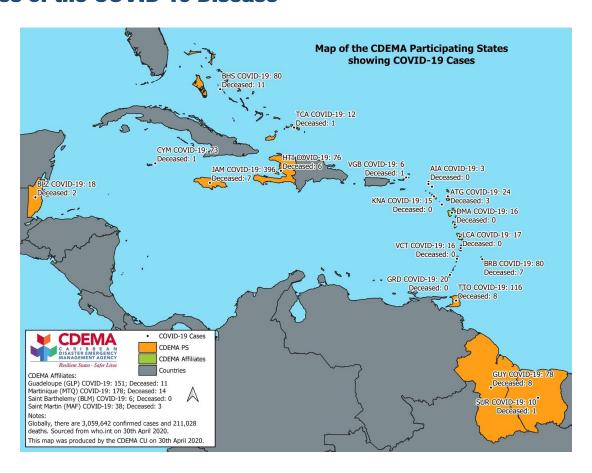


COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN CDEMA PARTICIPATING STATES

SITUATION REPORT No. 8

AS OF 8:00 PM ON 30 APRIL, 2020

All nineteen (19) CDEMA Participating States record confirmed cases of the COVID-19 Disease



SITUATION UPDATE

According to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) Situation Report No. 39 (dated 29 April, 2020), up to 33 countries in the Caribbean region have reported the importation of at least one confirmed case of COVID-19. The risk of further cases in the Caribbean Region remains **Very High**. Since the previous report on April 27, 2020, no new countries reported their first confirmed case of COVID-19 within the Caribbean region. Additional cases, however, were confirmed in 15 countries within the Caribbean, bringing the region's total confirmed cases to 11,115 in 33 countries/territories. This new total represents a 4% increase in the numbers of confirmed cases. Thirteen (13) additional deaths were also recorded, bringing the total numbers of deaths to 509 across the Caribbean.

Since February 10 and as of April 28, 2020, CARPHA has received 2,843 samples from 14 CMS, 373 (13.12%) of which have tested positive since the start of the outbreak, 242 results (8.5%) correspond to new cases.

COVID-19 Multi Sectoral Coordination Diagram

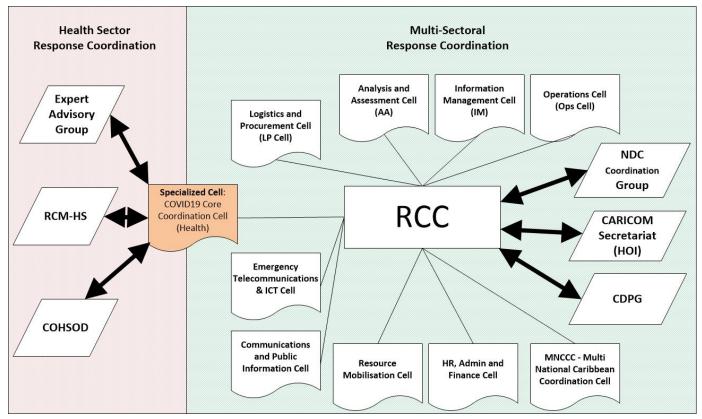


Figure 1: Multi-sectoral Coordination and the RCC

- Multi-sectoral coordination for COVID19 within CARICOM is delivered through the established Regional Response Mechanism (RRM) coordinated by the CDEMA Coordinating Unit (Figure 1).
- A specialized Core Coordination Cell (Health) comprising the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), CDEMA, the CARICOM Secretariat and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has been established for COVID19.
- This cell generates hazard specific (COVID19) information which (i) drives coordination actions by cells of the Regional Coordination Centre (RCC) and (ii) facilitates the interface between existing Health Sector Response Coordination mechanisms* and the RCC.
- Cells within the RCC benefit from the expertise of specialised regional and international organizations in support of CARICOM Member States.
- Multi-level coordination and information sharing is facilitated through frequent exchanges with the national –
 National Disaster Coordinators (NDCs), regional CARICOM Heads of Regional Institutions convened by the
 CARICOM Secretary General and international partners Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG)
 actors.
- * COHSOD CARICOM Council for Human and Social Development; RCM-HS Regional Coordination Mechanism - Health Security

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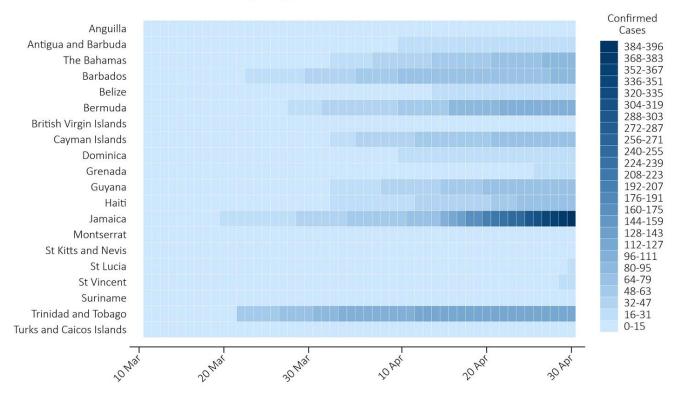
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Updated on: 30 Apr 2020 at 07:42:55

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Cumulative cases by 30 Apr 2020





