

Region of the Americas Update

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Last 24 hours

75,019	Additional cases
1,628	Additional deaths
0.44%	Relative increase in cases
0.29%	Relative increase in deaths
33	Countries/territories reporting new cases
24	Countries/territories reporting new deaths

Highest numbers of cases & deaths in the last 24 hrs

Cases (≥ 1,000)

United States	36,136
Brazil	8,456
Argentina	7,668
Colombia	6,905
Mexico	3,712
Peru	3,184
Canada	1,685
Chile	1,567

Deaths (≥ 100)

United States	369
Brazil	365
Argentina	223
Mexico	208
Colombia	156

Region of the Americas

17,176,705 cases

572,374 deaths

Global

35,184,336 cases

1,036,969 deaths

216

countries/areas/territories affected

Region of the Americas – Highlights

1. According to a press release published by the Government of **Canada** on 2 October, [an alarming increase in active cases](#) has been noted among Indigenous populations in Canada.
2. On 4 October, **New York State** governor stated that enforcement of [public health measures had not been effective in local governments](#), anticipating non-essential business and school closures in hot spots. **New York City** governor proposed to [enforce these measures in nine New York City zip codes](#).
3. On 4 October, the **Honduras** Secretary of Health announced the [use of antigen-based rapid diagnostic tests](#) as of 15 October.

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

Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
United States of America	7,341,406	208,433	2.8%
Brazil	4,915,289	146,352	3.0%
Colombia	855,052	26,712	3.1%
Peru	828,169	32,742	4.0%
Argentina	798,486	21,018	2.6%
Mexico	761,665	79,088	10.4%
Chile	471,746	13,037	2.8%
Canada	166,156	9,481	5.7%
Ecuador	141,339	11,681	8.3%
Bolivia	136,868	8,101	5.9%
Panama	115,286	2,423	2.1%
Dominican Republic	115,054	2,144	1.9%
Guatemala	94,182	3,302	3.5%
Honduras	79,629	2,422	3.0%
Costa Rica	79,182	950	1.2%
Venezuela	78,434	653	0.8%
Puerto Rico	51,305	695	1.4%
Paraguay	44,182	929	2.1%
El Salvador	29,539	865	2.9%
French Guiana	10,057	68	0.7%

SPOTLIGHT – COVID-19 in Trinidad and Tobago

From the Trinidad and Tobago Situation Report on 2 October 2020:

Current situation: As of 2 October, there are 4,613 confirmed cases and 76 deaths in Trinidad and Tobago. Among confirmed cases, 1,808 are considered active cases. Occupancy of the dedicated COVID-19 clinical care facilities is currently at 27%, including high-dependency and intensive-care units. A total of 28,696 unique patient tests have been submitted; positivity rate is 16%. A 35% decrease in reported cases has been noted in the last 2 weeks. The Transmission Type in the territory is Community Transmission.

Table 1. Distribution of Confirmed Cases by age group and gender (n=4,613)

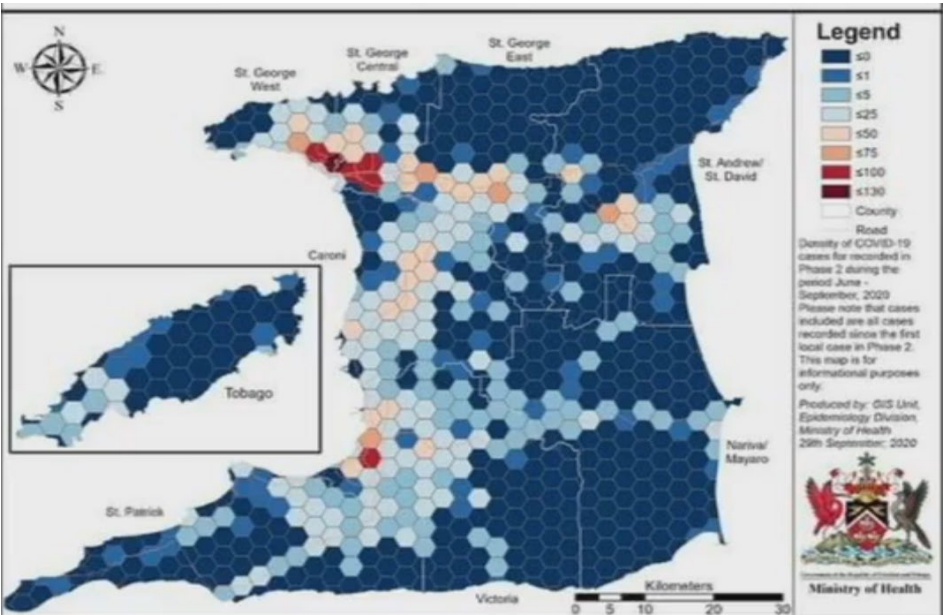
Age - Band	Male (%)	Female (%)	Total (%)
<25	7.8%	9.0%	16.8%
25-49	31.3%	24.7%	56.0%
50-59	6.8%	7.7%	14.5%
60+	7.1%	5.6%	12.7%
Total	53%	47%	100%

