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Daily Global Situation Report

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

Saudi Arabia is in talks to sell a 1 percent stake in Aramco.

The CDC revises guidance, saying vaccinated people can forgo masks in most outdoor settings.

The Brazilian Senate opened a probe into the government's handling of the pandemic.

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WHAT WE'RE WATCHING

Today, striking health workers in Argentina are maintaining a road blockade to the country's biggest shale oil and gas site. Earlier this week, nurses, doctors and other medical professionals protesting at the Vaca Muerta shale site rejected a salary increase offer because it was to be paid incrementally rather than immediately.

The medical workers are exhausted from the pandemic, persistent high inflation and two months of protest. The blockade in Neuquén province could lead to potential fuel shortages soon if it continues as the state-run site produces nearly 13% of Argentine oil output.



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Global

Globally, confirmed coronavirus cases surpassed 148.6 million with 3.1 million deaths.

- A paper published by the University of Washington's epidemiology department suggests that household transmission of COVID-19 from **humans to dogs** "*occurs frequently.*"
- A **coronavirus variant** first discovered in India has been detected in at least 17 countries, according to the WHO.
- Experts in a number of US government agencies are reportedly preparing recommendations to submit to the WHO as it prepares for its second phase of inquiry into the **origins of COVID-19.**

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COVID-19 Vaccine

According to the developer of the Russian Sputnik V coronavirus vaccine, the vaccine provides enough antibodies to combat the strain of the COVID-19 virus spreading through India.

- **Ireland** will resume limited use of the **Johnson & Johnson vaccine**, which will be available to all people over 50.
- The developer of **Sputnik V** accused **Brazil** of being politically motivated for its decision to block imports of the Russian vaccine.
- **Kazakhstan** rolled out its own, domestically produced coronavirus vaccine, "**QazVac.**"
- **Egypt** granted emergency use approval to the Chinese **CoronaVac vaccine**.
- **Argentina** has resumed talks with **Pfizer Inc** to purchase vaccines against the coronavirus, as new infections surge.

Markets & Business

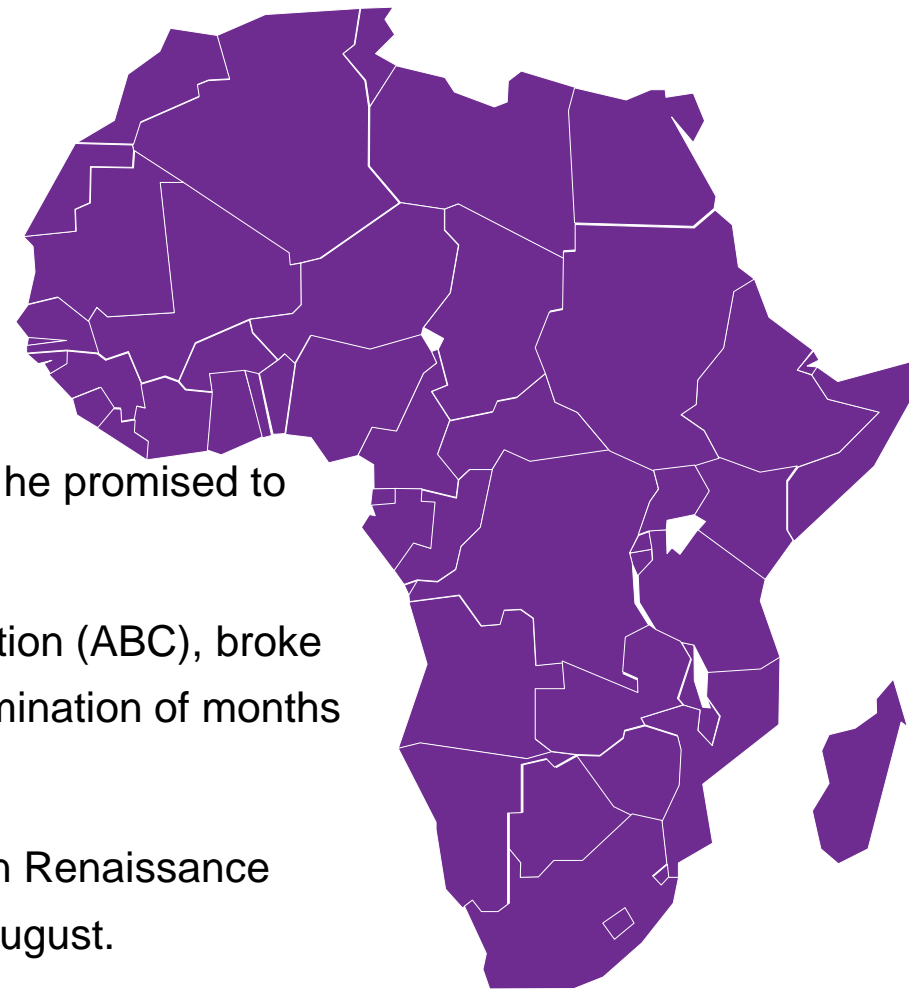
JPMorgan Chase has told all of its US bankers to plan for office reopening in July, becoming the first major Wall Street firm to offer a detailed return-to-work schedule.

- **Asian shares** were mixed on Wednesday, with investors closely watching the results of the US Federal Reserve meeting.
- The financial fallout from **Archegos Capital's** collapse topped \$10 billion after **UBS and Nomura Holdings** reported new losses.
- The UK government became the first country to announce it will regulate the use of **self-driving vehicles** at slow speeds on motorways.
- **Microsoft's** sales of PCs and gaming consoles surged in Q1.
- **Hasbro** recorded strong Q1 profits boosted by demand for Play-Doh and Nerf children's toys.
- **Alphabet's** Q1 reports far outpaces Wall Street expectations as **Google's** revenues rose 34 percent as ads continued to drive profits.
- US biotech company **Amgen** saw Q1 revenues fall as skipped medical appointments continue to weigh on the industry.
- Japanese carmaker **Toyota** notched record global sales in March as the company shrugged off a pandemic-related chip shortage.

