

Region of the Americas Update

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Last 24 hours

128,775	Additional cases
3,795	Additional deaths
0.95%	Relative increase in cases
0.80%	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	46,934
United States	39,402
Argentina	10,933
Colombia	9,270
Peru	6,308
Mexico	4,921
Chile	1,762
Venezuela	1,127
Costa Rica	1,121
Dominican Republic	1,002

Deaths (≥ 100)

Brazil	1,184
United States	1,004
Mexico	575
Colombia	296
Peru	191
Argentina	184
Bolivia	102

Region of the Americas – Highlights

- Costa Rica** will begin a new phase to relax social distancing and public health measures on 9 September. In anticipation of the change, the health Minister highlighted the importance of avoiding activities in closed spaces where many people gather. [Ministry of Health](#).
- The **Paraguay** [Ministry of Health](#) announced that employers should not ask their employees for negative test results to return to work. According to the Ministry's protocol, a patient is discharged after completing 14 days of isolation from the onset of symptoms and with at least three days free of signs and symptoms.
- The transmission category for **Jamaica** was changed from "clusters of cases" to "community transmission" today based on (a) the larger numbers of local transmission cases that have not been linked; and (b) the doubling of cases identified through respiratory surveillance compared to earlier in the outbreak.
- On 3 September, PAHO/WHO delivered a second shipment of personal protective equipment (PPE) to Peru. [Ministry of Health](#).

Global

26,012,929 cases

862,925 deaths

Region of the Americas

13,725,652 cases

477,232 deaths

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

Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
United States of America	6,050,444	184,614	3.1%
Brazil	3,997,865	123,780	3.1%
Peru	663,437	29,259	4.4%
Colombia	633,339	20,348	3.2%
Mexico	610,957	65,816	10.8%
Argentina	439,172	9,155	2.1%
Chile	416,501	11,422	2.7%
Canada	129,923	9,135	7.0%
Bolivia	117,928	5,203	4.4%
Ecuador	116,360	6,648	5.7%
Dominican Republic	96,629	1,801	1.9%
Panama	94,084	2,030	2.2%
Guatemala	76,358	2,804	3.7%
Honduras	62,526	1,924	3.1%
Venezuela	48,883	398	0.8%
Costa Rica	43,305	453	1.0%
Puerto Rico	34,198	448	1.3%
El Salvador	26,000	739	2.8%
Paraguay	19,138	358	1.9%

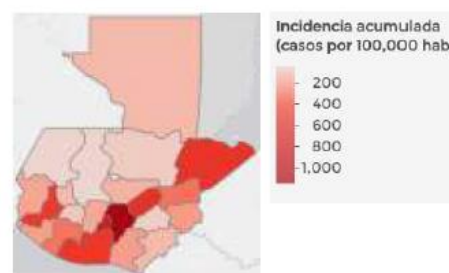
Situation as of 24 August 2020

As of 24 August, a cumulative total of 68,509 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 2,629 deaths have been reported in Guatemala. Of the total, 68,509 individuals have recovered and 8,771 remain active. The cumulative incidence is 406.4 cases per 100,000 inhabitants, the mortality rate is 15.6 deaths per 100,000 inhabitants and the lethality is 3.8%.

Although in recent weeks there has been no rapid increase in cases, associated deaths have decreased and demand for ICU beds have decreased, the percent positivity rate (positive cases/total tested) is still high (~30%), indicating high transmission rates in the departments most affected.

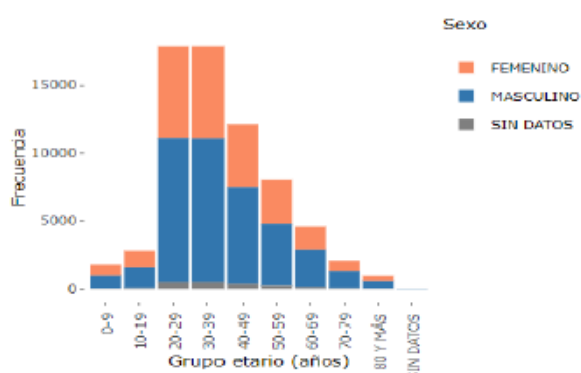
Geographic trends

The departments with the highest cumulative incidence rates are Guatemala (1141.7 cases per 100,000 population), Sacatepequez (786.3 cases per 100,000 population), El Progreso (542.8 cases per 100,000 population), Izabel (519.9 cases per 100,000 population) and Escuintla (465.6 cases per 100,000 population).

