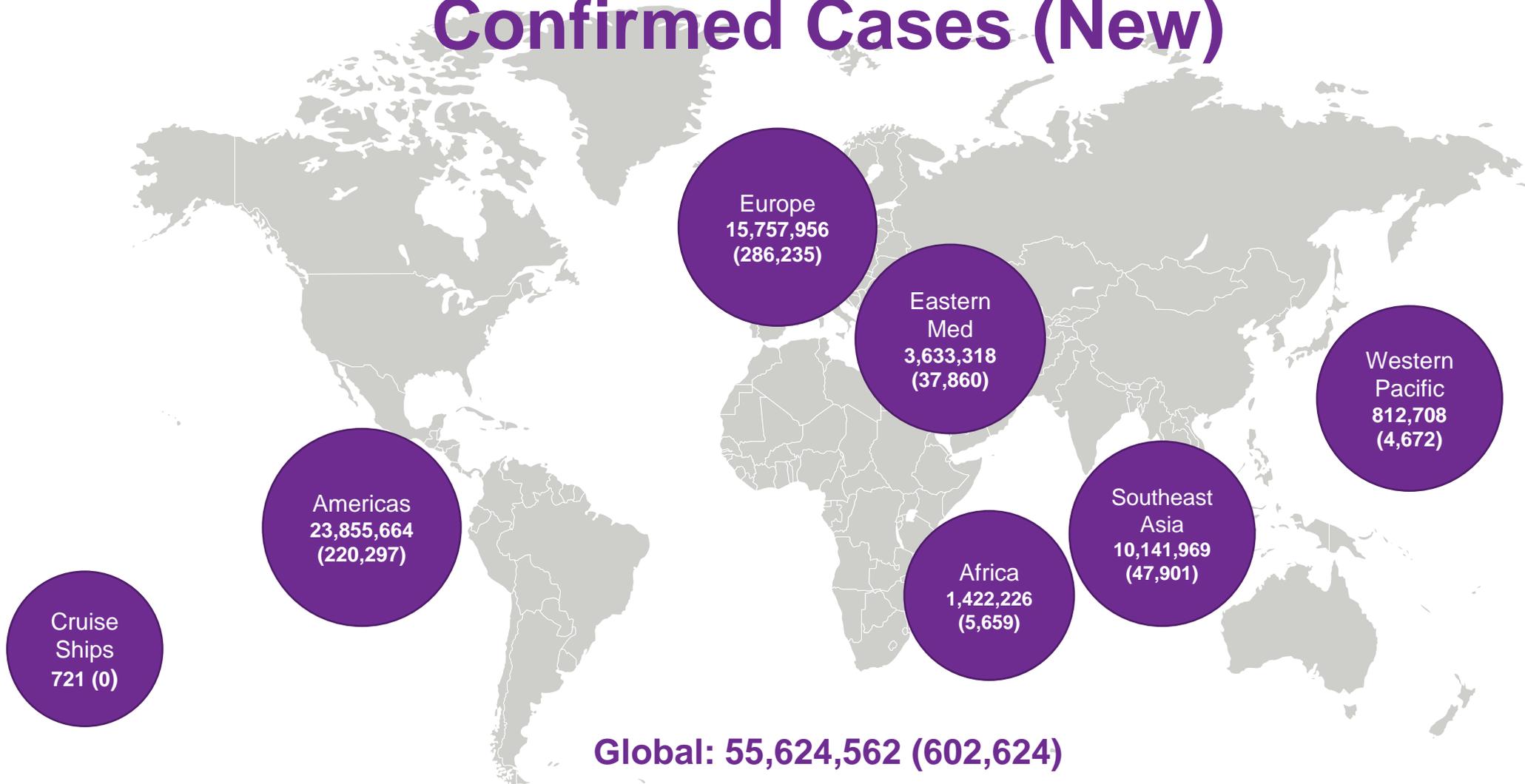
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Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on November 17