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Africa

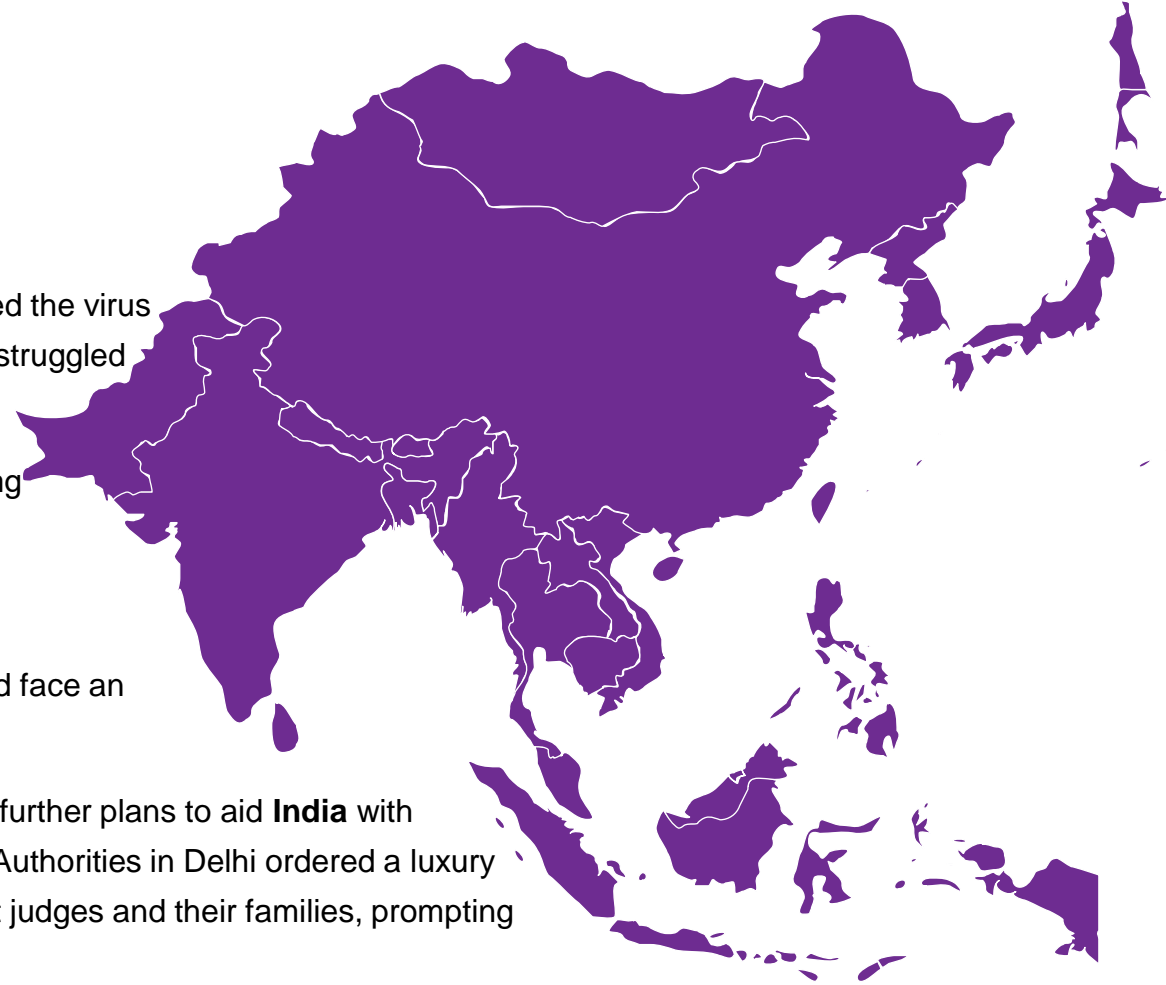
- At least 5 died in demonstrations in **Chad** against the transitional military council and French presence in the country. New President Mahamat Deby did not address the protests in a TV address in which he promised to address terrorism threats and an 18-month transition to civilian rule.
- The deputy leader of the ruling party of **Lesotho**, All Basotho Convention (ABC), broke from the party to form his own breakaway group, New Dawn, in a culmination of months of infighting.
- The **Ethiopian** Electric Commission reported that the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam will start generating electricity out of two completed turbines in August.
- **Somalia's** Prime Minister denounced the proposed extension of President Farmaajo's term, adding his voice to popular and military opposition to the move.



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Asia

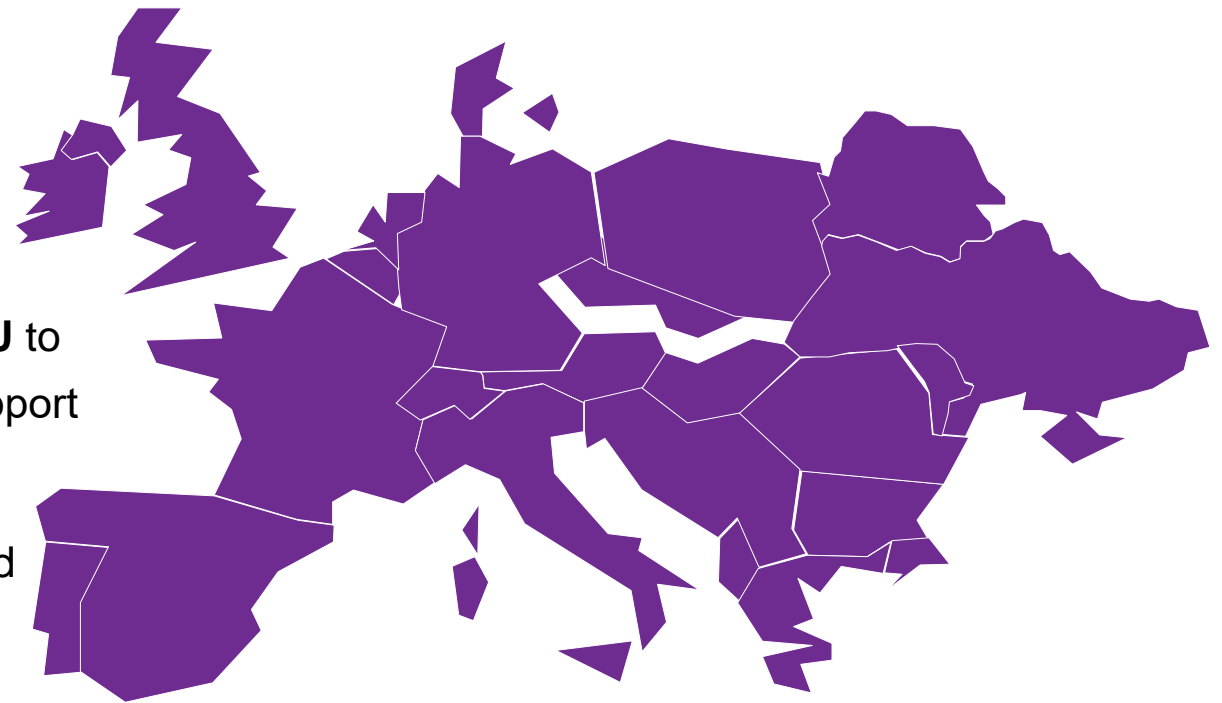
- **Asia's** recovery from the pandemic will diverge with countries that have controlled the virus set for robust economic growth against ongoing weakness for nations that have struggled to contain infections, according to the Asian Development Bank.
- **Singapore** rose to the top of Bloomberg's COVID Resilience Ranking, surpassing **New Zealand** for the first time as vaccinations in the city-state proceed quickly.
- **Hong Kong** will reopen bars and nightclubs to vaccinated patrons from April 29.
- Medical experts at the OCTA Research Group warned that the **Philippines** could face an India-like surge.
- The **WHO, the US, Canada** and several pharmaceutical companies announced further plans to aid **India** with drug, vaccine and oxygen supplies as the Indian death toll surpassed 200,000. Authorities in Delhi ordered a luxury hospital converted into a COVID-19 facility for the exclusive service of high court judges and their families, prompting public outrage.
- **Myanmar's** junta said it would “*positively*” consider ASEAN's suggestions on resolving the country's civil strife if said suggestions serve the interests of the country. Ethnic minority Karen insurgents attacked a military outpost in an escalation of tensions between the junta and ethnic minority groups.
- In a call with counterparts from **Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh**, **China's** Foreign Minister Wang Yi pledged to set up a reserve of emergency supplies to combat COVID-19. Chinese officials are expected to release census data soon (the census was completed in December), which is likely to mark the first population decline in over 50 years. A tanker near the Chinese port city of Qingdao was involved in a collision, spilling oil into the Yellow Sea.



