

Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 14 May 2020



SOUTH AFRICAN TOURISM



Situational analysis

Source: WHO data 13 May 2020

Region	Confirmed cases		Deaths	
	New	Total	New	Total
Globally	81 577	4 170 424	4 245	287 399
Africa	2 600	49 429	51	1 500
Americas	37 847	1 781 564	1 955	106 504
Eastern Med	10 243	284 270	121	9 259
Europe	24 527	1 780 316	1 918	159 799
Sout East Asia	5 031	110 932	149	3 746
Western Pacific	1 329	163 201	51	6 578



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- At least 4,250,000 people around the world are known to have contracted the virus, while at least 290,000 have died since the pandemic began
- The World Health Organization says it has seen 'positive data' for some coronavirus treatments and will focus its attention on four or five of the most promising. A spokeswoman explained that some treatments have been able to limit the severity or longevity of the virus, but currently there is nothing that can kill or stop it.
- [Morocco's Ministry of Health and Ministry of the Interior revealed the first details of a soon-to-be-launched mobile application to track COVID-19 infections.](#)
- [Zambia's request for emergency coronavirus funding from the International Monetary Fund may be scuppered because of the southern African nation's growing debt burden.](#)
- [White House officials and visitors have been ordered to wear face masks after two employees tested positive for the coronavirus, prompting several others to self-isolate. The decision was made by President Donald Trump but will not apply to him. Trump denied that the White House system had 'broken down' and said he was not worried about the virus spreading.](#)
- Japan plans to approve its first coronavirus antigen testing kits to boost the number of diagnostic tests available to battle the pandemic. [Reuters]
- The Office for National Statistics says 35,044 deaths involving Covid-19 have been registered in England and Wales up to 9 May. Adding the latest figures for Scotland and Northern Ireland, the total number of deaths from the coronavirus in the UK is now at least 49,466. The

- [Japan plans to approve its first coronavirus antigen testing kits to boost the number of diagnostic tests available to battle the pandemic.](#)
- The Office for National Statistics says 35,044 deaths involving Covid-19 have been registered in England and Wales up to 9 May. Adding the latest figures for Scotland and Northern Ireland and more up-to-date records from the four nations, the total official UK death toll now stands at 40,496. There were 2,423 fatalities related to Covid-19 in care homes in the week to May 1, representing 40% of the total number.
- [The traditional summer holiday abroad is likely to be cancelled this year, according to British Health Secretary Matt Hancock. Even though the government hopes to reopen the hospitality sector from early-July, Hancock believes that 'a reality of life' after lockdown will be that 'it's unlikely that big, lavish international holidays are going to be possible for this summer'.](#)
- [According to Public Health France, overall alcohol consumption has decreased among the French during the lockdown. However, more than one smoker in four said they had consumed more tobacco.](#)
- [Spanish government ordered a two-week quarantine on all travellers arriving from abroad from this Friday in a bid to prevent visitors from sparking a second wave of the coronavirus, a move that will further harm a tourism sector already reeling from the epidemic.](#)



South Africa:

Date	Tests	Negative	Positive	Deaths	% +/-Tests	% test/Pop (58 780 000)	Fatality Rate (Deaths/Pos)	Recoveries	Recovery Rate % (Rec/Pos)
7 May	292 153	283 921	8 232	161	2,82	0,50	1,96		
8 May	307 752	298 857	8 895	178	2,89	0,52	2		
9 May	324079	314 659	9 420	186	2,91	0,55	1,97	3 983	42
10 May	341 336	331 321	10 015	194	2,93	0,58	1,94	4 173	42
11 May	356 067	345 415	10 652	206	2,99	0,61	1,93	4 357	41
12 May	369 697	358 347	11 350	206	3,07	0,63	1,81		
13 May	386 352	374 278	12 074	219	3,13	0,66	1,81	4745	39

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GLOBAL NEWS

- [Beijing's parks and museums, including the ancient Forbidden City, reopened to the public on 1 May.](#)
- [The National Museum of Korea's permanent exhibition hall reopened yesterday with an hourly cap on capacity, and requirements for reservations, masks and temperature checks.](#)
- [The City of Paris is planning to partially reopen museums by mid-June, along with a large endowment fund for the arts and a new cultural festival in July.](#)
- [In Japan, public parks and museums in designated prefectures may reopen so long as strict social distancing rules remain in place.](#)
- The Wall Street Journal asked US museums and galleries about their re-opening scenarios and social distancing strategies.
- The New York Times spoke to theatre directors around the world on what re-opening means for the performing arts.
- [Sydney's renowned contemporary art centre, Carriageworks, has gone into voluntary administration due to the impact of COVID-19. Sydney Opera House may step into support.](#)
- [The John F. Kennedy Centre for performing arts has cancelled further events this summer.](#)
- Brad Smith, President of Microsoft Corporation, discussed with Harvard law professor Jonathan Zittrain the topics of privacy, security and all things tech in the era of COVID-19 via a video conference. Smith shared the conversation in a post on LinkedIn, thanking Harvard Law for the invitation. As the world continues to undergo pivotal shifts, executives should try to get ahead of the conversation by engaging in thought leadership opportunities and offering forward-looking perspectives on a post-coronavirus era.
- Brent Shafer, CEO of Cerner, stressed the importance of promoting mental well-being during social distancing in a post on LinkedIn. Shafer described mental health as a different type of health crisis, providing links to articles discussing the "shadow pandemic." Executives can extend support to stakeholders through a variety of initiatives during the coronavirus crisis and use their social platforms to connect resources with those who may need them.
- Alan Jope, Unilever CEO, discussed how the pandemic is strengthening his resolve in a Bloomberg interview. Jope stated that businesses must build trust with consumers in order to succeed as we emerge from this crisis, adding that recovery should not be framed as economy versus health. Executives must recognise their standard-bearing role and, where possible, offer much needed perspective through thought leadership opportunities.

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