

Region of the Americas Update

Last 24 hours *

159,934	Additional cases
5,670	Additional deaths
0.31%	Relative increase in cases
0.47%	Relative increase in deaths
38	Countries/territories reporting new cases
25	Countries/territories reporting new deaths

Highest numbers of cases & deaths in the last 24 hrs.

Cases (≥ 1,000)

Brazil	59,925
United States	57,831
Mexico	7,913
Argentina	7,855
Peru	5,358
Colombia	4,339
Chile	3,040
Ecuador	2,747
Canada	2,714
Paraguay	1,082

Deaths (≥ 100)

United States	2,147
Brazil	1,641
Mexico	1,035
Argentina	261
Peru	209
Colombia	106

Region of the Americas

50,984,745 cases

1,221,629 deaths

56
countries/areas/territories affected.

Global

114,588,145 cases

2,549,429 deaths

236
countries/areas/territories affected.

COVID-19 – Highlights

- On 3 March 2021, transmission type was upgraded from “No cases” to “**Sporadic cases**” in **Grenada**, following the detection of 3 new COVID-19 cases.
- As a result of the increase in COVID-19 cases, including COVID-19 cases related to variants, and a higher positivity rate, the **Guadeloupe Prefecture** has **implemented** a curfew from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. starting 7 March 2021.
- The **Honduras Secretariat of Health** **announced** that the first doses of **COVID-19 vaccines** were **prioritized for health care workers in Intensive Care Units (ICU)**. A total of 5,000 doses are available for 2,500 health care workers.

Total cases, deaths & CFR (%) among PAHO countries/territories with ≥ 10,000 cumulative cases.

Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
United States of America	28,403,416	513,071	1.8%
Brazil	10,646,926	257,361	2.4%
Colombia	2,259,599	59,972	2.7%
Argentina	2,126,531	52,453	2.5%
Mexico	2,097,194	187,187	8.9%
Peru	1,338,297	46,894	3.5%
Canada	872,747	22,045	2.5%
Chile	835,552	20,704	2.5%
Panama	342,019	5,871	1.7%
Ecuador	289,472	15,921	5.5%
Bolivia	250,557	11,703	4.7%
Dominican Republic	240,773	3,130	1.3%
Costa Rica	205,514	2,820	1.4%
Guatemala	175,411	6,412	3.7%
Honduras	171,758	4,187	2.4%
Paraguay	161,530	3,218	2.0%
Venezuela	139,934	1,353	1.0%
Puerto Rico	100,765	2,048	2.0%
El Salvador	60,491	1,878	3.1%
Uruguay	59,171	617	1.0%

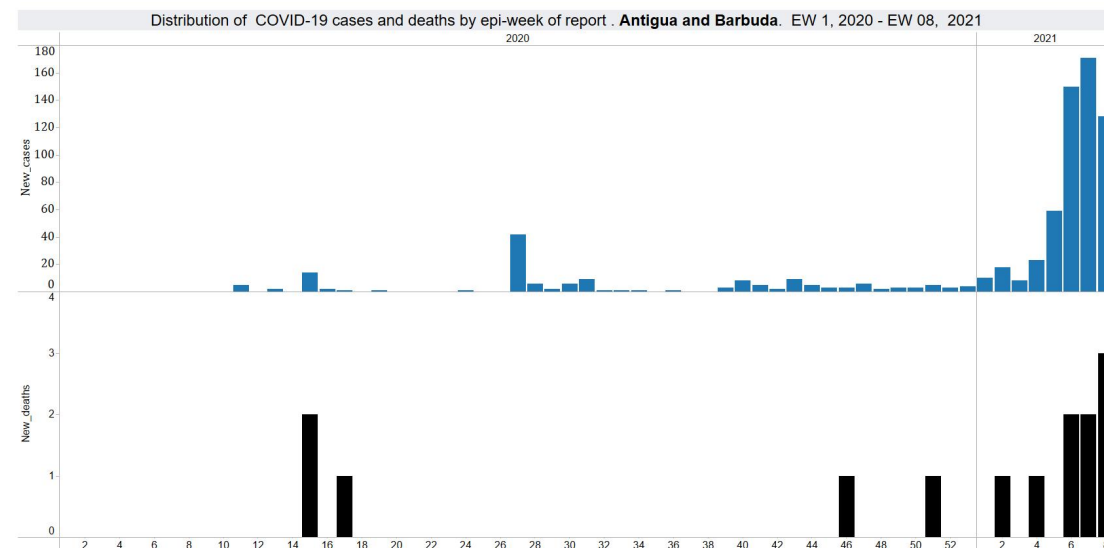
*Numbers may vary due to differences in reporting times.

