

Region of the Americas Update

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Last 24 hours *

184,143	Additional cases
4,932	Additional deaths
0.29%	Relative increase in cases
0.32%	Relative increase in deaths
33	Countries/territories reporting new cases
27	Countries/territories reporting new deaths

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

Cases (≥ 1,000)

Brazil	72,715
United States	36,412
Argentina	25,976
Colombia	16,425
Canada	5,386
Peru	4,869
Chile	3,902
Uruguay	2,977
Paraguay	2,377
Bolivia	2,369
Costa Rica	2,236
Mexico	1,897

Deaths (≥ 100)

Brazil	2,311
United States	696
Argentina	490
Colombia	429
Peru	318
Mexico	234

COVID-19 – Highlights

- According to a cohort study of 3744 patients in 2 large consortia, neurological manifestations were found in approximately 80% of patients hospitalized with COVID-19; the most common self-reported symptoms included headache (37%) and anosmia or ageusia (26%), whereas the most common neurological signs and/or syndromes were acute encephalopathy (49%), coma (17%), and stroke (6%). [JAMA Network](#)
- The [US FDA](#) on May 10 expanded the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech SARS-CoV-2 vaccine to include adolescents ages 12 to 15, making it the first such vaccine available to children under age 16 in the US. [On 12 May](#), the US CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices voted 14-0 to recommend using Pfizer's two-dose mRNA COVID-19 vaccine in children ages 12 to 15 years old.

*Numbers may vary due to differences in reporting times.

Region of the Americas

64,145,153 cases

1,567,414 deaths

56

countries/areas/territories affected.

Global

159,503,768 cases

3,316,752 deaths

236

countries/areas/territories affected.

Total cases, deaths & CFR (%) among PAHO countries/territories with ≥ 100,000 cumulative cases.

Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
United States of America	32,461,049	577,510	1.8%
Brazil	15,282,705	425,540	2.8%
Argentina	3,191,097	68,311	2.1%
Colombia	3,031,726	78,771	2.6%
Mexico	2,368,393	219,323	9.3%
Peru	1,858,239	64,691	3.5%
Canada	1,299,572	24,714	1.9%
Chile	1,260,448	27,384	2.2%
Ecuador	402,595	19,286	4.8%
Panama	368,368	6,282	1.7%
Bolivia	322,578	13,308	4.1%
Paraguay	302,061	7,284	2.4%
Costa Rica	273,714	3,456	1.3%
Dominican Republic	273,497	3,554	1.3%
Guatemala	237,682	7,815	3.3%
Uruguay	225,847	3,208	1.4%
Honduras	222,118	5,789	2.6%
Venezuela	210,116	2,320	1.1%
Puerto Rico	135,769	2,395	1.8%
Cuba	119,375	768	0.6%

Saint Barthelemy

Population	Cases	Deaths	Transmission
9,885	994	1	Clusters of Cases

OVERVIEW: In epidemiological week (EW) 17 of 2021, surveillance indicators again remained at low levels. No activity in hospital settings were reported.

TESTING: The testing rate showed a decrease in EW17 (7,842 tests per 100,000 population) compared to the 8,945 tests per 100,000 population carried out in the previous week (**Figure 1**).

CASES: Six new cases with an administrative residence address in Saint-Barthélemy were recorded in EW 17 versus 12 new cases recorded in EW 16. The positivity rate was low and below the epidemic threshold in EW 17 (0.8%). The incidence rate has also decreased - 61 cases/100,000 pop. in EW17 compared to 123/100,000 pop. in EW16. Given the size of the populations of Saint-Barthélemy (<10,000 inhabitants), incidence and positivity rates should be interpreted with caution.

