

Global & Regional Update. 2 PM WDC.

15 May 2020

Global 4,395,452 cases 300,390 deaths 214 countries/territories/areas

HIGHLIGHTS

In the region of the Americas, an additional 47,517 cases and 3,149 deaths were reported in the past 24 hours, representing a 3% relative increase for cases and deaths respectively, compared to the previous day.

- **The United States of America** continues to report the most cases and deaths, and accounts for approximately 72% and 73% of the total cases and deaths respectively, reported to date in the Region of the Americas.
- **Countries reporting the highest numbers of new cases** compared with the previous day are the United States of America (20,840 additional cases, 2% increase), Brazil (13,944 additional cases, 7% increase), Peru (4,298 additional cases, 6% increase), Chile (2,502 additional cases, 7% increase), Mexico (2,409 additional cases, 6% increase), and Canada (1,293 additional cases, 2% increase).
- **To date, there are 14 countries/territories (26%) with reported community transmission;** Venezuela is the most recent country to report community transmission.
- **Countries reporting the highest numbers of new deaths** are the United States of America (1,700 additional deaths, 2% increase), Brazil (844 additional deaths, 6% increase), Mexico (257 additional deaths, 6% increase), and Canada (162 additional deaths, 3% increase).
- While the true fatality rate of COVID-19 will take some time to fully understand, the data we have so far indicate that **the pooled crude case-fatality estimate** (the number of reported deaths divided by the reported cases) **in the region of the Americas as of 15 May is 6%** (median country-specific estimate: 4.8%; IQR: 1.3% - 8%)

Haiti – COVID-19 Stigma: According to media reports, the fight against stigma is the greatest battle in the management of COVID-19 epidemic Haiti. Threats against patients and health care workers continue to hamper contact tracing, and clinical management of patients. In fact, medical centers have opted not to open COVID-19 treatment units after opposition from local communities sparked fear of violence. [Reuters](#)

United States – MIS-C: The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) published a Health Advisory providing background information on several cases of a recently reported multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) associated with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and 2) a case definition for this syndrome. CDC recommends healthcare providers report any patient who meets the case definition. [CDC](#)

Global Updates from last 24 hours

- 79,207 new confirmed cases from 146 countries/territories/areas
- 6,671 new deaths from 96 countries/territories/areas

Global (International Council of Nurses) - The International Council of Nurses (ICN) is calling for data on healthcare worker infections and deaths to be systematically collected by national governments and held centrally at the World Health Organization (WHO); failure to do so increases the chances of more deaths and fails to honor those who have died. Last month [April 2020], ICN reported that more than 100 nurses from around the world had died after contracting COVID-19.