Antigua and Barbuda

3 March 2021

Population	Cases	Deaths	Recovered	Tests	Transmission
98,000	769	18	307	12,908	Clusters of cases

Figure 1.



Source: Data provided by the Antigua and Barbuda Ministry of Health and the Environment

FIRST CONFIRMED CASES

The first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Antigua and Barbuda was reported on 13 March 2020 in a female with travel history to the United Kingdom, who arrived on March 10th.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES

Schools	Travel restrictions	Mask Mandatory	State of emergency (curfew)
Closed	Yes	Yes (specific settings)	Yes

On 16 February 2021, curfew hours were increased, and this measure was extended until 15 March 2021.

According to the most recent Public Health Act regulations [directive](#) published on 16 February, the following measures have been implemented:

- A curfew from 6 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- The mandatory use of face masks in public places (public transport and public indoor settings)
- Bars remain closed, restaurants may only offer take-out and delivery
- Limit gatherings to 5 persons
- All social events are prohibited
- Funeral and wedding ceremonies limited to 25 persons

TRENDS – CASES

Of the 769 confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported in Antigua and Barbuda to date, 70% (n=535) were reported in February 2021 with the highest number of weekly cases during EW 7 (**Figure 1**). Although a decrease in cases is observed during EW 8, the number of reported daily cases remains high.

MORTALITY

Since the beginning of the pandemic, a total of 18 deaths have been reported in Antigua and Barbuda. It is worth noting that the highest number of deaths was reported during EW 8, and 22% of deaths have been reported in the last 72 hours (**Figure**

1). For deaths where information on sex and age were available (n=14), 64% of deaths were among males and the median age was 67.5 years old (range: 39 to 95 years old).

HOSPITALISATION AND ICU

Limited information is available on hospitalizations for COVID-19. There are currently 52 hospitalized patients.

COVID-19 AMONG HEALTH CARE WORKERS (HCW)

Limited information is available on the total number of affected health care workers. A total of 2 health care workers have died as a result of COVID-19. Additionally, according to media reports, there are currently 9 doctors infected with COVID-19 following exposure to a COVID-19 positive pregnant woman.

NATIONAL SURVEILLANCE GUIDELINES

No information is available on the national surveillance guidelines for COVID-19.

NATIONAL TESTING STRATEGIES

No information is available on the national guidelines for testing strategies.