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Europe

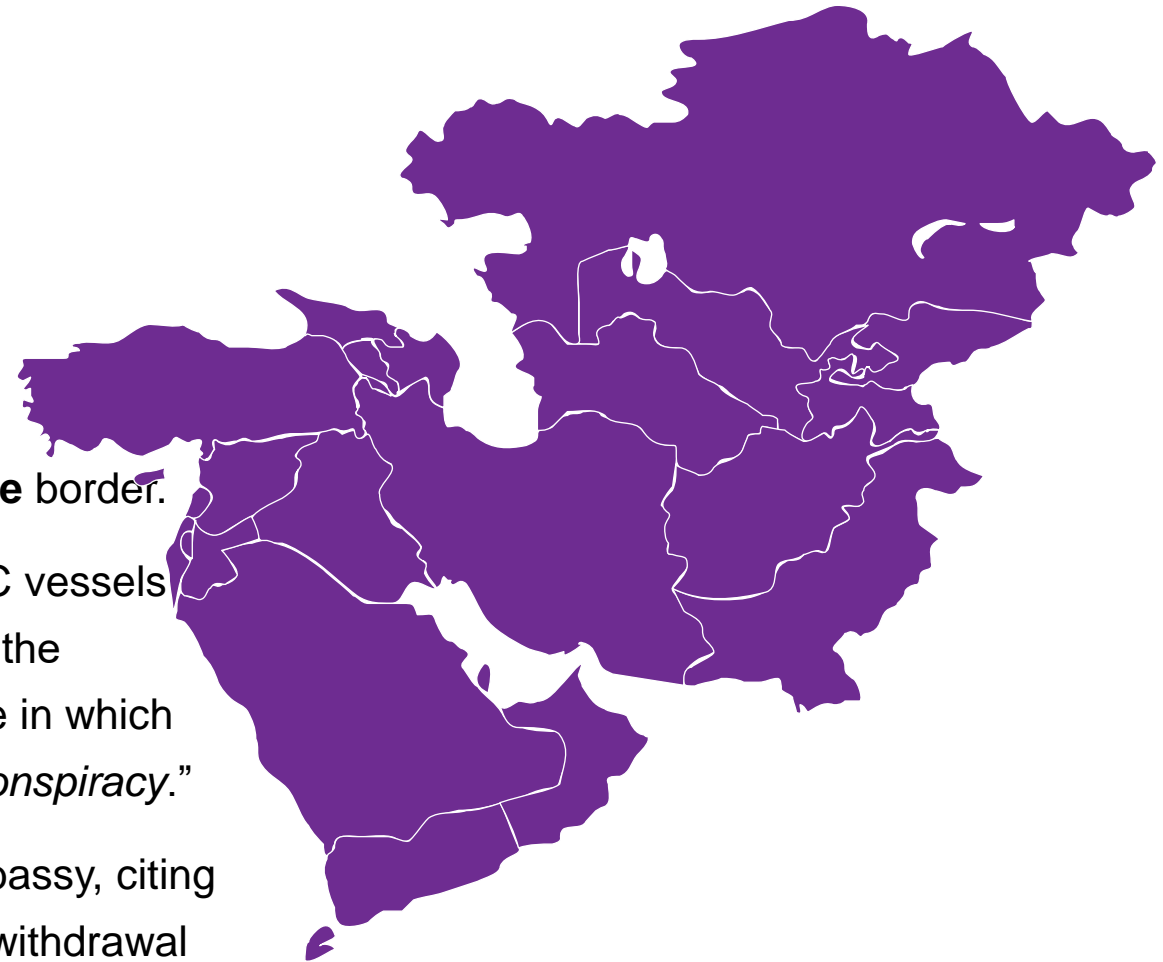
- The **French and German** finance ministers urged the **EU** to fast-track member states' recovery plans and offered support for the idea of a global minimum corporate tax.
- **Finland and Austria** will ease COVID-19 lockdowns, and France is expected to in coming days.
- The **EU** warned that its Brexit trade deal would equip the bloc with new ways to tariff British goods if the **UK** fails to honor post-Brexit obligations on **Northern Ireland** ahead of a final step to ratify the deal.
- **Hungary's** parliament approved a law creating a group of new foundations, which government critics allege will hand control of educational institutions to Prime Minister Orban's ruling party.



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Middle East

- Human Rights Watch classified **Israeli** abuses against **Palestinians** as apartheid for the first time.
- **Israel** said it had downed a Hizballah drone on the **Lebanese** border.
- The **US** said that it had fired “*warning shots*” at **Iranian** IRGC vessels conducting “*close range maneuvers*” near US naval ships in the Persian Gulf. **Iran** ordered a probe into the release of a tape in which Foreign Minister Zarif was critical of the IRGC, calling it a “*conspiracy*.”
- The **US** ordered all non-essential staff to leave its Kabul embassy, citing increased threats since Washington announced its planned withdrawal from **Afghanistan**.
- De facto **Saudi** leader Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman gave a rare television interview in which he discussed the country’s Vision 2030 development plan, said he has no plans to ever institute an income tax, and announced talks to sell 1 percent of Aramco to a foreign investor.



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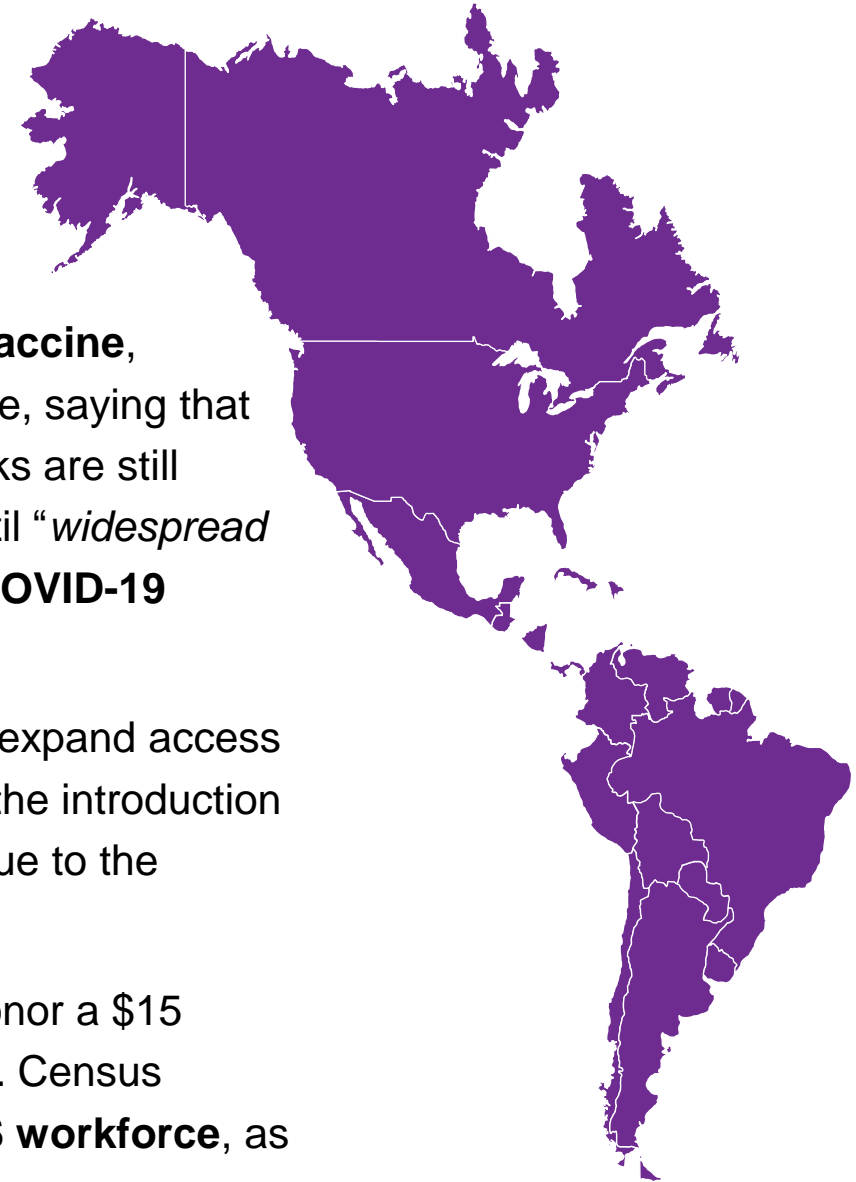
Americas