PAHO

1,911,985 cases

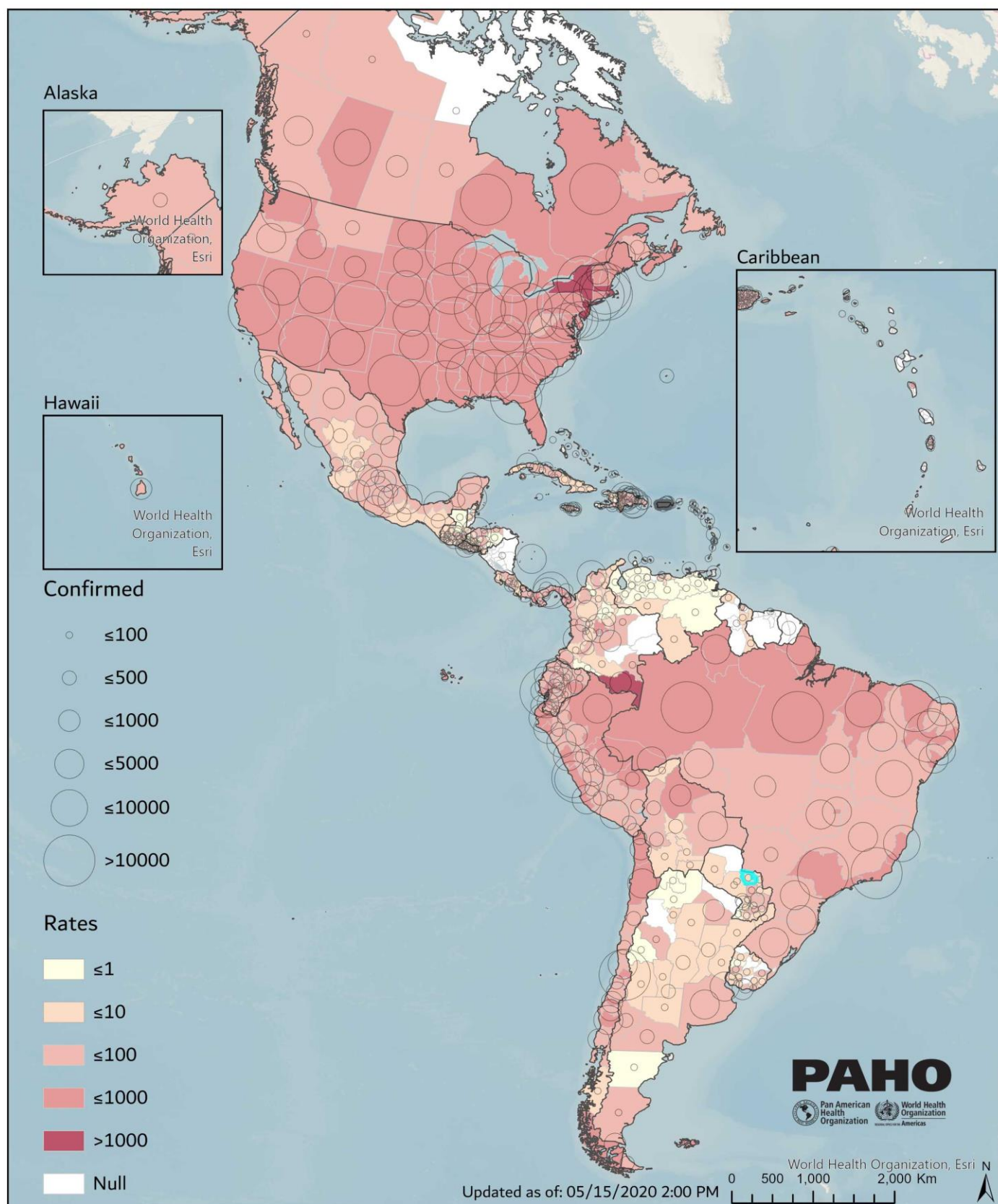
115,083 deaths

54 Countries/areas/territories

Table 1: Cumulative cases, deaths & crude case fatality rate (CFR%) among PAHO countries/territories with ≥ 1,000 cumulative cases.

Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	CFR(%)
United States	1,382,362	83,819	6.1%
Brazil	202,918	13,993	6.9%
Peru	80,604	2,267	2.8%
Canada	73,829	5,499	7.4%
Mexico	42,595	4,477	10.5%
Chile	39,542	394	1.0%
Ecuador	30,502	2,338	7.7%
Colombia	13,610	525	3.9%
Dominican Republic	11,739	424	3.6%
Panama	9,118	260	2.9%
Argentina	7,134	353	4.9%
Bolivia	3,372	152	4.5%
Puerto Rico	2,542	122	4.8%
Honduras	2,318	133	5.7%
Cuba	1,840	79	4.3%
Guatemala	1,518	29	1.9%
El Salvador	1,210	23	1.9%

