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Case Summary

Cases worldwide: 723,740
Deaths worldwide: 34,018
Countries affected: 202

(Data taken from [Coronavirus COVID-19 Global Cases dashboard](#) from Johns Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering)

Introduction

The number of COVID-19 cases hit more sobering milestones over the weekend, with the global total passing 600,000 cases; the US number topping 135,000 and deaths in Italy exceeding 10,000.

News

WHO News

The WHO addressed leaders from the G20 countries. The message was threefold: we must fight, unite and ignite.

- Fight to stop the virus with every resource at our disposal;
- Unite to confront the pandemic together. We are one humanity, with one, common enemy. No country can fight alone; we can only fight together.
- And ignite the industrial might and innovation of the G20 to produce and distribute the tools needed to save lives.

The main focus of WHO is to ensure that all countries have the necessary information in order to manage the health of the people. WHO is working closely with health authorities worldwide, noting the best practices from different areas and sharing them globally.

[\[Source: WHO – Information sharing on COVID-19\]](#)

Evolution Worldwide

ASIA

China: 54 additional cases were reported, bringing the total number to 81,394 cases. In the last week, the majority of cases in China have been imported from unspecified locations abroad. China closed its borders to all foreigners midnight, 28 March.

South Korea: A total 9,661 cases have been confirmed, 78 more than the previous day, and the total number of deaths is 158.

Thailand: At least 1,524 cases have been confirmed, including seven deaths.

EUROPE

Belgium: On Saturday, Belgium reported 1,850 new cases for a total of 9,134 cases. On Sunday the total number of positive cases rose to 10,836. 629 patients were admitted, for a total of 4,138, 867 ventilated. Saturday was the first time Belgium reported almost 2,000 cases within a 24-hour period, and Sunday was the fourth day in a row with more than 50 deaths.

France: 2,599 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 40,174 cases. This represents a roughly 7% increase in case counts since yesterday and indicates the epidemic curve may be slowing down. A total of 2,606 deaths in the country have been confirmed. This is the third day in a row that France has reported nearly 300 deaths over a 24-hour period

Germany: 5,967 new cases were reported in Germany, bringing the total number to 53,340 cases. The total number of deaths in the country is 399. Saturday is the first time that Germany reported over 100 deaths within a 24-hour period.

Italy: 5,974 new cases were reported in Italy, bringing the total number to 92,472 cases. The total number of deaths in the country is now 10,023. Saturday showed only a 7% increase in case count and could indicate the epidemic curve may be slowing down.

Netherlands: 1,124 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 10,866 cases. The total number of deaths is 771. This is the third time that the country has reported over 1,000 cases and more than 100 deaths within a 24 hour period.

Norway: Status Monday is 85,136 tested (not updated the last 48h), 4,284 tested positive (+228 last 24h), and 26 deaths. Approx. 4,800 health professionals are in quarantine (significant decline in the last days). There is so far **only 1 confirmed case offshore**. Advice to the public remains the same and general restrictions/lockdown is extended to April 13th.

Spain: 6,551 additional cases were reported, bringing the total number to 78,799 cases. The total number of deaths in the country is 6,606.

Sweden: 3,700 cases including 110 deaths up to 29 March.

Turkey: 2,006 additional cases were reported, bringing the total number to 5,698 cases. In addition, 17 new COVID-19 associated deaths were confirmed, bringing the total number of deaths in the country to 92. Saturday is the first time Turkey has reported over 2,000 cases within a 24-hour period.

United Kingdom: The total number of cases in the **UK has reached at least 19,522, including** at least 1,228 deaths.

MIDDLE EAST/AFRICA

Iran: At least 38,309 cases have been confirmed in Iran, including 2,640 deaths.

Kenya: A total of 42 cases have been reported, of which one has recovered. Kenya has reported no deaths so far.

Morocco: At least 359 cases and 24 deaths.

Saudi Arabia: A total of 1,299 cases have been confirmed in Saudi Arabia including at least eight deaths. The regions reporting the largest number of cases are Riyadh and Dammam.

Syria: A total of nine cases have been confirmed in Syria, and the first death has been reported. The country is at a risk of a major outbreak due to its fragile health system and not having enough equipment to detect the virus. In addition, the population consists of a large number of vulnerable individuals, limiting the country's capacity to handle rapid spread of the virus.

AMERICAS

Canada: 1,310 additional cases were reported, bringing the total number to 6,243 cases. This represents a roughly 27% increase in case count since Saturday and the first time Canada reported over 1,000 cases in a 24-hour period. The total number of deaths in the country is 63. Canada is among the top 15 countries with the highest rates of increasing case counts over the past 5 days.

Dominican Republic: 93 additional cases were reported, bringing the total number to 581 cases. The total number of deaths in the country is 20. This is the second day in a row the Dominican Republic registered over 90 new cases and the first time with 10 new deaths within a 24 hour period.

United States: On Saturday 19,290 additional cases were reported, bringing the total number to 119,682 cases. On Sunday there are more than 135,000 cases. This is the fourth day with over 19,000 new cases reported in 24 hours. Massachusetts and Michigan saw the most rapid rates of change, with a 31% and 27% increase in cases since yesterday, respectively. The total number of deaths is 1,988.

NEW COUNTRIES

The Northern Mariana Islands have reported their first cases of COVID-19.