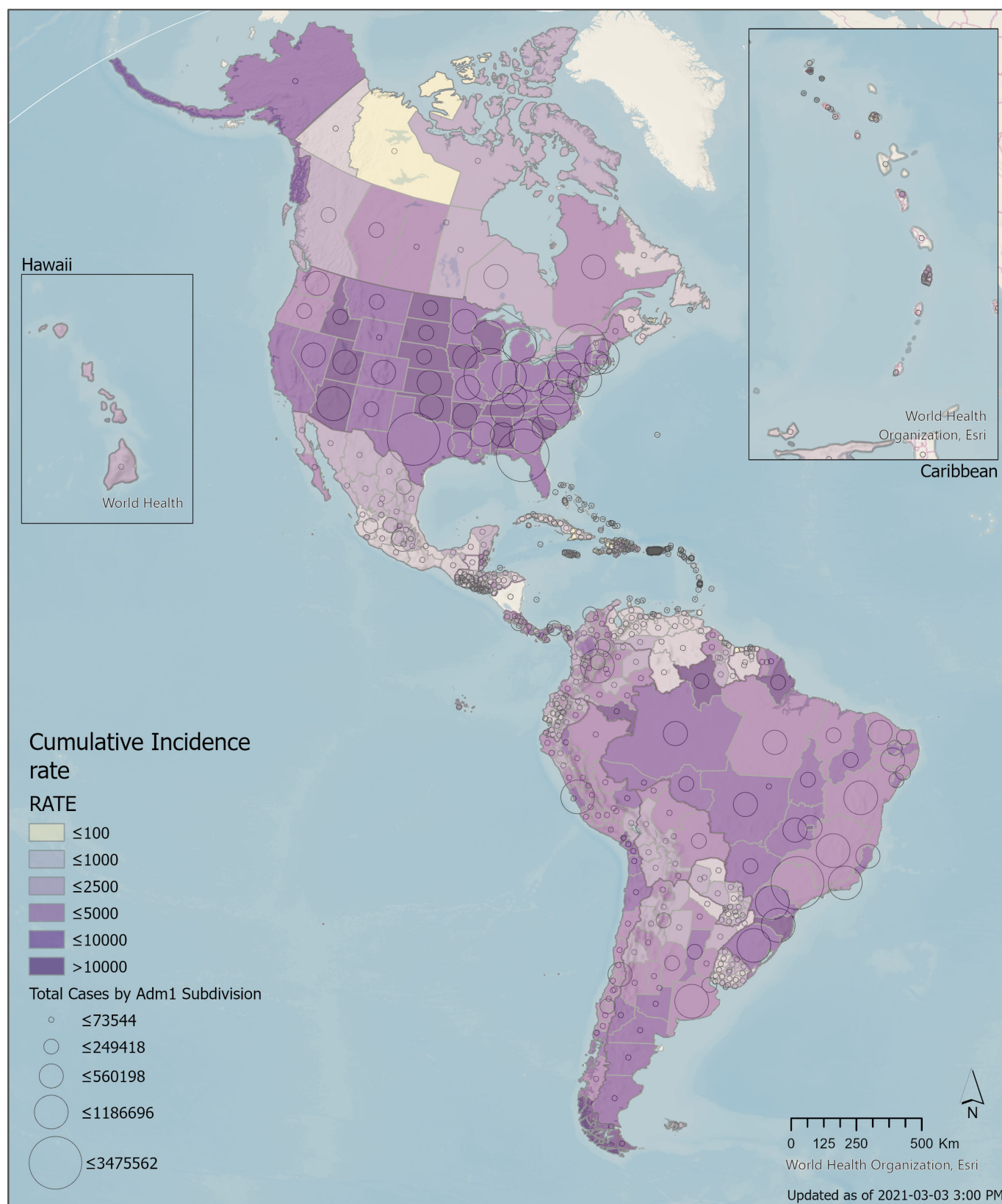
COVID-19 VACCINATION

The public roll out of the COVID-19 Vaccination Program commenced on Monday, March 1, 2021, with priority to persons 65 years and older and persons who already registered to receive the vaccine.

As of February 28, 2021, 2,198 persons in Antigua and Barbuda received their 1st dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine.

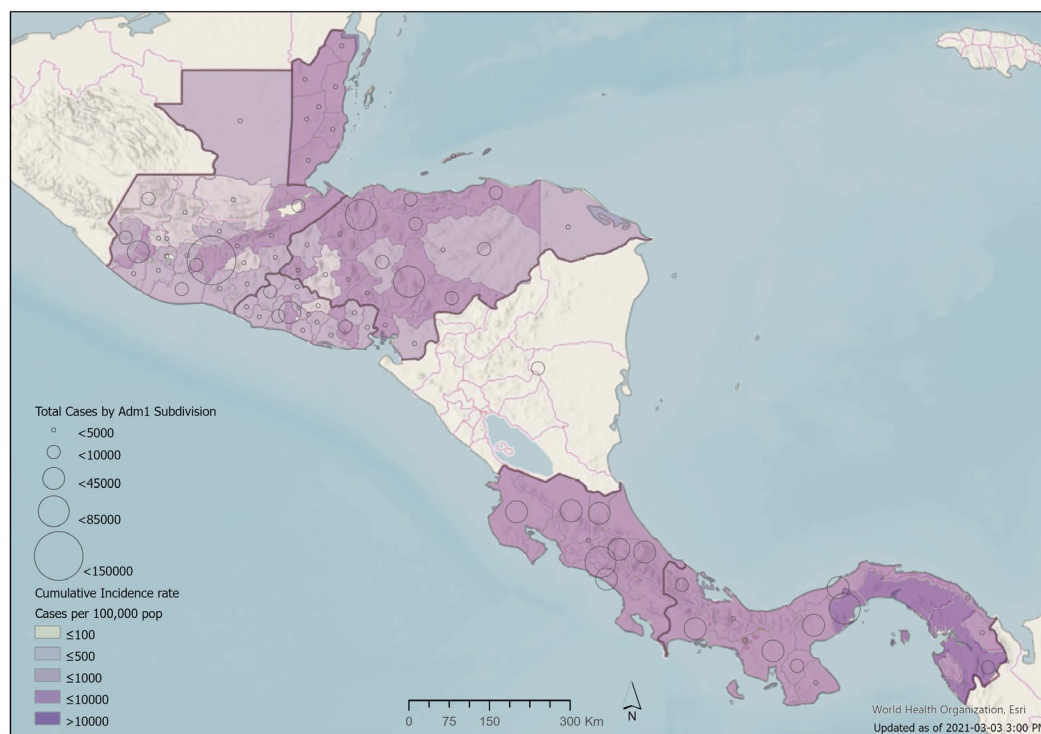
Source: Antigua and Barbuda Ministry of Health and the Environment and PAHO/WHO ECC Situation Report #122

