

COVID-19 Weekly Epidemiological Update

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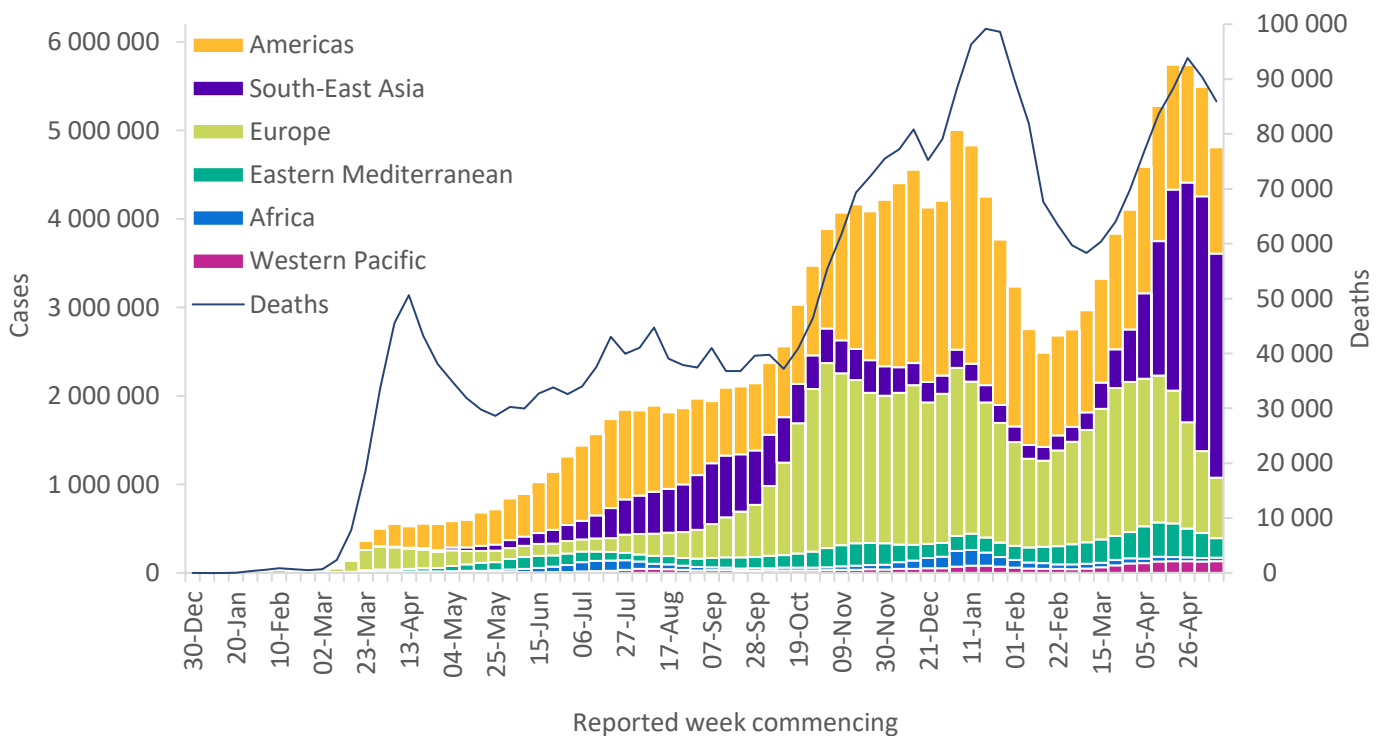
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Erratum: Variants of concern were incorrectly reported for Dominica. This error has been corrected.

Global overview

Globally, in the past week, the number of new cases and deaths continued to decrease with just over 4.8 million new cases and just under 86 000 new deaths reported; a 12% and 5% decrease respectively compared to the previous week (Figure 1). Despite a declining trend over the past three weeks, the incidence of cases remains at some of the highest levels since the start of the pandemic. All regions reported a decline in new cases this week apart from the Western Pacific Region, where the incidence of new cases was similar to the previous week (Table 1). The European Region reported the largest decline in new cases this week, followed by the Eastern Mediterranean. These regions also reported the largest decline in new deaths over the past week. South-East Asia and Western Pacific regions reported a similar number of new deaths as the previous week.

Figure 1. COVID-19 cases reported weekly by WHO Region, and global deaths, as of 16 May 2021**



**See Annex 3: Data, table and figure notes

The highest numbers of new cases were reported from India (2 387 663 new cases; 13% decrease), Brazil (437 076 new cases; 3% increase), the United States of America (235 638 new cases; 21% decrease), Argentina (151 332 new cases; 8% increase), and Colombia (115 834 new cases; 6% increase).

Table 1. Newly reported and cumulative COVID-19 cases and deaths, by WHO Region, as of 16 May 2021**

WHO Region	New cases in last 7 days (%)	Change in new cases in last 7 days *	Cumulative cases (%)	New deaths in last 7 days (%)	Change in new deaths in last 7 days *	Cumulative deaths (%)
Americas	1 201 726 (25%)	-3%	64 757 485 (40%)	31 439 (37%)	-7%	1 583 343 (47%)
Europe	684 903 (14%)	-26%	53 565 774 (33%)	16 255 (19%)	-16%	1 121 477 (33%)
South-East Asia	2 529 924 (53%)	-12%	28 082 564 (17%)	30 881 (36%)	7%	340 078 (10%)
Eastern Mediterranean	220 035 (5%)	-22%	9 648 410 (6%)	4 709 (5%)	-16%	193 761 (6%)
Africa	40 175 (1%)	-4%	3 399 382 (2%)	940 (1%)	-9%	84 844 (3%)
Western Pacific	132 757 (3%)	4%	2 729 890 (2%)	1 751 (2%)	4%	40 930 (1%)
Global	4 809 520 (100%)	-12%	162 184 263 (100%)	85 975 (100%)	-5%	3 364 446 (100%)

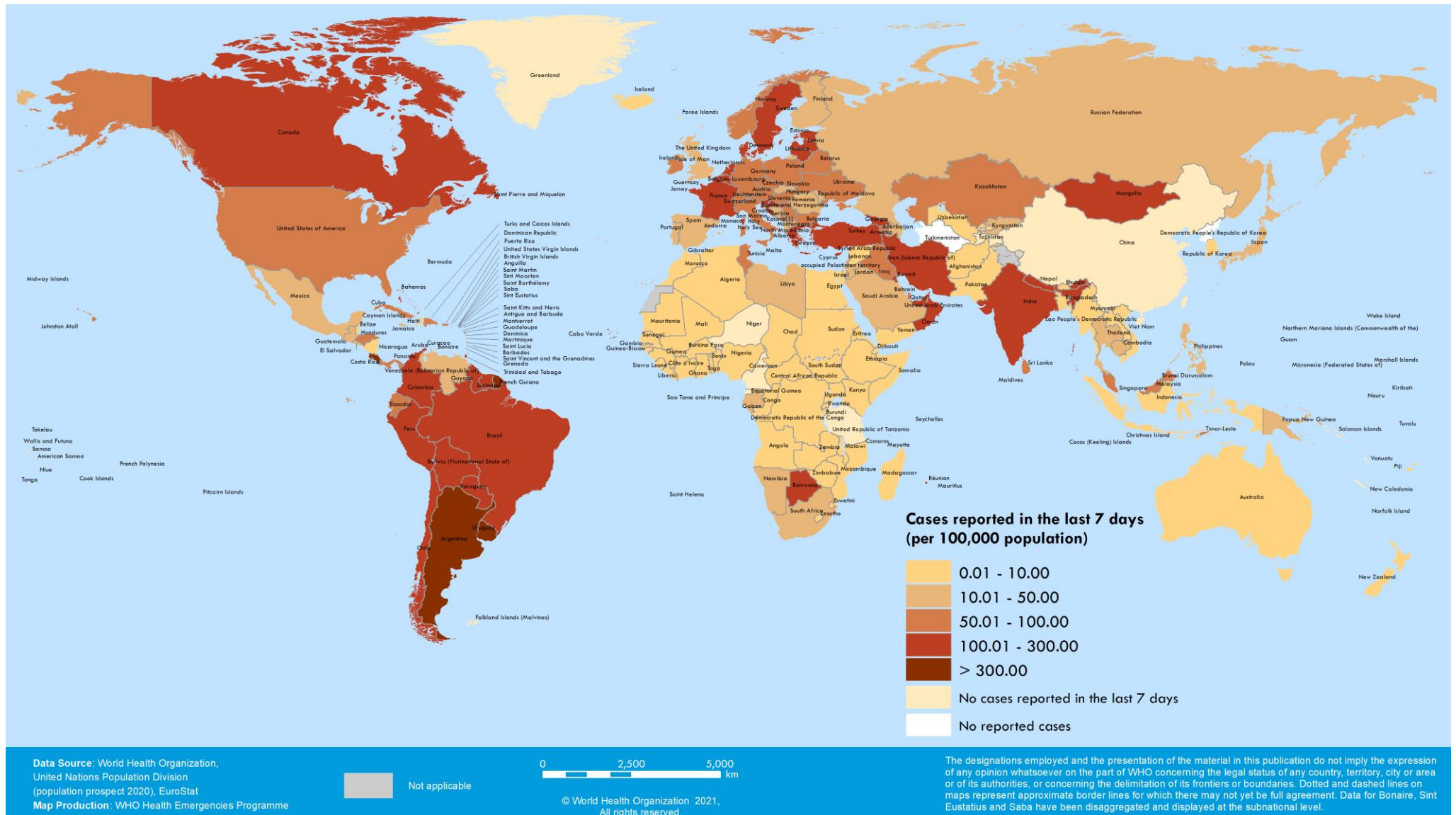
*Percent change in the number of newly confirmed cases/deaths in past seven days, compared to seven days prior

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For the latest data and other updates on COVID-19, please see:

- [WHO COVID-19 Dashboard](#)
- [WHO COVID-19 Weekly Operational Update and previous editions of the Weekly Epidemiological Update](#)

Figure 2. COVID-19 cases per 100 000 population reported by countries, territories and areas, 10 May – 16 May 2021**



**See Annex 3: Data, table and figure notes

Special Focus: Update on SARS-CoV-2 Variants of Interest (VOIs) and Variants of Concern (VOCs)

WHO, in collaboration with national authorities, institutions and researchers, routinely assesses if variants of SARS-CoV-2 result in changes in transmissibility, clinical presentation and severity, or if they result in changes in public health and social measures (PHSM) implementation by national health authorities. Systems have been established to detect “signals” of potential variants of concern (VOCs) or variants of interest (VOIs) and assess these based on the risk posed to global public health (see also [working definitions](#)). National authorities may choose to designate other variants of local interest/concern. Detailed information on currently circulating VOCs and VOIs is available in previously published editions of the [Weekly Epidemiological Update](#). Here we provide a brief update on the geographical distribution of the four VOCs as of 18 May 2021, as well as an update on detected VOIs (Table 2).