- In May, **Mexico** will extend vaccine eligibility to all over-50s; the country has thus far vaccinated 9.5 percent of its population. Mexico reached an agreement with **Russia** to bottle the Sputnik V COVID-19 vaccine domestically after delays in shipments. Mexico posted a larger-than-expected trade deficit for Q1, largely due to the chip shortage harming the Mexican automobile export industry.
- **Venezuelan** COVID-19 patients are paying doctors to come to their homes due to the high cost of private clinics and hospitals overflowing with patients lacking critical supplies.
- The **Brazilian** Senate opened a probe into the government's handling of the pandemic.
- A former minister in the government of **Barbados** was sentenced to two years in prison for laundering bribes he received from a Barbadian insurance company through a US bank.



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Americas: US



- Across the nation, 141.8 million people have received at least one **dose of vaccine**, representing 42.7 percent of the total population. The CDC updated guidance, saying that fully vaccinated people can now **forgo masks** in most outdoor settings. Masks are still recommended in crowded settings, a recommendation unlikely to change until “*widespread vaccination is achieved.*” The first US case was confirmed of a concerning **COVID-19 variant** first detected in India, B.1.617.
- The White House is considering backing an **intellectual property waiver** to expand access to COVID-19 vaccines. The Department of Homeland Security has delayed the introduction of its enhanced driver license (REAL ID) and **identity document program** due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- President Biden signed an executive order requiring federal contractors to honor a \$15 **minimum wage**, a move that also increases pressure on private businesses. Census bureau data shows that almost 1.5 million mothers are **missing from the US workforce**, as compared to February 2020.
- President Biden signaled that he plans to send US-made vaccines to **India**.

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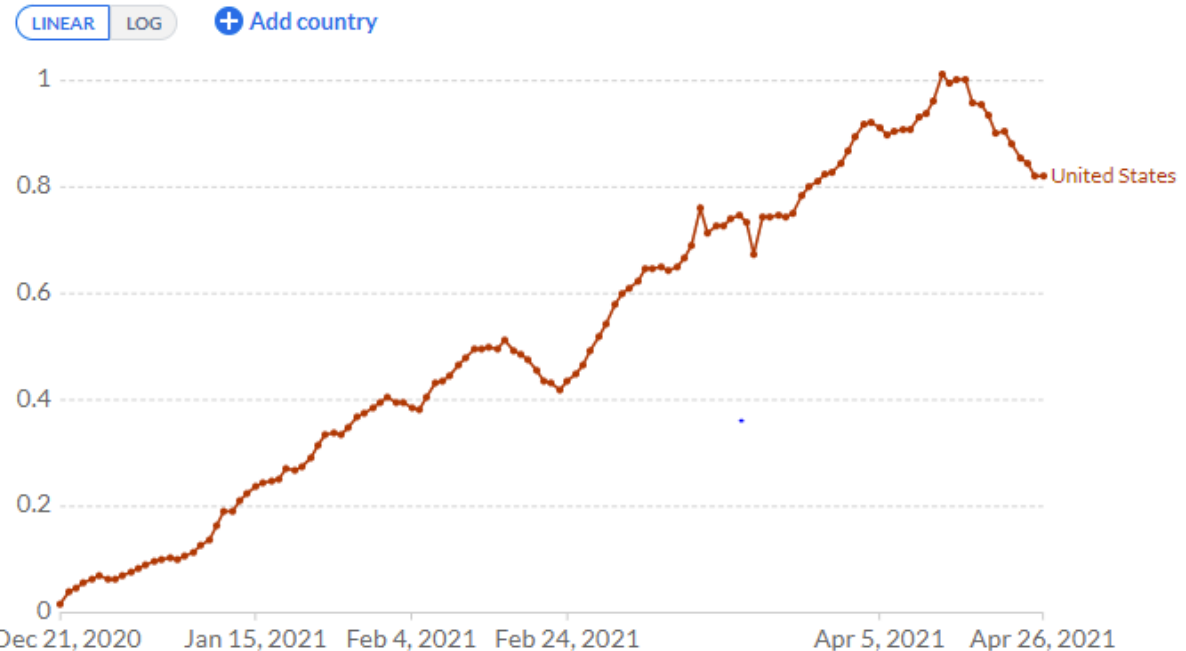
COVID-19 Vaccine

In the US, vaccine supply is outpacing demand. President Biden is urging people to do their patriot duty and be vaccinated. West Virginia is trying another approach: money. Young people will be given a \$100 savings bond after vaccination.

Daily COVID-19 vaccine doses administered per 100 people

Shown is the rolling 7-day average per 100 people in the total population. This is counted as a single dose, and may not equal the total number of people vaccinated, depending on the specific dose regime (e.g. people receive multiple doses).

Our World in Data



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Emerging and Existing Hotspots: Political Crises in the Sahel Complicate French Counterterrorism Efforts

By Anni Coonan

Last week, longtime Chadian President Idriss Déby was killed by rebels while visiting a battlefield and was quickly replaced by a military council headed by his son, Mahamat Idriss Déby, as interim president. The succession, which is threatened by opposition leaders and protesters who consider it a coup, internal divisions within the ruling Zaghawa tribe, and flagging international support, threatens to destabilize Chad and further endanger France's counterterrorism efforts in the Sahel, already threatened by the coup in Mali last year.

Rising instability and drawn-out political crises increasingly leave France and the region with difficult questions of how best to maintain a sustainable and effective military presence in the region, how to address the root causes of terror, and how to engage with crucial but increasingly troubled regional partners.

Recent instability in Chad is especially threatening to France's regional counterterrorism efforts, as it hosts the headquarters of Operation Barkhane, the 5,100-strong French anti-jihadist force, and has itself deployed peacekeepers and soldiers to Mali and Niger to fight jihadist insurgencies. France established Operation Barkhane in 2014 amid increasing North African instability post-Libyan

breakup, initially intervening to expel terrorists from the Malian capital of Bamako and with a longer view of preventing Africa from becoming a terrorist safe haven from which to launch attacks in France and Europe. Since then, France's presence has grown, although Operation Barkhane has integrated the Sahel G5 (Mali, Chad, Niger, Burkina Faso, and Mauritania) and the EU-backed Takuba Task Force into its mandate. France's strong partnership with Chad is evident in its relationship with Déby - who faced several allegations of human rights abuses, and mostly resisted international calls for reform - and France's initial support of the transitional military council, with Macron the only western leader present at the late Déby's funeral.