Map 1. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Region of the Americas and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 population) by country/territory. As of 3 March 2021



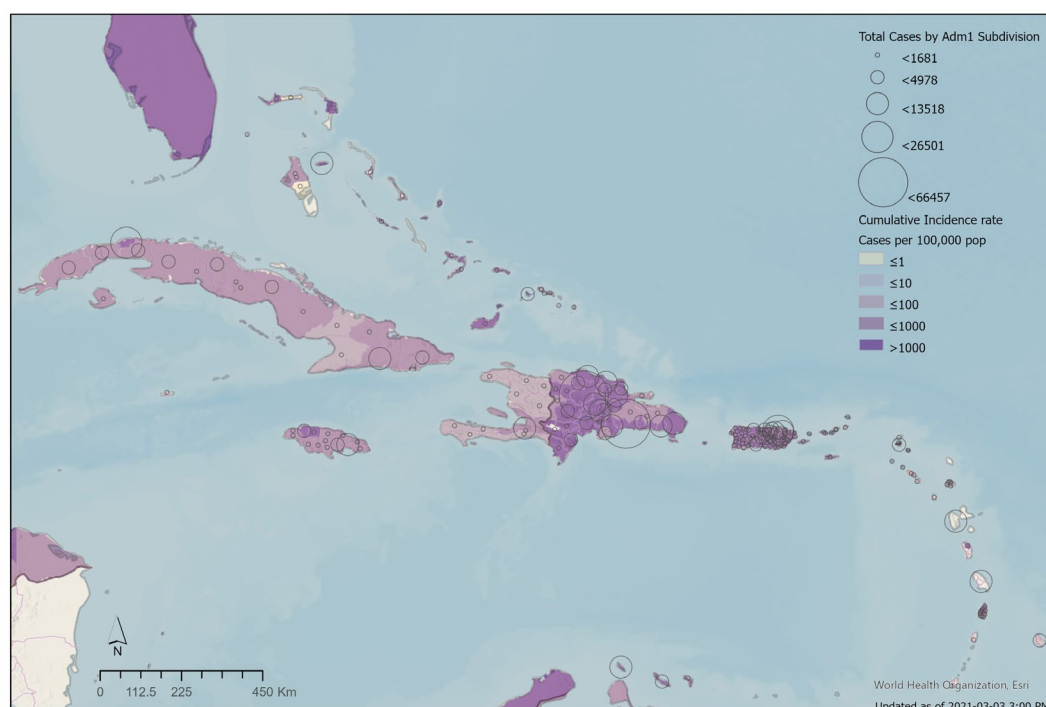
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Map 2. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Central American sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 population) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 3 March 2021



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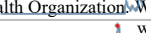



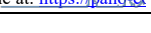

Map 3. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Caribbean sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 population) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 3 March 2021















































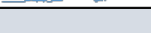
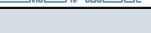




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COVID-19 situation reported by countries and territories in the Americas, as of 3 March 2021