Table 2: SARS-CoV-2 Variants of Concern and Variants of Interest, as of 18 May 2021

PANGO lineage Nextstrain clade GISAID clade	Alternate name	First detected in	Earliest samples	Characteristic spike mutations
Variants of Concern (VOCs)				
B.1.1.7 20I/501Y.V1 GR/501Y.V1	VOC 202012/01	United Kingdom	Sep 2020	69/70del, 144del, N501Y, A570D, D614G, P681H, T716I, S982A, D1118H
B.1.351 20H/501Y.V2 [†] GH/501Y.V2	VOC 202012/02	South Africa	May 2020	D80A, D215G, 241/243del, K417N, E484K, N501Y, D614G, A701V
B.1.1.28.1, alias P.1 20J/501Y.V3 GR/501Y.V3	VOC 202101/02	Brazil	Nov 2020	L18F, T20N, P26S, D138Y, R190S, K417T, E484K, N501Y, D614G, H655Y, T1027I, V1176F
B.1.617* - G/452R.V3	-	India	Oct 2020	L452R, D614G, P681R, ± (E484Q, Q107H, T19R, del157/158, T478K, D950N)
Variants of Interest (VOIs)				
B.1.525 20A/S.484K G/484K.V3	-	Multiple countries	Dec 2020	Q52R, A67V, 69/70del, 144del, E484K, D614G, Q677H, F888L
B.1.427/B.1.429 20C/S.452R GH/452R.V1	CAL.20C/L452R	United States of America	Mar 2020	S13I, W152C, L452R, D614G
B.1.1.28.2, alias P.2 20B/S.484K GR	-	Brazil	Apr 2020	E484K, D614G, V1176F
B.1.1.28.3, alias P.3 - -	PHL-B.1.1.28	Philippines	Jan 2021	141/143del, E484K, N501Y, D614G, P681H, E1092K, H1101Y, V1176F
B.1.526 (+E484K/S477N) 20C GH	-	United States of America	Nov 2020	L5F, T95I, D253G, D614G, A701V, + (E484K or S477N)
B.1.616 - GH	-	France	Feb 2021	H66D, G142V, 144del, D215G, V483A, D614G, H655Y, G669S, Q949R, N1187D

* B.1.617 lineage is divided in three sublineages (B.1.617.1, B.1.617.2 and B.1.617.3). Findings for sublineages B.1.617.1 and B.1.617.2 were mainly used to declare B.1.617 a global VOC. Once more information becomes available, specific sublineages may be declared as a global VOI/VOC.

As surveillance activities to detect SARS-CoV-2 variants are strengthened at local and national levels, including by strategic genomic sequencing, the number of countries/areas/territories (hereafter countries) reporting VOCs and VOIs has continued to increase (Figures 3 - 6, Annex 2). This distribution should be interpreted with due consideration of surveillance limitations, including differences in sequencing capacities and sampling strategies between countries.

Figure 3. Countries, territories and areas reporting B.1.1.7 lineage, as of 18 May 2021

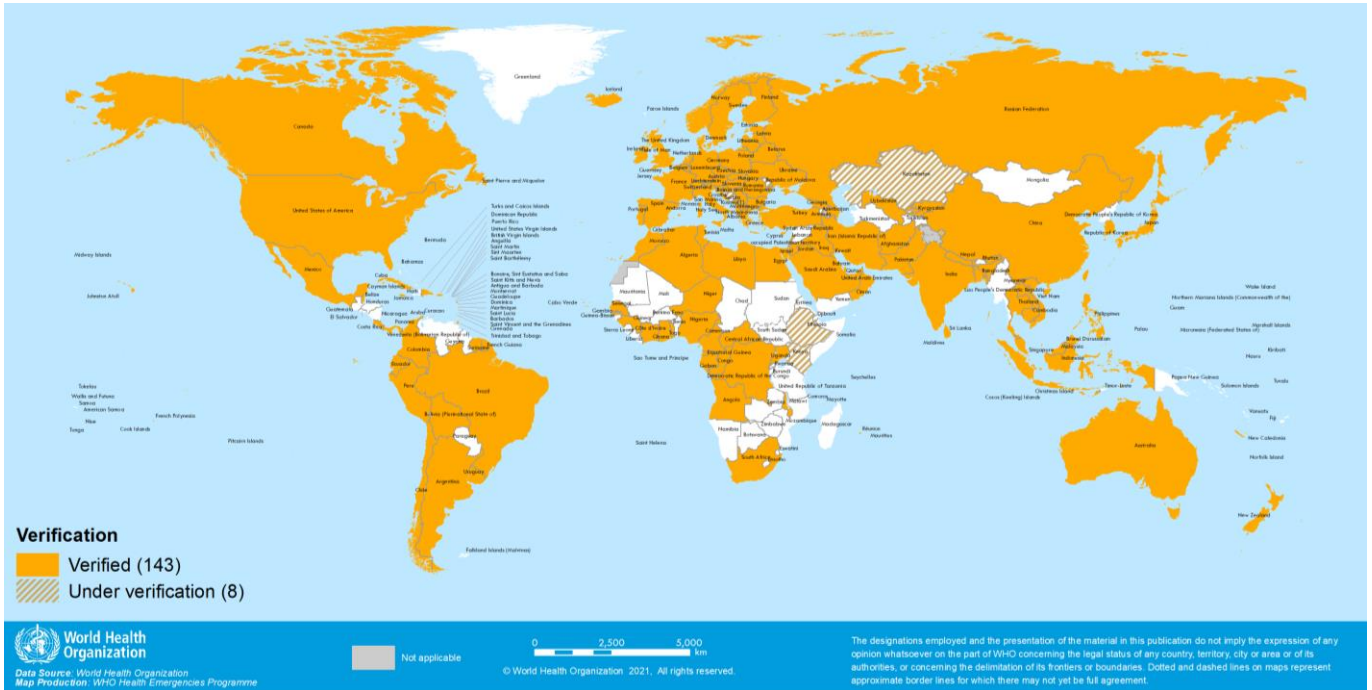


Figure 4. Countries, territories and areas reporting B.1.351 lineage, as of 18 May 2021

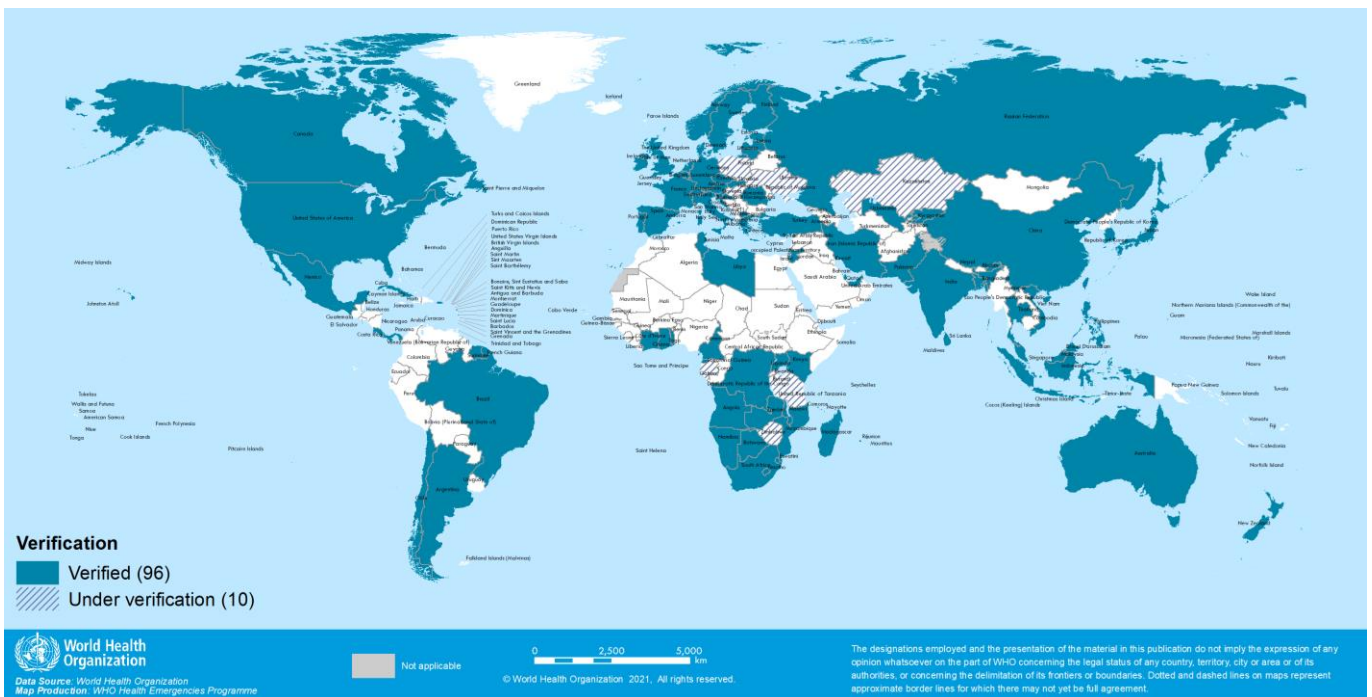


Figure 5. Countries, territories and areas reporting P.1 lineage, as of 18 May 2021