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Despite the fact that France and regional leaders originally accepted the younger Déby's succession as the best bet for short-term stability, internal dissension has grown, and international condemnation has risen. Over the weekend, the military transitional council named a distant presidential runner-up and ally of the former president as an interim prime minister, drawing the sharp criticism of opposition leaders who had already denounced the transition as a coup. Yesterday, protesters opposed to the junta held demonstrations throughout the country; anywhere between two and nine were killed, according to contrasting government and civil society reports, and scores injured, mostly in the capital of N'Djamena. Concurrently, Presidents Macron and Tshisekedi of the Democratic Republic of the Congo met to walk back their support for the new President Déby and the military transitional council, stressing that they expect a civilian-led unity government within 18 months. Déby and the council are not only facing pressure from opposition leaders and international partners - it is widely thought that the younger Déby, whose mother belonged to the minority Gorane, does not possess the same authority or credibility within the ruling Zaghawa clan, perhaps leading to the reopening of old divisions that his father previously managed to control. At the same

time, the conflict between the Chadian government and the rebel group that killed the former President Déby is ongoing; the group, known as Front for Change and Concord in Chad (FACT), has offered to negotiate a ceasefire, but the government has refused. France may be further drawn into the conflict by conducting airstrikes on rebel groups attempting to take N'Djamena if the rebels range south again.

Chad and Mali, which has been governed by a military junta since the military-led coup in August 2020, are not the only Sahel G5 countries suffering from instability and uncertainty. Niger is politically fragile following the election of President Bazoum and a thwarted military coup attempt led by the defeated opposition candidate and former president Ousmane; at the same time, the southeastern states suffer regular cross-border attacks from armed groups in Nigeria, and the country plays host to some 90,000 Nigerian refugees alongside over 5,000 internally displaced Nigeriens. In Burkina Faso, ongoing conflicts with various militant groups and disastrous flooding have created one of the largest displacement crises in the world, with nearly 1 million people internally displaced in the country.

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In the face of deteriorating political situations in Chad and Mali and, to a lesser extent, Niger and Burkina Faso, France has mostly opted to support controversial regimes to maintain crucial security relationships and avoid risking further destabilization that could embolden the militant groups it is there to fight. However, the ongoing conflicts and domestic conversations in France have prompted broader conversations about the long-term effectiveness of military-led solutions to violent extremism. Macron has faced domestic criticism for the cost and length of Operation Barkhane, as well as for tolerating the alleged human rights abuses of his African partners. Ideally, he would likely seek to draw down the French presence ahead of 2022 elections, although this seems less possible in light of transitions in Chad and Mali and a French view that the US' withdrawal from Afghanistan may embolden Islamic terrorists throughout Africa and Asia.

Many see the outcomes of the French presence as evidence that military-led responses to violent extremism, especially foreign ones, are ineffective. Ongoing conflicts exacerbate the political divisions, economic woes, governance gaps, and foreign interventions that are among the drivers of terrorism - many argue robust governance support would be more effective than military intervention. The Sahel

Alliance, a French-backed coalition of international organizations and donors, is one group attempting a switch in counterterrorism approaches away from militarism to development and governance assistance, and is sometimes cited as a policy alternative. Nonetheless, governance assistance at its current level is hardly a panacea (or an escape hatch) from a region where France is deeply enmeshed, and while the G5 is not entirely dependent on France for counterterror operations, the departure or significant retrenchment of Operation Barkhane would likely significantly exacerbate violent insurgencies in the near term. As elections approach and terror threats in the Sahel persist, France must decide how to maintain a sustainable military presence in the region.

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How do You Manage Risks?

The coronavirus pandemic has not just added a new layer of risk for business leaders to navigate, but has accelerated drivers of change, including disruptive technologies, political and economic realignments and cultural priorities on equality, justice and conservation, while increasing vulnerabilities that bad actors seek to exploit.

Dentons Intelligence and Security Services Group offers bespoke services to provide business leaders with the intelligence they need to understand and thrive in complex operating environments.

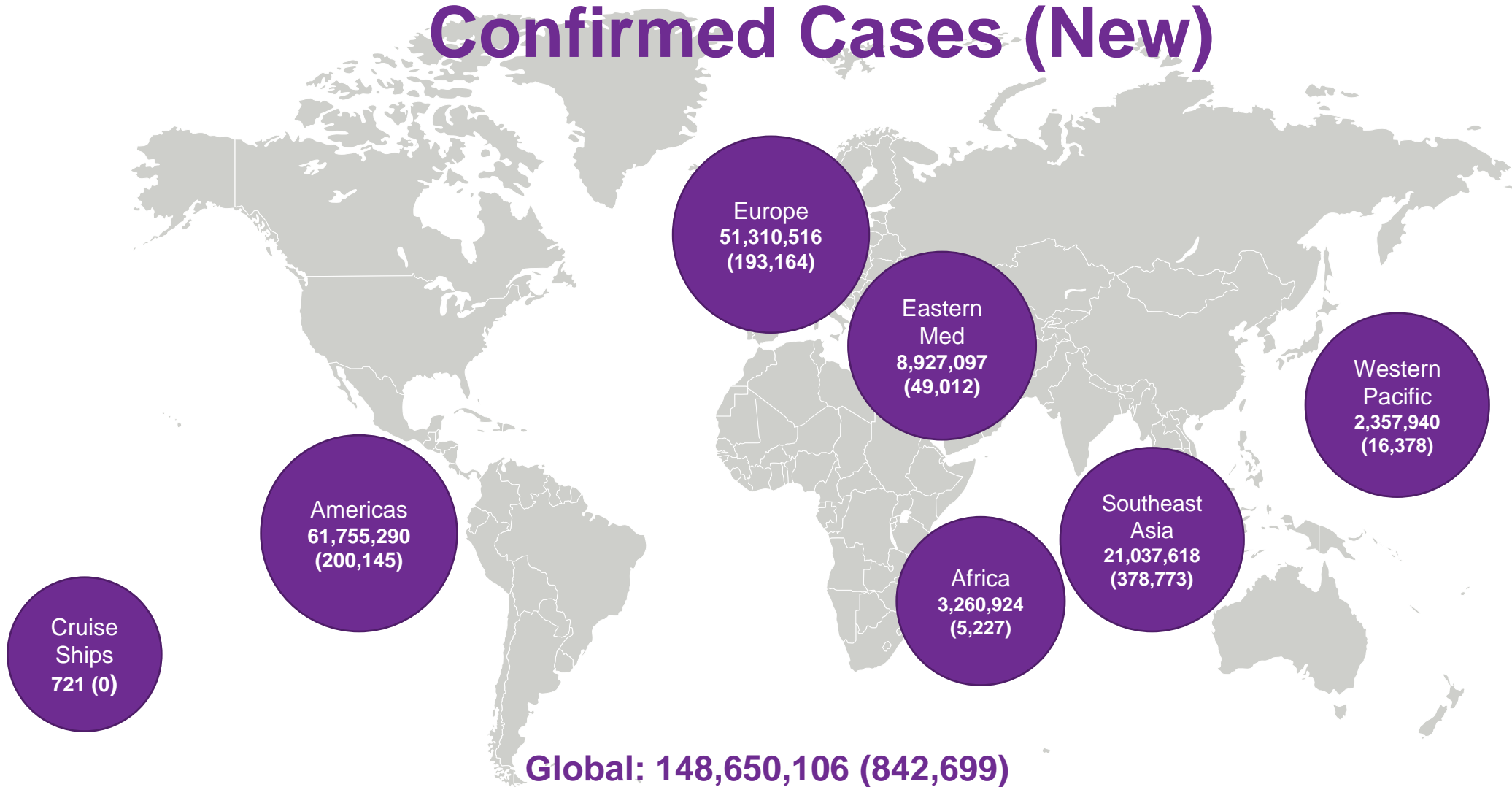
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- ❖ crisis and incident response (physical security breaches and cyber incidents, insider threats and reputational impacts)

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Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on April 27, 2021

