

# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 8 April 2020



## Situational analysis

Source: WHO data 7 April 2020

Region*	Confirmed cases***		Deaths***	
	New	Total	New	Total
Globally**	68 766	1 279 722	5 020	68 766
Western Pacific	1 119	113 641	31	3 892
European Region	30 999	686 338	3 330	52 809
South East Asia	304	9 132	18	362
Eastern Med	4 218	78 565	173	4 218
Americas	31 650	384 242	1 417	11 097
Africa**	476	7 092	51	294

## Spread



- [The cases in Austria are trending down and the government is planning to ease lockdown from next week.](#) From Monday, smaller shops and DIY shops will open. In May, 'higher risk' shops will be allowed to open but only if the public adhere to the ongoing restrictions. Schools remain closed and no public gatherings are allowed until July.
- [The rise of confirmed cases in Sahel has sparked fears for thousands of displaced people, often housed together in camps. Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger face jihadist insurgencies that have forced about a million people to flee their homes](#)
- [New Zealand reported that the number of cases has fallen for two consecutive days, despite a huge increase in testing.](#) The number of people who have recovered exceeds the number of daily infections
- [Australia has reported rising cases and deaths - almost half of them in New South Wales](#)
- [France's death toll has passed 10 000 after a steep rise at nursing homes. Paris has now banned residents from jogging and other outdoor exercise between 10 am and 7 pm](#)
- [Death toll in Spain is increasing again after several days of decline](#)



## South Africa:

South Africa has reported total of 1 749 cases and 13 deaths.

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

- [COVID-19 death toll rises to 13, confirmed cases to 1,749](#)
- [Platform to assist SMMEs hit hard by Covid-19 lockdown launched](#)
- [COVID-19: Mkhize concerned about St. Augustine's Hospital](#)
- [Ramaphosa: Economy will take big hit but lives more important](#)
- [SA to know 'in a few days' how well lockdown has worked: Ramaphosa](#)
- [EDSA learners use SA lockdown to build Covid-19 database platform](#)
- ['How do we stay safe?': Life in an informal settlement, where following lockdown rules is impossible](#)
- [Covid-19: Stores to get rent relief to compensate for lockdown losses](#)
- [Lockdown regulations: a case of state power by ministerial directive](#)
- [Eusebius McKaiser: Why Ramaphosa must act decisively against Ndabeni-Abrahams](#)

### GLOBAL NEWS

- [WHO, Lady Gaga and Global Citizen have announced a concert to air on Saturday, 18 April 2020 titled 'One World: Together at home'](#)
- [Jack Dorsey is donating 28 % of his wealth to fund global Covid-19 relief. The money will stay in the fund after the pandemic and shift to girls' health and education and UBI.](#)
- [Japan declared a state of emergency through to May 6 and announced a nearly \\$1 trillion economic stimulus package](#)
- [Nearly 60 % of 217 people, many from Australia, on board a cruise ship off the coast of Uruguay have tested positive](#)
- [Etihad Airlines is working with an Australian company to identify travellers who are medically at risk prior to check-in.](#)
- [Tour Operator Jet2 canceled all flights and holidays until mid-June.](#)
- [Miss England gave up her ceremonial duties to return to work as a doctor to help patients with COVID-19](#)

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