

# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 29 April 2020



SOUTH AFRICAN TOURISM



## Situational analysis

Source: WHO data 28 April 2020

Region	Confirmed cases		Deaths	
	New	Total	New	Total
Globally	76 026	2 954 222	3 932	202 597
Europe	27 313	1 386 693	1 904	126 429
Americas	39 087	1 179 607	1 722	60 211
Eastern Med	5 308	171 238	157	7 148
Western Pacific	1 264	145 385	40	5 998
SE Asia	2 288	48 348	93	1 917
Africa	769	22 239	16	881



### Spread

- [The Japanese Medical Association has said that it will be difficult to host the Tokyo Olympics unless there is a coronavirus vaccine.](#)
- [New Zealand scored just 54 out of 100 on an international assessment of pandemic preparedness in October 2019. However the country managed to weather the storm very successfully.](#)
- [Spread in Germany has worsened as lockdown eased. The first signs that transmission has picked up again were visible in German official data just as the country attempted a cautious easing of its lockdown measures.](#)
- [A call has gone out to Germans to please stay home if they can as infection rate edges back up.](#)
- [President Putin of Russia has extended the lockdown and warned that the worst is yet to come - 'a hard and difficult path lies ahead'.](#)



## South Africa:

Date	Tests	Negative	Positive	Deaths	% +/-Tests	% test/Pop (58 780 000)	Fatality Rate (Deaths/Pos)	Recoveries
22 April	133 774	130 139	3 635	65	2,72	0,23	1,79	
23 April	143 570	139 617	3 953	75	2,75	0,24	1,9	1473
24 April	152 390	148 170	4220	79	2,77	0,26	1,87	
25 April	161 004	156 643	4 361	86	2,71	0,27	1,97	
26 April	166 643	162 097	4 546	87	2,73	0,28	1,91	
27 April	178 470	173 677	4 793	90	2,69	0,3	1,88	
28 April	185 500	180 504	4 996	93	2,69	0,32	1,86	2073

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).

### SOUTH AFRICA NEWS

- [OPINION: Post Covid-19 recovery plan as travel, tourism have changed forever](#)
- [South Africa's risk-based lockdown plan set to last 6-8 months – with coronavirus peak expected in September](#)
- [COVID-19: SA in recovery for rest of 2020 - Kubayi-Ngubane](#)
- [Is domestic travel the answer for tourism's recovery?](#)
- [Minister stresses need for businesses to enhance health, safety measures on Level 4](#)
- [Mkhize defends lockdown, dismisses criticism of early coronavirus modelling](#)
- [Lockdown rules are due to relax in May – but don't expect flights, say SAA and FlySafair](#)
- [UPDATE: FlySafair removes flight inventory for May](#)
- [Virus-free towns want to reopen. But what are the rules?](#)
- [The big problem with South Africa's new Level 4 lockdown restrictions for businesses](#)
- [Firms urged to apply for worker relief as lockdown easing looms](#)
- [LISTEN: R3.3bn in UIF Covid-19 wage support paid out, but not all of it may have reached workers – Nxesi](#)
- [Small Business Department says Coronavirus relief funds may soon be depleted](#)
- [Unmasked: conditions that make Covid-19 a killer](#)
- [SA's Covid-19 cases now at 4 996. 93 deaths recorded since start of outbreak](#)
- [SA to use blood plasma of infected patients to save other's lives](#)
- [Life of a flight attendant: From travelling the world to wandering supermarket shelves](#)

### GLOBAL NEWS

- [Lufthansa reports that they are close to sealing state support valued at close to 9 billion euros](#)
- [@AFP announced that British Airways may slash 12 000 jobs](#)
- [Air France - currently operating at about 5 % capacity - is adapting its route network as France slowly lifts lockdown. They will start with domestic](#)
- [JetBlue aims to drop 16 'major hub' destinations from its network](#)
- [Southwest Airlines is selling shares and \\$1 billion in convertible bonds in a push to add liquidity](#)
- [Ghana's Aviation sector is set to commence domestic flight operations after three weeks of lockdown for passenger flights -](#)
- [Air Asia, Lion Air to resume Thai flights as coronavirus under control, but will implement strict social-distancing rules on planes](#)
- [Cathay Pacific stated that they will increase passenger flights in late June if the travel restrictions are eased. They are hoping to reinstate daily services to major Asian cities and some of their long-haul routes](#)
- [@AviationVoice reports that Argentina has proposed banning all flights until 01 September as a result of the pandemic](#)
- [Politico published an article on slimmed down companies and shaky passenger confidence and how that would influence the new reality facing airlines](#)
- [European tourism requiring around 375 billion euros to recover from the pandemic. Tourism's share of GDP \(13 % in Italy, 15 % in Spain, 21 % in Greece\) will massively impact their economies as they struggle to survive](#)
- [Spain's tourism industry is considering measures such as testing people for the coronavirus before entering a hotel or dining at a restaurant with screens separating tables from others as it prepares for a life of lockdown](#)
- [Cypriot and Greek travel agents are proposing joint tourism initiatives. This follows the release of a report on Greek tourism and the number of people that risk unemployment](#)
- [The Turkish government has launched an initiative to certificate coronavirus-free tourism resorts across the country.](#)
- [Serbia has officially confirmed the resumption of commercial flights from mid-May despite initial plans to reopen its airports at the end of this week](#)
- [Saudi Arabia expecting a 35 - 45 % contraction in tourism this year due to measures taken by government to fight the pandemic](#)
- [Dubai's reliance on real estate, transportation and tourism makes it the most exposed to the pandemic in the UAE - Moody's has a piece on how this may shock the UAE economy](#)
- [TripAdvisor announced that it will cut about 900 jobs - that is 25 % of their workforce](#)
- [Alongside tourism, experts say that the arts will take the longest time to recover when lockdown rules are lifted](#)