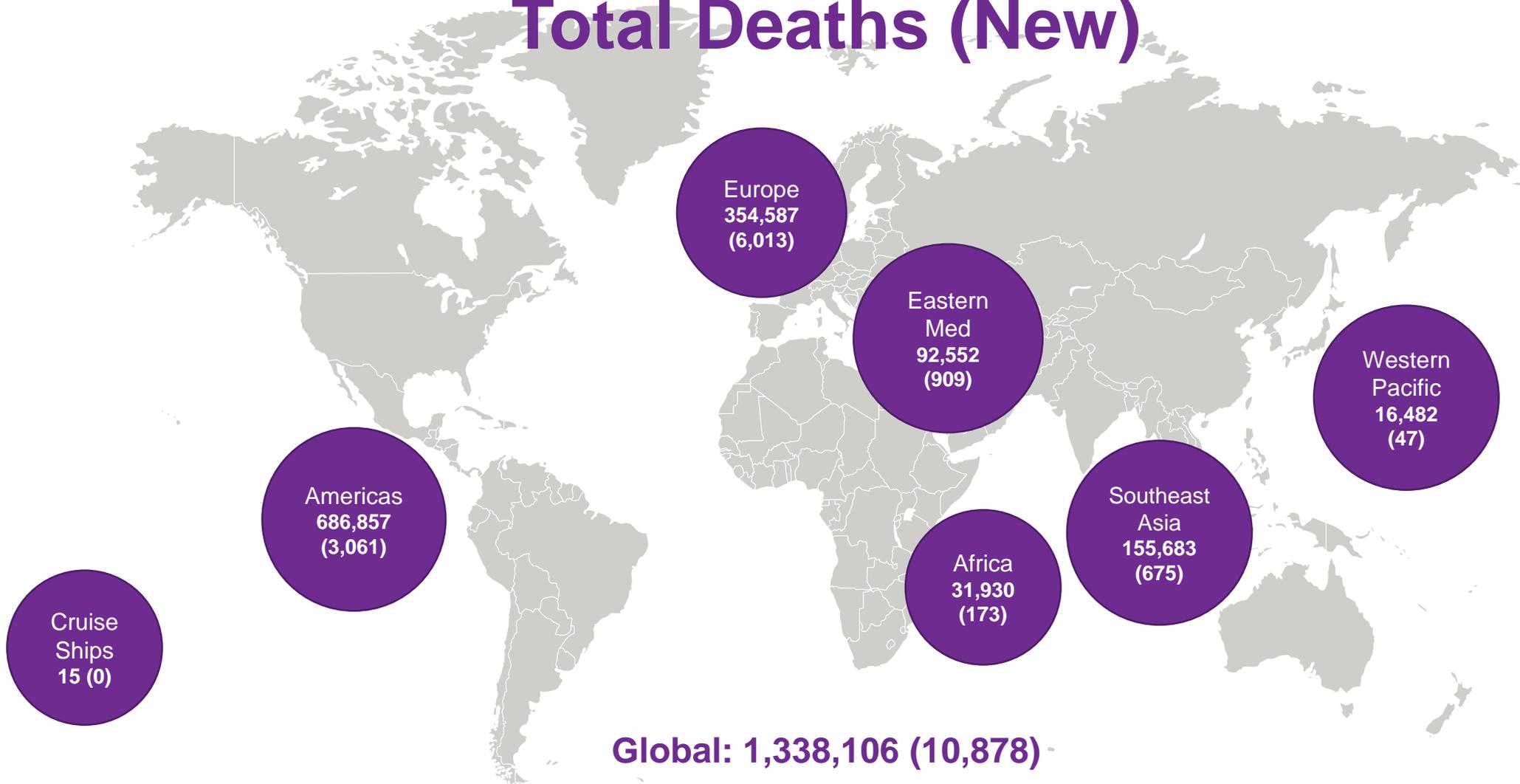
Confirmed Cases (New)