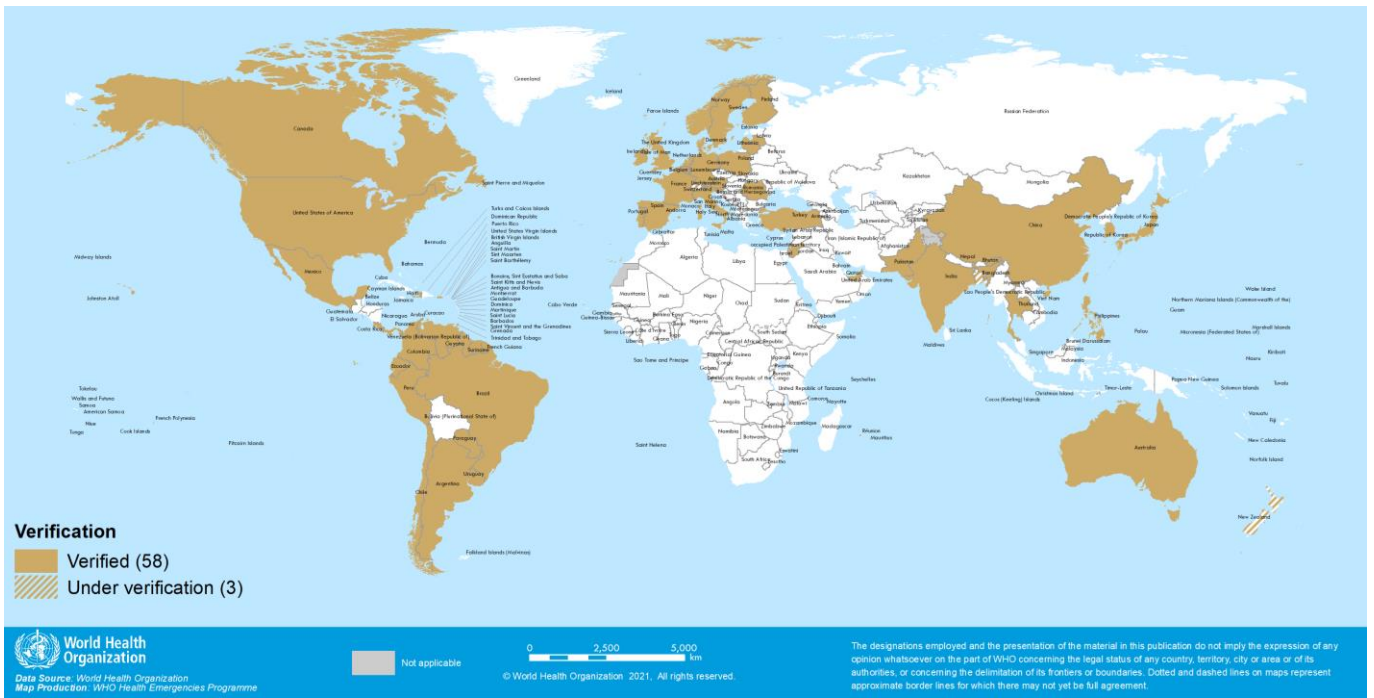
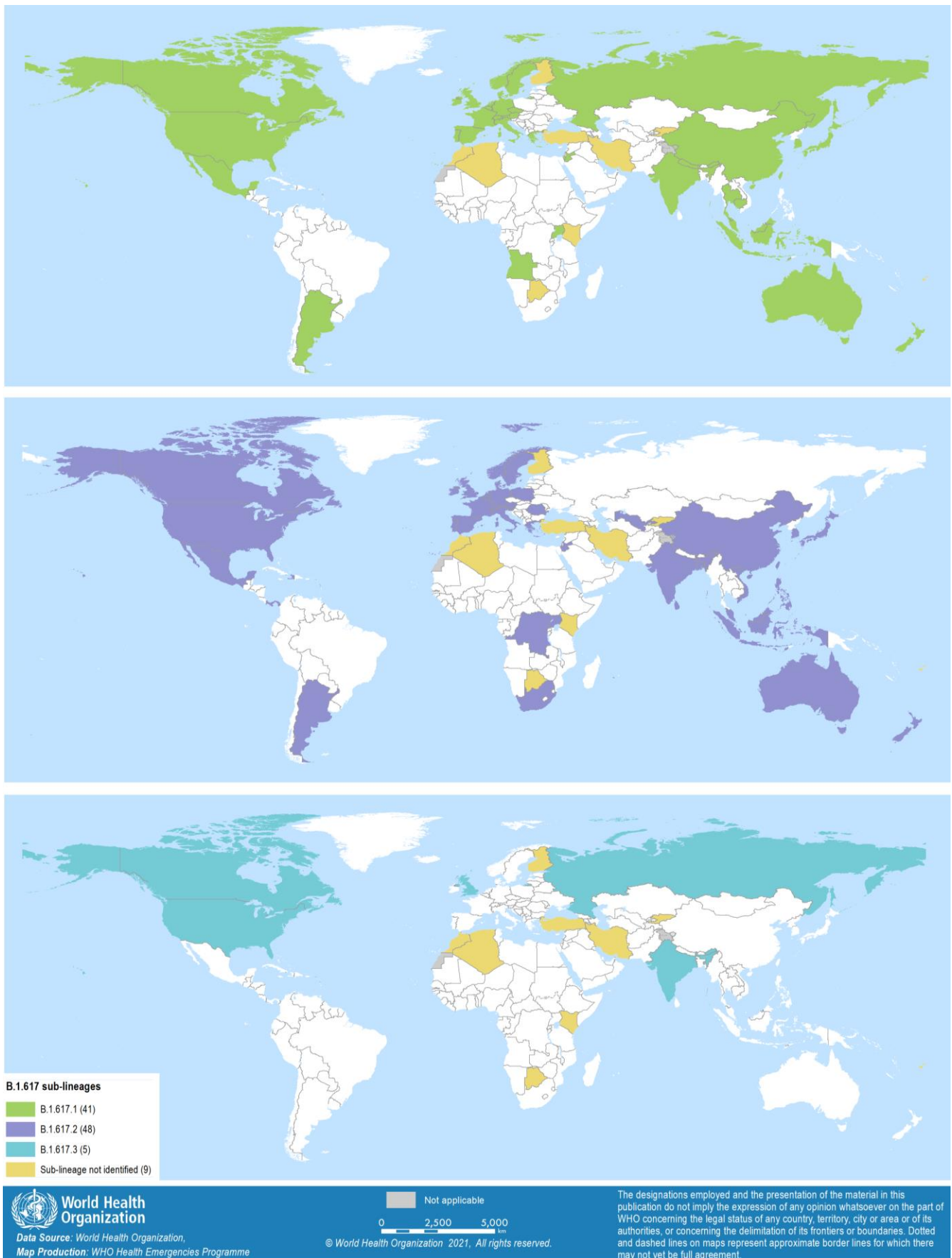


Figure 6. Countries, territories and areas reporting B.1.617.1, B.1.617.2 and B.1.617.3 sublineages, or B.1.617 with an unspecified sublineage, as of 18 May 2021*



*Countries/territories/areas listed in this figure include both official and unofficial reports of B.1.617 detection pending verification. Please see Annex 2 for details.

WHO recommendations

Virus evolution is expected, and the more SARS-CoV-2 circulates, the more opportunities it has to evolve. Reducing transmission through established and proven disease control methods such as those outlined in the [COVID-19 Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan](#), as well as avoiding introductions into animal populations are crucial aspects of the global strategy to reduce the occurrence of mutations that have negative public health implications. PHSM remain critical to curb the spread of SARS-CoV-2 and its variants. Evidence from multiple countries with extensive transmission of VOCs has indicated that the PHSM, including infection prevention and control (IPC) measures in health facilities has been effective in reducing COVID-19 case incidence, which has led to a reduction in hospitalizations and deaths among COVID-19 patients. National and local authorities are encouraged to continue strengthening existing PHSM, IPC and disease control activities. Authorities are also encouraged to strengthen surveillance and sequencing capacities and apply a systematic approach to provide a representative indication of the extent of transmission of SARS-CoV-2 variants based on the local context, and to detect unusual events.