Updated as of 3 PM

Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases			Deaths			Recovered	Transmission Type
		7 Day MA* Trend	Cummulative	7day % change	7 Day MA* Trend	Cummulative	7day % change		
North America	Canada		872,747	-1%		22,045	-22%	820,450	Community transmission
	Mexico		2,097,194	-6%		187,187	-8%	1,645,312	Community transmission
	United States of America (the)		28,403,416	-3%		513,071	-4%	11,977,707	Community transmission
	Subtotal		31,373,357			722,303		14,443,469	
Central America	Belize		12,320	-26%		314	-100%	11,870	Community transmission
	Costa Rica		205,514	-9%		2,820	-27%	183,911	Community transmission
	El Salvador		60,491	4%		1,878	-2%	56,339	Community transmission
	Guatemala		175,411	-32%		6,412	-48%	162,398	Community transmission
	Honduras		171,758	8%		4,187	16%	66,903	Community transmission
	Nicaragua		5,176	-6%		174	0%	4,958	Community transmission
	Panama		342,019	-7%		5,871	-15%	328,100	Community transmission
	Subtotal		972,689			21,656		814,479	
South America	Argentina		2,126,531	-4%		52,453	-15%	1,921,589	Community transmission
	Bolivia (the Plurinational State of)		250,557	-7%		11,703	-17%	194,370	Community transmission
	Brazil		10,646,926	16%		257,361	16%	9,527,173	Community transmission
	Chile		835,552	17%		20,704	3%	790,528	Community transmission
	Colombia		2,259,599	-16%		59,972	-27%	2,156,057	Community transmission
	Ecuador		289,472	1%		15,921	20%	247,898	Community transmission
	Paraguay		161,530	2%		3,218	-10%	135,373	Community transmission
	Peru		1,338,297	-8%		46,894	-2%	1,244,029	Community transmission
	Uruguay		59,171	22%		617	-31%	51,365	Community transmission
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)		139,934	-4%		1,353	-15%	132,052	Community transmission
	Subtotal		18,107,569			470,196		16,400,434	
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla		18	0%				18	Sporadic cases
	Antigua and Barbuda		769	-11%		18	0%	307	Clusters of cases
	Aruba		7,938	-26%		74	50%	7,695	Community transmission
	Bahamas (the)		8,573	-25%		181	0%	7,398	Clusters of cases
	Barbados		3,140	-27%		36	67%	2,552	Community transmission
	Bermuda		713	25%		12	0%	684	Sporadic cases
	Bonaire		424	-9%		4	0%	395	Community transmission

Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Cayman Islands		447	33%		2	0%	415 Sporadic cases
	Cuba		52,501	-9%		333	-19%	47,626 Community transmission
	Curacao		4,736	-2%		22	0%	4,651 Community transmission
	Dominica		144	-57%				130 Sporadic cases
	Dominican Republic (the)		240,773	-24%		3,130	-16%	193,433 Community transmission
	Falkland Islands (the)		51	-100%				48 Sporadic cases
	French Guiana		16,627	34%		85	-33%	9,995 Community transmission
	Grenada		151	0%		1	0%	147 Sporadic cases
	Guadeloupe		9,968	131%		164	-67%	2,242 Community transmission
	Guyana		8,626	-8%		197	250%	8,024 Clusters of cases
	Haiti		12,536	26%		250	0%	9,828 Community transmission
	Jamaica		24,103	4%		435	16%	13,745 Community transmission
	Martinique		6,746	89%		45	0%	98 Community transmission
	Montserrat		20	0%		1	0%	11 Sporadic cases
	Puerto Rico		100,765	14%		2,048	-47%	91,338 Community transmission
	Saba		6	0%				6 No cases
	Saint Barthelemy		612	36%				94 Clusters of cases
	Saint Kitts and Nevis		41	0%				40 Sporadic cases
	Saint Lucia		3,779	13%		37	-38%	3,067 Community transmission
	Saint Martin		1,554	-44%		12	0%	598 Community transmission
	Saint Pierre and		24	0%				24 No cases
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		1,645	121%		8	0%	949 Community transmission
	Sint Eustatius		20	0%				20 No cases
	Sint Maarten		2,061	-59%		27	0%	2,007 Community transmission
	Suriname		8,939	-2%		173	0%	8,426 Cluster of cases
	Trinidad and Tobago		7,717	3%		139	-100%	7,481 Community transmission
	Turks and Caicos		2,115	-55%		14	-100%	1,876 Clusters of cases
	Virgin Islands (UK)		153	0%		1	0%	152 Clusters of Cases
	Virgin Islands (US)		2,695	21%		25	0%	2,539 Community transmission
Subtotal			531,130			7,474		428,059
Total			50,984,745			1,221,629		32,086,441

* 7 Day Moving Average

Legend

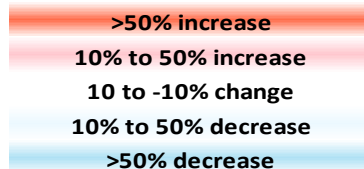


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NOTES: Case and death counts may include both confirmed and probable classifications depending on the reporting Member State. Recovered counts as indicated and defined by reporting Member States.

