

# Dentons Flashpoint

## Daily Global Situation Report

June 10, 2021

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## KEY TAKEAWAYS

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The US announced that a new round of US-Iran nuclear talks will begin over the weekend.

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## WHAT WE'RE WATCHING

Today, all businesses in El Salvador are mandated by law to accept bitcoin as payment for goods and services, alongside the US dollar (the national currency since 2001). Government officials will meet with the IMF in the coming days to discuss the plan, which is the first of its kind in the world and may include the promotion of bitcoin mining with excess geothermal energy from a local volcano.

The move is seen as a way to increase financial inclusion and for the diaspora to send money back home more easily as approximately 70 percent of El Salvador does not have access to traditional financial services. Of course, there are concerns over how fluctuations in the price of bitcoin will impact businesses and citizens, and whether organized crime in the country will take advantage of the new currency.



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# Global

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**Globally, confirmed coronavirus cases surpassed 174.3 million with 3.7 million deaths.**

- Prominent UK epidemiologist Neil Ferguson said that the Delta variant, first discovered in India, may be up to **60 percent more transmissible** than the Alpha variant, first discovered in the UK.
- Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, the world's most powerful banking standards-setter, is calling for **cryptocurrencies** to carry the toughest bank capital rules of any asset, arguing that requirements for holding bitcoin and similar tokens should be far higher than those for conventional stocks and bonds.

# COVID-19 Vaccine

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**WTO members voted to formally begin negotiations to increase vaccine supply to developing nations and will consider proposals with and without patent waivers.**

- **India** is proceeding with vaccine trials in children as young as 2 with its homegrown **Covaxin vaccine**, developed by Bharat Biotech.
- US President Biden is set to announce today that the US will purchase 500 million doses of the **Pfizer vaccine to donate to poorer countries.**
- **AstraZeneca** says it is working closely with **Southeast Asia** governments to ensure its COVID-19 vaccine is supplied "*as quickly as possible*," after delays from a Thai plant.
- **BioNTech** is planning expansion into **Africa**, aiming to establish mRNA vaccine production facilities on the continent as part of a long-term effort to tackle diseases beyond COVID-19.

# Markets & Business

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**Meatpacker JBS USA paid a ransom equivalent to \$11 million following a cyberattack that disrupted its North American and Australian operations.**

- Chairman Gary Gensler said that the **US Securities and Exchange Commission** is pursuing a broad review of stock-market structure.
- The yield on the benchmark **10-year US Treasury note** fell below 1.5 percent for the first time in a month, dragged down by uncertain economic data and investor demand.
- **Campbell Soup** lowered its full-year earnings outlook as costs cut profits, and said it expects to raise prices for some products.
- Telecoms investor **Altice** has bought a 12.1 percent stake in **BT** worth £2 billion, making it the British company's biggest shareholder.
- **Tesla Inc** will deliver a high-performance version of its Model S on Thursday, challenging rivals such as **Porsche, Mercedes-Benz and Lucid Motors** in the luxury electric vehicle market.
- Chinese e-commerce leader **Alibaba Group Holding Ltd** plans to develop self-driving trucks with logistics subsidiary **Cainiao**.
- **TC Energy**, the firm behind the Keystone XL pipeline, officially scrapped the project on Wednesday, months after US President Biden revoked a cross-border permit for the controversial pipeline.

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# How do You Manage Incident Response?

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*2021 has already seen business disrupted by extreme weather, ransomware attack, the ongoing pandemic and more. The common refrain “It’s not if, but when” rings truer than ever for disruptive incidents that will impact business as usual.*

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# Africa

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- More than 7,000 fled violence from an Islamist group in **Burkina Faso**, among rising levels of violence in the country.
- A New UN report alleges that **Somali** troops fought alongside **Eritrean** army in an offensive against Tigray, in what would constitute an illegal international intervention.
- The IMF approved \$650 million to **Senegal** to aid its COVID-19 recovery.
- The **US** is providing more than \$181 million to deliver food, water and aid to feed more than three million people it said were facing famine in the Tigray region of **Ethiopia**. The UN estimates that about 350,000 people in Ethiopia's conflict-torn Tigray region are in famine conditions.



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# Asia

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- New corruption cases have been opened against **Myanmar's** deposed leader Aung San Suu Kyi and other former officials from her government. The military junta in Myanmar told Doctors Without Borders (MSF) to “*suspend all activities*” in the country.
- Police in **China** arrested over 1,100 people suspected of using cryptocurrencies to launder illegal proceeds from telephone and Internet scams in a recent crackdown.
- **Japan's** lower house of parliament is likely to be dissolved in September, triggering autumn elections. Japanese retailers will begin charging for plastic utensils and straws from April 2022 in an effort to reduce single-use plastic.
- **Australian** Prime Minister Morris visits **Singapore** today to hold his first in-person meeting with Prime Minister Lee in over a year. **South Korea** is hoping to expedite travel bubble talks with Singapore and **Taiwan** to allow quarantine-free travel for vaccinated adults.
- **India** raised the price at which it will purchase rice from local farmers 3.9 percent in a bid to please farmers amid protests. The health department in Bihar revised its total COVID-19 related death toll to more than 9,429 from about 5,424 on Wednesday, raising suspicion that many more coronavirus victims have not been included in official figures.