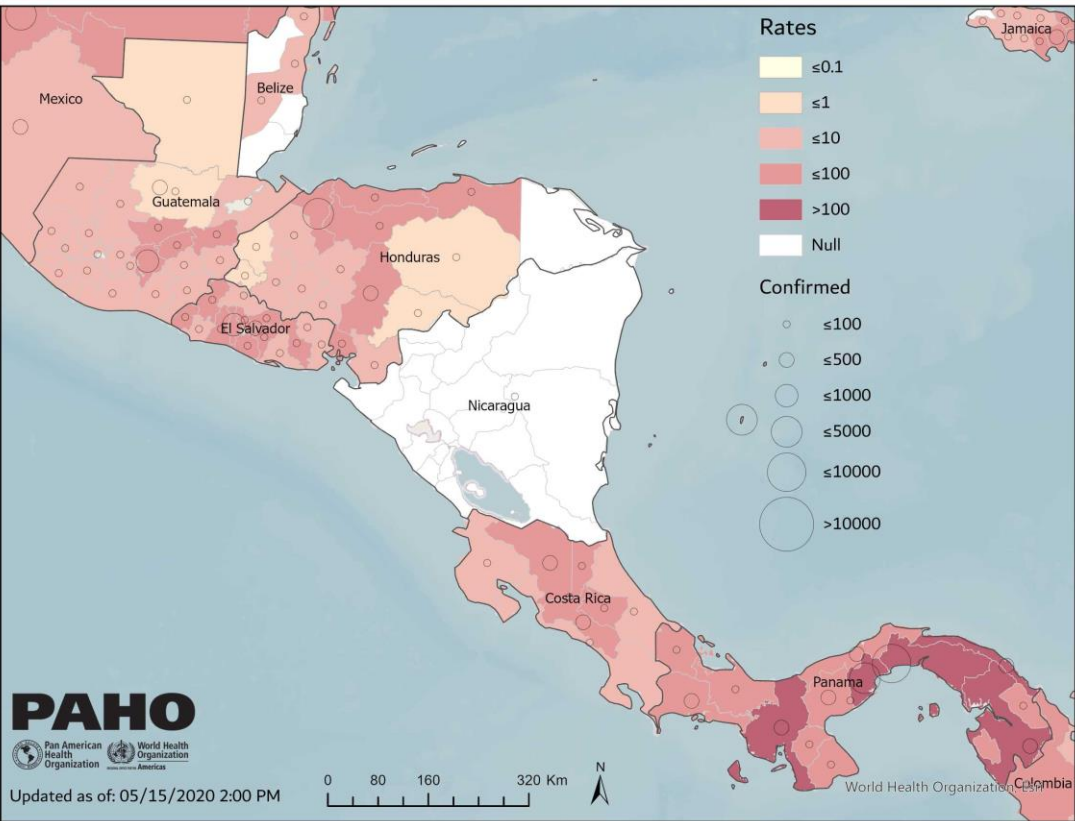
Map 1. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Region of the Americas and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory. As of 15 May 2020