Deaths: As of 2 October, there were 76 confirmed deaths. Of the total deaths, 75% were males. Among the deceased, where clinical information was available, more than 80% had pre-existing comorbidities; hypertension, diabetes and renal impairment were the most common.

Demographics: Of the 4,613 confirmed cases, the majority is among males (53%). Overall, the age group with the greatest number of confirmed cases

is among adults 20 to 49 years old (56%) (See **Table 1**). The trends among age groups remain similar to the report on [13 September](#).

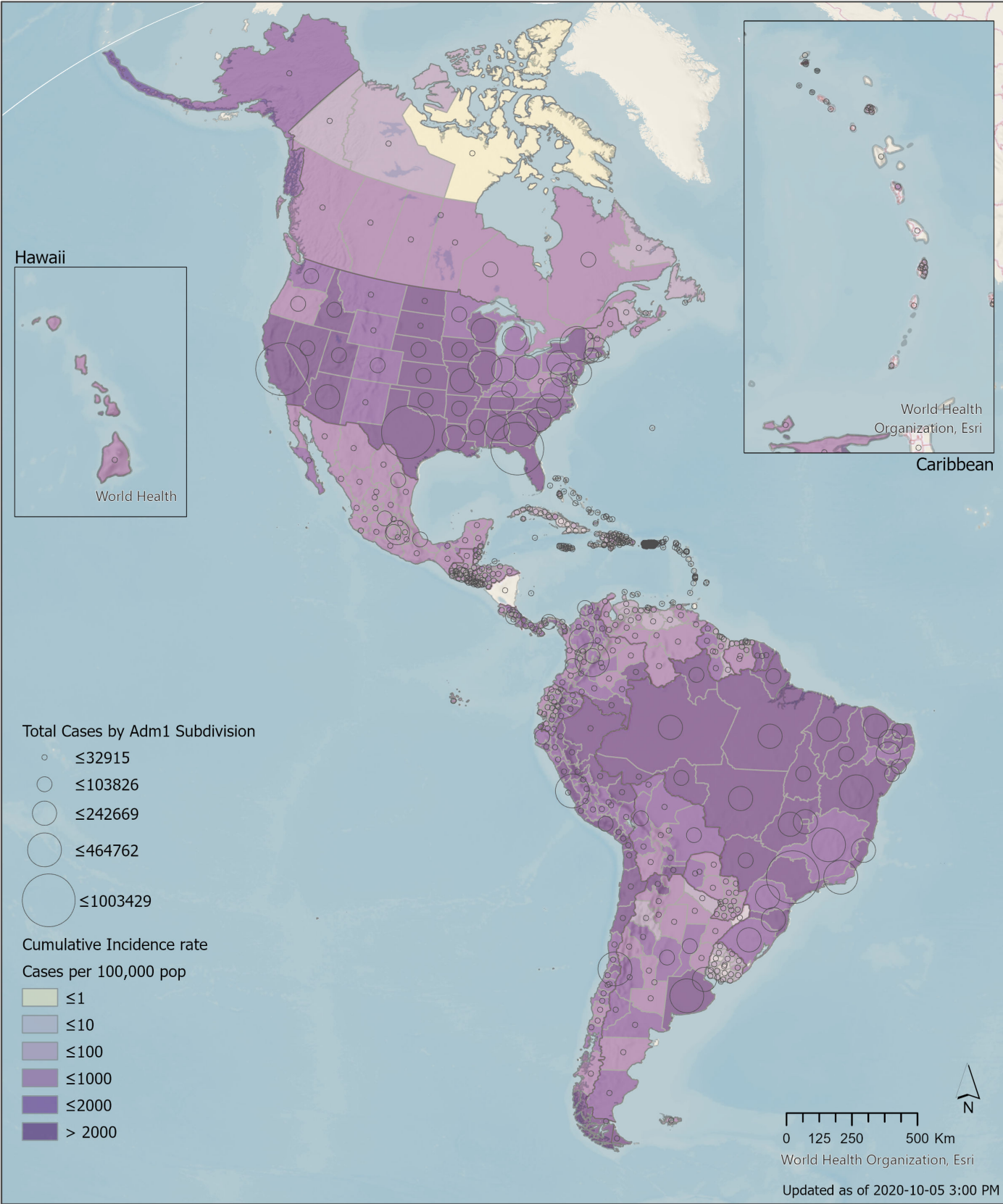
Figure 1. Laboratory confirmed COVID-19 cases in Trinidad and Tobago – Phase 2, June to October 2020