- Antibody tests, including rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs) based on antibody detection, are not recommended for use by PAHO/WHO in clinical diagnosis. Antigen-detecting RDTs may be used following the WHO 11 September 2020 Guidance, available at: <https://bit.ly/2FxK2fs>.
- Data is updated on an approximately semi-weekly to weekly basis for Guadeloupe, Martinique, Nicaragua, Saint Barthelemy, Saint Martin, and Saint Pierre and Miquelon.
- As of 11 November 2020, the previously aggregated Bonaire, Saba and Sint Eustatius are now being presented separately in the table.
- *A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (the) (Malvinas)

Bahamas: According to a 21 February Bahamas Ministry of Health publication, there are a total of 15 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3noOhKK>

Ecuador: According to a 6 September Ecuador Ministry of Public Health press release, only cases confirmed by RT-PCR will be reported; previously, cases who tested positive by either RT-PCR or RDTs were reported, resulting in the exclusion of 8,956 cases. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3h2EWEA>

Guadeloupe: Deaths are aggregated for Guadeloupe and Saint Martin in Santé Publique France weekly publications, available at: <https://bit.ly/2VQ201g>. Death counts for Guadeloupe are calculated subtracting deaths in Saint Martin published by the Saint Barthelemy and Saint Martin prefecture, available at: <https://bit.ly/2LgWYct>

Jamaica: According to a 3 March 2021 Jamaica Ministry of Health and Wellness press release, there are a total of 52 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3uEDjor>

Nicaragua: Please note there are discrepancies with the data published by the Citizen's Observatory COVID-19 Nicaragua as of 26 February. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3pw7ZVR>

Peru: Aggregated case total as reported by the Peru MoH; disaggregated data posted as of 2 March 2021 is 387,263 by RT-PCR + 102,238 by antigen tests + 848,796 by other RDTs. Antibody tests, including RDTs based on antibody detection, are not recommended for use by PAHO/WHO in clinical diagnosis. Antigen-detecting RDTs may be used following the WHO 11 September 2020 Guidance, available at: <https://bit.ly/2FxK2fs>

Puerto Rico: Aggregated case total as reported by the Puerto Rico Department of Health (DoH); 92,856 were positive by RT-PCR and 7,909 were positive by antigen tests; previously, cases who tested positive by either RT-PCR or serological RDTs were reported, resulting in the exclusion of 33,965 cases. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2VvjksQ>

United States of America: Case and death counts includes both confirmed and probable classifications, as published on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (US CDC) website on 3-March (for data confirmed at 16:00 EST the previous day). Excludes counts for Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands. Sources: <https://bit.ly/2WJN2dd> and <https://bit.ly/2zUMSZ1>. Recovered counts as reported by state and territorial health authorities, available at the COVID Tracking Project <https://bit.ly/2ztbRC6>

Uruguay: According to the 2 March 2021 Uruguay Ministry of Public Health report, 24 positive cases reported in the last 24 hours were excluded from the total, available at: <https://bit.ly/30afKGk>

DATA ADJUSTMENTS: Differences in the total number of cases, deaths, and/or recovered cases and respective % increases reflect the following adjustment:

Antigua and Barbuda: Data was retrospectively adjusted in the 1 and 2 March 2021 table in order to align with Mount St. John's Medical Centre data published. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3kFy0kj>

Bahamas: The Bahamas Ministry of Health retrospectively released data for 26 February to 1 March indicating 8,542 cases, 180 deaths, and 7,329 recovered; 8,551 cases and 7,337 recovered; 8,558 cases; and 8,564 cases and 7,378 recovered. This has been retrospectively adjusted in the Americas 26 February-2 March 2021 table. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3psYbMK>