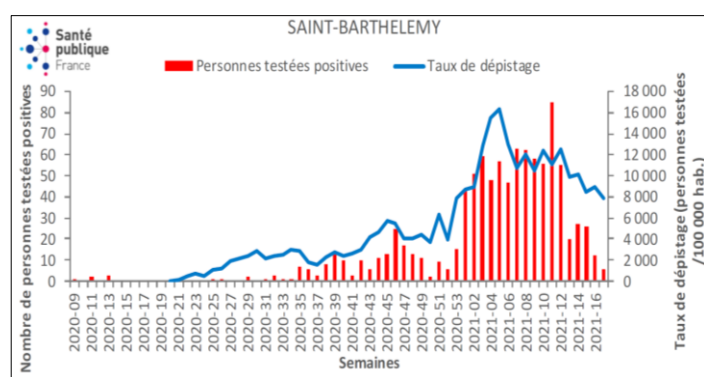


Fig. 1: No. of COVID-19 cases and testing rates per week in Saint-Barthélemy from 24 Feb. 2020 to 2 May 2021. Source: IP Guadeloupe, hospital laboratories and city lab/SI-DEP. Data as of 05/05/2021

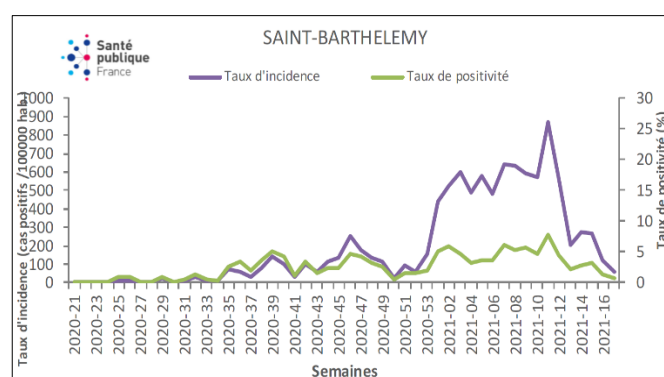


Fig. 2: Evolution of the positivity and incidence rates per 100,000 pop. per week, in Saint-Barthélemy, 18 May 2020 to 2 May 2021. Source: SI-DEP, Public Health France operation—Data as of 05/05/2021

HOSPITAL-BASED SURVEILLANCE: No emergency room visits for suspected Covid-19 were recorded in EW17 versus three recorded in EW16. Also, no new hospitalizations were recorded in EW17 (one in EW16) in Saint-Barthélemy. See Figure 3.

COMMUNITY-BASED SURVEILLANCE: Three consultations for acute respiratory infections were recorded in EW17 compared to five in EW16.