Additional resources

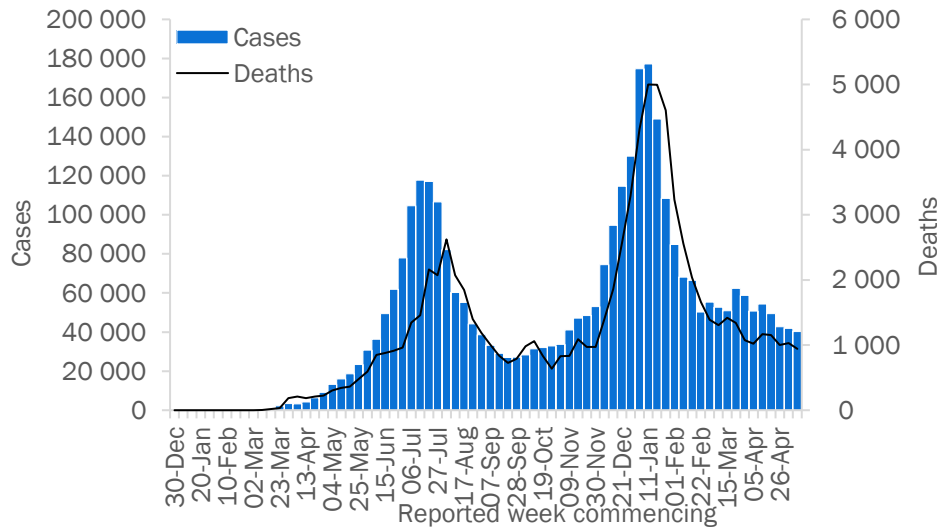
- [Working definitions of SARS-CoV-2 Variants of Interest and Variants of Concern](#)
- [COVID-19 new variants: Knowledge gaps and research](#)
- [Genomic sequencing of SARS-CoV-2: a guide to implementation for maximum impact on public health](#)
- [Considerations for implementing and adjusting PHSM in the context of COVID-19](#)
- COVID-19 Situation Reports from WHO Regional Offices and partners: [AFRO](#), [AMRO/PAHO](#), [EMRO](#), [EURO/ECDC](#), [SEARO](#), [WPRO](#)

WHO regional overviews

African Region

The African Region reported over 40 000 new cases and over 900 new deaths, a 4% and a 9% decrease respectively compared to the previous week. Case incidence continued to decrease for a fourth consecutive week while the number of deaths has reflected similar trends during this period. The highest numbers of new cases were reported from South Africa (16 326 new cases; 27.5 new cases per 100 000 population; a 36% increase), Botswana (3745 new cases; 159.3 new cases per 100 000; a 153% increase), and Ethiopia (3615 new cases; 3.1 new cases per 100 000; a 13% decrease). Cases in South Africa comprised 41% of cases reported in the Region.

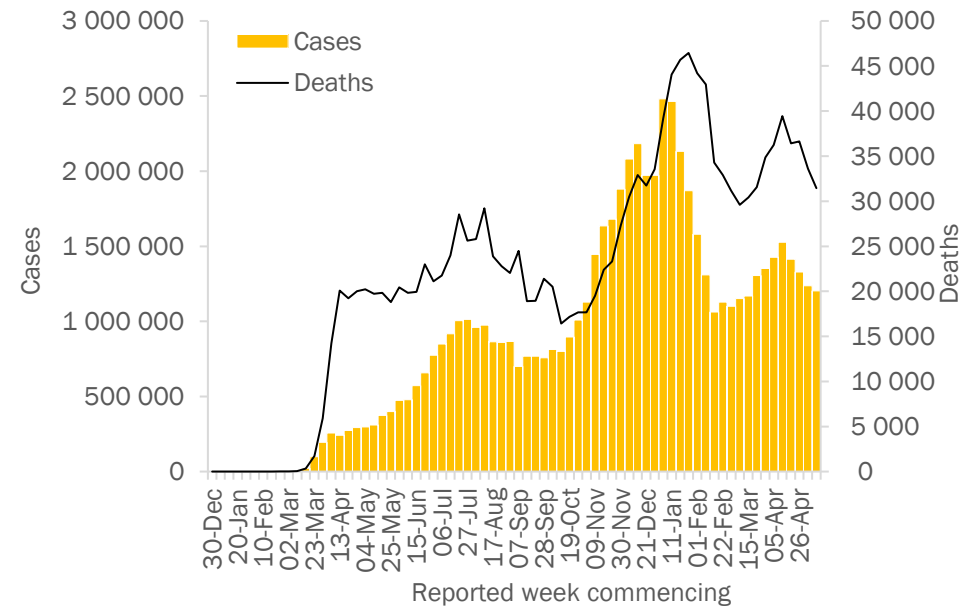
The highest numbers of new deaths were reported from South Africa (459 new deaths; 0.8 new deaths per 100 000 population; a 44% increase), Kenya (118 new deaths; 0.2 new deaths per 100 000; a 15% decrease), and Ethiopia (105 new deaths; 0.1 new deaths per 100 000; a 35% decrease).



Region of the Americas

The Region of the Americas reported over 1.2 million new cases and over 31 000 new deaths, a 3% and a 7% decrease respectively compared to the previous week. The number of cases decreased for a fourth consecutive week, and the number of deaths decreased for a second consecutive week. The highest numbers of new cases were reported from Brazil (437 076 new cases; 205.6 new cases per 100 000; a 3% increase), the United States of America (235 638 new cases; 71.2 new cases per 100 000; a 21% decrease), and Argentina (151 332 new cases; 334.8 new cases per 100 000; an 8% increase).

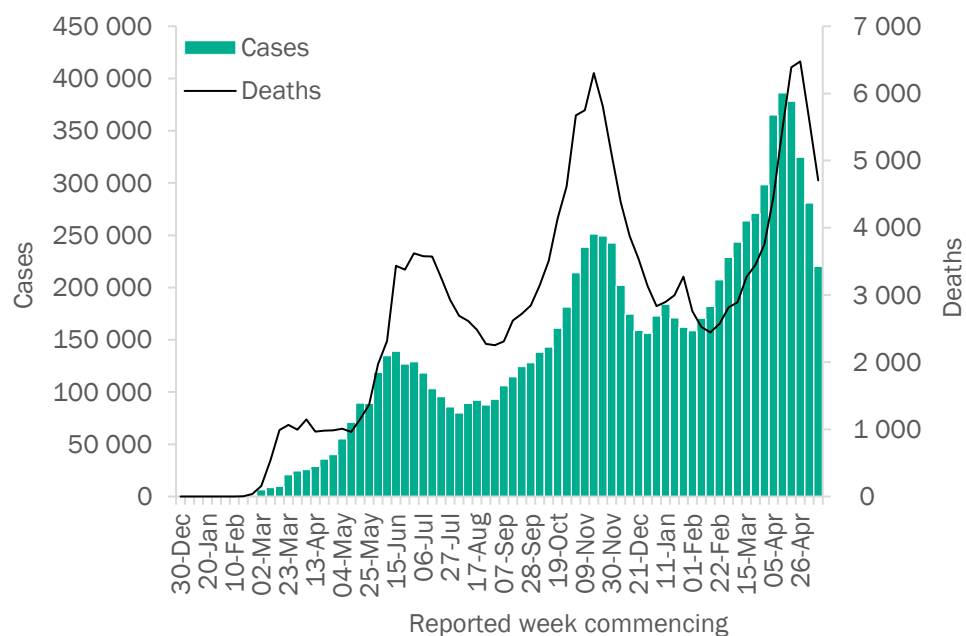
The highest numbers of new deaths were reported from Brazil (13 514 new deaths; 6.4 new deaths per 100 000; a 12% decrease), the United States of America (4143 new deaths; 1.3 new deaths per 100 000; a 12% decrease), and Colombia (3383 new deaths; 6.6 new deaths per 100 000; an 8% increase).



Eastern Mediterranean Region

The Eastern Mediterranean Region reported over 220 000 new cases and over 4700 new deaths, a 22% and a 16% decrease respectively compared to the previous week. Case and death incidences have decreased steeply for the past four and two weeks respectively. The highest numbers of new cases were reported from the Islamic Republic of Iran (99 205 new cases; 118.1 new cases per 100 000; a 20% decrease), Iraq (28 359 new cases; 70.5 new cases per 100 000; a 26% decrease), and Pakistan (20 511 new cases; 9.3 new cases per 100 000; a 29% decrease).

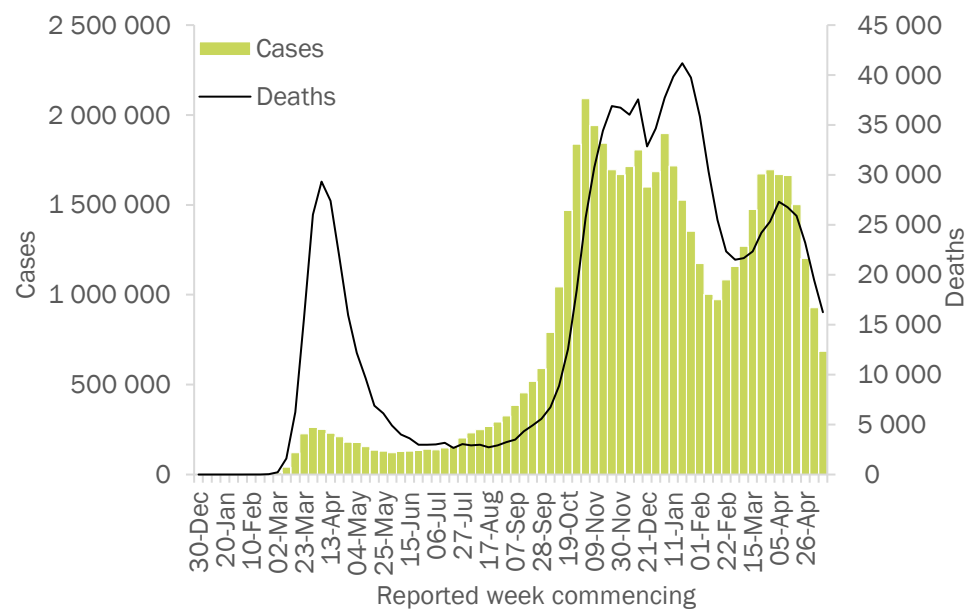
The highest numbers of new deaths were reported from the Islamic Republic of Iran (2109 new deaths; 2.5 new deaths per 100 000; a 13% decrease), Pakistan (670 new deaths; 0.3 new deaths per 100 000; a 20% decrease), and Tunisia (429 new deaths; 3.6 new deaths per 100 000; a 21% decrease).