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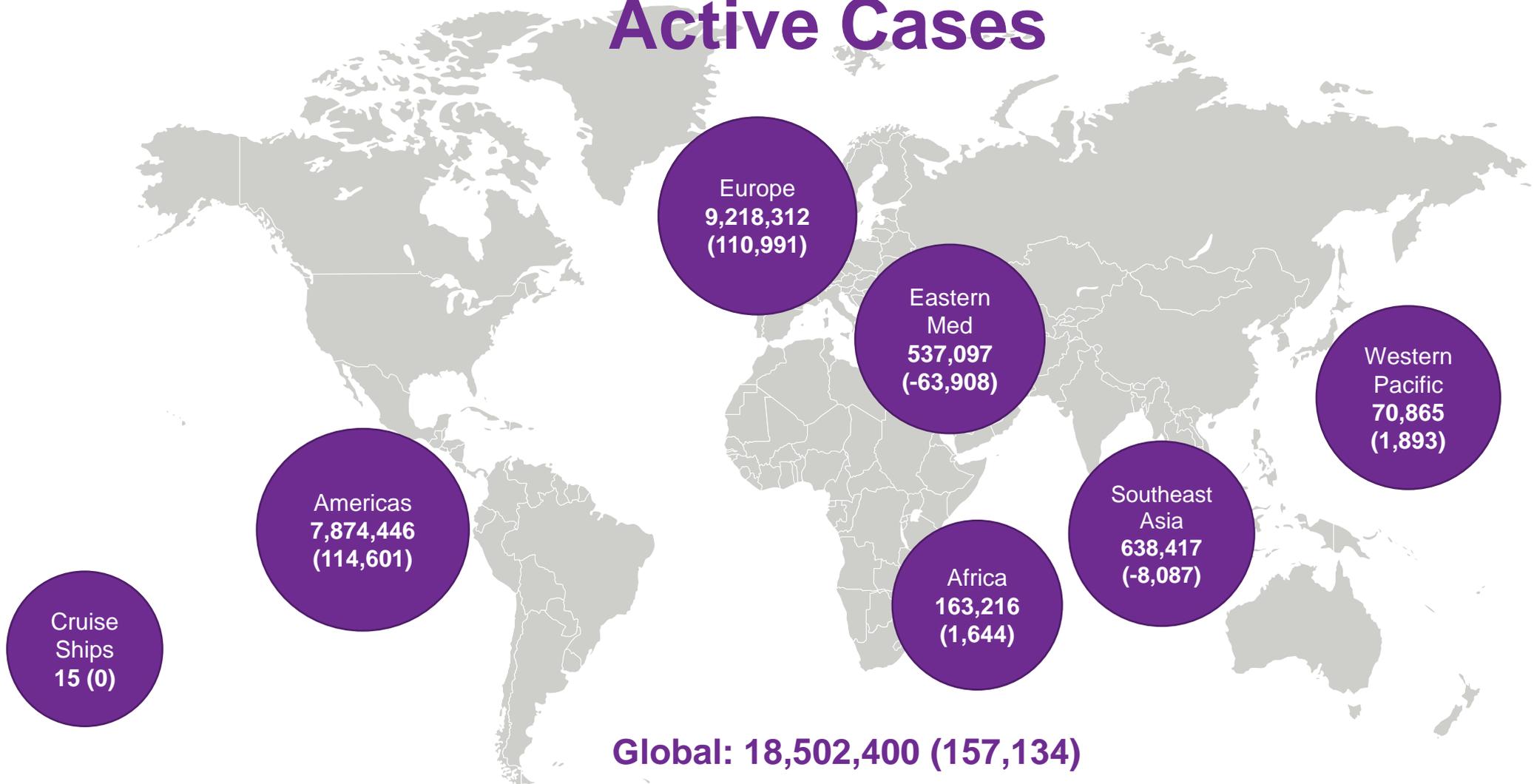
Total Deaths (New)



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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	6806867	11306260 (153757)	247604 (1461)	35255	766	9.73%
France	1870179	2038050 (45498)	45946 (1215)	31177	708	11.16%
UK	1358312	1413057 (20060)	52820 (599)	20739	775	12.54%
Spain	1317959	1510023 (13159)	41688 (435)	32827	891	8.53%
Italy	733810	1238072 (32191)	46464 (731)	20489	769	19.60%
Belgium	525766	540605 (2734)	14839 (223)	46333	1259	6.13%
Russia	456242	1954912 (22201)	33619 (435)	13504	232	7.78%
Netherlands	448387	457003 (4302)	8616 (86)	26648	502	8.23%
India	446805	8912907 (39366)	130993 (490)	6434	95	3.11%
Poland	417810	752940 (19152)	10848 (357)	19903	287	21.16%
Brazil	386760	5911758 (35294)	166699 (685)	27737	782	3.60%
Ukraine	301754	573758 (12177)	10168 (166)	12781	226	13.98%
Germany	293272	843757 (26231)	13138 (305)	9939	158	15.18%
Sweden	186214	192439 (15084)	6225 (61)	19010	615	15.69%

