

# COVID-19 Update – United Arab Emirates

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Category	Recent Developments
<b>Economic Measures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Humanitarian and Charity Establishment has contributed AED 19 million to the Community Solidarity Fund Against the Coronavirus. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>On May 17, the UAE saw 731 new cases (-8.16% from the previous day) of the coronavirus, bringing the total to 23,358 total confirmed cases. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>The Abu Dhabi University has rallied its engineering labs to join the fight against the coronavirus by producing over 1,000 clips required for face masks within just two days. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
<b>Travel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Emirates Airlines has not announced mass layoffs after some media outlets reported that the airline was considering cutting about 30,000 jobs. The airline did announce, however, that all departments have been asked to review costs. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>Local tourism and domestic travel are expected to lead the UAE and wider GCC's recovery from the coronavirus hit economy. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
<b>Daily Life</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>UAE government has warned against Eid Al Fitr celebrations amid the coronavirus outbreak. The government has urged observers to sacrifice their traditions to maintain social distancing rules. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>