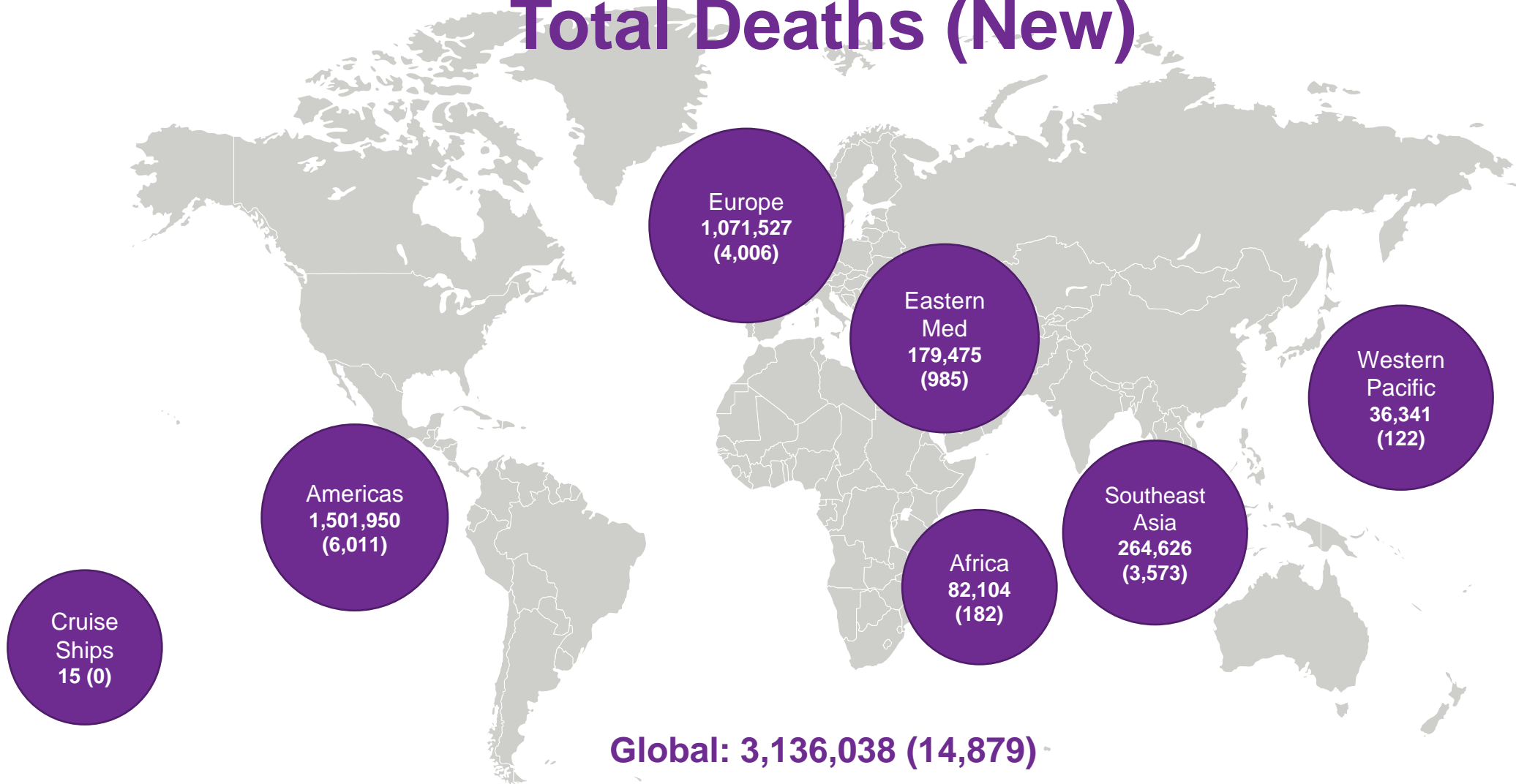
Confirmed Cases (New)



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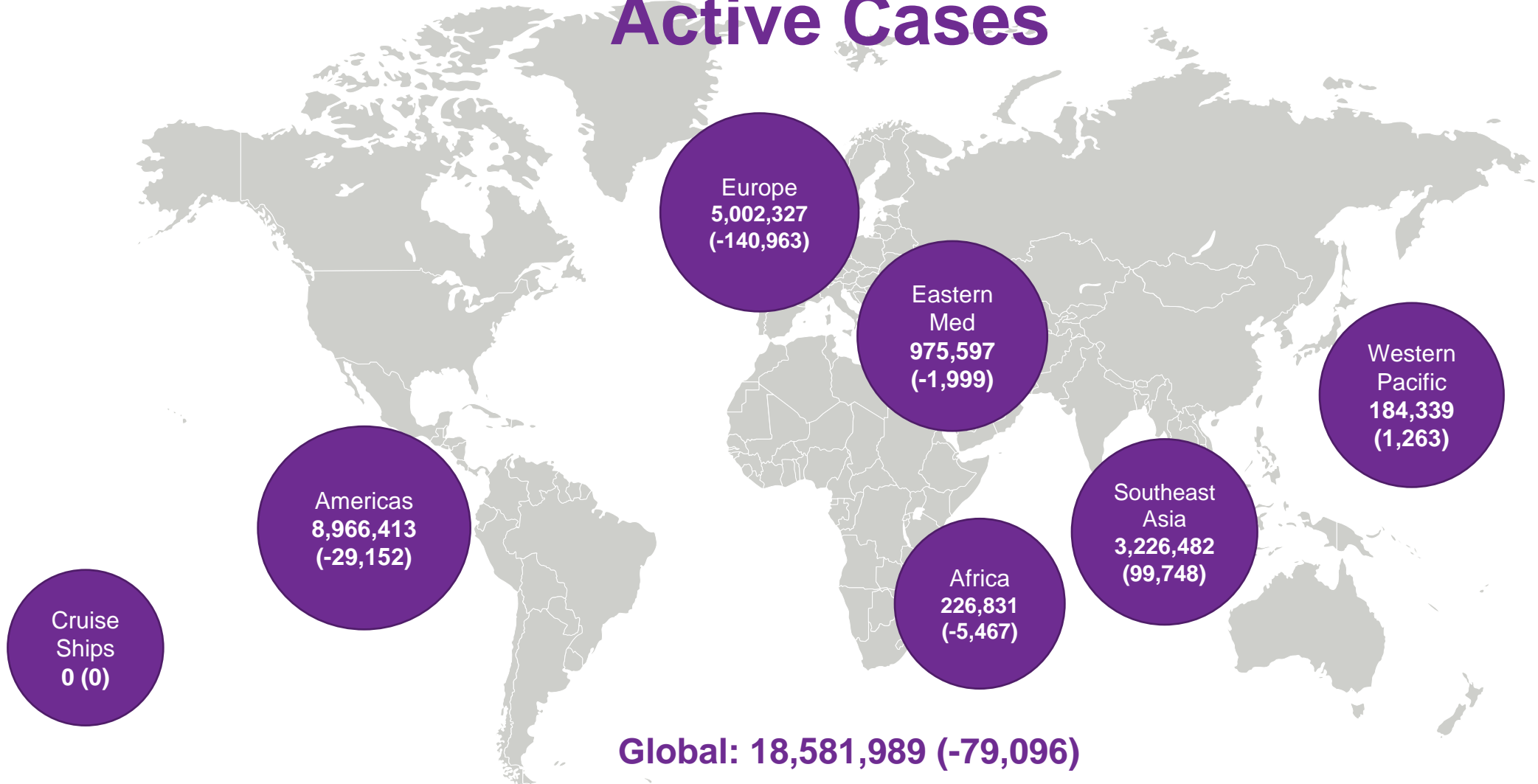
Total Deaths (New)