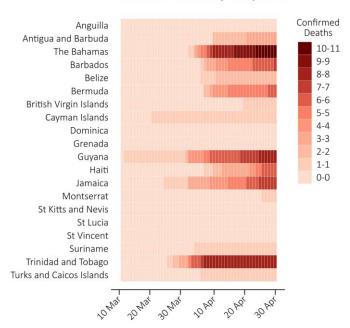
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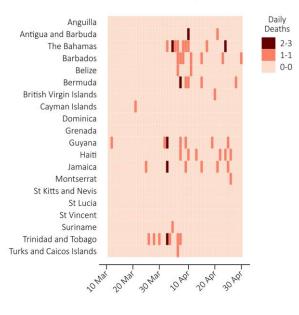
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Cumulative deaths by 30 Apr 2020



Daily deaths by 30 Apr 2020



(NOTE 1) Data Source. Dong E, Du H, Gardner L. An interactive web-based dashboard to track COVID-19 in real time. Lancet Infect Dis; published online Feb 19. https://doi.org/10.1016/S1473-3099(20)30120-1

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(NOTE 3) Growth Rate. The heatmap on page 2 presents the growth rate among confirmed cases. Growth rate is a relative rate. To calculate the growth rate we divide the total cases on each day by the total cases the previous day, then we take the logiartithm of that value. The equation is therefore: growth rate = log(cases/cases on previous day). A value of 1 can be interpreted as a 1% daily growth in the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases.

COVID-19 trajectories for 14 countries

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Summary for 14 CARICOM countries

Confirmed	Total	New	New	Date of	Days since
Events		(1 day)	(1 week)	1st confirmed	1st
confirmed Cases	962	22	194	11 March	
51 Deaths	53	1	7	12 March	
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The Table below summarises the progression of the COVID-19 outbreak as of 30 Apr 2020. The first THREE columns IN BLUE summarise the number of cases. The THREE columns IN RED summarise the number of deaths. The final column IN BLUE describes the growth rate of the outbreak in each country. The HARE represents the rate in the country. The shaded region represents the range of rates in the remaining countries and territories (see note 3).

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Country	Total cases	Cases in rates	Days since	Total deaths	Deaths in	Days since	CARICOM growth
Antigua	24	past week 0	1st case	3	past week 0	1st death 21	among cases
Bahamas	80	10	46	11	2	29	
Barbados	80	4	45	7	1	26	
Belize	18	0	39	2	0	25	
Dominica	16	0	40	0	0	0	

Country	Total cases	Cases in rates	Days since	Total deaths	Deaths in	Days since	CARICOM growth
Grenada	20	past week	1st case	θ	past week 0	1st death 0	among cases
Guyana	78	11	50	8	1	50	
Haiti	76	14	42	6	2	24	
Jamaica	396	144	51	7	1	37	
St.Kitts	15	0	37	0	0	0	
St.Lucia	17/	2	48	θ	0	0	
St.Vincent	16	3	48	θ	0	0	
Suriname	/10	0	48	1	0	27	
Trinidad	116	1	48	8	0	36	



COVID-19 trajectories for 6 United Kingdom Overseas Territories (UKOTS)

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Summary for six United Kingdom Overseas Territories

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Confirmed	Total	New	New	Date of	Days since
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Cases	216	4	21	20 March	42
Deaths	10	0	2	21 March	41

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Bermuda	111	12	42	6	1	24	<i></i>
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British Virgin	6	1	35	1	0	11	
Islands	/						
Cayman	73	7	42	/ 1	0	41	
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Mont-	11	0	40	1	1	5	
serrat							
Turks and Caicos	12	1	37	1	0	25	
Islands							

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(NOTE 3) Growth Rate. The blue graph in the final column shows the number of cases on a different scale (called a logarithm scale). This gives us the growth rate over time, and is

good for comparing progress against other countries. The shaded region behind the country growth curve is the range of outbreak growth for the *remaining countries* and territories. There are 14 CARICOM member states and 6 UKOTS included in this briefing, so this shaded region includes 19 countries. This range is represented by percentiles (darker blue region

represents 25th to 75th percentile, lighter blue region represents 5th to 95th percentiles). All curves and regions are 7-day smoothed averages.

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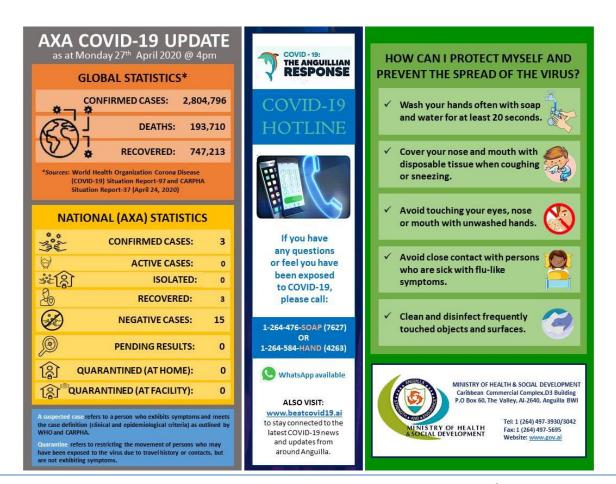
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ANGUILLA – Department of Disaster Management (DDM)