European Region

The European Region reported just under 685 000 new cases and over 16 000 new deaths, a 26% and a 16% decrease respectively compared to the previous week. The number new of cases and deaths continued their downward trend for a sixth and fifth consecutive week respectively. The highest numbers of new cases were reported from France (93 546 new cases; 143.8 new cases per 100 000; a 24% decrease), Turkey (90 721 new cases; 107.6 new cases per 100 000; a 46% decrease), and Germany (73 105 new cases; 87.9 new cases per 100 000; a 29% decrease).

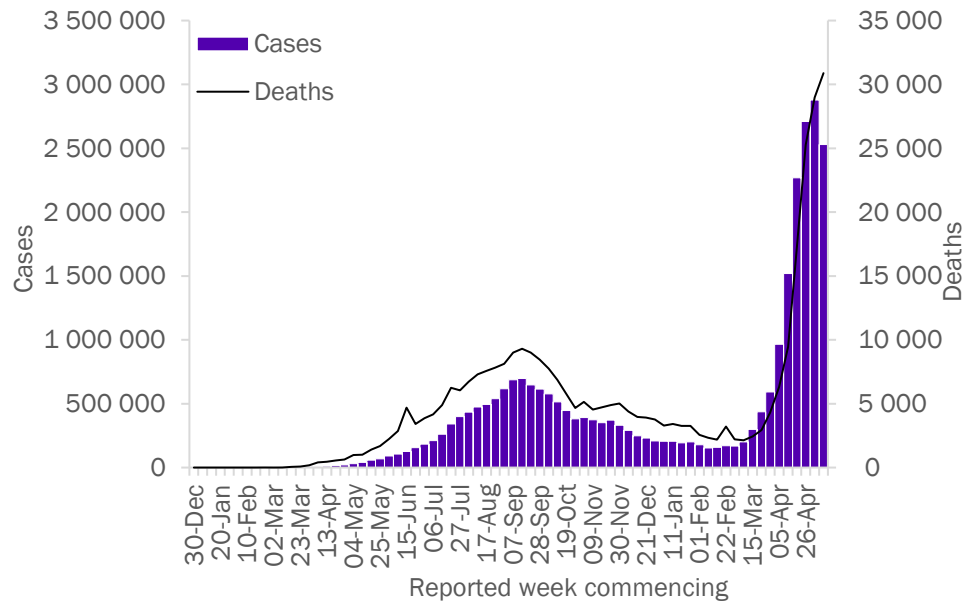
The highest numbers of new deaths were reported from Russian Federation (2545 new deaths; 1.7 new deaths per 100 000; a 3% increase), Turkey (1791 new deaths; 2.1 new deaths per 100 000; a 20% decrease), and Ukraine (1682 new deaths; 3.8 new deaths per 100 000; a 6% decrease).



South-East Asia Region

The South-East Asia Region reported over 2.5 million new cases and over 30 000 new deaths, a 12% decrease and a 7% increase respectively compared to the previous week. Case incidence decreased after nine consecutive weeks of increases, although the absolute number remains at its highest level since the beginning of the pandemic. Death incidence continued to increase for a ninth consecutive week. The highest numbers of new cases were reported from India (2 387 663 new cases; 173.0 new cases per 100 000; a 13% decrease), Nepal (61 814 new cases; 212.2 new cases per 100 000; an 8% increase), and Indonesia (26 908 new cases; 9.8 new cases per 100 000; a 27% decrease).

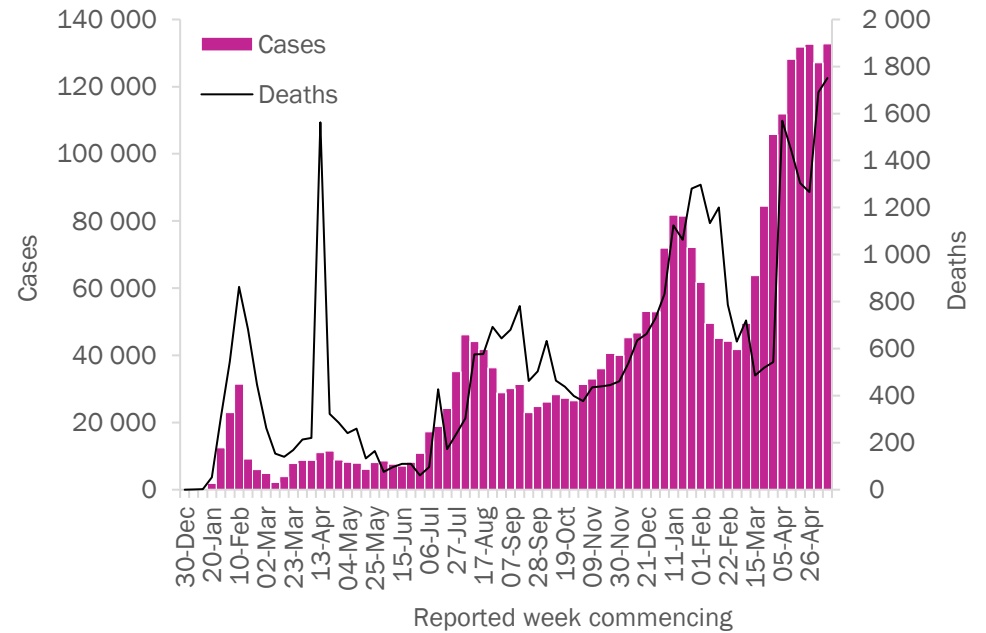
The highest numbers of new deaths were reported from India (27 922 new deaths; 2.0 new deaths per 100 000; a 4% increase), Nepal (1224 new deaths; 4.2 new deaths per 100 000; a 266% increase), and Indonesia (1125 new deaths; 0.4 new deaths per 100 000; a 5% decrease).



Western Pacific Region

The Western Pacific Region reported over 132 000 new cases and over 1700 new deaths, both increasing by 4% compared to the previous week. Both weekly case and death incidences were the highest reported in the Region since the beginning of the pandemic. The highest numbers of new cases were reported from Japan (44 961 new cases; 35.5 new cases per 100 000; a 26% increase), the Philippines (43 339 new cases; 39.5 new cases per 100 000; a 10% decrease), and Malaysia (29 386 new cases; 90.8 new cases per 100 000; a 16% increase). These three countries comprised 89% of all cases reported in the Region in the past week.

The highest numbers of new deaths were reported from the Philippines (782 new deaths; 0.7 new deaths per 100 000; a 15% decrease), Japan (640 new deaths; 0.5 new deaths per 100 000; a 21% increase), and Malaysia (209 new deaths; 0.6 new deaths per 100 000; a 54% increase).



Key weekly updates

WHO Director-General's key messages

[Opening remarks at the media briefing on COVID-19](#) – 17 May 2021:

- WHO Director-General Dr Tedros urged Member States to continue donating vaccines to COVAX in an effort to increase vaccine-supply to low-income countries, which are presently receiving only about 0.3% of all supply. UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore also called vaccine equity, warning of a huge shortfall in the vaccine supply to COVAX, in a [statement released by UNICEF](#).
- This week marks UN Global Road Safety, with the aim to lower speeds to significantly reduce the risk of death and injury. Although increased public health and social measures during the pandemic has meant more people have been working from home and overall there has been less road traffic, the number of traffic-related deaths did not decrease to the same degree.

Updates and publications

- [Continuity of essential health services: Facility assessment tool](#)
- [Health systems for health security – Strengthening prevention, preparedness and response to health emergencies](#)
- [Programmatic innovations to address challenges in tuberculosis prevention and care during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)
- [Health worker communication for COVID-19 vaccination flow diagram](#)
- [COVID-19 vaccine explainer: AstraZeneca ChAdOx1-S/nCoV-19 \[recombinant\], COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [COVID-19 vaccine introduction and deployment Costing tool \(CVIC tool\)](#)
- [WHO COVID-19 infection prevention and control \(IPC\) pillar achievements. February 2020 – January 2021](#)
- [WHO and UNICEF launch new tools for the promotion of adolescent mental health](#)
- [Using COVID-19 lockdown road-crash data to inform transport safety policy, Cali, Colombia](#)

Technical guidance and other resources

- [Technical guidance](#)
- [WHO Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Dashboard](#)
- [Weekly COVID-19 Operational Updates](#)
- [WHO COVID-19 case definitions](#)
- [COVID-19 Supply Chain Inter-Agency Coordination Cell Weekly Situational Update](#)
- [Research and Development](#)
- [Online courses on COVID-19](#) in official UN languages and in [additional national languages](#)
- [The Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan](#) (SPRP) outlining the support the international community can provide to all countries to prepare and respond to the virus
- Updates from WHO regions:
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Annex

Annex 1. COVID-19 confirmed cases and deaths reported in the last seven days by countries, territories and areas, and WHO Region, as of 16 May 2021**