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Active Cases



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Country Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
US	6676396	32181933 (48056)	573537 (862)	99000	1766	1.21%
India	2979768	17988637 (362902)	201165 (3285)	12931	145	13.23%
Brazil	1058775	14446541 (76085)	395324 (3120)	67571	1849	2.74%
France	1053033	5640578 (32098)	104439 (347)	84633	1584	3.51%
Turkey	504262	4710582 (43301)	39057 (346)	55365	459	6.92%
Iran	460471	2438193 (20963)	70532 (462)	28728	831	6.20%
Italy	448149	3981512 (10404)	119912 (373)	65931	1986	2.27%
Ukraine	398469	2038248 (7915)	42950 (432)	46838	987	3.74%
Germany	312680	3326778 (19009)	82698 (354)	39603	984	4.39%
Argentina	279350	2905172 (25495)	62599 (512)	63800	1375	5.56%
Russia	267767	4779425 (8053)	108980 (392)	32739	747	1.27%
Mexico	260632	2329534 (1143)	215113 (166)	17914	1654	0.97%
Hungary	254103	772707 (1253)	26984 (183)	80155	2799	2.31%
Poland	235101	2768034 (5709)	65897 (460)	73204	1743	2.29%

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Spain	231312	3496134 (7665)	77855 (117)	74752	1665	1.72%
Netherlands	221221	1499166 (5371)	17340 (33)	85790	996	3.69%
Sweden	159782	953254 (0)	13968 (32)	93908	1376	3.82%
Honduras	124313	207320 (413)	5193 (52)	20663	518	2.72%
Colombia	115825	2804881 (17578)	72235 (436)	54647	1407	4.31%
Belgium	109984	976088 (1670)	24065 (41)	83921	2069	2.51%
Iraq	109139	1045010 (7152)	15348 (45)	25514	375	4.96%
Indonesia	100256	1651794 (4656)	44939 (168)	5987	163	2.24%
Pakistan	87794	804939 (4487)	17329 (142)	3587	77	4.73%
Canada	84313	1194989 (7071)	24065 (41)	31436	633	4.68%
UK	80676	4425306 (2697)	127705 (17)	64678	1869	0.38%
Bangladesh	73504	751659 (3031)	11228 (78)	4527	68	3.18%
Philippines	71675	1013618 (7204)	16916 (63)	9150	153	5.97%
Lebanon	61701	522763 (1182)	7197 (26)	76874	1058	1.87%

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Switzerland	61656	653957 (2135)	10587 (3)	75111	1216	2.22%
Ethiopia	54892	254044 (924)	3605 (35)	2166	31	3.50%
Japan	52648	571040 (3319)	10004 (32)	4526	79	5.91%
Bulgaria	52509	401109 (1850)	16182 (81)	58087	2343	2.54%
Czechia	51627	1622804 (2575)	29119 (47)	151306	2715	1.03%
Serbia	50757	683799 (2145)	6286 (29)	78522	722	2.32%
Kenya	47991	157492 (511)	2665 (22)	2877	49	3.16%
Egypt	42684	224517 (1003)	13168 (61)	2161	127	2.88%
Romania	42411	1049539 (2019)	27683 (172)	54858	1447	1.48%
Paraguay	42114	271814 (2461)	6094 (92)	37730	846	6.17%
Kazakhstan	41861	311400 (2284)	3599 (29)	16424	190	6.15%
Chile	40289	1179772 (4158)	26020 (45)	61284	1352	3.67%
Tunisia	40082	303584 (1957)	10444 (92)	25469	876	4.73%
Dominican Republic	39553	265481 (78)	3462 (3)	24274	317	1.37%

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Finland	39253	86161 (224)	908 (2)	15531	164	1.93%
Bolivia	39244	298778 (1119)	12861 (37)	25313	1090	2.82%
Ecuador	38342	375329 (554)	18389 (89)	21012	1029	3.78%
Costa Rica	38197	243167 (1927)	3186 (18)	47380	621	4.61%
Greece	36391	337723 (3287)	10179 (92)	32532	981	5.06%
Algeria	33521	121344 (232)	3225 (8)	2727	72	1.11%
Bosnia	31219	196732 (761)	8418 (68)	60273	2579	2.47%
Azerbaijan	27904	315119 (1307)	4429 (27)	30851	434	3.57%
Uruguay	27012	190096 (2747)	2452 (61)	54569	704	10.93%
Peru	26555	1775062 (6876)	60416 (403)	53229	1812	3.15%
Nepal	26225	307925 (4364)	3194 (18)	10415	108	6.61%
Thailand	25973	59687 (2179)	163 (15)	853	2	24.30%
Malaysia	25414	398451 (2733)	1462 (13)	12183	45	4.76%
Cyprus	24356	63720 (760)	303 (2)	52463	249	8.94%

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Austria	24067	612170 (1625)	10126 (28)	67654	1119	2.39%
Portugal	23816	834991 (353)	16970 (5)	82085	1668	0.40%
Jamaica	23716	45212 (67)	767 (6)	15214	258	2.12%
West Bank & Gaza	22919	293466 (1414)	3201 (17)	56456	616	3.13%
Jordan	22436	706355 (1815)	8707 (47)	68671	846	2.01%
Norway	21998	111686 (524)	736 (0)	20470	135	2.99%
Albania	21190	130736 (130)	2383 (4)	45470	829	0.68%
South Africa	19977	1577200 (880)	54237 (51)	26321	905	0.56%
Lithuania	19371	242926 (1031)	3877 (13)	90276	1441	3.09%
Oman	18477	191398 (1128)	1992 (9)	36720	382	4.55%
Qatar	18446	203599 (695)	441 (4)	72512	157	2.57%
UAE	17424	514591 (2094)	1578 (5)	51520	158	2.67%
Guatemala	16567	223025 (1086)	7453 (25)	12263	410	3.73%
Venezuela	15581	193721 (1223)	2082 (17)	6828	73	4.12%

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Kuwait	15258	269681 (1446)	1535 (8)	62394	355	3.64%
Mongolia	14806	32437 (1098)	88 (8)	9766	26	25.41%
Armenia	14305	214064 (595)	4058 (18)	72129	1367	2.14%
Georgia	13852	305850 (1578)	4060 (17)	76791	1019	2.66%
Croatia	13330	324833 (1797)	6957 (52)	79530	1703	4.47%
Ireland	12938	247489 (420)	4884 (10)	49667	980	1.29%
Libya	11568	176254 (501)	3010 (5)	25368	433	1.80%
Estonia	10720	120836 (459)	1148 (3)	91041	865	2.08%
Kosovo	10488	76070 (0)	1688 (0)			0.00%
Bahrain	10385	173548 (972)	626 (1)	99194	358	4.26%
Slovenia	10116	238023 (807)	4221 (7)	114480	2030	2.10%
Saudi Arabia	9710	414219 (1045)	6922 (9)	11748	196	1.74%
Denmark	9547	249644 (624)	2480 (2)	42856	427	1.96%

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Country Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Slovakia	8419	380498 (488)	11572 (41)	69665	2119	1.00%
South Korea	8383	119898 (511)	1820 (3)	2337	35	3.92%
Latvia	8194	116132 (596)	2110 (4)	62136	1129	3.37%
Sri Lanka	7976	103487 (1111)	655 (8)	4816	30	5.81%
Nigeria	7837	164912 (156)	2063 (1)	784	10	0.30%
Myanmar	7588	142740 (18)	3207 (0)	2609	59	0.07%
Somalia	7355	13915 (103)	713 (11)	856	44	4.25%
Cambodia	7277	11063 (508)	82 (3)	654	5	32.71%
Belarus	7207	354669 (823)	2512 (10)	37544	266	2.44%
Cameroon	7186	65998 (0)	991 (0)	2437	37	1.80%
Madagascar	6206	36190 (145)	614 (9)	1280	22	8.26%
Moldova	5529	249714 (329)	5762 (17)	62021	1431	1.21%
Cuba	5458	103524 (1083)	604 (7)	9144	53	7.51%