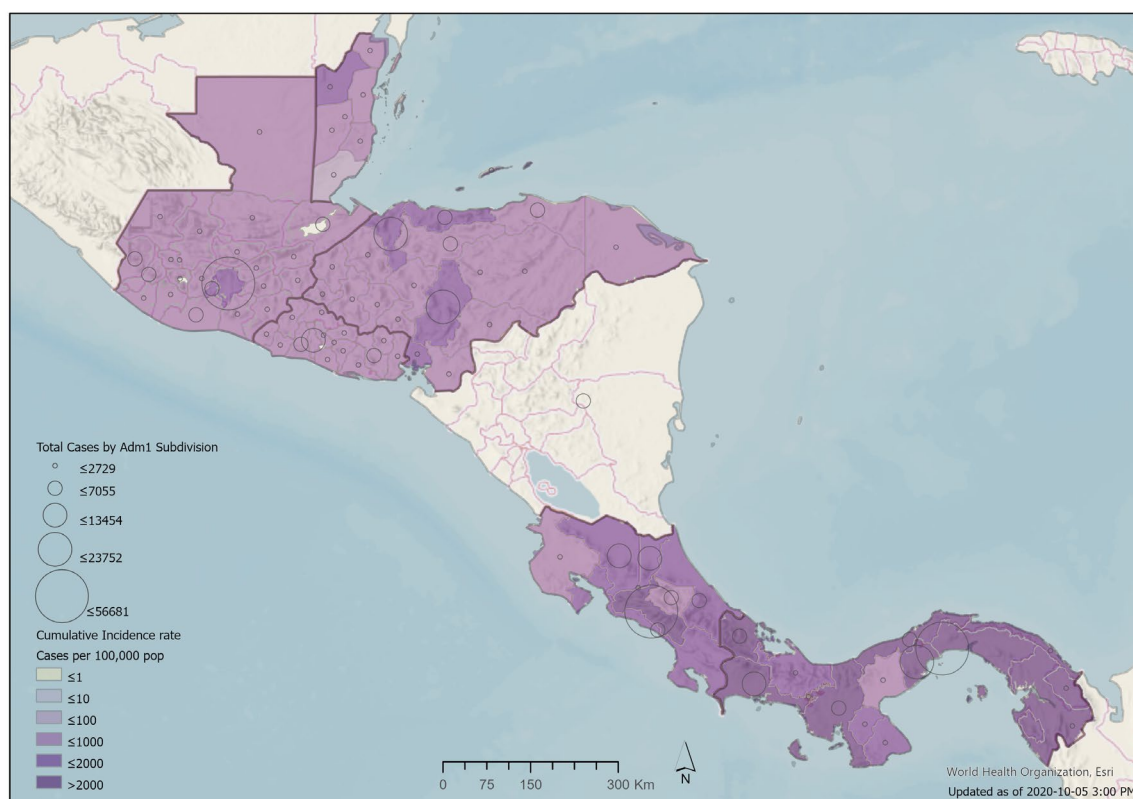
Source: Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Health

Geographic distribution: Most reported cases are distributed throughout population centers in the East-West corridor. During phase 2, cases have also been reported in eastern rural areas, areas that were not previously affected (see Figure 1).

Map 1. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Region of the Americas and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory. As of 5 October 2020.