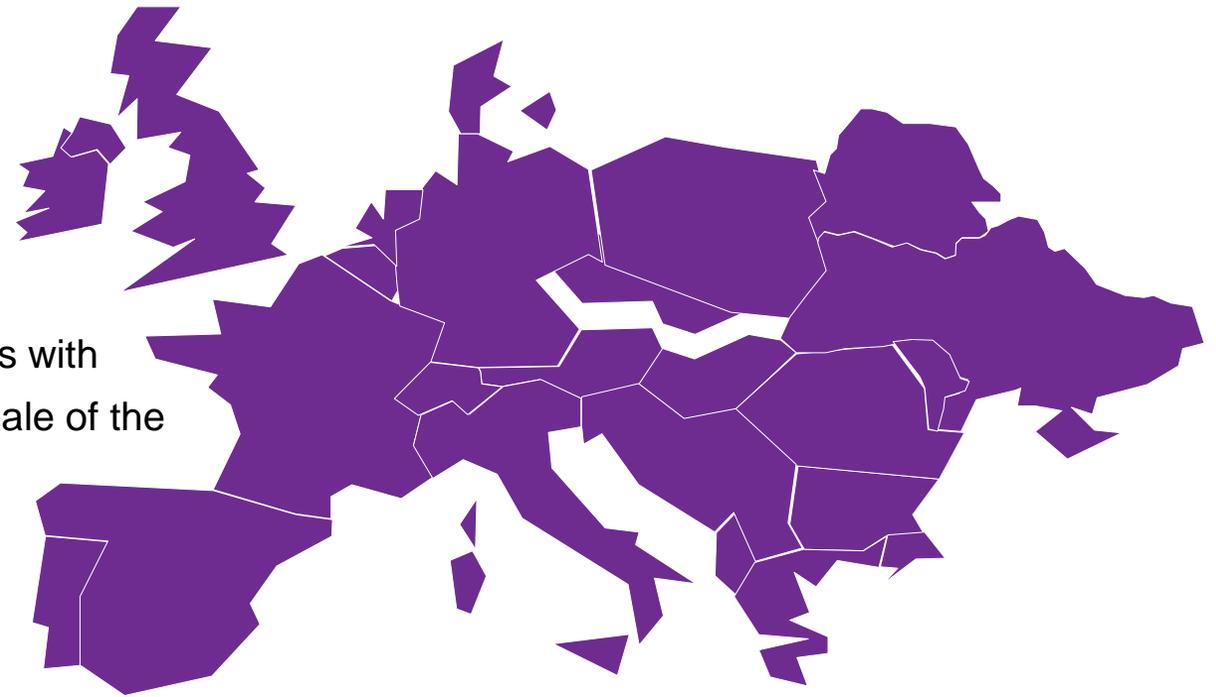


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# Europe

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- Debt managers at the **European** Commission have held calls with banks and investors this week ahead of its groundbreaking sale of the first bond backing for its €800 billion NextGenerationEU recovery fund.
- **Germany's** finance minister dismissed concerns about inflation, calling it a “*temporary phenomenon*.”
- The **EU** Chamber of Commerce in **China** expressed concern over China's newly developing anti-sanctions law. The EU threatened to send a delegation to **Hong Kong**, denouncing recent political reforms as a breach of its international commitments.
- The WHO urged **Europeans** to travel responsibly during the summer holiday season and warned the continent was "by no means out of danger" despite a steady decline of infection rates in recent weeks. **Portuguese** authorities will delay easing lockdown measures in Lisbon due to an increase in COVID-19 cases.
- **US** President Biden is expected to press Prime Minister Johnson today to end the UK's standoff with the **EU** over **Northern Ireland**.

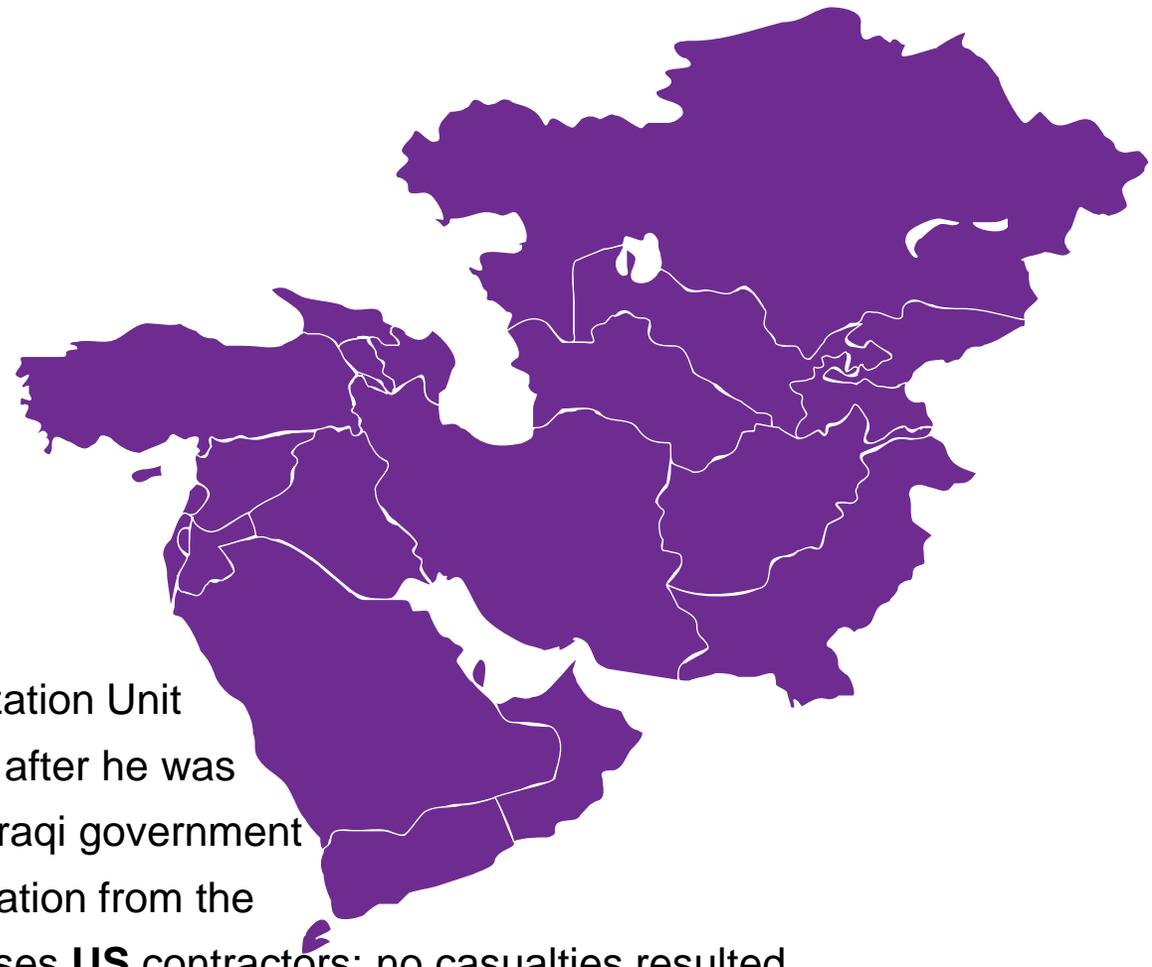


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# Middle East

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- A new round of **US-Iran** nuclear talks will begin over the weekend.
- A British war monitor reported several Israeli strikes in **Syria**, including explosions felt in the capital of Damascus.
- **Iraq** freed a commander of the state-affiliated Popular Mobilization Unit (PMU) paramilitary militia coalition, Qasim Muslih, two weeks after he was arrested on suspicion of killing a pro-democracy activist; the Iraqi government reportedly agreed to his release in exchange for halting escalation from the militia. Five rockets targeted Balad airbase in Iraq, which houses **US** contractors; no casualties resulted.
- Delegates from the **Afghan** government and the Taliban met in Doha to discuss the peace process, the first known meeting in several weeks.
- Fuel prices in **Sudan** have almost doubled following the removal of subsidies to comply with IMF austerity.