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Africa	40 175	3 399 382	303.0	940	84 844	7.6	
South Africa	16 326	1 611 143	2 716.5	459	55 183	93.0	Community transmission
Botswana	3 745	52 162	2 218.1	27	761	32.4	Community transmission
Ethiopia	3 615	265 832	231.2	105	3 976	3.5	Community transmission
Kenya	2 141	165 379	307.6	118	3 001	5.6	Community transmission
Angola	1 877	30 354	92.4	25	655	2.0	Community transmission
Cabo Verde	1 840	27 951	5 027.3	14	246	44.2	Community transmission
Algeria	1 294	125 194	285.5	45	3 366	7.7	Community transmission
Namibia	1 220	51 113	2 011.6	27	710	27.9	Community transmission
Madagascar	1 131	40 005	144.5	38	754	2.7	Community transmission
Seychelles	1 012	9 184	9 338.4	2	30	30.5	Community transmission
Ghana	387	93 243	300.1	0	783	2.5	Community transmission
Gabon	367	23 799	1 069.3	0	143	6.4	Community transmission
Uganda	366	42 674	93.3	1	347	0.8	Community transmission
Zambia	352	92 409	502.7	3	1 260	6.9	Community transmission
Rwanda	348	25 934	200.2	4	342	2.6	Community transmission
Nigeria	320	165 702	80.4	1	2 066	1.0	Community transmission
Côte d'Ivoire	275	46 619	176.7	6	297	1.1	Community transmission
Democratic Republic of the Congo	261	30 546	34.1	4	776	0.9	Community transmission
Mozambique	244	70 410	225.3	5	826	2.6	Community transmission
Congo	196	11 343	205.6	0	148	2.7	Community transmission

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Central African Republic	192	6 866	142.2	2	95	2.0	Community transmission
Mauritania	170	18 806	404.5	1	457	9.8	Community transmission
Senegal	163	40 828	243.8	7	1 124	6.7	Community transmission
Burundi	152	4 329	36.4	0	6	0.1	Community transmission
Zimbabwe	140	38 554	259.4	6	1 582	10.6	Community transmission
Togo	103	13 244	160.0	1	125	1.5	Community transmission
Eritrea	102	3 844	108.4	0	12	0.3	Community transmission
Guinea	101	22 734	173.1	1	151	1.1	Community transmission
Benin	100	7 984	65.9	1	101	0.8	Community transmission
Mali	94	14 176	70.0	12	511	2.5	Community transmission
Malawi	44	34 210	178.8	0	1 153	6.0	Community transmission
Eswatini	42	18 519	1 596.2	1	672	57.9	Community transmission
Mauritius	42	1 288	101.3	0	17	1.3	Clusters of cases
Sierra Leone	35	4 103	51.4	0	79	1.0	Community transmission
Chad	27	4 901	29.8	2	173	1.1	Community transmission
Burkina Faso	18	13 395	64.1	2	164	0.8	Community transmission
Gambia	17	5 946	246.0	0	175	7.2	Community transmission
Lesotho	17	10 790	503.7	1	320	14.9	Community transmission
South Sudan	15	10 652	95.2	- 1	115	1.0	Community transmission
Liberia	14	2 128	42.1	0	85	1.7	Community transmission
Niger	11	5 330	22.0	0	192	0.8	Community transmission
Sao Tome and Principe	9	2 327	1 061.8	0	35	16.0	Community transmission
Comoros	8	3 930	451.9	0	146	16.8	Community transmission
Guinea-Bissau	7	3 746	190.3	0	67	3.4	Community transmission
Cameroon	0	74 733	281.5	0	1 144	4.3	Community transmission
Equatorial Guinea	0	7 694	548.4	0	112	8.0	Community transmission

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United Republic of Tanzania	0	509	0.9	0	21	0.0	Pending
Territoriesⁱⁱⁱ							
Réunion	1 193	22 644	2 529.2	19	169	18.9	Community transmission
Mayotte	42	20 176	7 395.5	1	171	62.7	Community transmission
Americas	1 201 726	64 757 485	6 331.5	31 439	1 583 343	154.8	
Brazil	437 076	15 519 525	7 301.3	13 514	432 628	203.5	Community transmission
United States of America	235 638	32 574 504	9 841.2	4 143	579 664	175.1	Community transmission
Argentina	151 332	3 269 466	7 234.0	2 981	69 853	154.6	Community transmission
Colombia	115 834	3 084 460	6 061.9	3 383	80 250	157.7	Community transmission
Canada	45 230	1 318 399	3 493.2	340	24 869	65.9	Community transmission
Peru	39 584	1 879 049	5 698.9	2 089	65 608	199.0	Community transmission
Chile	38 276	1 280 252	6 697.2	633	27 734	145.1	Community transmission
Uruguay	19 060	235 206	6 771.0	337	3 369	97.0	Community transmission
Costa Rica	17 255	282 741	5 550.3	182	3 547	69.6	Community transmission
Mexico	16 121	2 377 995	1 844.4	1 502	220 159	170.8	Community transmission
Paraguay	15 405	309 638	4 341.2	508	7 482	104.9	Community transmission
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	13 580	329 733	2 824.7	269	13 451	115.2	Community transmission
Ecuador	10 599	409 520	2 321.1	555	19 692	111.6	Community transmission
Cuba	8 309	123 221	1 087.9	74	796	7.0	Community transmission
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	7 817	212 998	749.0	103	2 366	8.3	Community transmission
Honduras	6 926	225 256	2 274.3	352	5 937	59.9	Community transmission
Dominican Republic	5 672	276 272	2 546.8	46	3 569	32.9	Community transmission
Guatemala	5 287	240 170	1 340.6	128	7 845	43.8	Community transmission
Panama	3 281	370 043	8 576.2	34	6 292	145.8	Community transmission
Trinidad and Tobago	2 659	15 379	1 098.9	69	265	18.9	Community transmission

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Guyana	951	14 988	1 905.5	21	335	42.6	Community transmission
Suriname	774	11 707	1 995.6	9	223	38.0	Community transmission
El Salvador	660	70 915	1 093.3	32	2 182	33.6	Community transmission
Jamaica	645	47 233	1 595.1	40	843	28.5	Community transmission
Bahamas	300	11 073	2 815.8	5	217	55.2	Clusters of cases
Haiti	229	13 393	117.5	8	271	2.4	Community transmission
Saint Lucia	134	4 788	2 607.5	0	75	40.8	Community transmission
Nicaragua	74	5 649	85.3	1	184	2.8	Community transmission
Barbados	30	3 961	1 378.3	1	46	16.0	Community transmission
Belize	28	12 714	3 197.5	0	323	81.2	Community transmission
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	20	1 932	1 741.5	0	12	10.8	Community transmission
Antigua and Barbuda	3	1 240	1 266.2	0	32	32.7	Clusters of cases
Dominica	3	178	247.3	0	0	0.0	Clusters of cases
Grenada	0	161	143.1	0	1	0.9	Sporadic cases
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	45	84.6	0	0	0.0	Sporadic cases
Territoriesⁱⁱⁱ							
Puerto Rico	1 538	136 426	4 768.7	64	2 431	85.0	Community transmission
French Guiana	1 099	21 465	7 186.6	4	108	36.2	Community transmission
Aruba	89	10 826	10 139.9	4	104	97.4	Community transmission
United States Virgin Islands	57	3 267	3 128.6	0	27	25.9	Community transmission
Bermuda	32	2 466	3 960.0	2	32	51.4	Community transmission
British Virgin Islands	29	248	820.2	0	1	3.3	Clusters of cases
Curaçao	22	12 244	7 461.6	5	118	71.9	Community transmission
Sint Maarten	22	2 272	5 298.3	0	27	63.0	Community transmission
Bonaire	17	1 564	7 477.9	1	17	81.3	Community transmission
Cayman Islands	17	565	859.7	0	2	3.0	Sporadic cases

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Anguilla	10	109	726.6	0	0	0.0	Clusters of cases
Turks and Caicos Islands	2	2 404	6 209.0	0	17	43.9	Clusters of cases
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	0	63	1 808.8	0	0	0.0	Sporadic cases
Guadeloupe	0	15 429	3 856.1	0	236	59.0	Community transmission
Martinique	0	11 490	3 061.8	0	87	23.2	Community transmission
Montserrat	0	20	400.1	0	1	20.0	No cases
Saba	0	7	362.1	0	0	0.0	Sporadic cases
Saint Barthélemy	0	994	10 055.6	0	1	10.1	Clusters of cases
Saint Martin	0	1 777	4 596.6	0	14	36.2	Community transmission
Saint Pierre and Miquelon	0	25	431.4	0	0	0.0	No cases
Sint Eustatius	0	20	637.1	0	0	0.0	No cases
Eastern Mediterranean	220 035	9 648 410	1 320.2	4 709	193 761	26.5	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	99 205	2 739 875	3 262.0	2 109	76 633	91.2	Community transmission
Iraq	28 359	1 136 917	2 826.6	189	15 930	39.6	Community transmission
Pakistan	20 511	874 751	396.0	670	19 467	8.8	Community transmission
Bahrain	11 188	199 093	11 700.5	59	737	43.3	Community transmission
United Arab Emirates	10 486	544 931	5 509.7	19	1 629	16.5	Clusters of cases
Egypt	8 248	244 520	238.9	424	14 269	13.9	Clusters of cases
Saudi Arabia	6 827	432 269	1 241.7	88	7 147	20.5	Community transmission
Kuwait	6 725	290 801	6 809.4	52	1 687	39.5	Community transmission
Tunisia	6 320	325 832	2 756.9	429	11 779	99.7	Community transmission
Oman	5 569	204 913	4 012.7	101	2 184	42.8	Community transmission
Jordan	4 112	723 345	7 089.4	167	9 243	90.6	Community transmission
Lebanon	2 964	535 233	7 841.7	125	7 585	111.1	Community transmission
Qatar	2 324	212 927	7 390.6	24	526	18.3	Community transmission
Afghanistan	1 642	63 484	163.1	56	2 742	7.0	Community transmission