- As at April 27, testing has now shown no active or suspected cases of COVID-19 in Anguilla
- As of April 29th, all regulations restricting movement and gatherings have been removed, however the practice of social distancing must continue
- Churches, places of worship, all retail stores, hair salons and barber shops, accommodation suppliers, gyms and spas, recreational facilities, official lotteries, restaurants and bars are allowed to be opened from Wednesday April 29
- Environmental health officials will visit all commercial premises in the coming weeks to check compliance with established environmental health regulations
- All ports will remain closed for passenger movement until the situation outside Anguilla allows for safe reopening.
 This is unlikely to be before the end of May
- A limited number of repatriation flights will take place during this week under same controlled arrangements
- Regulations prohibiting the use of any boat in Anguilla's waters unless specifically exempted remain in force until 12
 May
- The Social Security board is now accepting online applications for unemployment benefit. All persons who meet the qualifying conditions are encouraged t visit www.uassistance.ai





ANTIGUA & BARBUDA – National Office of Disaster Services (NODS)

- Government opens Infectious Disease Control Centre to treat patients with Covid-19 and other infectious diseases
- As at April 28, confirmed cases still stand at 24 with 11 pending cases, three (3) covid-19 deaths
- 124 samples have been tested; 56 persons in guarantine and 11 recoveries
- Ministry of Health continues training for Covid-19 testing
- Government extends curfew period to May 14 and adjusts the curfew time to 6pm - 6am. Previous curfew was from midday to 7:00 a.m.
- Select businesses allowed to operate between the recommended hours with strict adherence to the established social distancing regime
- Restaurants can provide take out and deliveries
- From 6am to 6pm a person may walk, jog, run, cycle or perform any physical activity which may lawfully be carried on. This shall be done in an open field or on the side of a public road, in the company of one person while observing social distancing and shall not be used as an occasion of social gathering
- Construction and hardware stores are open and business hours are from 6am-6pm
- Critical sectors such as farmers and fishermen are allowed to conduct business beyond those hours
- Facilitated the movement of students coming in and out of the country, those who came in were placed in guarantine
- The control disease center (quarantined center) was opened yesterday, Tuesday April 28
- Government delivered over 7000 relief packages to those who are unemployed. Private sectors such as the Hotel and Tourism sector and others assisted
- Churches and Faith-Based Organisations may conduct community outreach programmes however all religious places of worship remain closed to public gatherings
- Public transportation services permitted to operate from 6am 7pm provided that driver and passengers wear face masks/covering and passengers are seated in a staggering formation
- Private vehicles limited to two people



- Employees of public service who are not employed in the essential services are permitted to work based on the instructions of the Permanent Secretary
- Beaches will open from Tuesday 5th May. Residents allowed to go to the beach between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. No more than two persons per family can attend, no picnics and music
- Schools will remain closed. Grades 2, 4 and 6 assessments have been cancelled
- Government transforming a learning centre into a 75-bed mini-hospital



THE BAHAMAS – National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)

- As at April 30, there are 45 active cases and persons in isolation; 1284 persons have been tested; 8 persons are currently in hospital
- Out of the 81 confirmed cases, 17 of them are Health Care workers
- The Ministry of Health will look at matters related to the Health Care workers to see what risks are involved and provide mitigation measures to prevent more of the Health Care workers from being impacted
- There are 64 cases in New Providence, 7 on Grand Bahama, 8 in Bimini and 1 in Acklin
- On the island of Bimini, 8 family members from a household of 11 have contracted the virus and 3 other persons are being tested; a series of tests will be conducted on that island for the next 3 days
- The Governor has established a task force to gradually re-open the country for business while exercising extreme caution
- There are plans for Bahamians to return home from Jamaica, Florida, Atlanta and Cuba. The Government is looking at how to accommodate those persons and to make sure they go through the quarantine process



- In exercise of the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020, the following orders for every island and cay in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, the following has been announced:
 - The proclamation made on 17th March 2020 and the Emergency Orders have been extended until 30th May 2020.
 - The Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020 made on the 17th day of March 2020 will continue until the 30th day of May 2020.
 - The Emergency Powers (COVID-19)(No. 2) Order, 2020 made on the 23rd day of March, 2020 will continue until the 30th day of May, 2020;
 - The Emergency Powers (COVID-19)(Special Provisions) Order, 2020 made on the 30th day of March, 2020 will continue until the 30th day of May, 2020.
 - A Rent Assistance Program has been developed and implemented for residents of The Bahamas for those whose employment or income has been impacted by COVID-19.
 - Designated days and hours of operation for essential services have been established.