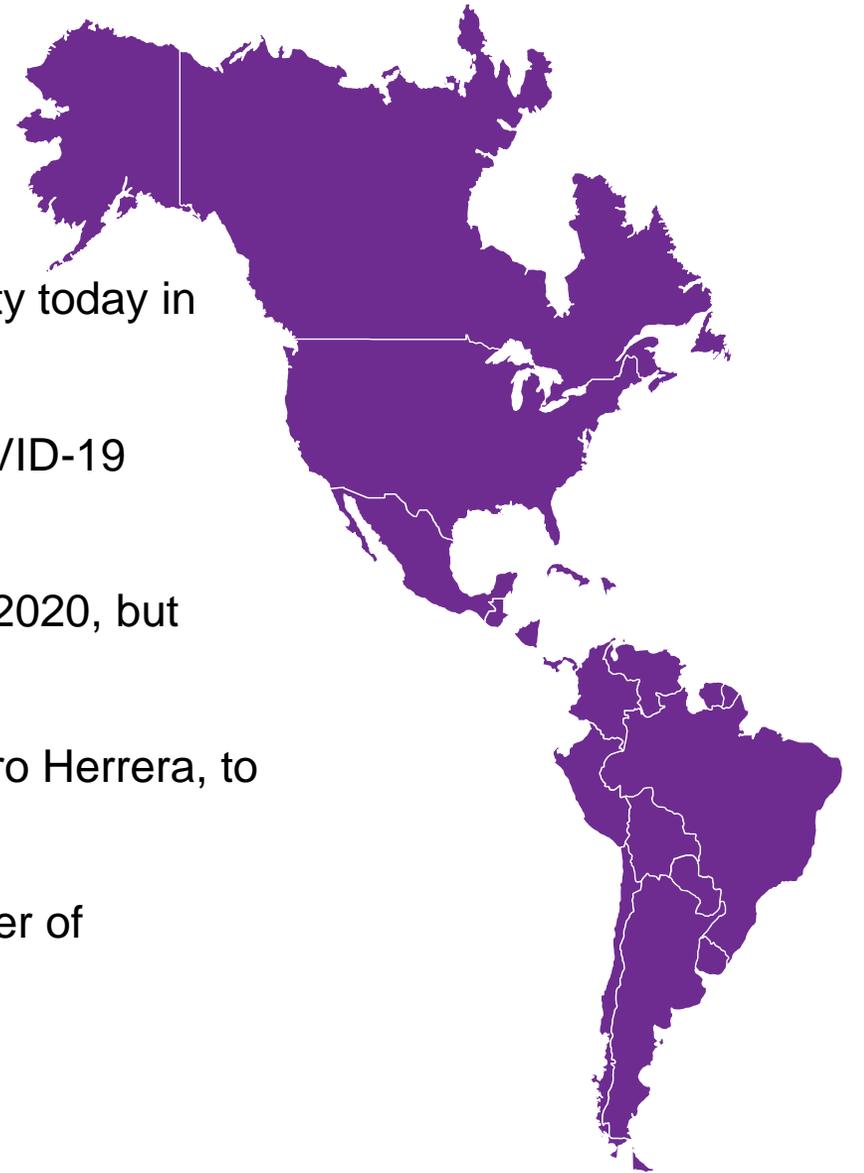


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# Americas

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- The wife of **Mexican** drug kingpin El Chapo is expected to plead guilty today in Washington to helping her husband run the Sinaloa cartel.
- **Haiti**, which has not begun vaccinations, is facing its first severe COVID-19 outbreak.
- **Colombia** reduced the area occupied by coca crops by 7 percent in 2020, but output rose 8 percent, per the UN.
- **Mexican** President Obrador tapped his current finance minister, Arturo Herrera, to head the central bank.
- The **US** imposed sanctions on four **Nicaraguans**, including a daughter of President Daniel Ortega for undermining democracy.

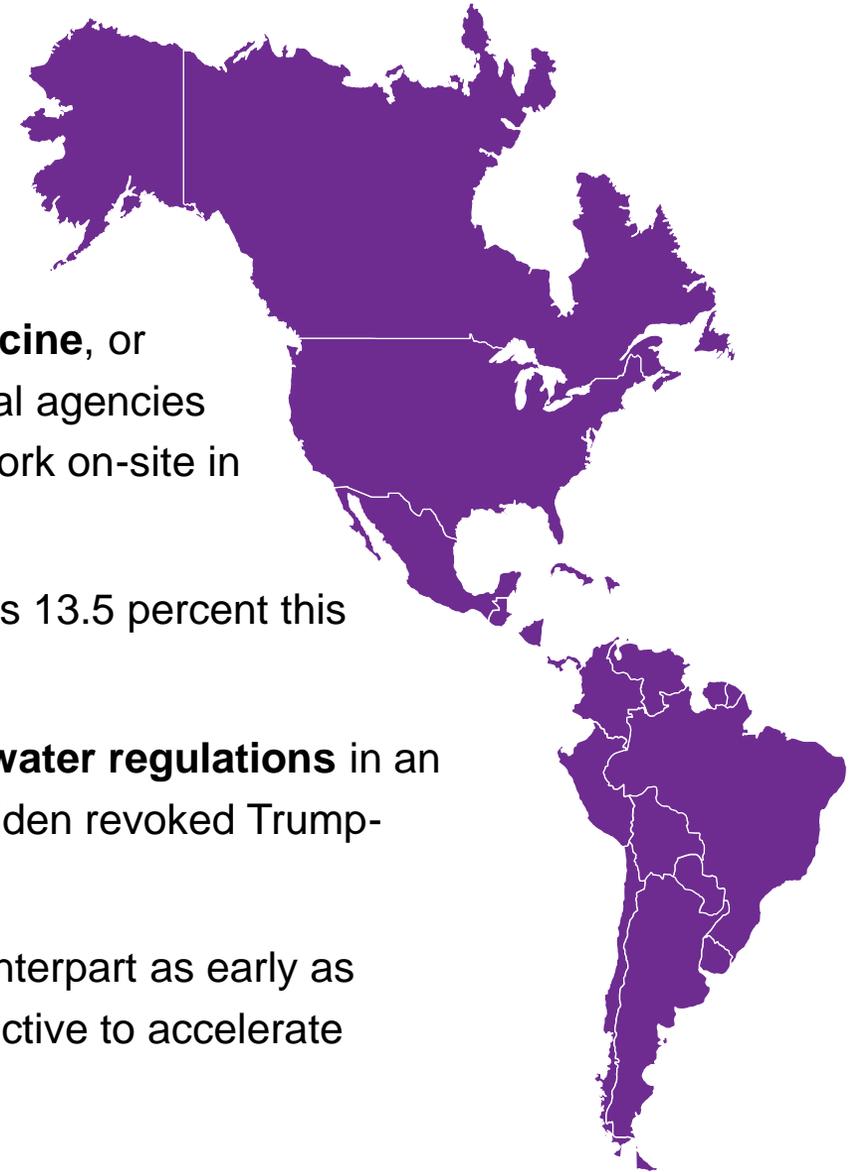


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# Americas: US

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- Across the nation, 172.1 million have received at least **one dose of the vaccine**, or 51.8 percent of the total population. The Biden administration has told federal agencies that they generally should not require their employees to be vaccinated to work on-site in federal buildings or to disclose whether they are vaccinated.
- The National Retail Federation said it expects **retail sales** to rise as much as 13.5 percent this year, an increase from its last estimate in February.
- The Biden Administration plans to roll out a new proposal for federal **clean-water regulations** in an effort to undo Trump-era rules that eased permit requirements. President Biden revoked Trump-era **executive orders** targeting TikTok and WeChat.
- Trade Representative Katherine Tai plans to speak with her **Taiwanese** counterpart as early as today to revive trade dialogue. Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin issued a directive to accelerate work to deter **China**.