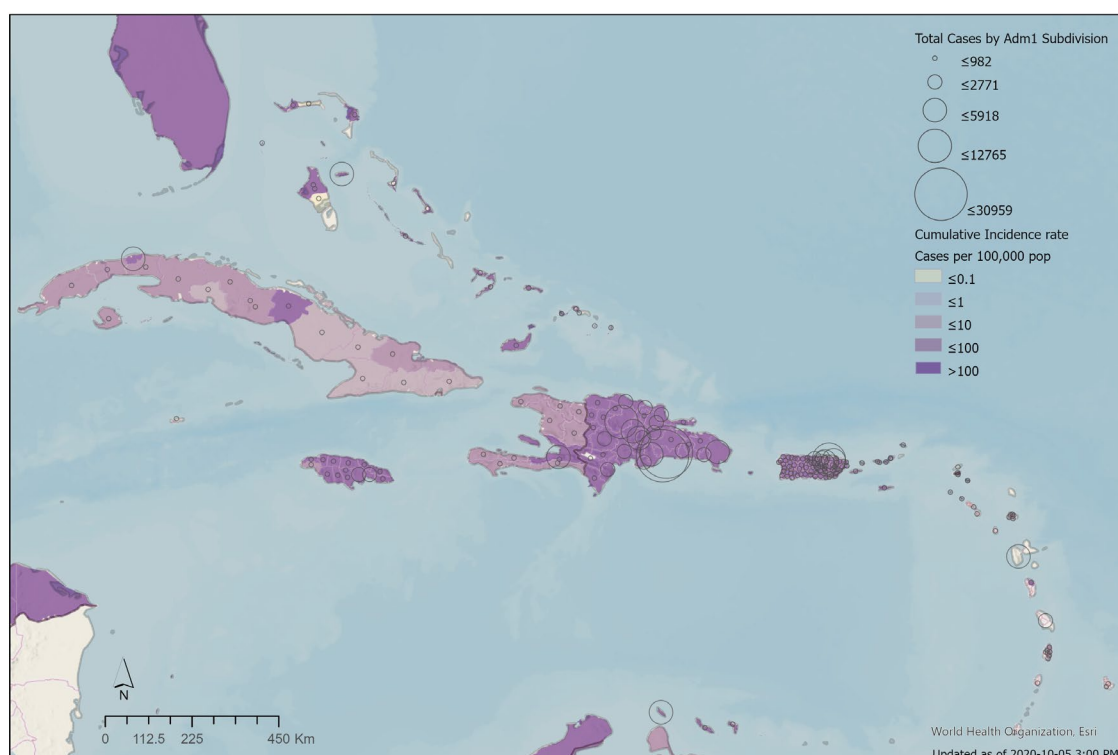


Map 2. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Central American sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 5 October 2020.



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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 persons) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 5 October 2020.



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Cumulative COVID-19 cases and deaths reported by countries and territories in the Americas, as of 5 October 2020

Updated as of 3 PM

Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	Recovered	% Relative Increase in Cases	Transmission Type
North America	Canada	166,156	9,481	140,243	1%	Community transmission
	Mexico	761,665	79,088	550,053	0%	Community transmission
	United States of America (the)	7,341,406	208,433	2,908,553	0%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	8,269,227	297,002	3,598,849	1%	
Central America	Belize	2,196	30	1,378	3%	Community transmission
	Costa Rica	79,182	950	45,007	0%	Community transmission
	El Salvador	29,539	865	24,406	0%	Community transmission
	Guatemala	94,182	3,302	82,828	0%	Community transmission
	Honduras	79,629	2,422	29,305	1%	Community transmission
	Nicaragua	4,146	151	3,898	0%	Community transmission
	Panama	115,286	2,423	91,809	1%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	404,160	10,143	278,631	0%	
South America	Argentina	798,486	21,018	636,672	1%	Community transmission
	Bolivia (the Plurinational State of)	136,868	8,101	97,547	0%	Community transmission
	Brazil	4,915,289	146,352	4,263,208	0%	Community transmission
	Chile	471,746	13,037	443,453	0%	Community transmission
	Colombia	855,052	26,712	761,674	1%	Community transmission
	Ecuador	141,339	11,681	120,511	0%	Community transmission
	Paraguay	44,182	929	27,203	2%	Community transmission
	Peru	828,169	32,742	706,223	0%	Community transmission
	Uruguay	2,145	48	1,844	1%	Clusters of cases
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	78,434	653	68,917	1%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	8,271,710	261,273	7,127,252	0%	
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla	3		3	0%	No Cases
	Antigua and Barbuda	107	3	96	0%	Sporadic cases
	Aruba	4,079	30	3,532	2%	Community transmission
	Bahamas (the)	4,452	96	2,375	1%	Clusters of cases
	Barbados	199	7	182	2%	Clusters of cases
	Bermuda	181	9	169	0%	Sporadic cases
	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba	131	2	64	6%	Sporadic cases
	Cayman Islands	213	1	209	0%	Sporadic cases
	Cuba	5,845	123	5,232	1%	Clusters of cases
	Curacao	452	1	231	13%	Community transmission
	Dominica	31		24	0%	Clusters of cases
	Dominican Republic (the)	115,054	2,144	90,942	1%	Community transmission
	Falkland Islands (the) [Malvinas]	13		13	0%	No Cases
	French Guiana	10,057	68	9,710	0%	Community transmission
	Grenada	24		24	0%	No Cases
	Guadeloupe	5,903	75	2,199	0%	Community transmission
	Guyana	3,093	87	1,920	3%	Clusters of cases
	Haiti	8,819	229	6,992	0%	Community transmission
	Jamaica	7,012	120	2,635	2%	Community transmission
	Martinique	1,543	21	98	0%	Community transmission
	Montserrat	13	1	11	0%	No Cases
	Puerto Rico	51,305	695	0	1%	Community transmission
	Saint Barthelemy	62		37	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Kitts and Nevis	19		17	0%	No Cases
	Saint Lucia	27		27	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Martin	412	8	309	0%	Community transmission
	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	16		12	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	64		64	0%	Sporadic cases
	Sint Maarten	679	22	572	2%	Community transmission
	Suriname	4,941	106	4,741	0%	Community transmission
	Trinidad and Tobago	4,766	81	2,884	1%	Community transmission
	Turks and Caicos	695	6	656	0%	Clusters of cases
	Virgin Islands (UK)	71	1	69	0%	Clusters of Cases
	Virgin Islands (US)	1,327	20	1,265	0%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	231,608	3,956	137,314	1%	
Total		17,176,705	572,374	11,142,046	0%	