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Iran	175238	788473 (13352)	42461 (482)	9342	503	10.80%
Mexico	154176	1011153 (1757)	99026 (165)	7798	764	3.23%
Argentina	144066	1329005 (10621)	36106 (379)	29303	796	5.01%
Hungary	115193	152659 (5203)	3281 (91)	15818	340	22.10%
Romania	110969	373474 (8262)	9261 (186)	19464	483	15.85%
Czechia	109417	469769 (4246)	6558 (142)	43836	612	8.49%
Switzerland	101770	274534 (4560)	3664 (128)	31633	422	14.33%
Serbia	91321	92375 (4994)	1054 (24)	10589	121	27.59%
Bangladesh	77535	436684 (2212)	6254 (39)	2642	38	2.99%
Portugal	77126	230124 (4452)	3553 (81)	22594	349	18.64%
Austria	76165	214597 (5984)	1945 (58)	23775	215	23.17%
Bulgaria	72649	106598 (4828)	2413 (131)	15386	348	21.79%
Jordan	63817	155993 (6454)	1909 (66)	15231	186	22.44%
Indonesia	60426	474455 (3807)	15393 (97)	1728	56	6.35%

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Iraq	59726	524503 (2961)	11752 (40)	12931	290	3.66%
Colombia	57845	1211128 (5911)	34381 (158)	23706	673	4.60%
Honduras	55567	103488 (249)	2839 (0)	10361	285	2.59%
Greece	54523	78825 (2422)	1228 (63)	7577	118	23.16%
Slovakia	54139	88602 (1326)	557 (31)	16226	102	12.96%
Turkey	50646	421413 (3819)	11704 (103)	4976	138	5.23%
Canada	49882	309877 (4428)	11136 (61)	8093	293	10.78%
Morocco	49078	301604 (5415)	4932 (82)	8135	133	12.08%
Costa Rica	46454	125590 (998)	1578 (12)	24569	309	5.59%
Lebanon	44719	107953 (1507)	839 (12)	15844	123	10.23%
Ireland	43327	68686 (330)	1995 (11)	13852	402	4.07%
Armenia	38716	118870 (984)	1811 (23)	40086	611	8.57%
Ethiopia	37514	103395 (339)	1588 (7)	891	14	2.97%
South Africa	37004	754256 (1987)	20432 (118)	12657	343	1.86%