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# Is it the End of the Netanyahu Era?

By Dan Arbell, Special Advisor to Dentons

Barring last minute surprises, the Knesset will vote on June 13 to approve Israel's new national unity government, which will be led by Prime Minister Naftali Bennett, leader of the nationalist Yamina Party, and Alternate Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Minister Yair Lapid, leader of the centrist Yesh Atid Party. Until then, Netanyahu and his political allies will increase the pressure on members of the Yamina Party so they would not support the new government in the Knesset vote, as all Netanyahu needs is for one member of Knesset to “flip” from the Bennett-Lapid camp to his camp.

## *Power-Sharing Between Bennett and Lapid*

Nevertheless, once approved, the coalition will be comprised of 61 members, a very narrow majority in the 120-seat parliament. The make-up of the new coalition is unprecedented in Israeli history, as it will consist of eight parties from all across the political spectrum, including the nationalist right, the center, the social democratic left, and - for the first time - an Islamist Arab party. The new coalition will be based on a power-sharing arrangement (which will be anchored in special legislation) similar to the power sharing mechanism of the outgoing Benjamin Netanyahu-Benny Gantz governing coalition. Despite the fact that only 12 of the coalition's 61 members are right wing (Yamina - 6 and New Hope - 6), there will be parity between the right part (12) and centrist-left part (49) of the government.

Heading a cabinet of 28 ministers, Bennett will be Prime Minister for the first two years and three months (until August 2023) and will then be replaced by Lapid, who will serve as Prime Minister until November 2025. The power sharing arrangement gives Bennett and Lapid each veto power over government policy decisions, legislation and appointments.

## *Division of Spoils*

Before it even starts work, the new government will be setting new precedents. Naftali Bennett will be the first Orthodox Jew serving as Prime Minister, the 28-member cabinet will include 8 women in ministerial positions and Ra'am will become the first Arab party to join a governing coalition. For the first time since 2015, Ultra-

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Orthodox parties will not be part of the coalition. The division of key portfolios has already been decided: Benny Gantz, the leader of the the Blue and White Party and the current Defense Minister will remain in his position; Avigdor Liberman, the leader of Yisrael Betenu Party will be the next Finance Minister; Gidon Sa'ar, leader of the New Hope Party will be the Justice Minister; Merav Michaeli, leader of the Labor Party, will be the Transportation Minister; and Nitzan Horovitz, leader of the Meretz Party will be the Health Minister. Other key appointments include Ayelet Shaked, number two in Yamina, who will become the Interior Minister; Yeah Atid member Mickey Levy will become the new Knesset Speaker; and Meretz member Issawi Frej, the only Arab in the cabinet, will serve as Regional Cooperation Minister. The Ra'am Party (with 4 seats) will be getting the positions of Knesset Deputy Speaker, the chairmanship of the Knesset's Interior Committee and will chair a new Knesset committee for Arab affairs. As part of Ra'am's demands, the new government will allocate to the Arab community 30 billion Israeli shekels (9 billion US dollars) over the next 5 years, for infrastructure, education, and fighting crime.

## *Governing will be a challenge*

The coalition agreements signed between the eight member-parties will be released to the public on June 11, 48 hours before the Knesset vote. According to the new government's policy guidelines, Bennett and Lapid have agreed to maintain the status quo on many issues in which there are disagreements between right and left, such as the two-state solution (not advancing it), Jewish settlements in the West Bank (not increasing them), affairs of state and religion (i.e. public transportation on the Sabbath) and LGBTQ+ rights. On paper it may seem like a simple task, yet the new government will be tested from day one, and will have to withstand extreme external and internal pressures. For the 49-year-old Bennett, who became a politician less than a decade ago, a critical challenge will be leading a complex coalition while heading a 6-member party. In this context, many other questions remain unanswered: How will a Bennett-Lapid government deal with provocations by Hamas or Hizballah, when the coalition includes the Islamist Ra'am Party? How will it engage with the Biden Administration on Iran and the Palestinian issue? What will the government do on issues controlled by the Orthodox rabbinical

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establishment like conversion to Judaism, praying at the Western Wall and civil marriages, and what will its policy be on conscription of Ultra-Orthodox men to the military?

## ***Policy: More continuity than change***

While the government intends to maintain the status quo on the aforementioned issues, it does plan to take action on repairing the economy, badly hurt by COVID-19, and attempting to reduce tensions between Arabs and Jews across the country and especially in mixed cities. On the foreign policy front, it is expected that there will be more continuity than change under the new government. Nevertheless, it will work to establish close ties with the Biden Administration, aim to build trust and improve the atmosphere between Jerusalem and Washington, including by repairing damage caused in relations with the Democratic Party during the Netanyahu era. This does not mean the US and Israel will be in full agreement on all issues. A US return to the JCPOA is not welcomed by most of the members of the new government, yet it will try and convey its positions to the administration in a less confrontational way, and avoid public quarrels. In the region, the new government will try to broaden the circle of Arab-Israeli normalization in the aftermath of

the Abraham Accords, and will work to improve relations with Jordan, Egypt and Turkey. On the Palestinian front, while no process of negotiations is expected, Israel will likely reevaluate its policy vis-a-vis Hamas (i.e. Qatari assistance) and try and strengthen the Palestinian Authority. Israel will remain vigilant when it comes to Iran's activities in the region, and will likely continue in targeting Iranian targets in Syria and Iraq which may pose security threats, as well as strengthen Israeli deterrence vs. Hizballah while keeping a watchful eye on the situation in Lebanon.

## ***Public Atmosphere***

Leading up to the formation of the coalition, Netanyahu and his political allies have pulled no stops to try and prevent it from forming a government. Supporters of the Prime Minister demonstrated outside the homes of Yamina Knesset members, and launched a pressure campaign on social media accusing members of Yamina of being traitors who are helping establish a left-wing government which they believe is a danger for Israel. A group of prominent Orthodox rabbis, identified with the nationalist right, signed a letter stating that "everything should be done" to stop the formation of the new government. The demonstrations, social media campaign

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and the rabbis letter reminded many Israelis of the months leading up to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's assassination in November 1995, by a Jewish assassin, who (inspired by nationalist rabbis) wanted to stop the Oslo peace process. Netanyahu, and his allies also began describing Bennett's decision to side with centrist and left leaning parties as the "biggest election fraud in the country's history" and arguing "the elections were stolen," creating an atmosphere reminiscent of that leading up to the January 6 events on Capitol Hill. These developments led Nadav Argaman, the chief Israel's General Security Service (aka Shin Bet) to issue an unprecedented public warning, calling on politicians, officials, media and social media outlets not to allow incitement and reduce tensions, noting the current situation may lead to physical violence if not contained. The nationalist right's plan to hold a flag parade in the Old City of Jerusalem this week (encouraged by Netanyahu) was placed on hold, amid concerns it would spark riots and clashes between Jews and Arabs similar to those which took place across Israel during the war with Hamas last month. The parade has been postponed until next week, but may be cancelled again, depending on the situation on the ground.