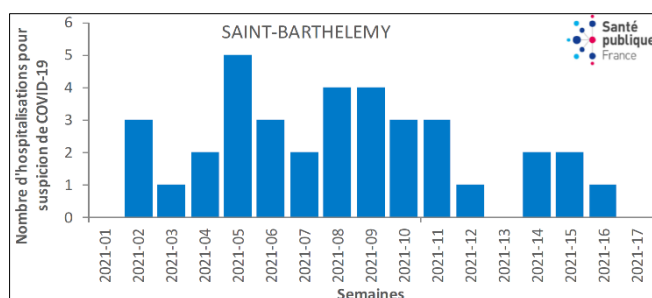


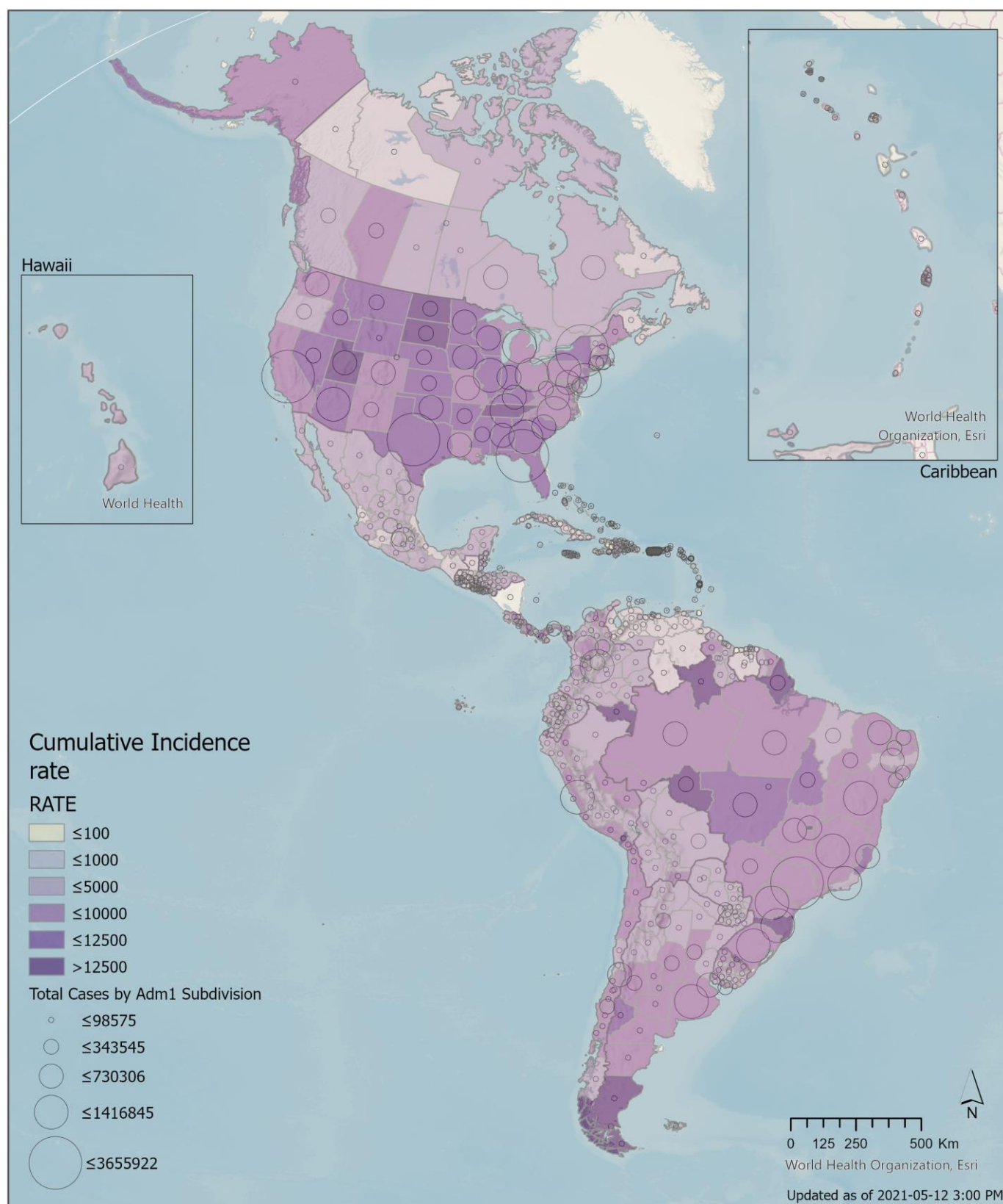
Figure 3: Weekly number of newly hospitalized cases in Saint-Barthélemy and confirmed or probable Covid-19, from February 24, 2020 to May 02, 2021 - Source: SI-VIC

DEATHS: No new death have been recorded since mid-March 2021 (EW10). In total, only one death has been recorded since January 2021.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES IN PLACE: Vaccination, individual preventive measures and reduction of contacts. In the event of symptoms, immediate isolation is required, and a test performed within the shortest time possible.

VARIANTS OF CONCERN: Among the four variants of concern (VOC) as characterized by WHO, only 202012/01 (B.1.1.7) has been sequenced on the island to date.