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* Indicates moved down a risk category

HIGH RISK 1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Morocco*	4937	509982 (507)	9006 (6)	13684	242	0.65%
Mali*	4933	13722 (64)	476 (2)	662	23	3.47%
Syria	4547	22389 (124)	1559 (11)	1254	87	4.27%
Mozambique*	4500	69762 (47)	814 (5)	2182	25	0.65%
Kyrgyzstan	4273	94277 (247)	1589 (5)	14258	240	2.08%
Lesotho	4145	10728 (0)	316 (0)	4975	147	0.07%
Maldives	4018	28588 (386)	71 (0)	52137	129	6.72%
Afghanistan	3965	59370 (145)	2611 (13)	1498	66	1.95%
Sudan	3960	33104 (242)	2349 (9)	741	53	1.69%
Panama	3814	363533 (368)	6216 (4)	83182	1422	0.61%
Gabon	3257	22568 (0)	138 (0)	9948	61	2.38%
Burundi	3105	3884 (10)	6 (0)	319	1	6.20%
Cabo Verde	2846	22772 (186)	211 (3)	40597	376	8.74%
Luxembourg	2814	66594 (220)	791 (0)	104988	1247	1.91%

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HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Uzbekistan	2804	89630 (275)	646 (1)	2647	19	2.68%
Congo (Kinshasa)	2785	29701 (90)	760 (4)	324	8	2.08%
Nicaragua	2491	6898 (63)	182 (1)	1031	27	0.91%
Montenegro	2477	96930 (151)	1478 (5)	154315	2353	1.07%
Guinea	2439	22046 (61)	141 (0)	1642	11	1.87%
Yemen	2339	6220 (37)	1207 (2)	205	40	4.86%
Congo (Brazzaville)	2326	10678 (0)	144 (0)	1897	26	5.56%
Papua New Guinea	2169	10835 (0)	105 (0)	1193	12	8.15%
El Salvador	2144	68922 (151)	2111 (5)	10582	324	1.55%
Angola	2014	25942 (232)	587 (4)	770	17	4.94%
Togo	1835	12884 (57)	122 (0)	1527	14	2.13%
Israel	1653	838217 (110)	6359 (6)	91134	691	0.10%
Namibia	1637	48011 (70)	634 (6)	18620	246	2.37%

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Guyana	1591	12826 (72)	291 (4)	16242	369	6.66%
Ghana	1582	92464 (118)	779 (2)	2926	25	0.82%
Trinidad and Tobago	1505	9947 (151)	161 (2)	7089	115	8.16%
Rwanda	1394	24814 (137)	331 (1)	1878	25	3.26%
CAR	1160	6359 (135)	87 (2)	1298	18	6.76%
Botswana	1158	46600 (745)	702 (11)	19495	294	4.07%
Zimbabwe	1119	38164 (62)	1565 (5)	2538	104	0.76%
Timor-Leste	1073	2048 (99)	3 (0)	1530	2	29.10%

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US Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
California	1686751	3736069 (1507)	61523 (23)	94585	1557	0.35%
Virginia	590900	656020 (1091)	10722 (16)	76859	1256	1.17%
New York	525398	2037414 (3312)	52117 (75)	107118	2693	1.42%
Maryland	425627	444491 (677)	8688 (18)	73522	1437	1.55%
Florida	406994	2217368 (5271)	34958 (46)	103240	1628	1.74%
Kentucky	384193	441880 (714)	6476 (17)	98906	1450	0.84%
South Carolina	328178	575956 (441)	9435 (2)	111864	1832	0.93%
Michigan	278647	923464 (4584)	18563 (117)	92468	1859	4.40%
New Jersey	206038	997891 (0)	25460 (61)	111573	2866	1.40%
Washington	203298	398509 (1092)	5462 (12)	52629	724	2.46%
Alabama	183938	526707 (359)	10854 (2)	107421	2214	0.52%
Georgia	180208	1095879 (1299)	20027 (18)	103215	1886	0.86%
Rhode Island	135698	147220 (260)	2664 (1)	138971	2515	1.26%
Colorado	114527	505268 (2014)	6264 (9)	87739	1114	2.42%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Pennsylvania	112529	1141240 (3638)	26048 (72)	89430	2045	2.21%
Illinois	97450	1325630 (2561)	24174 (24)	104620	1908	1.43%
Texas	85744	2882423 (3985)	50027 (60)	99552	1733	0.78%
Idaho	78447	187014 (289)	2040 (6)	104649	1142	0.83%
Wisconsin	70406	657872 (940)	7494 (20)	102339	1163	0.76%
Missouri	68731	589372 (571)	9116 (39)	94907	1529	0.74%
Nebraska	47816	219090 (258)	2242 (0)	113259	1159	0.90%
Maine	46690	60430 (425)	777 (5)	44956	578	4.08%
Ohio	35834	1067262 (1560)	19188 (66)	91304	1642	1.00%
Connecticut	35290	337340 (407)	8067 (1)	94618	2263	1.54%
Hawaii	32989	33468 (50)	479 (1)	22630	338	1.80%
Massachusetts	28043	684630 (965)	17566 (4)	99330	2549	1.38%
North Carolina	26698	963771 (1148)	12583 (23)	91892	1200	1.37%
Puerto Rico	23968	130361 (324)	2285 (6)	72149	673	4.35%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Indiana	23694	716306 (838)	13293 (13)	106400	1975	0.96%
Oregon	22601	182040 (719)	2488 (2)	43161	590	3.23%
Arizona	19083	860169 (682)	17276 (8)	118176	2373	0.58%
Nevada	17436	314085 (405)	5444 (11)	101970	1767	0.88%
Louisiana	16597	456884 (452)	10352 (10)	98280	2227	0.69%
New Mexico	15028	196997 (153)	4039 (12)	93950	1926	0.70%
Minnesota	14239	570518 (1078)	7169 (12)	101162	1271	2.05%
Tennessee	12872	844246 (1187)	12163 (11)	123623	1781	0.91%
District of Columbia	12805	47471 (93)	1100 (1)	67263	1559	1.27%
Iowa	12212	363530 (368)	5930 (3)	124573	1880	0.76%
Alaska	11249	67647 (138)	347 (0)	88738	466	1.73%
Oklahoma	10246	447393 (115)	6716 (0)	113065	1697	0.37%
Delaware	9030	103603 (144)	1617 (0)	106394	1661	1.83%
Utah	8508	396004 (327)	2186 (3)	123521	682	0.69%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Kansas	7318	309371 (0)	4926 (0)	106138	1716	0.50%
West Virginia	6968	151848 (177)	2821 (0)	84730	1485	1.57%

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Mississippi	3648	311159 (172)	7188 (10)	104551	2415	0.51%
Vermont	2726	22675 (58)	245 (1)	36339	393	2.48%
New Hampshire	2611	94203 (382)	1294 (10)	69282	952	2.28%
Arkansas	1900	334998 (229)	5725 (5)	111007	1897	0.38%
South Dakota	1765	122228 (148)	1961 (1)	138164	2217	0.71%
North Dakota	1016	106998 (189)	1517 (0)	140406	1950	0.89%

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