## *What Happens to Netanyahu?*

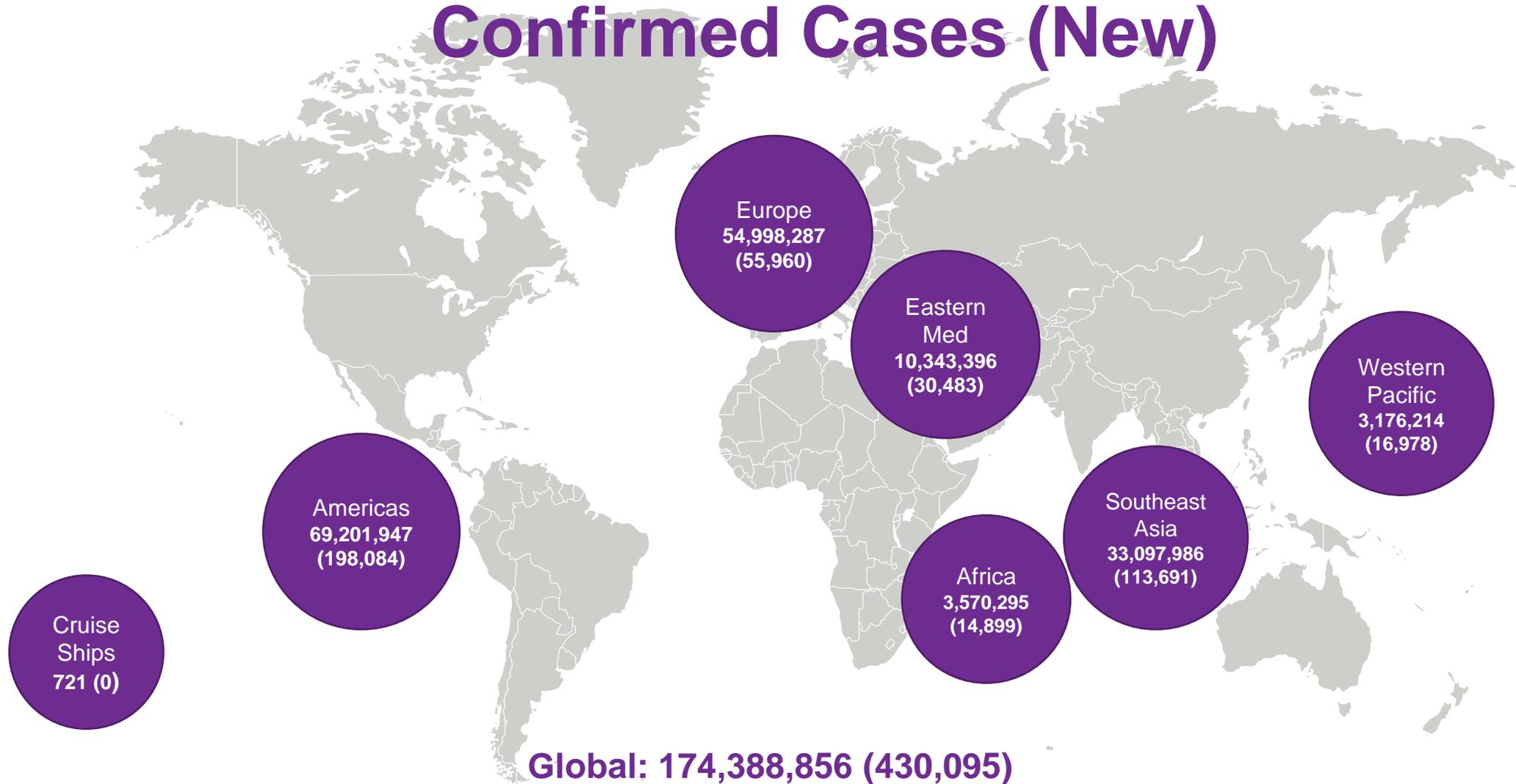
If all goes according to plan, June 13 will be Netanyahu's last day in office after 12 straight years (and an additional 3 years in the 1990's) as Prime Minister. No doubt it will be a dramatic moment in Israeli political history, as the country's longest serving Prime Minister leaves office. However, Netanyahu is not going home. He will seek to remain in the Knesset as Leader of the Opposition. He will likely push to hold a primary for Likud leadership as soon as possible, so as not to give potential opponents time to prepare for the contest. Underneath the surface there is a lot of anger directed at the Prime Minister for how he handled the coalition talks that ended in his failure to establish a government. Some notable party members like former Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat and former Knesset Speaker Yuli Edelstein have stated they would compete against Netanyahu in a primary, but it is doubtful if they will be able to defeat him in the near term. Netanyahu's criminal trial will continue and the fact he will no longer be Prime Minister will make it harder for him not to appear in court when required. The trial is in its first month and unless Netanyahu reaches a plea bargain, may continue for several more years.

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# Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on June 9, 2021