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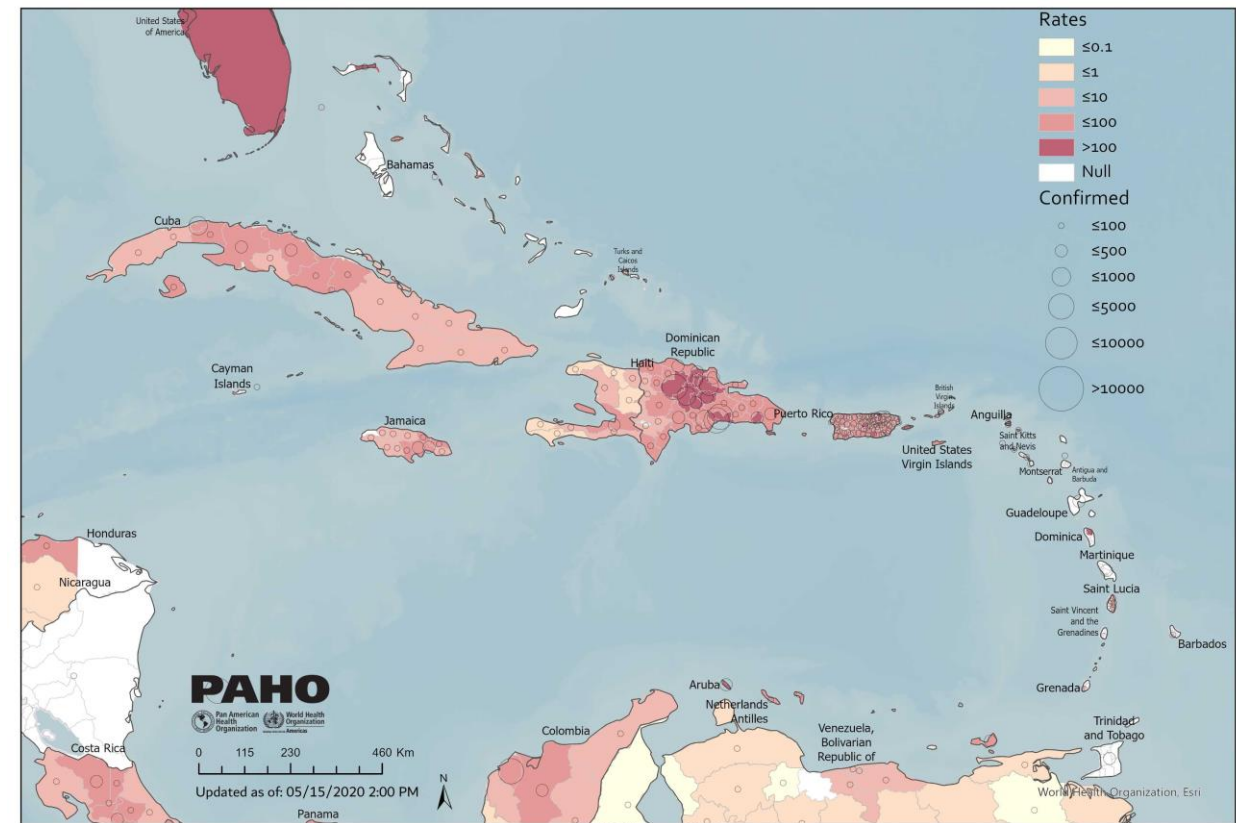
Map 2. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Central American sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 15 May 2020.



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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 15 May 2020.



