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Short Update 1 COVID-19 Coronavirus Disease 13th of March 2020



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127.863

Confirmed cases

120 countries
4.718 death

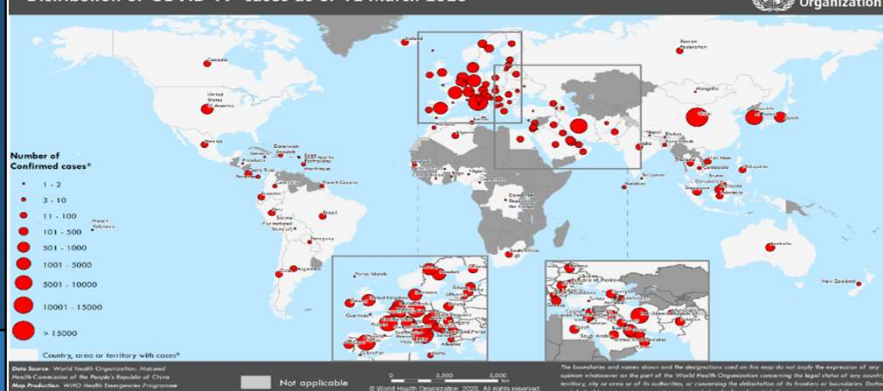
CHINA

80.981
confirmed cases
3.172 death

Outside CHINA

46.931
confirmed cases
1.546 death

Distribution of COVID-19 cases as of 12 March 2020



News:

- 4 new countries/territories/areas (French Polynesia, Turkey, Honduras and Côte d'Ivoire) have reported cases of COVID-19 in the past 24 hours.
- There are still 77 countries and territories with no reported cases.
- Italy, France, Spain and Germany are the most affected areas in Europe. These 4 countries together reported 80% of the existing cases in Europe.
- WHO Director-General reiterated that countries should not give up on stopping the outbreak now that WHO has characterized it as a **pandemic**. A shift from containment to mitigation would be wrong and dangerous. **This is a controllable pandemic**. Please find [here](#)
- On 11 March, ICAO and WHO issued a joint statement to reminding all stakeholders of the importance of existing regulations and guidance. For more information. Please find [here](#)
- WHO shipped supplies of personal protective equipment to 57 countries, they preparing to ship to a further 28 and they've shipped lab supplies to 120 countries.

Risk Assessment

China/Wuhan/
South Korea/
Iran/Italy

* Risk area! The risk for people travelling/resident in areas with community transmission in high amount all over the country is currently very **high**.

EUROPE

* The risk for importing the virus into Europe is currently high.
* The risk of severe disease associated with COVID-19 infection is currently considered moderate for the general population and high for older adults and individuals with chronic underlying conditions. In addition, the risk of milder disease, and the consequent impact on social and work-related activity, is considered high.
* The risk of the occurrence of subnational community transmission of COVID-19 is currently considered very high.
* The risk of occurrence of widespread national community transmission of COVID-19 in the coming weeks is high.

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* Because of high amount of touristic traffic and the potential human-to-human transmission the high risk of further transmission persist.

EUROPE
28.442
confirmed
cases
1.195 death

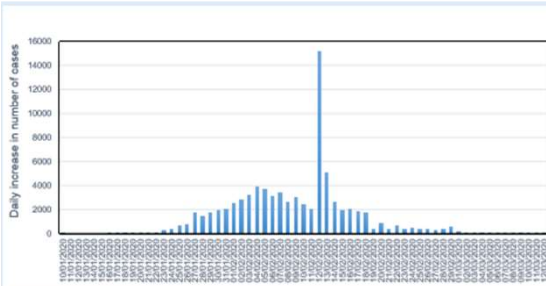
ASIA
&
Western
Pacific Region
90.544
confirmed
cases
3.269 death

Eastern
Mediterranean
Region
10.676
confirmed
cases
432 death

AMERICAS
REGION
1.649
confirmed
cases
44 death

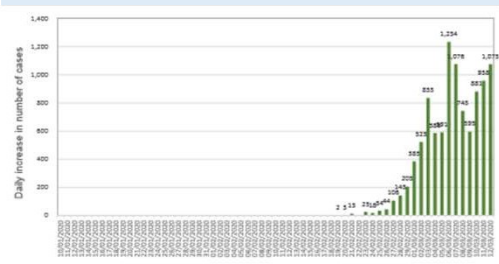
AFRICA
133 confirmed
cases
2 death

Daily numbers of newly reported cases in Mainland China, Republic of Korea, Japan, Iran, Italy, France, Germany and Spain since January 10, 2020

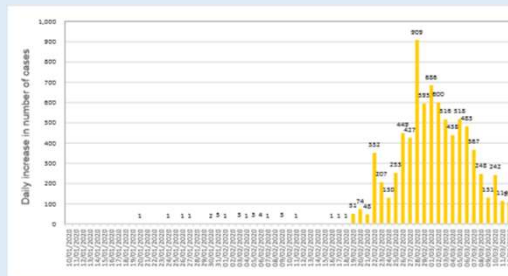


China: Measures in China have taken effect, so far, more than 70% of the patients have healed. The number of new infections is clearly declining