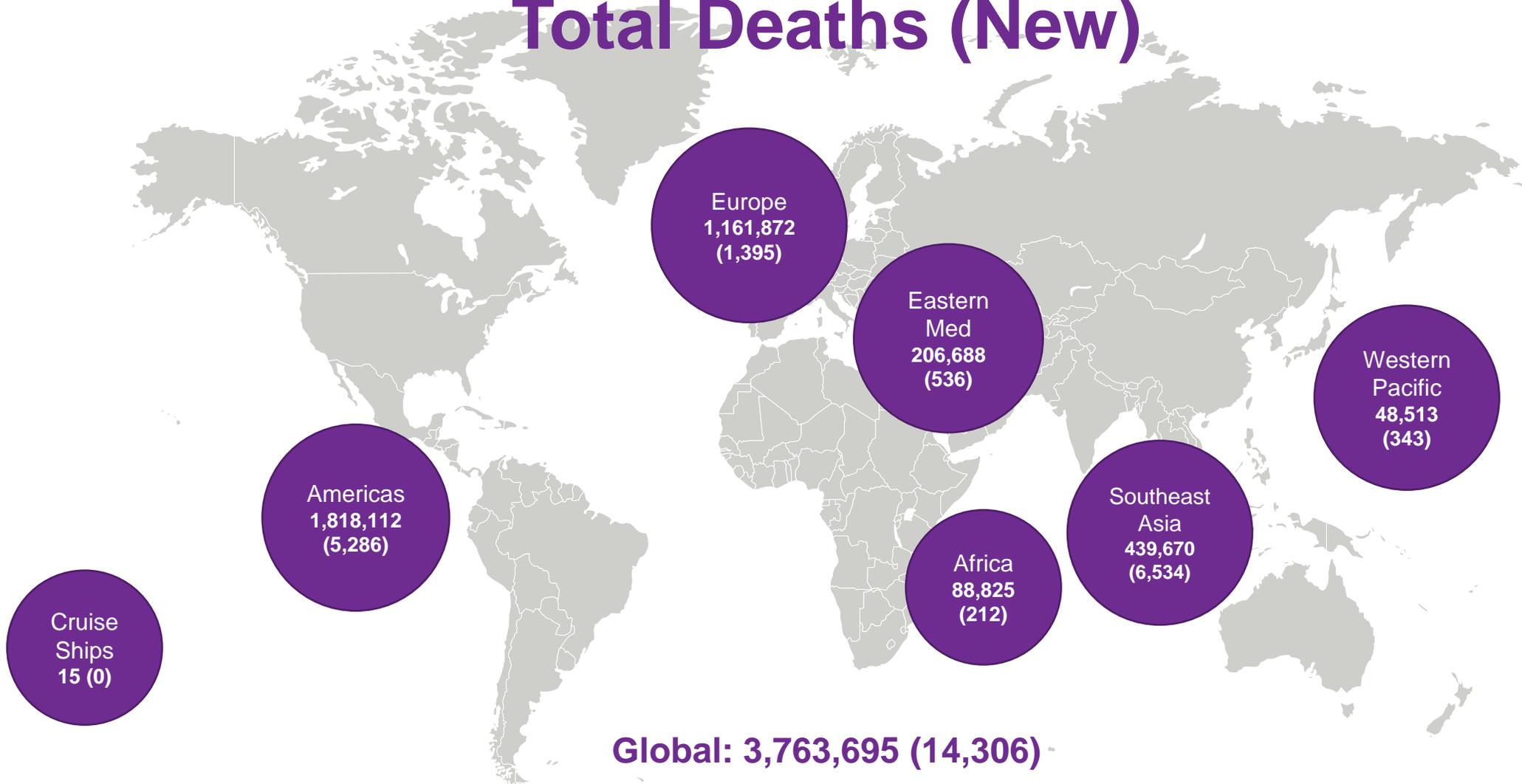
# Confirmed Cases (New)



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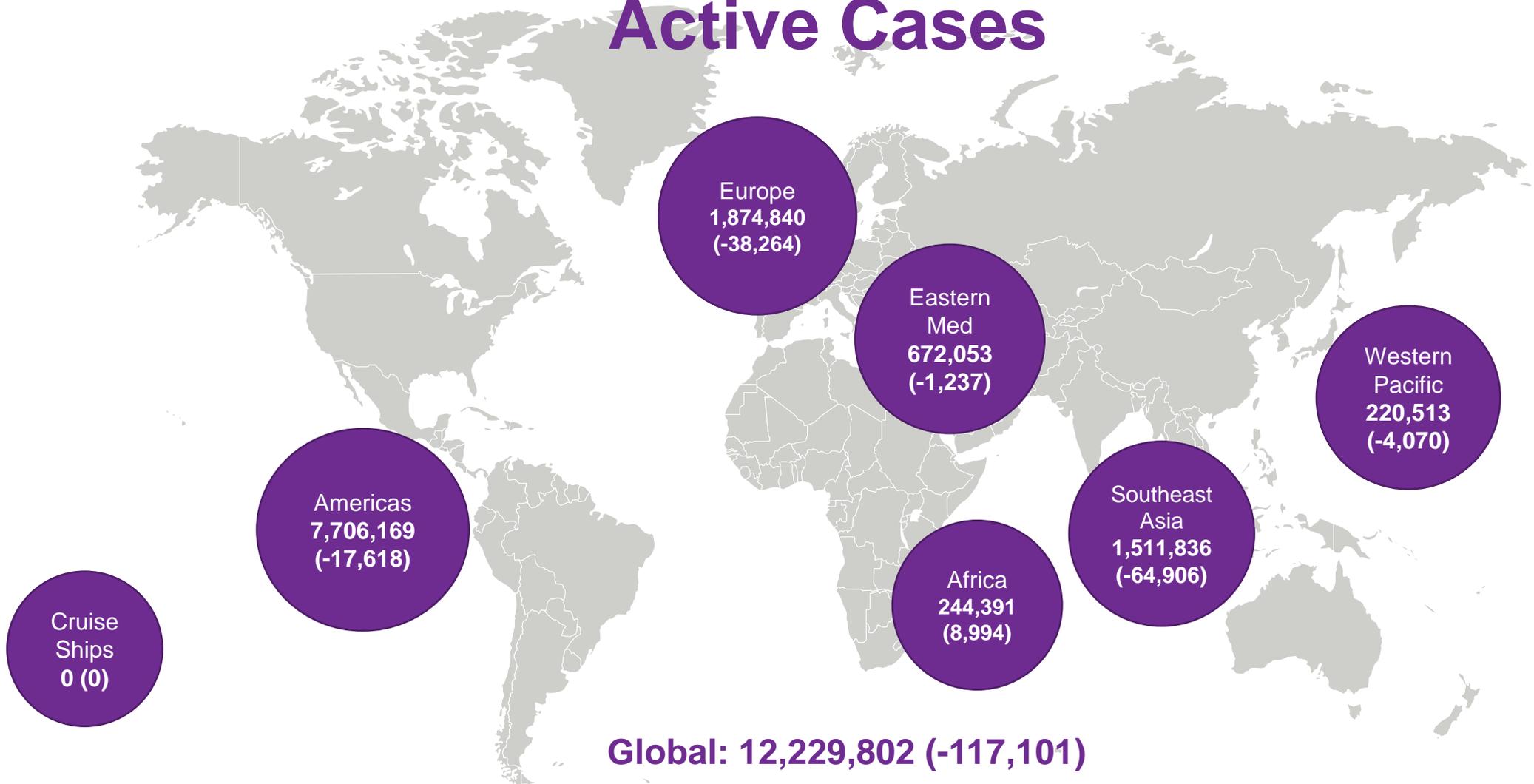
# Total Deaths (New)