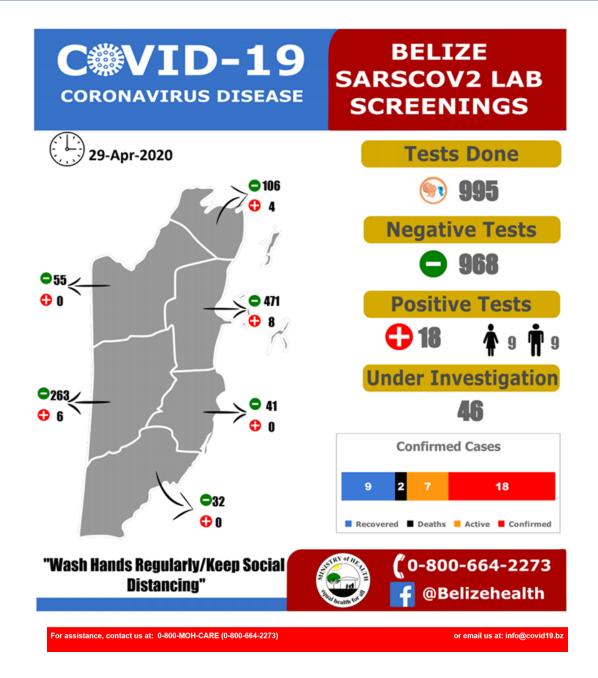
BARBADOS – Department of Emergency Management (DEM)

- No new cases of COVID-19 were recorded in Barbados overnight (Tuesday April 28). All 75 tests conducted by the Best-dos Santos Public Health Laboratory, two of which were employees of the National Assistance Board, came back negative. This brings the total number of tests to 2005.
- To date, the island has recorded 80 confirmed cases of COVID-19, 39 persons recovered, while 34 persons remain in isolation.
- The EOC is reviewing protocols for reopening the construction industry, food industry and domestic industry.





Belize – National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO)

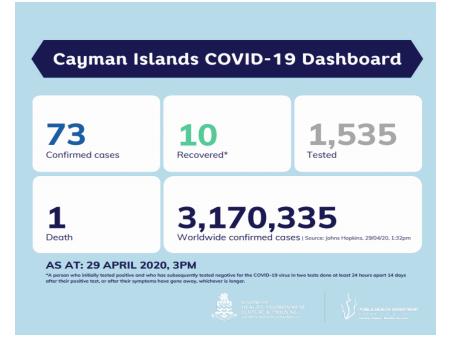


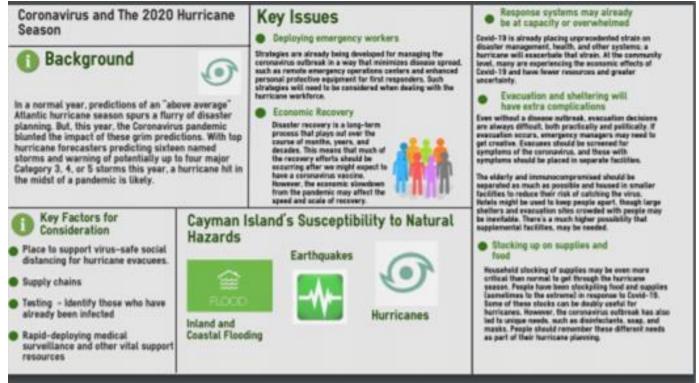




CAYMAN ISLANDS – Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI)

- The Government is focusing on retesting and the inclusion of a Private hospital and drive thru testing location
- Relaxation of some restrictions will be considered if cases decline to under 5
- Certain types of businesses are scheduled to reopen on Monday
- Government is discussing a stimulus or recovery plan









CAYMAN ISLANDS – Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI)







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DOMINICA- Office of Disaster Management (ODM)

- Curfew remains in effect from 6pm 6am
- Total lockdown on weekends
- Business hours for authorized establishments will be from 6am 4pm







GRENADA – National Disaster Management Agency (NaDMA)

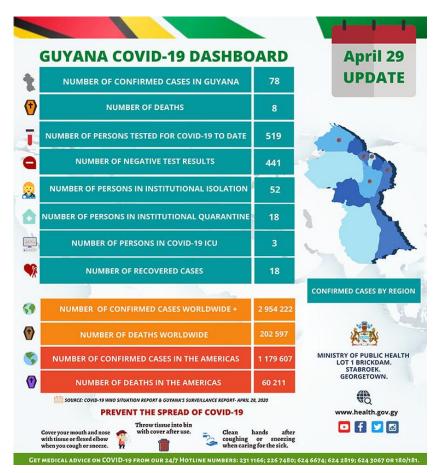


- The Government is trying to facilitate the homecoming of Grenadians within the cruise ship industry and are therefore making preparations. Once they arrive on island they would go through the usual protocol quarantine process
- There are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Carriacou and Petite Martinique
- Monitoring the impact of COVID-19 deaths in the major diaspora areas like the USA, Canada and the United Kingdom on the regional economies
- Small repair shops and hardware stores were given permission by Government to operate
- Three (3) shopping days remain in effect for curfew; between the hours of 8am-5pm. Curfew hours are from 7pm-5am.
- The health hotline can be reached at 538 4787 or 458 4787.



