

# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 7 April 2020



## Situational analysis

Source: WHO data 6 April 2020

Region*	Confirmed cases***		Deaths***	
	New	Total	New	Total
Globally**	77 200	1 210 956	4 810	67 594
Western Pacific	1 126	112 522	23	3 861
European Region	33 932	655 339	3 063	49 479
South East Asia	1 012	8 828	42	344
Eastern Med	4 054	74 347	182	3 976
Americas	36 878	352 592	1 493	9 680
Africa**	198	6 616	7	243

The WHO (@WHO) has announced that more than 70 countries have joined the Solidarity Trial to accelerate the search for effective treatments. About 20 institutions and companies are racing to develop a vaccine. They have confirmed that Africa cannot and will not be a testing ground for any vaccine - the same protocols will be followed to test any vaccine and any therapeutics whether in Europe, America or Africa.

[The National Institute for Communicable Diseases and University of Western Cape SANBI have successfully sequenced South Africa's first SARS-COV-2 genome - a vital step in fighting COVID-19.](#)



### Spread

[China reported two deaths in the past 24 hours but reports that there are zero new deaths for the next 24 hours.](#)

The United States of America has averaged 1 000 deaths each day over the past week.

Daily deaths in Italy and Spain peaked around 23 - 24 days after lockdown. It is suggested that the United Kingdom could peak in 7 to 10 days.



### South Africa:

South Africa has reported 31 new cases for a total of 1 686 and one new death.

Visit: [www.sacoronavirus.co.za](http://www.sacoronavirus.co.za) for the latest updates

SA Tourism will make updates available on [www.southafrica.net](http://www.southafrica.net) on how the lockdown measures will impact tourism.

## SOUTH AFRICA NEWS

- [WC man becomes SA's 12th COVID-19 victim as infections hit 1,686](#)
- [COVID-19 quick insights from 6 April](#)
- [Hundreds of informal traders get permits to work in locked-down Joburg](#)
- [SA's 3D-printing community is making life-saving protective gear from home](#)
- [South Africa takes stock of its vital medical supplies](#)
- [COVID-19: Not all heroes wear capes](#)
- [Opinion: How a new philanthropy model could help small businesses survive](#)
- [Uber Eats to deliver essentials from Monday](#)

## GLOBAL NEWS

- [United Kingdom's Prime Minister Boris Johnson's condition has worsened and he has been admitted to ICU](#)
- [Almost 90 % of the world's students – more than 1.5 billion children and young people - are now affected by nationwide school closures](#)
- [Emirates and Etihad have resumed limited passenger flights. The flights are open to foreign citizens who want to leave the United Arab Emirates, but no incoming passengers will be allowed](#)
- [Oxford Economic predicts that the coronavirus will take a huge short-term toll on world growth, but in the media-term much depends on a policy response. A strong, well-designed policy response is crucial given the risk of large, enduring damage.](#)
- [Spain is working on launching a universal basic income to blunt the pandemic's economic impact. The immediate goal is to provide relief to families that have lost income due to the lockdown, but it is working towards making it a resource that 'stays forever, that become a structural instrument, a permanent instrument'.](#)
- [ABC News in Australia published on article New Zealand PM Ardern's coronavirus response as a masterclass in crisis leadership: direction-giving, meaning-making and empathy](#)
- [China predicted that their vehicle production will be 11.5 % lower this year.](#)
- Uber Eats in the US and Canada announced a 30% increase in orders. They have allowed customers to donate directly to their restaurant - and Uber will match dollar for dollar up to a maximum of USD 5 million.

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