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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	5197302	33414029 (22918)	598827 (424)	102952	1843	0.32%
India	1177152	29182072 (93896)	359695 (6138)	20953	258	2.54%
Brazil	1048750	17125357 (87097)	479791 (2484)	80034	2242	2.37%
Argentina	346361	4038528 (29757)	83272 (605)	88594	1827	4.61%
Iran	318513	2990714 (10598)	81519 (157)	35185	959	1.85%
Russia	269456	5156250 (10407)	124895 (399)	35318	855	1.28%
Mexico	264644	2438011 (3449)	229100 (262)	18725	1760	0.71%
France	218341	5849470 (5846)	111202 (70)	87534	1685	0.74%
Italy	174935	4237790 (2199)	126767 (77)	70187	2100	0.34%
Colombia	156776	3635835 (24233)	93473 (550)	70749	1819	4.85%
Poland	155279	2876289 (428)	74363 (108)	76077	1967	0.10%
Honduras	149846	242796 (419)	6532 (39)	24154	650	1.64%
Spain	134039	3715454 (4427)	80332 (23)	79438	1718	0.75%
UK	126405	4551743 (7550)	128124 (6)	66487	1874	0.90%

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Netherlands	101825	1695034 (1732)	17977 (5)	97118	1031	0.79%
Indonesia	101635	1877050 (7725)	52162 (170)	6795	189	2.41%
Peru	83059	1991203 (3270)	187479 (322)	59614	5613	1.29%
Malaysia	81575	633891 (6239)	3611 (75)	19353	110	7.37%
Nepal	80336	598813 (3449)	8179 (81)	20212	276	4.63%
Turkey	78429	5306690 (6454)	48428 (87)	62293	568	0.81%
Costa Rica	72907	336007 (2187)	4278 (27)	65400	833	3.69%
Germany	68083	3715870 (3275)	90187 (103)	44218	1073	0.48%
Bolivia	66458	392975 (2981)	15177 (95)	33241	1284	4.65%
South Africa	66128	1712939 (8881)	57310 (127)	28545	955	2.21%
Iraq	65355	1237856 (4616)	16614 (25)	30144	405	2.24%
Sweden	60398	1081898 (0)	14525 (0)	106504	1430	1.24%
Ukraine	57945	2218039 (1385)	51410 (77)	51005	1182	0.51%
Belgium	57814	1072175 (904)	25051 (10)	92135	2153	0.81%

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Egypt	56189	270292 (765)	15471 (34)	2596	149	2.12%
Hungary	56096	806385 (179)	29889 (6)	83673	3101	0.17%
Philippines	54062	1286202 (5447)	22190 (126)	11593	200	3.54%
Dominican Republic	52638	304428 (1440)	3686 (14)	27802	337	2.87%
Kenya	51383	173661 (589)	3345 (19)	3165	61	1.40%
Thailand	47644	185228 (2680)	1332 (35)	2647	19	10.67%
Bangladesh	47301	817819 (2537)	12949 (36)	4920	78	1.65%
Finland	46561	93520 (126)	959 (0)	16854	173	0.80%
Chile	45773	1445770 (5353)	30141 (37)	75027	1564	3.51%
Pakistan	44987	936131 (1118)	21453 (77)	4162	95	1.22%
Japan	38069	765619 (1885)	13743 (98)	6071	109	2.15%
Norway	37725	127466 (212)	789 (5)	23341	144	1.21%
Algeria	36596	132034 (387)	3544 (7)	2961	79	1.81%

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Sri Lanka	31059	213396 (2735)	1910 (66)	9927	89	9.77%
Tunisia	31052	360285 (2102)	13229 (103)	30189	1108	3.16%
Switzerland	25002	699339 (541)	10851 (7)	80255	1245	0.45%
Portugal	23996	854522 (890)	17037 (0)	84034	1675	0.50%
Afghanistan	22665	85892 (1842)	3356 (51)	2161	84	12.54%
Kazakhstan	21850	396832 (1000)	4111 (15)	20900	217	1.98%
Jamaica	21274	49090 (59)	988 (14)	16510	332	0.92%
Ethiopia	20887	273398 (223)	4226 (6)	2324	36	0.50%
Canada	20377	1396798 (1388)	25843 (52)	36707	679	0.82%
Oman	19287	228579 (1931)	2448 (14)	43724	468	3.96%
UAE	18885	589423 (2179)	1710 (6)	58929	171	2.45%
Bosnia	18164	204512 (57)	9467 (7)	62703	2903	0.17%
Venezuela	17452	246764 (1464)	2764 (14)	8701	97	4.06%

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Maldives	15630	69213 (341)	191 (2)	125969	348	4.83%
Guatemala	15268	265662 (1826)	8361 (30)	14577	459	3.20%
Kuwait	14926	321648 (1391)	1806 (5)	74289	417	3.05%
Ecuador	14322	433870 (885)	20903 (72)	24247	1168	1.15%
Bulgaria	14203	419990 (131)	17872 (12)	60875	2590	0.23%
Mongolia	13541	69022 (1312)	324 (6)	20742	97	12.53%
Greece	13507	412420 (886)	12346 (15)	39751	1190	1.67%
Ireland	12167	265356 (259)	4941 (0)	53183	990	0.99%
Denmark	11424	289024 (909)	2521 (0)	49598	434	1.79%
Lithuania	11296	277010 (249)	4323 (5)	103112	1609	0.65%
Libya	11128	188157 (229)	3152 (3)	27039	453	0.97%
Taiwan	10490	11956 (263)	333 (25)	501	14	19.64%
Kosovo	10488	76070 (0)	1688 (0)			

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Georgia	10372	351249 (821)	4982 (31)	88210	1251	1.45%
Saudi Arabia	9929	461242 (1274)	7503 (15)	13059	212	1.80%
Trinidad and Tobago	9869	27533 (454)	616 (17)	19614	439	10.20%
Lebanon	9095	541940 (139)	7780 (6)	79736	1145	0.20%
Myanmar	8827	144715 (136)	3233 (5)	2643	59	0.62%
Jordan	8501	741699 (598)	9561 (12)	72023	928	0.51%
Zambia	8250	103763 (1767)	1324 (3)	5501	70	6.94%
Panama	8242	384512 (779)	6413 (5)	87822	1465	1.30%
South Korea	7541	145692 (601)	1977 (2)	2839	39	2.89%
Uganda	7359	55511 (842)	392 (4)	1179	8	12.31%
Somalia	7010	14779 (3)	774 (1)	906	47	0.60%
Cambodia	6904	36240 (729)	289 (11)	2140	17	13.19%
Namibia	6610	60329 (515)	950 (14)	23348	368	6.74%
Czechia	6040	1664401 (383)	30210 (5)	155151	2816	0.13%

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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 Change 7-Day Av
Cuba	6038	152420 (1161)	1045 (12)	13465	92	5.19%
Vietnam	5874	9565 (407)	55 (0)	97	1	18.32%
Angola	5751	36115 (111)	811 (8)	1068	24	3.20%
Congo (Kinshasa)**	5341	33956 (379)	821 (4)	369	9	5.95%

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\* Indicates moved down a risk category