GUYANA – Civil Defense Commission (CDC)

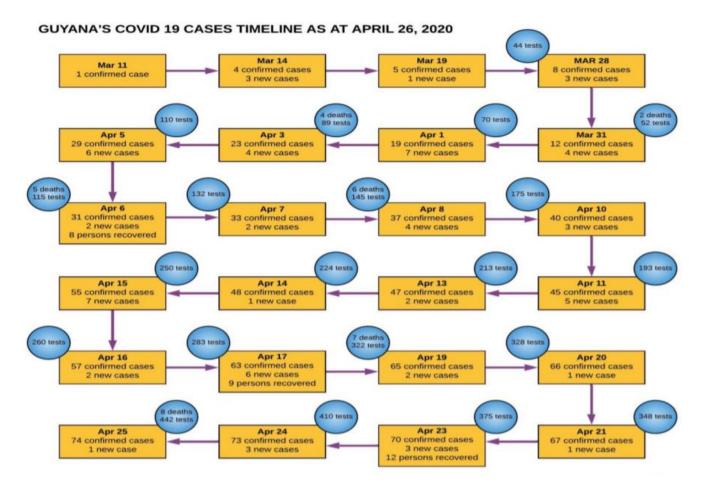
- Permanent Secretariat of the National COVID-19 Task Force established
- NEOC and HEOC continue operations
- Emergency Order issued by Minister of Public Health outlining restrictions (on social activities, curfew, restrictions for non-essential workers, and travel) remains in place – Apr 3 for one month
- National curfew remains in place, from 6pm to 6am with only essential services allowed to be operational during that time of the day – from Apr 3 for one month
- Staff of public service agencies continue to work from home and in some cases remain on call. Some are on rotational duty.
- Citizens mandated to wear masks in businesses and on essential services' premises – Apr 9
- Public schools remain closed indefinitely
- University of Guyana has extended current semester to July to facilitate virtual teaching
- CDC continues to monitor the distribution of hampers by organisations and individuals across the country
- Continued production and distribution of locally made face masks



• The United States of America, through the Regional Caribbean Office of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released US\$475,000 to aid Guyana's COVID-19 fight

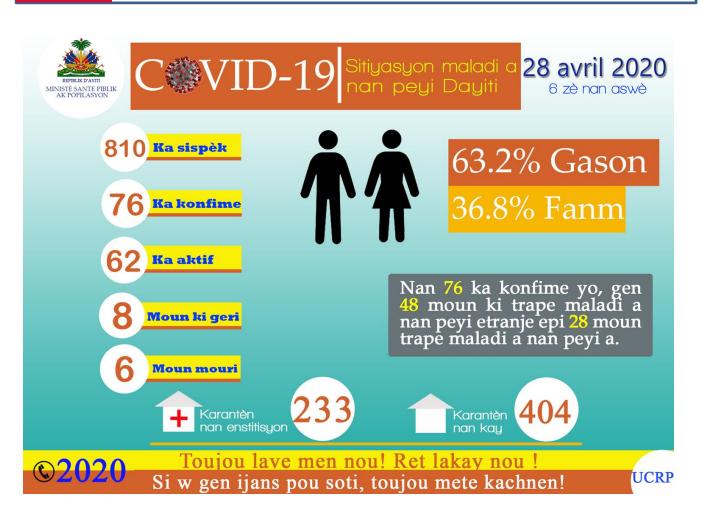


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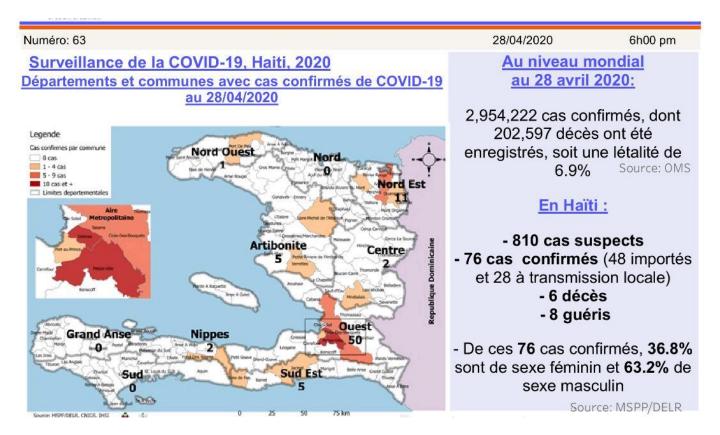


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JAMAICA – Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (ODPEM)

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	NUMBER OF CONFIRMED CASES WORLDWIDE +	3,018,952
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-	NUMBER OF CONFIRMED CASES IN JAMAICA	396
ı	NUMBER OF DEATHS IN JAMAICA	7
(B)	NUMBER OF PERSONS IN ISOLATION IN JAMAICA	385
	NUMBER OF PERSONS RECOVERED AND RELEASED	29
200	NUMBER OF PERSONS IN GOVERNMENT QUARANTINE FACILITY	89
	JAMAICA COVID-19 DASHBOAR as at Wednesday, April 29, 2020; 8:00	

- As at 29 April 2020, Jamaica has 396 confirmed cases of COVID-19, with the addition of 32 new positives over the last 48 hours.
- Of the 32 new cases, there are 11 males and 21 females, with ages ranging from 1 to 71 years. Fifteen (15) are
 associated with the workplace cluster in St. Catherine, eleven (11) cases are contacts of confirmed cases, one (1)
 imported case, and five (5) are under investigation.
- Of the 396 confirmed cases up to now, 202 are employees of the workplace cluster in St Catherine. Their ages range from 18 to 53 years. They include 151 females and 51 males, there are primarily from the parishes of St. Catherine and Kingston and St. Andrew.
- Sa far, 3,993 samples have been tested. of the 3,993 tested to date, in addition to the 396 positives: 3,567 are negative and 30 are pending.
- There are 385 persons in isolation and 89 in quarantine in a Government facility.
- Seven (7) persons have died and twenty-nine (29) persons have recovered.



