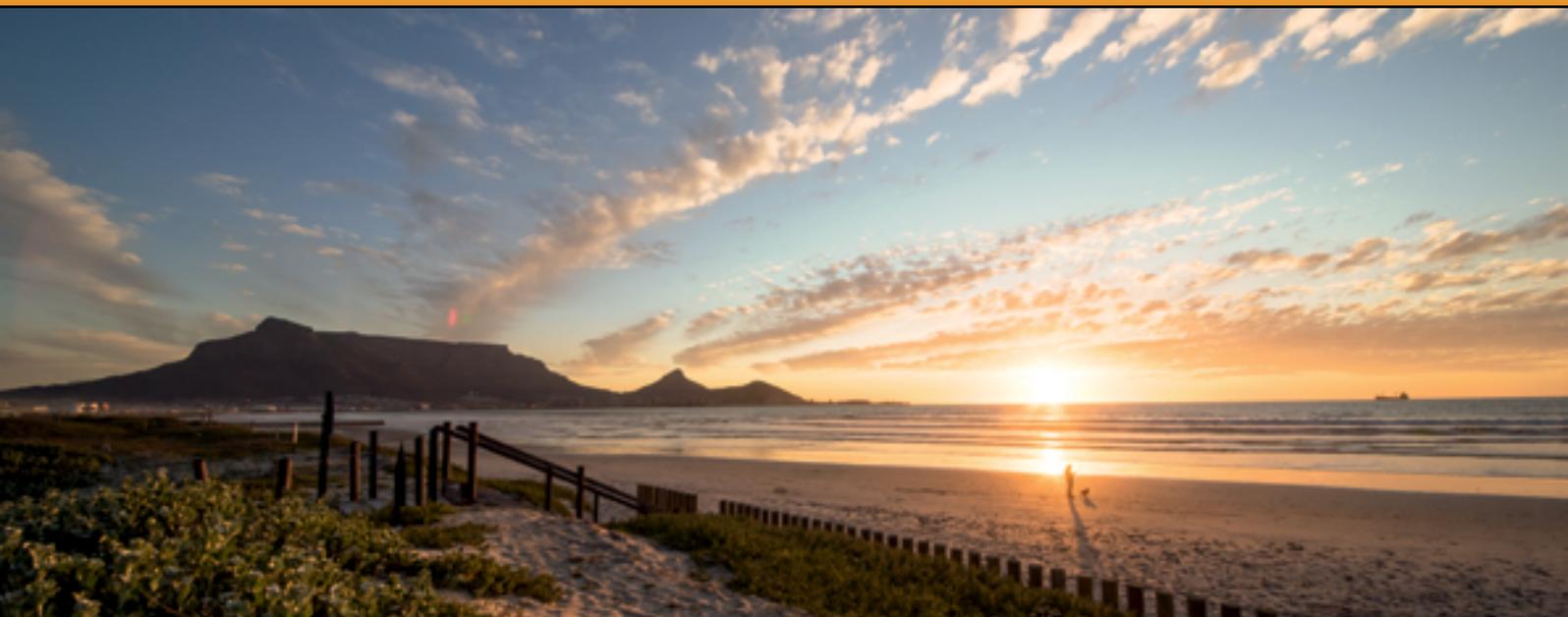


# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 16 April 2020



## Situational analysis

Source: WHO data 15 April 2020

Region*	Confirmed cases***		Deaths***	
	New	Total	New	Total
Globally**	70 082	1 914 916	5 989	123 010
European Region	34 324	977 596	3 895	84 607
Americas	28 404	673 361	1 785	27 336
Western Pacific	1 399	124 204	40	4 201
Eastern Med	3 751	107 389	140	5 395
South East Asia	1 624	20 287	107	836
Africa**	580	11 367	22	523



### Spread

- It is the fourth day in a row that South Korea has reported less than 30 cases. Almost half of the new cases are from overseas arrivals.
- [South Korea recorded the highest turnout for their elections since 1992](#)
- [Japan has ramped up their testing. Total cases has exceeded 8000 and people in their 40s and younger make up more than half of the total](#)
- [The Australian Prime Minister has urged children and teachers to return to school](#)
- [The number of cases in Singapore is increasing – this is how dormitories for poor migrant workers were the blind spot for the state that up to now have won praise for how they have handled the virus](#)
- Italy's new cases continue the downward trend
- Turkey has the third highest new number of positive cases in the world, following the United States of America and the United Kingdom.



## South Africa:

Date	Tests	Negative	Positive Confirmed Cases	Deaths	% +/-Tests	Recoveries
10 April 2020	73 028	71 025	2 003	24	2,74	410
11 April	75 053	73 025	2 028	25	2,7	
12 April	80 085	77 912	2 173	25	2,71	
13 April	83 663	81 391	2 272	27	2,72	
14 April	87 022	84 607	2 415	27	2,78	
15 April	90 515	88 009	2506	34	2,77	

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.

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### GLOBAL NEWS

- [Americans see infectious diseases as a bigger threat than terrorism - survey](#)
- [WHO: 3 COVID-19 vaccines in clinical trial phase](#)
- [Taiwan's Grand Hotel has been displaying some keywords on the outside of its hotel through special lights arrangements - yesterday's word was zero \(no new cases\), the day before was salute \(in appreciation of frontline medical staff\), etc.](#)
- [Palau has recorded no cases as to yet and the government has shut off the island - 'profits come and go, but you only have one life to live' the president said](#)
- [Billionaire founder of Bridgewater Associates, Ray Dalio, sees the pandemic causing a \\$20 trillion hit to the global economy](#)
- [Emirates has started testing passengers for COVID-19 before flying out of Dubai. Results of the blood tests are available within 10 minutes](#)
- [There is a really interesting article in the FT on how the lockdowns are improving urban air quality](#)

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