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 12 May 2021

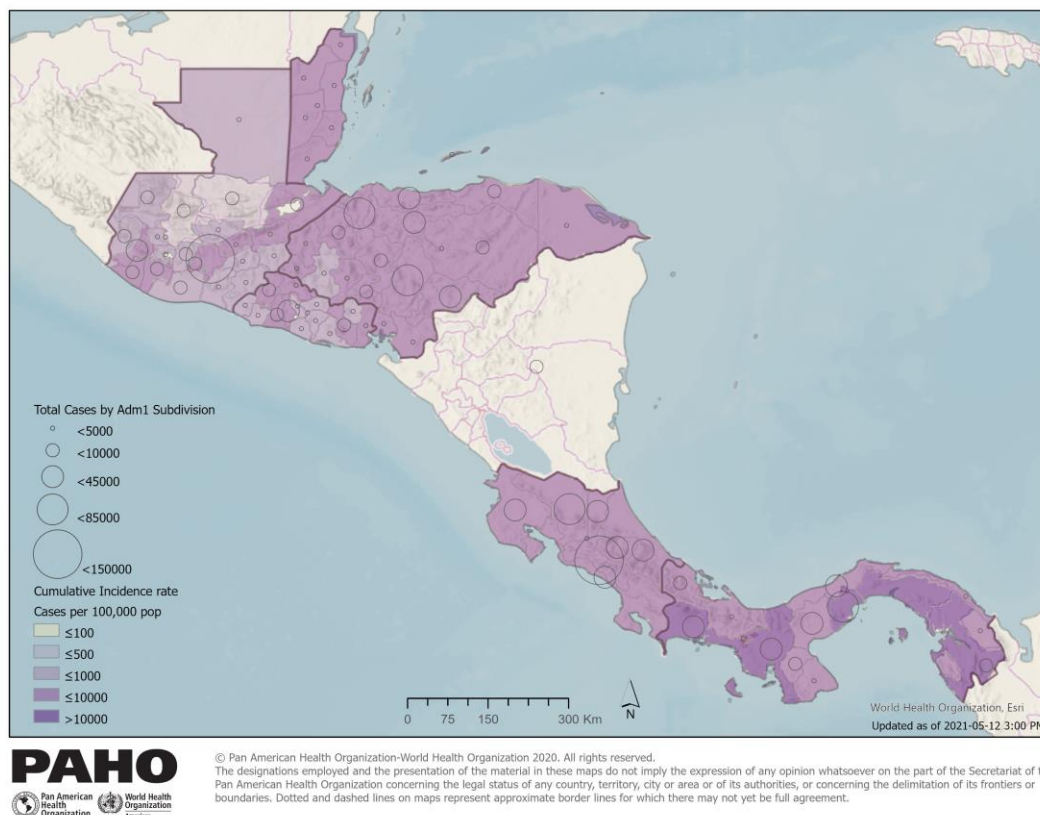


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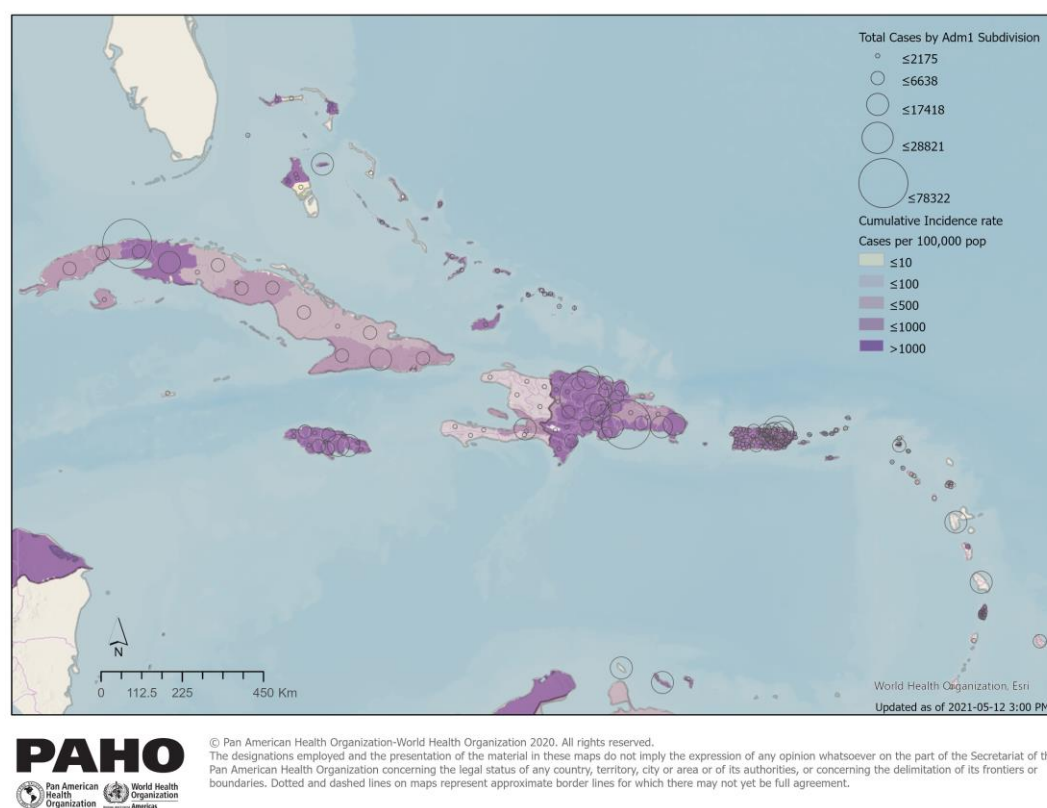