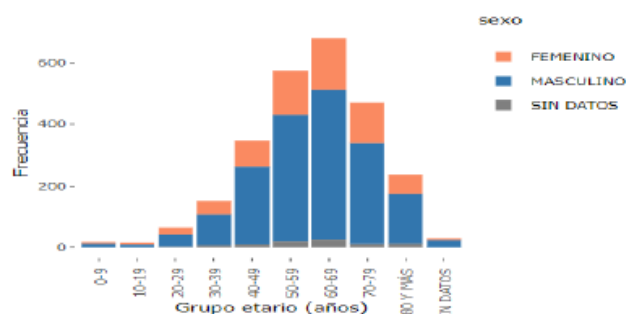


Demographics

Of the total reported, 58% of the cases correspond to men and 39% to women (3% did not have data). Majority (53%) of cases are concentrated in the 20 – 30-year-old age group. Among the deaths, 71% are men and 26% are women (4% did not have data). Among deaths, 46% are concentrated in 50-69-year-old age groups.



Grafica 2. Frecuencia de casos confirmados por grupos de edad

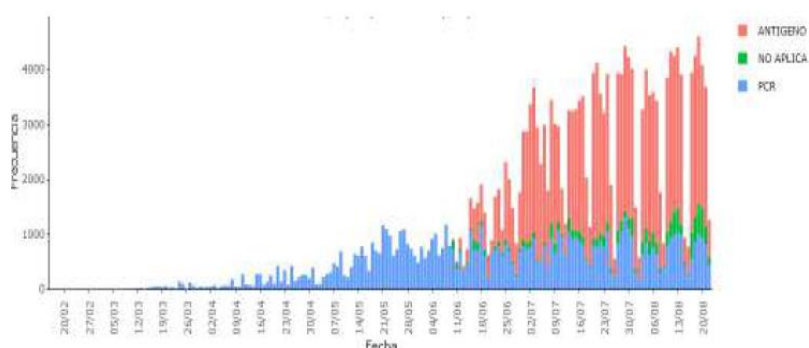


Grafica 3. casos fallecidos, distribución por sexo y edad

Testing

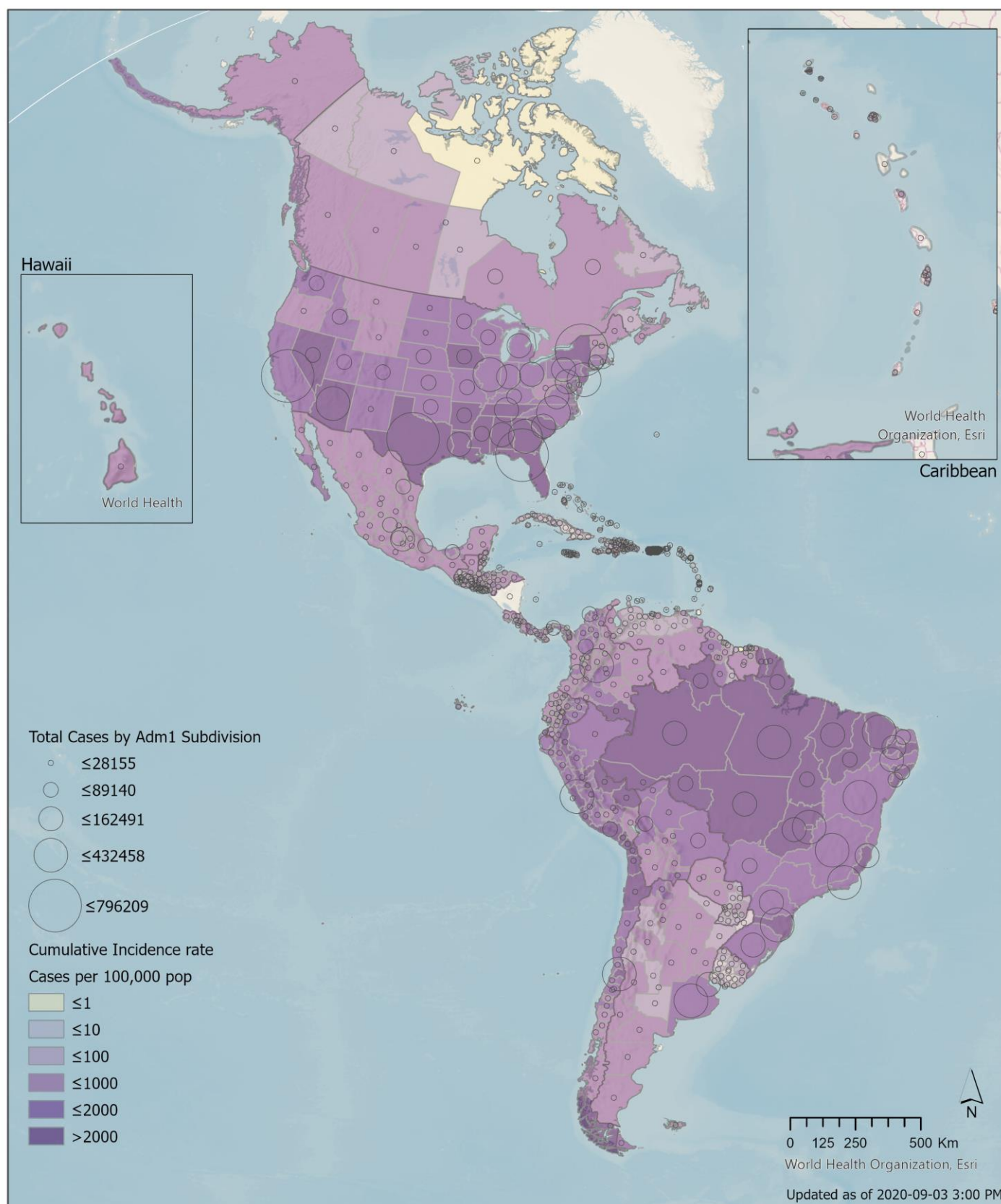
Up to August 23, a total of 221,235 tests have been processed, of which 83,298 correspond to PCR tests, 126,673 are antigen-based tests and 11,264 did not have relevant data.

On May 17, antigen tests were introduced in the country as a laboratory diagnostic method. Since then they represent 50% of the tests that have been carried out in the country. These tests are incorporated in the sampling strategy published in the national surveillance guide, where it is established that if the antigen test result is negative, the sample should be retested via PCR.



Gráfica 5. Pruebas realizadas (n=221,235) por fecha de emisión de resultado de laboratorio Guatemala, 17/02/2020-23/08/2020