Table notes on the next page

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.

To date, rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs) based on antibody detection are not recommended for use by WHO in clinical diagnosis.

Data is updated on an approximately semi-weekly to weekly basis for Guadeloupe, Martinique, Nicaragua, Saint Barthelemy, Saint Martin, and Saint Pierre and Miquelon.

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 5 October (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>.

Bahamas: According to a 4 October Bahamas Ministry of Health (MoH) publication, there are a total of 18 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3cMWV16>

Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba: The current transmission classification for each of the three islands, Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba, is Sporadic cases. The highest classification for all three islands is used by PAHO/WHO, designated as Sporadic cases.

Chile: Confirmed cases include both symptomatic and asymptomatic PCR-positive cases, as defined by the Chile MoH. Total deaths include probable deaths. Recovered cases are based on symptom onset date. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2KQ99Jw> and <https://bit.ly/3hJUtl>

Curacao: Prior to today's update (5 October), the data for cases, deaths and recovered were last updated on 2 October; therefore, the 13% relative increase in cases is compared to the cases reported on 2 October.

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. Furthermore, deaths classified as 'probable deaths' will now be included in the total deaths; previously, these deaths were reported separately. As of 2 August, recovered cases are those who have been admitted to the surveillance system with at least one positive RT-PCR test, have spent at least 29 days from the date of onset of symptoms, and are alive; this indicator will be provided every Sunday. Available at: <https://bit.ly/30m9mMS>, <https://bit.ly/3h2EWEA>, <https://bit.ly/3i8c2E5>

Guatemala: As of 19 July, recovered cases will include non-deceased cases for which 21 days have passed since the date of sample collection. Available at: <https://tablerocovid.mspas.gob.gt/>

Jamaica: According to a 5 October Jamaica Ministry of Health and Wellness press release, there are a total of 12 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3kIVfIV>

Mexico: Recovered counts as reported by the Mexico MoH, as defined as all those positive for SARS-CoV-2 with a symptom onset date of more than 14 days, with no date of death, available at: <https://bit.ly/3bIOdz0>

Nicaragua: Please note there are discrepancies with the data published by the Citizen's Observatory COVID-19 Nicaragua as of 30 September (available at: <https://bit.ly/3iujjys>)

Peru: Aggregated case total as reported by the Peru MoH (188944 by RT-PCR + 639225 by RDTs). To date, RDTs based on antibody detection are not recommended for use by WHO in clinical diagnosis.

Puerto Rico: Aggregated case total as reported by the Puerto Rico Department of Health (DoH); 25397 were positive by RT-PCR and 25908 were positive by serological tests. Total deaths include probable deaths. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2VvjksQ>

Trinidad and Tobago: Number of recovered cases corresponds to the sum of number of persons discharged from public health facilities and number of recovered community cases. Available at: <https://bit.ly/30dRNOT>

Uruguay: According to the 4 October 2020 Uruguay Ministry of Public Health report, there were three additional cases that tested positive in transportation workers; however, those positive cases have been excluded from the total case count as they returned to their home country, available at: <https://bit.ly/3iFpwXS>

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

Barbados: The number of recovered cases were retrospectively adjusted for 3 October in order to align with the data reported by the Barbados Ministry of Health and Wellness indicating a total of 182 recovered cases.

Cayman Islands: The number of recovered cases were retrospectively adjusted for 3 October in order to align with the data reported by the Ministry of Health and Culture indicating a total of 209 recovered cases.

Honduras: The number of recovered cases were retrospectively adjusted for 3 October in order to align with the data reported by the Honduras MoH indicating a total of 29,608 recovered cases.