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Libya	1 482	181 179	2 636.8	22	3 085	44.9	Community transmission
Morocco	1 189	514 817	1 394.8	34	9 098	24.6	Community transmission
Syrian Arab Republic	374	23 693	135.4	45	1 693	9.7	Community transmission
Djibouti	79	11 414	1 155.3	2	151	15.3	Community transmission
Yemen	76	6 542	21.9	15	1 286	4.3	Community transmission
Somalia	71	14 486	91.1	6	753	4.7	Community transmission
Sudan	63	34 889	79.6	1	2 446	5.6	Clusters of cases
Territoriesⁱⁱⁱ							
occupied Palestinian territory	2 221	332 499	6 517.8	72	3 691	72.4	Community transmission
Europe	684 903	53 565 774	5 740.8	16 255	1 121 477	120.2	
Kosovo ^[1]	498	106 800		20	2 213		Community transmission
France	93 546	5 769 839	8 871.3	1 234	106 778	164.2	Community transmission
Turkey	90 721	5 106 862	6 055.2	1 791	44 537	52.8	Community transmission
Germany	73 105	3 593 434	4 320.8	1 321	86 096	103.5	Community transmission
Russian Federation	59 983	4 940 245	3 385.2	2 545	115 871	79.4	Clusters of cases
Italy	50 453	4 153 374	6 963.9	1 369	124 063	208.0	Clusters of cases
Netherlands	40 506	1 593 670	9 155.0	118	17 436	100.2	Community transmission
Ukraine	34 354	2 153 864	4 924.9	1 682	48 075	109.9	Community transmission
Sweden	24 139	1 037 126	10 042.3	20	14 275	138.2	Community transmission
Poland	21 027	2 854 079	7 519.0	1 652	71 664	188.8	Community transmission
Spain	19 524	3 598 452	7 602.5	154	79 281	167.5	Community transmission
Kazakhstan	16 050	414 345	2 206.7	173	4 933	26.3	Clusters of cases
The United Kingdom	15 761	4 448 855	6 553.4	72	127 675	188.1	Community transmission
Greece	15 254	375 831	3 506.4	387	11 365	106.0	Community transmission
Belgium	13 972	1 031 922	8 955.8	158	24 707	214.4	Community transmission
Georgia	8 456	330 375	8 281.8	161	4 442	111.4	Community transmission

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Czechia	7 779	1 652 840	15 455.9	234	29 901	279.6	Community transmission
Lithuania	7 709	265 536	9 503.5	69	4 103	146.8	Community transmission
Denmark	7 357	265 539	4 560.4	5	2 502	43.0	Community transmission
Belarus	7 040	374 714	3 965.5	69	2 691	28.5	Community transmission
Hungary	6 438	798 147	8 169.8	573	29 175	298.6	Community transmission
Austria	6 331	632 398	7 104.7	97	10 207	114.7	Community transmission
Serbia	6 316	705 890	10 190.8	125	6 664	96.2	Community transmission
Romania	6 080	1 071 334	5 542.7	582	29 485	152.5	Community transmission
Croatia	5 896	350 390	8 634.2	239	7 708	189.9	Community transmission
Switzerland	5 668	676 437	7 815.9	14	10 122	117.0	Community transmission
Latvia	4 266	127 597	6 688.6	49	2 257	118.3	Community transmission
Bulgaria	4 080	414 041	5 956.2	348	17 250	248.1	Clusters of cases
Azerbaijan	3 315	329 371	3 248.5	102	4 768	47.0	Clusters of cases
Slovenia	3 221	249 018	11 881.4	26	4 649	221.8	Clusters of cases
Norway	2 865	118 275	2 203.5	7	774	14.4	Clusters of cases
Portugal	2 590	841 848	8 176.5	15	17 006	165.2	Clusters of cases
Ireland	2 567	254 870	5 133.9	20	4 941	99.5	Community transmission
Uzbekistan	2 273	96 670	288.8	6	668	2.0	Clusters of cases
Kyrgyzstan	2 073	100 473	1 540.0	48	1 703	26.1	Clusters of cases
Slovakia	2 048	387 523	7 100.3	205	12 224	224.0	Clusters of cases
Estonia	1 927	127 053	9 560.2	21	1 222	92.0	Clusters of cases
Cyprus	1 736	70 899	7 984.1	12	346	39.0	Clusters of cases
Armenia	1 590	220 860	7 453.3	89	4 323	145.9	Community transmission
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 324	202 313	6 166.5	196	9 007	274.5	Community transmission
Finland	1 317	89 878	1 626.7	9	931	16.8	Community transmission
Republic of Moldova	1 132	253 736	6 290.0	73	6 016	149.1	Community transmission

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
North Macedonia	745	154 636	7 422.4	118	5 197	249.5	Clusters of cases
Luxembourg	631	68 922	11 008.0	4	806	128.7	Community transmission
Montenegro	485	98 844	15 737.9	20	1 560	248.4	Clusters of cases
Albania	312	131 978	4 586.1	18	2 429	84.4	Clusters of cases
Israel	231	839 118	9 694.6	5	6 381	73.7	Community transmission
Andorra	104	13 510	17 485.3	0	127	164.4	Community transmission
Malta	40	30 478	5 923.1	0	417	81.0	Clusters of cases
Iceland	31	6 537	1 795.2	0	29	8.0	Community transmission
Monaco	14	2 493	6 352.6	0	32	81.5	Sporadic cases
Liechtenstein	11	3 073	7 930.9	0	57	147.1	Sporadic cases
San Marino	8	5 087	14 989.1	0	90	265.2	Community transmission
Holy See	0	26	3 213.8	0	0	0.0	Sporadic cases
Tajikistan	0	13 714	143.8	0	91	1.0	Pending
Territoriesⁱⁱⁱ							
Faroe Islands	2	670	1 371.1	0	1	2.0	Sporadic cases
Jersey	2	3 236	3 002.0	0	69	64.0	Community transmission
Gibraltar	0	4 286	12 721.5	0	94	279.0	Clusters of cases
Greenland	0	31	54.6	0	0	0.0	No cases
Guernsey	0	822	1 275.1	0	14	21.7	Community transmission
Isle of Man	0	1 590	1 869.9	0	29	34.1	No cases
South-East Asia	2 529 924	28 082 564	1 389.3	30 881	340 078	16.8	
India	2 387 663	24 684 077	1 788.7	27 922	270 284	19.6	Clusters of cases
Nepal	61 814	447 704	1 536.6	1 224	4 856	16.7	Community transmission
Indonesia	26 908	1 736 670	634.9	1 125	47 967	17.5	Community transmission
Thailand	18 072	101 447	145.3	190	589	0.8	Clusters of cases
Sri Lanka	17 237	140 471	656.0	155	941	4.4	Clusters of cases

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Maldives	9 058	43 782	8 099.6	13	96	17.8	Clusters of cases
Bangladesh	7 669	779 796	473.5	246	12 124	7.4	Community transmission
Timor-Leste	1 314	4 279	324.5	4	8	0.6	Community transmission
Myanmar	112	143 059	262.9	2	3 212	5.9	Clusters of cases
Bhutan	77	1 279	165.8	0	1	0.1	Clusters of cases
Western Pacific	132 757	2 729 890	139.0	1 751	40 930	2.1	
Japan	44 961	677 988	536.1	640	11 463	9.1	Clusters of cases
Philippines	43 339	1 138 173	1 038.7	782	19 051	17.4	Community transmission
Malaysia	29 386	466 330	1 440.8	209	1 866	5.8	Community transmission
Republic of Korea	4 362	131 671	256.8	26	1 900	3.7	Clusters of cases
Mongolia	4 085	48 101	1 467.3	45	205	6.3	Clusters of cases
Cambodia	2 947	22 184	132.7	30	150	0.9	Sporadic cases
Papua New Guinea	1 702	13 928	155.7	15	136	1.5	Community transmission
Viet Nam	867	4 112	4.2	1	36	0.0	Clusters of cases
China	396	104 191	7.1	0	4 858	0.3	Clusters of cases
Lao People's Democratic Republic	337	1 570	21.6	2	2	0.0	Sporadic cases
Singapore	205	61 536	1 051.8	0	31	0.5	Sporadic cases
Australia	61	29 967	117.5	0	910	3.6	Clusters of cases
Fiji	32	168	18.7	1	4	0.4	Sporadic cases
New Zealand	4	2 290	47.5	0	26	0.5	Sporadic cases
Brunei Darussalam	2	232	53.0	0	3	0.7	Sporadic cases
Solomon Islands	0	20	2.9	0	0	0.0	No cases
Territoriesⁱⁱⁱ							
Guam	42	7 855	4 654.1	0	139	82.4	Clusters of cases
French Polynesia	25	18 815	6 697.9	0	141	50.2	Sporadic cases

Reporting Country/Territory/Area ⁱ	New cases in last 7 days	Cumulative cases	Cumulative cases per 100 thousand population	New deaths in last 7 days	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative deaths per 100 thousand population	Transmission classification ⁱⁱ
Northern Mariana Islands (Commonwealth of the)	4	173	300.6	0	2	3.5	Pending
Marshall Islands	0	4	6.8	0	0	0.0	No cases
New Caledonia	0	124	43.4	0	0	0.0	Sporadic cases
Samoa	0	1	0.5	0	0	0.0	No cases
Vanuatu	0	3	1.0	0	0	0.0	No cases
Wallis and Futuna	0	454	4 037.0	0	7	62.2	Sporadic cases
Global	4 809 520	162 184 263		85 975	3 364 446		