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Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Peru	35691	938268 (1257)	35271 (40)	28358	1066	1.57%
Bosnia	33242	73944 (1255)	2042 (69)	22593	624	12.06%
Nepal	30986	211475 (502)	1247 (17)	7209	43	5.54%
Pakistan	30362	363380 (2298)	7230 (37)	1623	32	4.18%
Libya	28524	74936 (612)	1041 (16)	10850	151	6.57%
Philippines	28313	410718 (1144)	7862 (23)	3729	71	2.67%
Lithuania	28011	36876 (965)	299 (14)	13620	110	27.21%
Kenya	23165	71729 (925)	1302 (15)	1323	24	9.96%
Tunisia	22530	81723 (720)	2445 (49)	6887	206	10.68%
Algeria	22257	69591 (1002)	2186 (18)	1576	50	8.83%
Dominican Republic	21646	134697 (494)	2290 (4)	12370	210	2.65%
Azerbaijan	21259	79158 (2075)	1005 (20)	7780	99	14.86%
Slovenia	19542	56937 (1393)	876 (45)	27386	421	17.95%
Paraguay	19062	72857 (758)	1613 (11)	10167	225	5.98%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
N Macedonia	18591	48613 (977)	1376 (31)	23334	660	15.20%
Belarus	18321	116699 (1251)	1060 (7)	12352	112	7.20%
Panama	17586	148721 (1054)	2893 (12)	34264	667	4.99%
Bolivia	16818	143473 (102)	8866 (7)	12219	755	0.56%
Georgia	16245	85952 (3117)	778 (45)	21562	195	25.95%
Myanmar	15831	71730 (1569)	1625 (26)	1315	30	11.83%
Moldova	15799	90912 (1069)	2054 (19)	22557	510	8.05%
Japan	15574	121247 (1690)	1895 (12)	945	15	8.87%
Croatia	15371	87464 (1945)	1113 (31)	21356	272	19.69%
Albania	14685	29126 (694)	637 (6)	10125	221	13.16%
Denmark	13822	64551 (1220)	768 (4)	11129	132	11.76%
Malaysia	12788	49730 (1210)	318 (5)	1529	10	15.44%
Norway	11818	30114 (1680)	298 (4)	5538	55	14.04%
Kosovo	11431	29805 (0)	833 (0)			14.82%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Montenegro	9866	28392 (619)	405 (9)	45203	645	14.93%
Kazakhstan	9601	122335 (682)	1899 (0)	6450	101	3.62%
Luxembourg	9417	27681 (425)	240 (4)	43951	381	14.35%
Chile	9326	533610 (1006)	14883 (20)	27823	776	1.82%
Latvia	9225	10914 (278)	132 (6)	5811	70	23.08%
West Bank & Gaza	8671	64935 (1068)	580 (8)	12619	113	8.49%
Israel	8150	325537 (782)	2736 (1)	35394	297	1.50%
Uganda	8136	16563 (306)	150 (0)	358	3	11.22%
Kuwait	7996	137885 (556)	848 (6)	32108	197	3.27%
Kyrgyzstan	7947	67469 (486)	1207 (4)	10277	184	4.61%
Oman	7922	120718 (0)	1350 (0)	23417	262	1.52%
UAE	7624	152809 (1255)	538 (4)	15380	54	5.51%
French Polynesia	7459	12362 (241)	61 (5)	43910	217	11.25%
Ecuador	7440	181104 (428)	13025 (9)	10206	734	2.98%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Saudi Arabia	7122	353918 (362)	5692 (16)	10107	163	0.70%
Angola	6908	13818 (203)	328 (4)	416	10	7.25%
Afghanistan	6830	43628 (225)	1638 (12)	1111	42	2.67%
Puerto Rico	6532	43585 (569)	951 (9)	23787	281	10.85%
Guatemala	6428	115730 (698)	3947 (9)	6415	219	3.11%
Guadeloupe	5840	8225 (127)	143 (4)	20555	357	1.54%
Sri Lanka	5799	18075 (401)	66 (5)	843	3	18.59%
Cyprus	5452	7513 (228)	40 (0)	6205	33	16.20%
Finland	5276	19647 (228)	371 (0)	3544	67	7.84%

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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
Martinique	4597	4732 (0)	37 (0)	12614	99	0.00%
Jamaica	4390	9959 (30)	231 (0)	3358	78	3.88%
Sudan	4263	15047 (319)	1175 (56)	340	27	5.93%
Venezuela	4108	98050 (311)	858 (3)	3452	30	2.66%
Syria	3665	6836 (77)	354 (4)	387	20	7.08%
Egypt	3515	111284 (275)	6481 (16)	1080	63	1.46%
Estonia	2972	8033 (185)	84 (3)	6052	63	20.63%
Nigeria	2957	65457 (152)	1163 (0)	315	6	1.71%
CAR	2913	4900 (0)	63 (0)	1008	13	0.33%
South Korea	2842	29311 (313)	496 (2)	565	10	5.16%
Qatar	2770	136222 (194)	235 (0)	48515	84	1.14%
El Salvador	2553	36669 (0)	1052 (5)	5643	162	4.16%
Botswana	2272	9103 (0)	30 (0)	3842	13	13.93%
Belize	2164	4920 (37)	96 (2)	12197	235	10.28%

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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 Change7-Day Av
Uzbekistan	2122	70648 (267)	599 (1)	2097	18	2.29%
Malta	2097	8247 (110)	101 (3)	18659	229	10.32%
Mayotte	1933	4943 (0)	46 (0)	17957	167	2.59%
Mozambique	1802	14566 (52)	118 (2)	461	4	4.63%
Bahrain	1771	85008 (126)	337 (0)	49325	196	1.41%
Bahamas	1725	7312 (56)	163 (0)	18527	413	4.10%
South Sudan	1667	3016 (4)	59 (0)	268	5	1.86%
Congo (Brazzaville)	1536	5515 (0)	92 (0)	990	17	2.47%
Guam	1494	5924 (0)	92 (0)			4.56%
Ghana	1427	50376 (0)	323 (0)	1609	10	2.13%
Australia	1365	27777 (19)	907 (0)	1084	35	0.38%
Nicaragua	1341	5725 (64)	159 (1)	860	24	1.12%
Reunion	1202	7161 (0)	31 (0)	7977	35	8.23%