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<div>  <div> Pan American Health Organization </div> <div>  <div> World Health Organization </div> <div> REGIONAL OFFICE FOR THE Americas </div> </div> </div> <div> Cumulative COVID-19 cases and deaths reported by countries and territories in the Americas, as of 15 May 2020 </div> <div> Updated as of 2 PM </div>						
Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	Recovered	% Relative Increase in Cases	Transmission Type
North America	Canada	73,829	5,499	35,523	2%	Community transmission
	Mexico	42,595	4,477	8,088	6%	Community transmission
	United States of America (the)	1,382,362	83,819	246,217	2%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	1,498,786	93,795	289,828	2%	
Central America	Belize	18	2	16	0%	Sporadic cases
	Costa Rica	830	8	535	2%	Clusters of cases
	El Salvador	1210	23	416	9%	Clusters of cases
	Guatemala	1518	29	129	13%	Clusters of cases
	Honduras	2318	133	253	3%	Community transmission
	Nicaragua	25	8	7	0%	Clusters of cases
	Panama	9,118	260	6080	2%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	15,037	463	7,436	4%	
South America	Argentina	7,134	353	2,497	2%	Community transmission
	Bolivia (the Plurinational State of)	3,372	152	356	7%	Clusters of cases
	Brazil	202,918	13,993	79,479	7%	Community transmission
	Chile	39,542	394	16,614	7%	Community transmission
	Colombia	13,610	525	3,358	5%	Community transmission
	Ecuador	30,502	2,338	14,818	0%	Community transmission
	Paraguay	759	11	193	1%	Community transmission
	Peru	80,604	2,267	25,151	6%	Community transmission
	Uruguay	724	19	547	1%	Clusters of cases
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	455	10	220	3%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	379,620	20,062	143,233	6%	
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla	3		3	0%	Sporadic cases
	Antigua and Barbuda	25	3	14	0%	Clusters of cases
	Aruba	101	3	93	0%	Sporadic cases
	Bahamas (the)	96	11	41	2%	Clusters of cases
	Barbados	85	7	65	0%	Clusters of cases
	Bermuda	122	9	66	1%	Clusters of cases
	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba	6		6	0%	No cases
	Cayman Islands	93	1	54	8%	Clusters of cases
	Cuba	1,840	79	1425	1%	Clusters of cases
	Curacao	16	1	14	0%	Sporadic cases
	Dominica	16		15	0%	Clusters of cases
	Dominican Republic (the)	11,739	424	3,557	4%	Community transmission
	Falkland Islands (the) [Malvinas]	13		13	0%	Clusters of cases
	French Guiana	184	1	125	12%	Clusters of cases
	Grenada	22		14	5%	Clusters of cases
	Guadeloupe	155	13	113	0%	Clusters of cases
	Guyana	113	10	42	0%	Clusters of cases
	Haiti	273	20	18	17%	Clusters of cases
	Jamaica	509	9	113	0%	Clusters of cases
	Martinique	189	14	91	0%	Clusters of cases
	Montserrat	11	1	8	0%	Sporadic cases
	Puerto Rico	2,542	122		5%	Clusters of cases
	Saint Barthelemy	6		6	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Kitts and Nevis	15		14	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Lucia	18		18	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Martin	39	3	30	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	1		1	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	17		12	0%	Sporadic cases
	Sint Maarten	78	15	54	0%	Sporadic cases
	Suriname	10	1	9	0%	Sporadic cases
	Trinidad and Tobago	116	8	107	0%	Sporadic cases
	Turks and Caicos	12	1	10	0%	Sporadic cases
	Virgin Islands (UK)	8	1	6	14%	Sporadic cases
	Virgin Islands (US)	69	6	61	0%	Clusters of cases
	Subtotal	18,542	763	6,218	3%	
	Total	1,911,985	115,083	446,715	3%	

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.

United States of America: Case and death counts includes both confirmed and probable classifications, as reported by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (US CDC). Excludes counts for Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands. Source: <https://bit.ly/2WJN2dd>. Recovered counts as reported by state and territorial health authorities; for 13 May, this number decreased compared to the previous day with no explanation provided. Available at the COVID Tracking Project <https://bit.ly/2ztbRC6>

Brazil: The Brazil Ministry of Health (MoH) reports an additional 2000 deaths under investigation that are not included in this table.

Chile: Confirmed cases include both symptomatic and asymptomatic PCR-positive cases, as defined by Chile MoH, available at: <https://bit.ly/2KQ99Jw>

Ecuador: Aggregated case total as reported by the Ecuador Ministry of Public Health (21565 positive by RT-PCR + 8937 by rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs)). To date, these RDTs are not recommended for use by WHO. The Ecuador Ministry of Public Health reports an additional 1561 'probable deaths' under investigation that are not included in this table. Recovered counts are the sum of the recovered patients, hospital discharges, and epidemiological discharges as per the Ecuador Ministry of Public Health. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2RZtqIR>

Peru: Aggregated case total as reported by the Peru MoH (24671 by RT-PCR + 55933 by RDTs). To date, these RDTs are not recommended for use by WHO.

Puerto Rico: Aggregated case total as reported by the Puerto Rico Department of Health (DoH); 1088 were positive by RT-PCR and 1454 were positive by serological tests. Total deaths include probable deaths. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2VvjksQ>