

# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 20 April 2020



## Situational analysis

Source: WHO data 19 April 2020

Region*	Confirmed cases***		Deaths***	
	New	Total	New	Total
Globally**	81 153	2 241 359	6 463	152 551
European Region	35 300	1 122 189	3 737	100 938
Americas	37 589	821 860	2 516	38 258
Western Pacific	1 440	130 696	23	5 621
Eastern Med	4 008	124 691	124	5 908
South East Asia	2 028	27 319	51	1 185
Africa**	788	13 892	12	628



### Spread

- South Korea has reported the first single digit new cases in two months and 75 % of all cases have recovered and been discharged
- The Minister of Health in Australia announced that only 184 people are still in hospital, 51 are in ICU and 33 are on ventilation
- In Malaysia, more than half of the cases have recovered and have been discharged. Their recovery rate of 58.5 % is among the highest in the world with a fatality rate of 1.7 %.
- [Decline in cases in New Zealand has relaxed the lockdown measures on economic activity, but not on social activity](#)
- [Spanish children will be allowed outside to play after a campaign by parents warning the state that it is cruel to keep them indoors - they must be accompanied by an adults and it is defined as 'limited outings'](#)
- According to CGTN Turkey has the highest total for any country outside Europe and the USA.
- [170 Dutch academics have compiled a 5 point manifesto for economic change after the crisis, building on DeGrowth principles](#)
- [President Trump's supporters are wanting to follow the same no lockdown approach as Sweden, but they have one of the highest fatality rates in the Nordic region and anger is being expressed in Sweden on how the elderly are paying the price for their strategy](#)



## South Africa:

Date	Tests	Negative	Positive	Deaths	% +/-Tests	% test/Pop (58 780 000)	Fatality Rate (Deaths/Pos)	Recoveries
13 April	83 663	81 391	2 272	27	2,72	0,14	1,19	
14 April	87 022	84 607	2 415	27	2,78	0,15	1,12	
15 April	90 515	88 009	2506	34	2,77	0,15	1,36	
16 April			2 605	48		0,00	1,84	903
17 April	100 827	98 044	2 783	50	2,76	0,17	1,8	
18 April	108 021	104 987	3 034	52	2,81	0,18	1,71	
19 April	114 711	111 553	3 158	54	2,75	0,2	1,71	

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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- [What is Big Tech Contributing to Help Fight COVID-19?](#)
- [The Front Line: Visualizing the Occupations with the Highest COVID-19 Risk](#)
- [Amazon's Jeff Bezos feels that people who are negative can go out to work and those who test positive can stay home and watch Amazon Prime. He believes that massive testing this the only way to achieve this. Amazon is going to start testing all their staff regularly as more than 50 of their locations have reported confirmed cases. Amazon has added 175 000 delivery jobs during this period and they have created a \\$25 million relief fund to help workers and contractors that have contracted the virus. He also announced that they have 'temporarily' increased minimum wage to \\$17 per hour and doubled overtime pay until the end of April.](#)
- [A cross industry group started by Rolls Royce now includes Google and IBM - the whole idea is to use their data analysts to help the United Kingdom to make data-led decisions and help with policy development](#)
- [Wynn Resorts CEO calls for the Las Vegas strip to be conditionally reopened mid to late May](#)
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