MONTSERRAT – Disaster Management Coordination Agency (DMCA)

- The island has not recorded any new cases of the coronavirus disease since April 12
- As at April 29, sixty-one (61) local samples have been investigated for the disease; eleven (11) of which have returned positive. Local active cases currently stand at seven (7), all of whom are recovering well in home isolation.
- The Prime Minister of Dominica, Honourable Roosevelt Skerrit, has donated two ventilators and 1000 rapid test kits to the people of Montserrat to assist in the fight against the Coronavirus disease.
- The Social Services Department continues to deliver food packages to persons who requested them, and to date 718 food packages have been distributed.
- Cheques for persons in the tourism sector have already been prepared and should be deposited to your bank account.
- As of 12:00a.m Friday May 1 to Thursday May 7, 2020 at 12:00a.m., the following measures will be in place: The following businesses may operate daily as follows—
 - banks, from 8 a.m. to 2 pm;
 - gas station, from 8 am to 6 pm;
 - bakery, from 8 am to 6 pm;
 - grocery store, wholesale businesses or agricultural produce businesses, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m;
 - money transfer business, from 8 am to 6pm;
 - business connected with fisheries, at a time approved by the Minster of Health and
 - water, electricity, telecommunications or internet service providers may open from 8a.m. to 4 p.m. to receive bill payments.



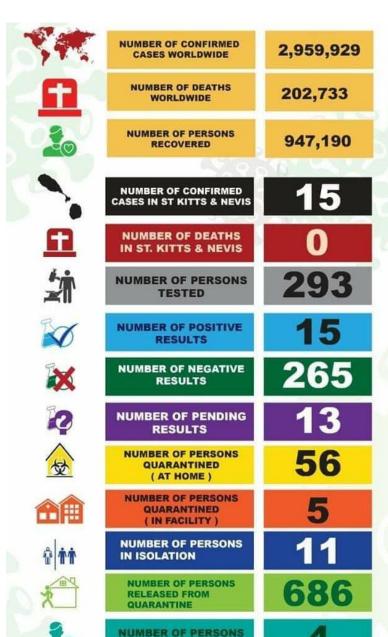
*1 Person no longer on island, and is not counted in the # of Active Cases

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ST. KITTS & NEVIS – National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)

St.Kitts-Nevis COVID-19 Situation Report No. 32



PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE NOVEL CORONA VIRUS

//CORONAMRUS (COVID-19)



1. HANDS

It starts with your hands. Please wash your hands Frequently with soap and water or an alcohol based Solution.



2. ELBOW

Always cover your nose and mouth with a bent elbow or tissue when you sneeze or cough. Dispose of tissue immediately and wash your hands.



3. FACE

Avoid touching your face, particularly your eyes, nose or mouth to prevent the virus from entering your body



4. Distance

In terms of social interaction, take a step back. Stay at least 6 feet or 1.8/2 meters distance from others.



5. FEEL

If you feel unwell, stay home. Please follow all instructions provided by your local health authorities.

COVID-19 HOTLINE 311

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SAINT LUCIA – National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO)

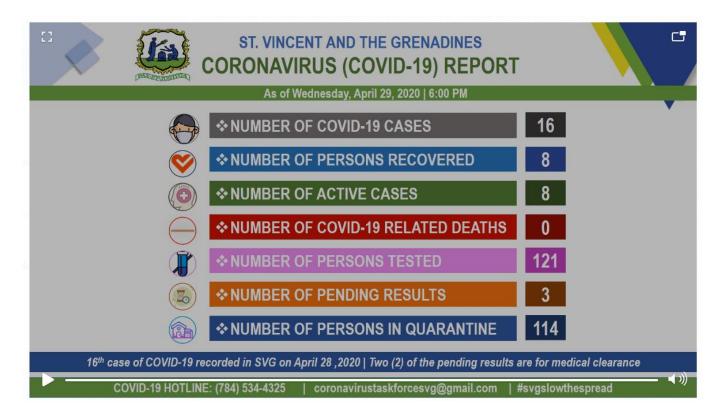


- On Tuesday, April 28, 2020 results of 44 samples for persons tested for COVID-19 were received. Of that batch, 2 were positive results and 42 negative.
- The first of the two positive results is a 54 year old female, diabetic, who is a direct contact from a previous positive case and has been in isolation from April 4, 2020.
- The second case is a 20 year old male, son of a previous confirmed case, who has been in isolation from April 4, 2020
- It must be noted that both of the new cases are contacts of a confirmed case and have been monitored in quarantine and isolation at the Rodney Bay Public Health Facility from April 4, 2020.
- Saint Lucia has now recorded a total of 17 confirmed cases of COVID-19, fifteen (15) of whom have recovered and been discharged from care. A total of 490 tests have been carried out to date.
- The Government continues to implement the national response to the COVID-19 epidemic a
- The Ministry of Health will continue to remain vigilant and maintain the capacity for early detection, aggressive contact tracing, quarantine and isolation, testing and treatment capacity.
- The Ministry of Health continues active surveillance for COVID-19.



ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES – National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO)

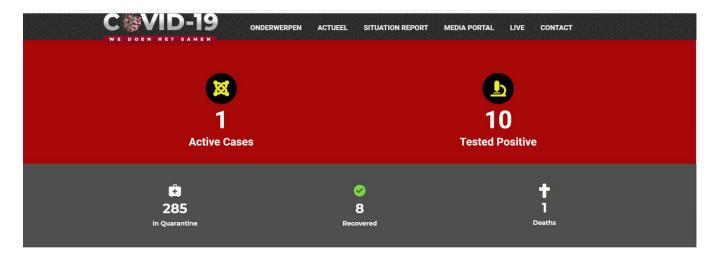
- Rapid tests are ongoing for staff at the Lewis Punnette Home (Home for aged); 18 staff have been tested so far
- Guidelines for the reopening of schools have been provided by the Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Education, in collaboration with Ministry of Health, BRAGSA, NEMO and Physical Planning will
 commence joint inspection of schools as emergency shelters per requirements set out by the Ministry of Health for
 reopening
- Contact tracing has been aggressive





SURINAME - National Coordination Center For Disaster Relief (NCCR)

- As at April 29, 2020, there were ten (10) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Suriname.
- Two hundred and eighty five (285) persons are currently in quarantine.
- Eight (8) individuals have recovered.
- There has been one (1) COVID-related death.
- The National COVID-19 Management Team is now looking at how to find a balance between protecting public health and adapting the COVID-19 measures.





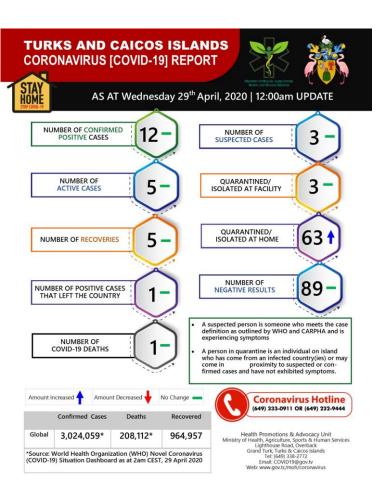
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO – Office of Disaster Preparedness & Management (ODPM)

- As at April 29, 2020 there were 116 positive cases of COVID-19, from a total of 1642 samples submitted to CARPHA for testing; 1335 Unique patient tests completed; 307 Repeated tests; 68 persons have been discharged; 8 deaths.
- The Stay at Home Order will be extended to May 15th, 2020. Prime Minister Dr the Hon. Keith Rowley said the extension has become necessary to allow health officials to expand testing. Dr Rowley said based on the results from the increased surveillance tests, an announcement will be made by May 10th, 2020 to determine whether Trinidad and Tobago is in a position to relax restrictions.
- Trinidad and Tobago's borders will remain closed until May 15. Schools are also to remain closed during this
 period.
- Public Health Regulations have been on 25th April, 2020. The noted change is hardware, electrical and plumbing stores will now be opened from 8am to 12noon, Monday to Saturday.
- Minister of Health, Terrence Deyalsingh, said he was glad that the University of Oxford released a ranking of
 countries best positioned to ease lockdown measures and that T&T's 2nd place position is a testament to
 Government's work and efforts. Minister Deyalsingh clarified that 250 St. Ann's patients were not sent home
 because of COVID-19, but their decanting took place as part of Government's Mental Health Decentralisation
 Policy which was announced long before the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- An appeal has been made to landlords, particularly those who have tenants who have lost their jobs or had their income reduced to have a heart and be lenient during this time. Prime Minister Rowley reminded landlords that under the laws of Trinidad and Tobago one month's notice is required to evict a tenant.
- Minister Young confirmed that the French military requested overpass flights which were allowed. The US military
 also requested the same to pick up military personnel and American citizens from South America who were making
 their way back home.
- TT Nationals in Suriname will be granted permission to enter Trinidad and Tobago but just like the cruise ship cohort and 33 Nationals who recently returned from Barbados, they will be subject to quarantine.
- Starting this week, the Ministry of Health will be deepening its relationship and support of Residential Care facilities.
 Random testing will begin at these Homes for elderly residents. Masks and other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be provided to workers at these facilities free of charge
- 182 community tests have been conducted thus far, all of which returned negative for COVID-19.
- More information can be found at http://news.gov.tt/.



TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS – Department of Disaster Management & Emergencies (DDME)

- The COVID-19 position in the Turks & Caicos Islands has seen some change since the previous update as at 28th April, 2020:
 - The country continues to record no new covid-19 deaths.
 - Confirmed positive cases continue to remain at twelve (12); with five (5) cases now having recovered from covid-19, and one confirmed positive case continuing to remain under hospital care.
 - The number of suspected cases of COVID-19 is currently three (3). The suspected cases are TCI residents experiencing relevant symptoms without a history of contact with confirmed cases. Contact tracing is continuing. Two suspected cases are currently under hospital care.
 - There are currently sixty-six (66) individuals in quarantine/observation status.
 - This includes: the active confirmed cases (patients in the TCI that are currently infected) (5), contacts of confirmed cases (19), indirect contacts of confirmed (4),suspected cases cases relatives/contacts of suspected cases (13), symptomatic persons not meeting the case definition and their contacts (10) and TCI residents returning from a country with local transmission and their contacts (12).Persons under observation/quarantine are either not displaying symptoms or have not met the case definition for COVID-19.