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 3 September 2020

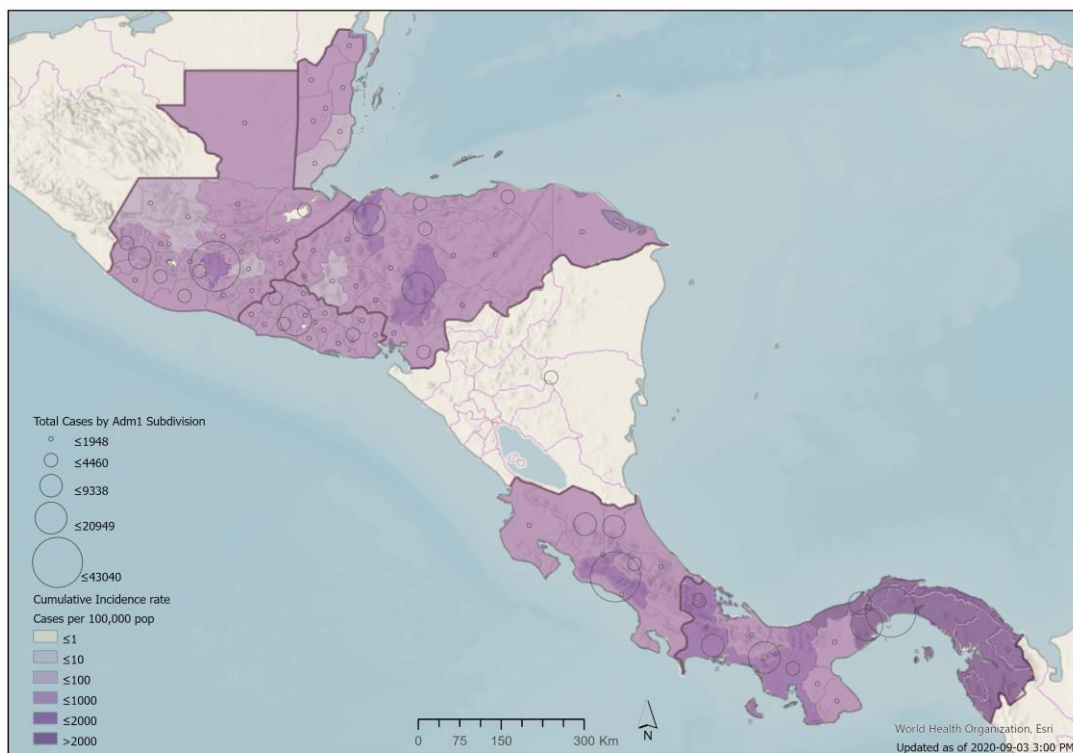


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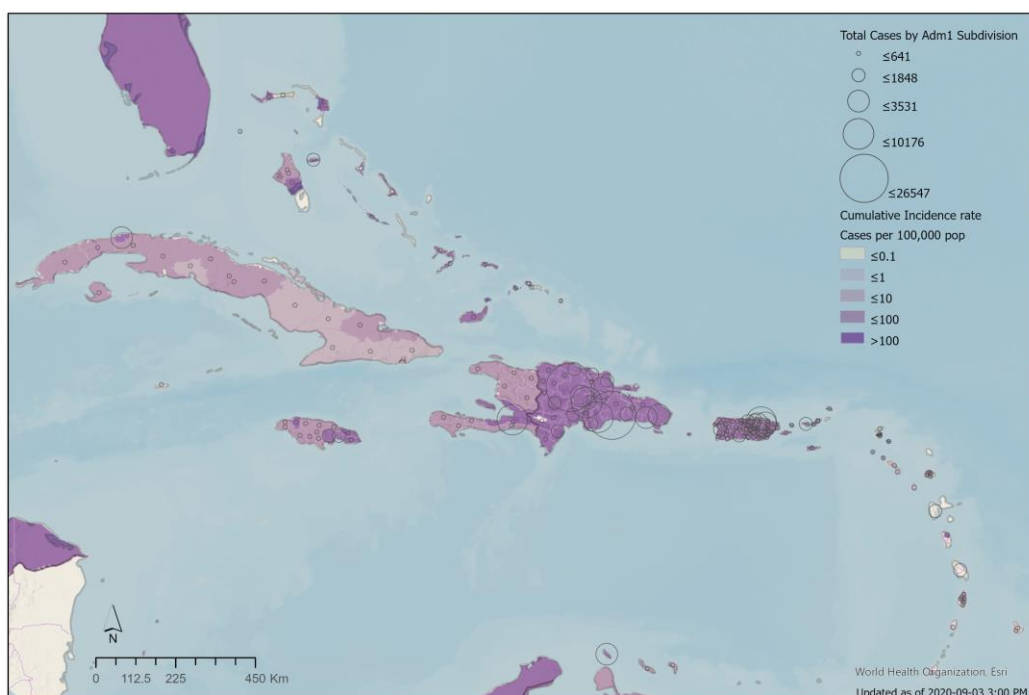
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Map 2. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Central American sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 3 September 2020.



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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 3 September 2020



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Cumulative COVID-19 cases and deaths reported by countries and territories in the Americas, as of 3 September 2020