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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 Change7-Day Av
Guinea	1193	12654 (30)	75 (0)	954	6	1.34%
Haiti	1139	9191 (3)	232 (0)	802	20	0.59%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
California	1033938	1052285 (10595)	18347 (59)	26657	464	5.97%
Florida	879679	897323 (7459)	17644 (85)	41779	822	5.03%
Illinois	586532	597849 (12601)	11317 (113)	47179	893	14.50%
New York	452600	568778 (5088)	34156 (102)	31183	1751	4.90%
Georgia	421563	430571 (4335)	9008 (41)	40553	848	4.39%
Missouri	250685	254151 (5436)	3466 (64)	42649	586	13.15%
New Jersey	229101	285519 (4026)	16618 (38)	32881	1885	8.79%
Arizona	227481	279896 (2984)	6312 (10)	38454	867	5.99%
Virginia	180461	206762 (2125)	3835 (29)	24224	449	5.73%
Texas	175505	1078875 (11957)	20147 (115)	38520	701	6.35%
Colorado	159608	172044 (4331)	2608 (30)	29875	453	19.54%
Maryland	157062	169805 (2149)	4335 (26)	28087	717	7.71%
Michigan	149467	296840 (7886)	8511 (80)	29723	852	17.38%
Washington	131550	134121 (2589)	2571 (23)	18313	339	10.52%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Alabama	129509	220848 (1616)	3301 (52)	45042	673	6.47%
Kansas	121066	125294 (607)	1222 (15)	42765	435	15.72%
Nevada	119202	123795 (1696)	1944 (27)	40191	631	9.28%
Kentucky	115551	142008 (2911)	1697 (33)	31786	380	12.23%
Indiana	103801	262207 (5463)	5025 (89)	38948	746	16.35%
Ohio	97726	312443 (7079)	5772 (30)	26729	494	16.31%
South Carolina	90590	197900 (1283)	4156 (13)	38437	807	5.13%
Wisconsin	90588	342155 (7593)	2867 (103)	55621	471	14.13%
Pennsylvania	87018	280957 (5722)	9346 (36)	21948	738	13.14%
Iowa	81156	193198 (3601)	2064 (41)	60676	643	15.20%
Connecticut	80415	94986 (1702)	4771 (12)	26642	1338	12.67%
Oregon	51922	58570 (924)	778 (13)	13887	184	11.37%
Utah	51624	158957 (3178)	732 (9)	49582	228	13.57%
Nebraska	48894	103805 (2204)	816 (19)	52523	412	15.48%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Idaho	48797	85125 (1781)	798 (35)	47634	447	11.39%
Minnesota	47270	236949 (5931)	2999 (26)	42015	532	19.95%
Massachusetts	45182	192964 (2525)	10360 (20)	27996	1503	9.37%
New Mexico	40884	67559 (2105)	1264 (28)	32220	603	14.82%
Tennessee	40237	320729 (1841)	3995 (72)	46965	585	9.66%
Rhode Island	40055	44528 (605)	1278 (8)	42033	1206	12.87%
North Carolina	36511	317495 (3288)	4852 (38)	30272	463	6.32%
Louisiana	30166	212649 (0)	6376 (0)	44675	1324	8.44%
Oklahoma	28807	158408 (1551)	1544 (6)	40033	390	11.52%
Montana	19750	49398 (1371)	543 (21)	46219	508	16.70%
South Dakota	18624	67284 (1006)	644 (0)	76056	728	14.79%
Alaska	17776	25041 (642)	100 (2)	32635	135	16.81%
Arkansas	16589	135902 (1554)	2245 (20)	45033	744	8.58%
Mississippi	15539	135803 (905)	3581 (36)	45630	1203	5.64%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Delaware	13652	29552 (352)	739 (3)	30348	759	8.26%
Wyoming	10891	24453 (1260)	155 (11)	42251	268	21.31%
West Virginia	10707	35324 (864)	598 (13)	19710	334	17.01%
North Dakota	10016	65967 (1082)	775 (32)	86564	1009	14.58%

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

State	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Hawaii	4725	16905 (52)	222 (0)	11770	157	3.46%
District of Columbia	4313	19309 (245)	660 (0)	27360	935	5.88%
New Hampshire	3567	15319 (279)	502 (2)	11255	369	15.67%
Maine	2172	9363 (246)	166 (1)	6965	123	13.92%

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