*See [Annex 3: Data, table and figure notes](#)

Annex 2. List of countries/territories/areas reporting variants of concern as of 18 May 2021**

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Afghanistan	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Albania	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Algeria	●	-	-	-	-	-	●
Angola	●	●	-	○	-	-	-
Argentina	●	*	●	●	●	-	-
Armenia	○	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aruba	●	●	●	-	●	-	-
Australia	●	●	●	○	○	-	-
Austria	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Azerbaijan	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bahrain	●	●	-	●	●	-	-
Bangladesh	●	●	○	-	●	-	-
Barbados	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belarus	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belgium	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Belize	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonaire	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	○	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botswana	-	●	-	-	-	-	●
Brazil	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Brunei Darussalam	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Bulgaria	●	-	-	-	-	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Cabo Verde	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	●	-	-	○	-	-	-
Cameroon	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Canada	●	●	●	●	●	●	-
Cayman Islands	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chile	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
China	●	●	●	○	○	-	-
Colombia	●	-	●	-	-	-	-
Comoros	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Congo	●*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Costa Rica	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Côte d'Ivoire	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Croatia	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Curaçao	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cyprus	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czechia	●	●	-	●	-	-	-
Democratic Republic of the Congo	●	●	-	-	●	-	-
Denmark	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Dominica	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ecuador	●	-	●	-	-	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Egypt	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Estonia	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Eswatini	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	○	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faroe Islands	-	-	●	-	-	-	-
Fiji	-	-	-	-	-	-	●
Finland	●	●	●	-	-	-	●
France	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
French Guiana	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
French Polynesia	●	-	●	-	-	-	-
Gabon	●	○	-	-	-	-	-
Gambia	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Ghana	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Gibraltar	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greece	●	●	-	●	●	-	-
Grenada	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guadeloupe	●	●	-	●	-	-	-
Guam	●	*	-	-	-	-	-
Guinea	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	-	-	●	-	-	-	-
Haiti	-	-	●*	-	●	-	-
Hungary	●	○	-	-	-	-	-
Iceland	●	-	-	-	-	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
India	●	●	●	●	●	●	-
Indonesia	●	●	-	●	●	-	-
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	●	●	-	-	-	-	●
Iraq	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Israel	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Italy	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Jamaica	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japan	●	●	●	○	○	-	-
Jordan	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Kazakhstan	○	○	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya	○	●	-	-	-	-	●
Kosovo ^[1]	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kuwait	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kyrgyzstan	●	●	-	-	-	-	●
Lao People's Democratic Republic	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Latvia	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Lebanon	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lesotho	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Libya	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Liechtenstein	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lithuania	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Luxembourg	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Madagascar	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Malawi	●	●	-	-	-	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Malaysia	●	●	-	●	○	-	-
Malta	●	○	●	-	-	-	-
Martinique	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Mauritius	○	●	-	-	-	-	-
Mayotte	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Monaco	●	○	-	-	-	-	-
Montenegro	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	●	-	-	-	-	-	●
Mozambique	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Namibia	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Nepal	●	-	-	●	-	-	-
Netherlands	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
New Caledonia	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	●	●	○	○	○	-	-
Niger	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nigeria	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Macedonia	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Norway	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
occupied Palestinian territory	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Oman	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pakistan	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Panama	●	●	●	-	●	-	-
Paraguay	-	-	●	-	-	-	-
Peru	●	-	●	-	-	-	-
Philippines	●	●	●	-	●	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Poland	●	○	●	-	●	-	-
Portugal	●	●	●	●	○	-	-
Puerto Rico	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Qatar	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Republic of Korea	●	●	●	○	○	-	-
Republic of Moldova	○	-	-	-	-	-	-
Réunion	●	●	●	-	○	-	-
Romania	●	●	●	-	●	-	-
Russian Federation	●	●	-	●	-	●	-
Rwanda	○	○	-	-	-	-	-
Saint Barthélemy	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saint Lucia	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saint Martin	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serbia	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seychelles	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Singapore	●	●	●	○	●	-	-
Sint Maarten	●	●*	-	●	-	-	-
Slovakia	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Slovenia	●	●	●	-	●	-	-
South Africa	●	●	-	-	●	-	-
Spain	●	●	●	●	●	-	-
Sri Lanka	●	●	-	-	●	-	-
Suriname	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
Sweden	●	●	●	●	●	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Switzerland	●	●	○	●	●	-	-
Thailand	●	●	●	●	-	-	-
Togo	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	●	-	●	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	●	●	-	-	-	-	-
Turkey	●	●	●	-	-	-	●
Turks and Caicos Islands	●	-	-	-	-	-	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Uganda	●*	●*	-	○	○	-	-
Ukraine	●	○	-	-	-	-	-
United Arab Emirates	●	●	●	-	-	-	-
United Kingdom	●	●	●	●	●	●	-
United Republic of Tanzania	-	○	-	-	-	-	-
United States of America	●	●	●	●	●	●	-

Country/Territory /Area	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1	B.1.617.1	B.1.617.2	B.1.617.3	B.1.617x
Uruguay	●	-	●	-	-	-	-
Uzbekistan	●	●	-	-	●	-	-
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	-	-	●	-	-	-	-
Viet Nam	●	●	-	-	●	-	-
Wallis and Futuna	●	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zambia	-	●	-	-	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	-	○	-	-	-	-	-

*Newly reported in this update. Columns B.1.617.1, B.1.617.2, B.1.617.3, B.1.617x were newly added this week.

“●” indicates that information for this variant was received by WHO from official sources.

“○” indicates that information for this variant was received by WHO from unofficial sources and will be reviewed as more information become available.

**See also [Annex 3: Data, table and figure notes](#)

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Data presented are based on official laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 case and deaths reported to WHO by country/territories/areas, largely based upon WHO [case definitions](#) and [surveillance guidance](#). While steps are taken to ensure accuracy and reliability, all data are subject to continuous verification and change, and caution must be taken when interpreting these data as several factors influence the counts presented, with variable underestimation of true case and death incidence, and variable delays to reflecting these data at global level. Case detection, inclusion criteria, testing strategies, reporting practices, and data cut-off and lag times differ between countries/territories/areas. A small number of countries/territories/areas report combined probable and laboratory-confirmed cases. Differences are to be expected between information products published by WHO, national public health authorities, and other sources. Due to public health authorities conducting data reconciliation exercises which remove large numbers of cases or deaths from their total counts, negative numbers may be displayed in the new cases/deaths columns as appropriate. When additional details become available that allow the subtractions to be suitably apportioned to previous days, graphics will be updated accordingly. A record of historic data adjustment made is available upon request by emailing epi-data-support@who.int. Please specify the country(ies) of interest, time period(s), and purpose of the request/intended usage. Prior situation reports will not be edited; see covid19.who.int for the most up-to-date data. Global totals include 758 cases and 13 deaths reported from international conveyances.

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^[1] All references to Kosovo should be understood to be in the context of the United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999). In the map, number of cases of Serbia and Kosovo (UNSCR 1244, 1999) have been aggregated for visualization purposes.

ⁱ Excludes countries, territories, and areas that have never reported a confirmed COVID-19 case (Annex 1), or the detection of a variant of concern (Annex 2).

ⁱⁱ Transmission classification is based on a process of country/territory/area self-reporting. Classifications are reviewed on a weekly basis and may be revised as new information becomes available. Differing degrees of transmission may be present within countries/territories/areas. For further information, please see: [Considerations for implementing and adjusting public health and social measures in the context of COVID-19](#):

- No (active) cases: No new cases detected for at least 28 days (two times the maximum incubation period), in the presence of a robust surveillance system. This implies a near-zero risk of infection for the general population.
- Imported / Sporadic cases: Cases detected in the past 14 days are all imported, sporadic (e.g., laboratory acquired or zoonotic) or are all linked to imported/sporadic cases, and there are no clear signals of further locally acquired transmission. This implies minimal risk of infection for the general population.

- Clusters of cases: Cases detected in the past 14 days are predominantly limited to well-defined clusters that are not directly linked to imported cases, but which are all linked by time, geographic location and common exposures. It is assumed that there are a number of unidentified cases in the area. This implies a low risk of infection to others in the wider community if exposure to these clusters is avoided.
- Community transmission: Which encompasses a range of levels from low to very high incidence, as described below and informed by a series of indicators described in the aforementioned guidance. As these subcategorizations are not currently collated at the global level, but rather intended for use by national and sub-national public health authorities for local decision-making, community transmission has not been disaggregated in this information product.
 - CT1: Low incidence of locally acquired, widely dispersed cases detected in the past 14 days, with many of the cases not linked to specific clusters; transmission may be focused in certain population sub-groups. Low risk of infection for the general population.
 - CT2: Moderate incidence of locally acquired, widely dispersed cases detected in the past 14 days; transmission less focused in certain population sub-groups. Moderate risk of infection for the general population.
 - CT3: High incidence of locally acquired, widely dispersed cases in the past 14 days; transmission widespread and not focused in population sub-groups. High risk of infection for the general population.
 - CT4: Very high incidence of locally acquired, widely dispersed cases in the past 14 days. Very high risk of infection for the general population.
- Pending: transmission classification has not been reported to WHO.

ⁱⁱⁱ “Territories” include territories, areas, overseas dependencies and other jurisdictions of similar status.