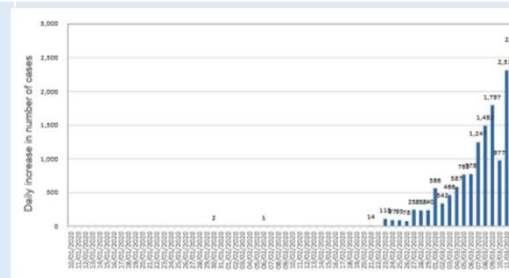
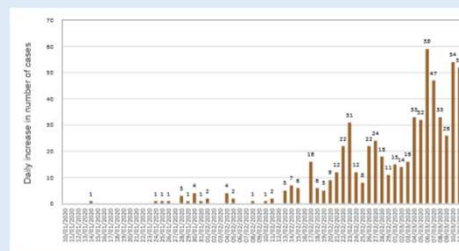
Republic of Korea: The number of new infections continues to rise. The total number of confirmed cases has increased to 7 869 with 333 death



Iran: The number of confirmed cases increased to over 10 000 confirmed cases and 429 death, more than 948 confirmed cases in the last 24h

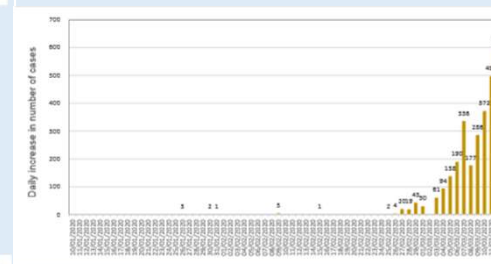


Japan: Actually 639 confirmed cases the number of confirmed cases increased. They are currently in a state of emergency, but the government cannot restrict the movement of people in order to contain the virus.

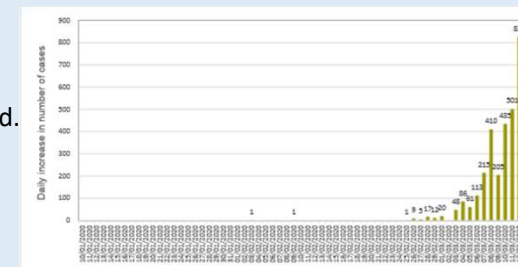


Italy: Over 12 000 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in total. 2 313 new cases reported in the last 24h. Shows second-highest number of confirmed cases as well as of deaths in the world after China. The government has extended all measurements from the “red zones” to the whole country.

Germany: The number of confirmed cases increases daily. 2 755 confirmed cases and 6 death of COVID-19 reported. Some regions have taken strict measures and have already closed public facilities (cinemas, sport arenas, theaters, schools)



France: The number of confirmed cases increases daily: France reported 2 284 confirmed cases and 48 death. Most of the Provinces are affected with COVID-19.



Spain: Spain have already 2 277 confirmed cases and 55 death reported. They get the order to close bars and terraces in the capital of Madrid. The Government is prepared, if needed, to Isolate the City Madrid.

Preparedness and Response

Basic protective measures against COVID-19:

- Perform hand hygiene frequently. Hand hygiene includes either cleaning hands with soap and water or with an alcohol-based hand rub. Alcohol-based hand rubs are preferred if hands are not visibly soiled; wash hands with soap and water when they are visibly soiled;
- Cover your nose and mouth with a flexed elbow or paper tissue when coughing or sneezing and disposing immediately of the tissue and performing hand hygiene;
- Refrain from touching mouth and nose.

See also: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>

- A medical mask is **not** required if exhibiting no symptoms, as there is no evidence that wearing a mask – of any type – protects non-sick persons. If masks are to be worn, it is critical to follow best practices on how to wear, remove and dispose of them and on hand hygiene after removal.

- Patients with symptoms like coughing and fever are only suspected cases after full anamnesis (travel anamnesis, contact with people coming from affected regions etc.). Please see WHO :

[https://www.who.int/publications-detail/global-surveillance-for-human-infection-with-novel-coronavirus-\(2019-ncov\)](https://www.who.int/publications-detail/global-surveillance-for-human-infection-with-novel-coronavirus-(2019-ncov))

- For MTFs and clinical personal handling COVID-19 patients please see here:

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/technical-guidance/infection-prevention-and-control>

- All WHO technical guidance regarding COVID-19 you can find here: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/technical-guidance>

Travel Informations

- Avoid nonessential Business travels, particularly while traveling to an Risk area (eg China, Iran, Italy, Japan, South Korea).
- Check your national foreign office advices for regulations of the countries you're traveling or regulations concerning your country.
- Informations about the latest travel regulations you can find here: <https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/international-travel-document-news/1580226297.htm>
- WHO informations for people who are in or have recently visited (past 14 days) areas where COVID-19 is spreading, you will find here: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>
- General recommendations for personal hygiene, cough etiquette and keeping a distance of at least one metre from persons showing symptoms remain particularly important for all travellers.
- People returning from affected areas (= countries, provinces, territories or cities experiencing ongoing transmission of COVID-19, in contrast to areas reporting only imported cases) should self-monitor for symptoms for 14 days and follow national protocols of receiving countries. If symptoms occur, such as fever, or cough or difficulty breathing, persons are advised to contact local health care providers, preferably by phone, and inform them of their symptoms and their travel history.