Updated as of 3 PM

Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	Recovered	% Relative Increase in Cases	Transmission Type
North America	Canada	129,425	9,132	114,607	0%	Community transmission
	Mexico	606,036	65,241	421,373	1%	Community transmission
	United States of America (the)	6,011,042	183,610	2,201,135	1%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	6,746,503	257,983	2,737,115	1%	
Central America	Belize	1,050	13	213	4%	Community transmission
	Costa Rica	42,184	443	16,270	2%	Community transmission
	El Salvador	25,904	731	14,879	0%	Community transmission
	Guatemala	75,644	2,790	63,688	1%	Community transmission
	Honduras	61,769	1,888	10,430	1%	Community transmission
	Nicaragua	3,773	141	3,458	0%	Community transmission
	Panama	93,552	2,018	66,974	1%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	303,876	8,024	175,912	1%	
South America	Argentina	428,239	8,971	315,530	3%	Community transmission
	Bolivia (the Plurinational State of)	117,267	5,101	62,124	1%	Community transmission
	Brazil	3,950,931	122,596	3,159,096	1%	Community transmission
	Chile	414,739	11,344	387,683	0%	Community transmission
	Colombia	624,069	20,052	469,557	1%	Community transmission
	Ecuador	115,457	6,619	86,252	1%	Community transmission
	Paraguay	18,338	348	9,721	4%	Community transmission
	Peru	657,129	29,068	471,599	1%	Community transmission
	Uruguay	1,611	44	1,419	1%	Clusters of cases
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	47,756	391	39,027	2%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	6,375,536	204,534	5,002,008	1%	
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla	3		3	0%	No Cases
	Antigua and Barbuda	94	3	91	0%	Clusters of cases
	Aruba	2,104	10	857	5%	Community transmission
	Bahamas (the)	2,276	46	801	3%	Clusters of cases
	Barbados	176	7	146	1%	Clusters of cases
	Bermuda	172	9	157	0%	Sporadic cases
	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba	18		12	13%	Sporadic cases
	Cayman Islands	205	1	204	0%	Sporadic cases
	Cuba	4,126	98	3,458	2%	Clusters of cases
	Curacao	71	1	35	3%	Clusters of cases
	Dominica	20		18	0%	Clusters of cases
	Dominican Republic (the)	95,627	1,765	69,519	1%	Community transmission
	Falkland Islands (the) [Malvinas]	13		13	0%	No Cases
	French Guiana	9,209	61	8,739	1%	Community transmission
	Grenada	24		24	0%	Clusters of cases
	Guadeloupe	1,269	18	336	0%	Clusters of cases
	Guyana	1,373	41	742	5%	Clusters of cases
	Haiti	8,258	206	5,870	0%	Community transmission
	Jamaica	2,683	24	898	9%	Clusters of cases
	Martinique	747	18	98	21%	Clusters of cases
	Montserrat	13	1	9	0%	No Cases
	Puerto Rico	34,003	443	0	2%	Community transmission
	Saint Barthelemy	18		13	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Kitts and Nevis	17		17	0%	No Cases
	Saint Lucia	26		26	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Martin	213	5	79	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	5		5	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	61		57	2%	Sporadic cases
	Sint Maarten	482	19	241	1%	Community transmission
	Suriname	4,089	72	3,171	1%	Community transmission
	Trinidad and Tobago	1,839	28	691	4%	Community transmission
	Turks and Caicos	538	4	218	6%	Clusters of cases
	Virgin Islands (UK)	47	1	8	0%	Clusters of Cases
	Virgin Islands (US)	1,143	15	998	0%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	170,962	2,896	97,554	1%	
	Total	13,596,877	473,437	8,012,589	1%	

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 a weekly basis for Martinique and Nicaragua.

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- 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 September (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 30 August Bahamas Ministry of Health (MoH) press release, there are a total of 13 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/32KPhQy>
- 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 Ministry of Health. Total deaths include probable deaths. Recovered cases are based on symptom onset date. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2KQ99Jw> and <https://bit.ly/3hJUtuI>
- Ecuador:** Aggregated case total as reported by the Ecuador Ministry of Public Health (107404 positive by RT-PCR + 8956 by RDTs). To date, RDTs based on antibody detection are not recommended for use by WHO in clinical diagnosis. The Ecuador Ministry of Public Health reports an additional 3751 'probable deaths' under investigation that are not included in this table. As of 2 August, as per the Ecuador Ministry of Public Health, 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> and <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/>
- 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 in the data published by the Citizen's Observatory COVID-19 Nicaragua as of 26 August (available at: <https://bit.ly/3iTyaCm>) as well as with a 19 August press conference (available at: <https://bit.ly/2YiVzp0>).
- Peru:** Aggregated case total as reported by the Peru MoH as of 1 September (160580 by RT-PCR + 496549 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); 16069 were positive by RT-PCR and 18129 were positive by serological tests. Total deaths include probable deaths. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2VvjksQ>
- Uruguay:** According to a 2 September Uruguay Ministry of Public Health press release, there was one additional case that tested positive in a transportation worker; however, this positive case has been excluded from the total case count as they returned to their home country, available at: <https://bit.ly/3IOBoJx>