

# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Daily Update: 31 August 2020



SOUTH AFRICAN TOURISM



## Situational analysis

**WHO Coronavirus Disease (COVID19) Dashboard.** Data last updated 30 August 2020

Globally, as of 12:47pm CEST, 30 August 2020, there have been 24,854,140 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 838,924 deaths, reported to WHO.

Region	Confirmed cases	Deaths
	Total	Total
Globally	24 854 140	838 924
Africa	1 044 513	21 722
Americas	13 138 912	461 754
Eastern Med	1 903 547	50 466
Europe	4 205 708	219 131
Sout East Asia	4 073 148	75 276
Western Pacific	487 571	10 562



### South Africa:

(National Department of Health statistics on 30 August 2020)

	Total Cases	Percentage	Deaths	Recoveries
South Africa	625 056		14 028	538 604
Eastern Cape	86 060	13.7%	2 876	81 373
Free State	37 557	5.9%	693	23 092
Gauteng	209 648	33.5%	3 572	181 299
KwaZulu-Natal	112 726	18%	2 138	95 653
Limpopo	13 167	2.1%	179	12 103
Mpumalanga	24 132	3.8%	341	22 563
North West	25 240	4%	240	18 492
Northern Cape	10 568	1.6%	120	6 972
Western Cape	105 908	16.9%	3 869	97 057

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

### TOURISM RELATED ARTICLES

- [Opening borders – what can SA learn from Europe? Sisa Ntshona, CEO of SA Tourism, told Tourism Update: “We are learning a lot from the Northern hemisphere about what and what not to do. The Northern hemisphere was under pressure to open up first, because it was the summer/beach season](#)
- [OR Tambo International Airport anticipates more than 210 000 passengers will pass through its doors in September as the recovery in demand for domestic air travel begins to gain momentum](#)
- [LGBTQ+ travellers are more likely to travel domestically first before taking an international trip and travel and tourism businesses need to focus on effective domestic tourism marketing to their local LGBTQ+ market](#)
- [COMAIR’s business rescue practitioners have asked for an extension until Wednesday \(Sept 2\) for the publication of the business rescue plan](#)
- [UK and SA media report that British Airways will operate two relief flights from Johannesburg to London on September 6 and September 11](#)
- [Today in business: Sun International casinos start to recover](#)
- [Plan to avoid Covid-19: five tips for booking a safe local getaway](#)

### GENERAL COVID-19 RELATED ARTICLES

- [Survivors’ blood may hold some Covid-19 relief. Hundreds of donations of blood plasma from Covid-19 survivors are sitting on ice waiting to be trialled on severely ill patients in SA](#)
- [5 important things happening in South Africa today. In South Africa, there have been 2,505 new cases, taking the total reported to 625,056. Deaths have reached 14,028 \(an increase of 47\), while recoveries have climbed to 538,604, leaving the country with a balance of 72,424 active cases](#)
- [Africa needs to do more to position itself to benefit from future Covid-19 vaccines](#)
- [Two weeks into lockdown level two, the country has seen nearly 33,000 new infections as restaurants, night venues and other leisure sectors reopen. According to the Health Department’s records, 1,764 people died after contracting COVID-19 over the past fortnight](#)
- [South Africa has experienced a small spike in both new COVID-19 infections and recoveries. That’s according to the Department of Health’s latest report on the coronavirus](#)

### GLOBAL NEWS

- [Thailand plans to turn about half its prisons into tourist attractions to boost visitor numbers as the Southeast Asian nation struggles to recover from an economic slump caused by the coronavirus outbreak](#)
- [Hawaii won’t allow tourists until at least October due to coronavirus surge](#)
- [US coronavirus cases approach 6 million as Midwest, schools face outbreaks](#)
- [Schools to reopen in Nigeria’s Lagos as Covid-19 cases decline](#)
- [ACCRA - Ghana will reopen air borders to international travel as of 1 September after closing them in March to limit the spread of the coronavirus. President Nana Akufo-Addo said in a speech to the nation on Sunday](#)

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