\*\* Indicates moved up a risk category

## 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
Serbia*	4975	714252 (198)	6938 (8)	82058	797	0.18%
Kyrgyzstan	4945	108173 (459)	1864 (5)	16328	281	2.50%
Austria	4850	647688 (366)	10650 (3)	71531	1176	0.33%
West Bank & Gaza	4667	310544 (0)	3520 (0)	59582	675	0.49%
Belarus	4642	401853 (834)	2939 (10)	42540	311	1.46%
Romania	4429	1079294 (140)	31383 (14)	56457	1642	0.11%
Armenia	4220	223384 (99)	4474 (11)	75253	1507	0.23%
Cameroon	4173	79904 (0)	1302 (0)	2942	48	1.22%
Burundi	4161	4942 (17)	8 (0)	404	1	2.31%
Lesotho	4075	10839 (0)	326 (0)	5022	151	0.07%
Mali	3915	14328 (4)	521 (1)	689	25	0.33%
Estonia	3854	130310 (68)	1265 (1)	98171	953	0.39%
Suriname	3838	17313 (272)	373 (10)	29267	631	10.89%
Latvia	3788	135388 (244)	2428 (5)	72533	1301	1.12%

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# Country Risk Assessment

## 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
Sudan	3643	36203 (81)	2719 (8)	808	61	1.51%
Slovenia	3422	255907 (255)	4392 (1)	123079	2112	0.58%
Botswana	3323	58095 (0)	885 (0)	24247	369	5.37%
Nicaragua	3249	7662 (0)	188 (0)	1144	28	2.36%
Morocco	3242	522399 (386)	9191 (3)	13997	246	0.45%
Uzbekistan	3216	102362 (199)	701 (2)	3017	21	1.60%
Haiti	3018	15908 (13)	333 (0)	1379	29	5.34%
El Salvador	2837	74983 (0)	2279 (0)	11506	350	1.71%
Qatar	2442	219138 (158)	573 (3)	78046	204	0.57%
Azerbaijan	2343	334917 (68)	4948 (1)	32755	484	0.19%
Timor-Leste	1938	7941 (79)	18 (0)	5918	13	7.95%
Cyprus	1928	72996 (77)	367 (2)	60049	302	0.58%
Yemen	1820	6832 (9)	1337 (1)	224	44	1.07%
Guinea	1759	23334 (22)	165 (1)	1733	12	0.60%

## 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
Guyana	1685	17939 (134)	417 (1)	22704	528	3.80%
Nigeria	1534	166982 (64)	2117 (0)	792	10	0.25%
Slovakia	1510	390693 (147)	12430 (7)	71528	2276	0.18%
Croatia	1330	358061 (275)	8103 (7)	87729	1985	0.34%
Syria	1269	24723 (23)	1801 (2)	1381	101	0.66%
Moldova	1196	255601 (60)	6145 (4)	63501	1527	0.12%
Ghana	1092	94369 (40)	789 (2)	2979	25	0.38%
Seychelles	1084	12466 (0)	46 (0)	126024	465	6.78%
Gabon	1057	24696 (45)	156 (2)	10857	69	1.08%
Cabo Verde	1027	31339 (114)	270 (1)	55799	481	2.06%
Sierra Leone**	1005	4251 (32)	82 (0)	523	10	2.23%

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# US Risk Assessment

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
California	1672237	3798631 (694)	63615 (10)	96159	1597	0.18%
Virginia	609168	677210 (197)	11260 (7)	79340	1319	0.21%
Maryland	440460	460863 (126)	9658 (5)	76230	1598	0.17%
Kentucky	401174	461446 (327)	7121 (12)	103286	1594	0.50%
Florida	325553	2332867 (0)	36973 (0)	108478	1721	0.21%
New York	268949	2107289 (437)	53492 (9)	111073	2766	0.19%
Washington	217070	442098 (507)	5856 (0)	58388	767	1.00%
Rhode Island	140094	152153 (47)	2722 (3)	143627	2569	0.17%
Michigan	137534	996065 (306)	20667 (9)	99738	2069	0.27%
Colorado	107813	548488 (697)	6651 (12)	95245	1183	0.79%
Georgia	88883	1127200 (411)	21049 (25)	106165	1982	0.23%
Idaho	78498	193295 (138)	2116 (11)	108163	1184	0.42%
Wisconsin	71046	675780 (130)	7995 (14)	116065	1373	0.15%
New Jersey	60970	1018491 (184)	26316 (31)	114667	2963	0.17%

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Texas	56028	2977248 (11210)	51814 (37)	102703	1795	0.69%
Maine	54580	68386 (53)	843 (3)	50873	627	0.74%
Missouri	52769	610677 (624)	9608 (15)	98363	1604	0.58%
Nebraska	50527	223714 (29)	2256 (2)	115650	1166	0.13%
Illinois	37503	1386179 (407)	25413 (27)	109397	2005	0.23%
Hawaii	36226	36731 (46)	505 (0)	25942	357	1.02%
Louisiana	34087	474653 (774)	10631 (9)	102102	2287	0.49%
South Carolina	31521	594574 (229)	9761 (7)	115480	1896	0.18%
Alabama	25796	546845 (305)	11249 (29)	111529	2294	0.41%
Pennsylvania	25413	1211487 (373)	27417 (22)	94635	2151	0.28%
Oregon	23145	203933 (262)	2716 (16)	48351	644	0.95%
Puerto Rico	15391	139142 (0)	2524 (0)	79413	745	0.25%
Nevada	15175	326583 (217)	5617 (7)	106028	1824	0.58%
Arizona	14416	885042 (433)	17715 (2)	121593	2434	0.30%

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# US Risk Assessment

## VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
District of Columbia	13177	49127 (8)	1137 (0)	69610	1611	0.24%
Indiana	13159	747799 (352)	13708 (12)	111078	2036	0.44%
Ohio	12653	1105720 (391)	20021 (0)	94594	1713	0.26%
North Carolina	8531	1006809 (544)	13230 (18)	95996	1261	0.33%
New Mexico	8173	203823 (76)	4292 (5)	97205	2047	0.29%
Alaska	7836	70588 (68)	369 (0)	92630	495	0.33%
Kansas	6514	316657 (385)	5104 (3)	108296	1752	0.28%
Connecticut	5969	348262 (108)	8257 (2)	97681	2316	0.17%
Utah	5319	408428 (360)	2318 (2)	127397	723	0.48%

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

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
Massachusetts	3485	708459 (143)	17917 (0)	102787	2600	0.17%
West Virginia	3346	162726 (90)	2846 (24)	90799	1588	0.47%
Iowa	3115	372248 (92)	6084 (6)	127652	1928	0.16%
Tennessee	2704	864583 (199)	12494 (2)	126601	1830	0.15%
Mississippi	2160	318685 (107)	7347 (4)	107080	2469	0.26%
Delaware	2124	109225 (37)	1677 (0)	112168	1722	0.29%
Arkansas	1721	342927 (201)	5854 (2)	113635	1940	0.36%
Minnesota	1492	603144 (139)	7570 (8)	106947	1340	0.25%

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