- The increase in quarantine/observation numbers are as a result of persons experiencing relevant symptoms, but not meeting the COVID-19 case definition, and their contacts being added to quarantine/observation status.
- To date, 500 individuals have been released from quarantine/observation status.
- The public is hereby reminded that lockdown measures have been extended and you are to stay at home – only leaving for essential travel under the specified guidance.





VIRGIN ISLANDS (UK) – Department of Disaster Management (DDM)

- As at April 29, 2020, there are six (6) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in total; 114 persons tested and 17 pending tests
- Three (3) of these have been declared as recovered; two (2) cases are active; one (1) person hospitalised
- One (1) death recorded
- Aggressive contact tracing is ongoing and the testing protocol is being expanded
- The 24 hour curfew ended on Monday April 27; a number of businesses are allowed to operate between the hours of 6am-1pm. Curfew is in effect from 1pm-6am
- The State isolation and quarantine facilities have been enhanced and scaling up of health care capacities
- Conducting training and sensitization of how to use PPEs; the Premier has strongly encouraged persons to use face coverings when in public and when conducting businesses in establishments which were approved for reopening
- Facilities which were opened have to be inspected via checklist for public and private sectors
- The periodic spot checks have to be done by task force to ensure that businesses are complying with sanitization and social distancing markers
- Borders remained closed
- The stimulus packages are being worked on by the Ministry of Finance and the Honorable Premier



As of April 29, the Caribbean Region has confirmed 11,170 cases with 540 deaths and 2.508 recoveries.

As a Territory, region and global community we have been united by this stark reminder of our common humanity, and moved with compassion and solidarity to observe far reaching precautionary measures to protect ourselves, our families, our friends and neighbors from this unseen enemy.

AS OF 29 APRIL 2020:

Over the course of this week 27 new samples were tested by CARPHA and all results were negative for the virus that causes COVID-19 (10 recently reported and 17 received today).

This brings the total number of persons tested to 120. 114 persons were negative; 6 persons were positive; 3 fully recovered, and 1 deceased.

Nine (9) additional samples are pending at the BVI Health Services Authority and will be sent to CARPHA shortly.

Persons who have recently travelled or who may have come in contact with a possible case or contact of a case of COVID-19 and show any symptoms such as a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, headache or recent loss of taste or smell should stay home and seek medical advice early by contacting the medical hotline at 852-7650.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES

We are happy with the progress being made by our health teams, as well as the outstanding work being carried out across the entire public sector as everyone has a part to play in this response effort.

- The BVIHSA is also expecting to receive additional supplies during the course of this week.
- These supplies will enable the Territory to ramp up testing significantly.
- It is through extensive testing that we will be able to detect and contain any remaining cases of COVID-19, thereby minimizing the risk of transmission in the Territory.

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

The more we adapt to the realities of the new COVID-19 environment, the better our chances of restoring the social and economic fabric of our society that will help us weather this storm over the long term.

- Together with the excellent work of our dedicated surveillance and contact tracing team, I am extremely pleased to witness the ongoing expansion and enhancements of healthcare infrastructure, technology, and services to meet the new demands of COVID-19 prevention, detection, treatment and care.
- I commend the Compliance Teams and Social Distancing Task Force that has inspected and certified hundreds of private businesses and establishments for reopening, under the leadership of the Chief Environmental Health Officer.
- These businesses have step up to the plate and put the necessary resources in place to operate safely.

We all know that we are not yet out of the woods. The threat of a COVID-19 outbreak in the BVI is very real and will remain a reality for many months to come.

I thank you, the people of the Virgin Islands, for your sacrifices and your cooperation and will keep you informed as we move forward together in unity, faith, hope and strength.

Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) Actions

REGIONAL LEVEL ENGAGEMENTS & COORDINATION

- CDEMA continues to lead the multi sectoral coordination in support of the CARICOM technical lead for health, CARPHA.
- 2. The Regional Coordination Centre is activated.
- 3. The CDEMA CU continues to liaise with the CARICOM regional institutions towards supporting the strengthening and continuity planning as well as regional level coordination.
- 4. The CDEMA CU also continues to work closely with the CARICOM Secretariat, CARPHA and PAHO towards strengthening of the Health sector level coordination and readiness
- 5. The Regional Protocol designed to support CARICOM States in their response to COVID-19 has been finalized with the support of Regional Institutions of CARICOM and submitted to the CARICOM Secretariat.
- To support country response, COVID-19 Assessment and Analysis, modeling and surveillance products developed by University of the West Indies, through the George Alleyne Chronic Disease Research Centre are available via the CDEMA website .
- 7. The Logistics and Procurement Cell is working towards strengthening the regional logistics arrangements and the supply chain in the region. The Integrated Regional Logistics Hub is being established in Barbados to facilitate the reception and onward movement of emergency supplies. This cell includes partners such as the World Food Programme (WFP).
- 8. The National Disaster Offices are either on high alert and have activated their National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOCS) where there are confirmed cases. In this regard, the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM) continues to be on alert should the need arise for support from any Participating State.
- 9. The latest updates on the COVID-19 pandemic in the region can be accessed from the CARPHA's website www.carpha.org
- 10. CDEMA and the Regional Response Mechanism partners will continue to monitor the situation and will provide updates as appropriate.