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Map 2. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Central American sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 population) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 12 May 2021



















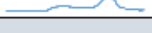


















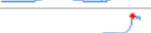


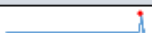
































































Map 3. Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Caribbean sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 population) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 12 May 2021



COVID-19 situation reported by
countries and territories in the Americas,
as of 12 May 2021

Updated as of 3 PM

Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases			Deaths			Transmission Type
		7 Day MA* Trend	Cummulative	7day % change	7 Day MA* Trend	Cummulative	7day % change	
North America	Canada		1,299,572	-10%		24,714	-4%	Community transmission
	Mexico		2,368,393	-22%		219,323	-28%	Community transmission
	United States of America (the)		32,461,049	-12%		577,510	-10%	Community transmission
	Subtotal		36,129,014			821,547		
Central America	Belize		12,704	-34%		323	-100%	Community transmission
	Costa Rica		273,714	6%		3,456	18%	Community transmission
	El Salvador		70,380	-64%		2,168	13%	Community transmission
	Guatemala		237,682	-4%		7,815	5%	Community transmission
	Honduras		222,118	-16%		5,789	132%	Community transmission
	Nicaragua		5,649	-4%		184	0%	Community transmission
	Panama		368,368	32%		6,282	6%	Community transmission
	Subtotal		1,190,615			26,017		
South America	Argentina		3,191,097	1%		68,311	19%	Community transmission
	Bolivia (the Plurinational State of)		322,578	16%		13,308	15%	Community transmission
	Brazil		15,282,705	3%		425,540	-16%	Community transmission
	Chile		1,260,448	-3%		27,384	1%	Community transmission
	Colombia		3,031,726	-3%		78,771	-7%	Community transmission
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	Peru		1,858,239	-9%		64,691	-11%	Community transmission
	Uruguay		225,847	12%		3,208	-15%	Community transmission
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)		210,116	3%		2,320	-11%	Community transmission
	Subtotal		26,087,412			710,103		
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla		109	75%				Clusters of cases
	Antigua and Barbuda		1,240	-1000%		32	0%	Clusters of cases
	Aruba		10,795	6%		104	100%	Community transmission
	Bahamas (the)		10,933	-12%		214	-77%	Clusters of cases
	Barbados		3,950	25%		45	-100%	Community transmission
	Bermuda		2,455	-57%		31	-83%	Community transmission
	Bonaire		1,557	475%		17	0%	Community transmission

Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Cayman Islands		548	-25%		2	0%	Sporadic cases
	Cuba		119,375	8%		768	-8%	Community transmission
	Curacao		12,236	-66%		117	50%	Community transmission
	Dominica		175	0%				Sporadic cases
	Dominican Republic (the)		273,497	80%		3,554	7%	Community transmission
	Falkland Islands (the)		63	0%				Sporadic cases
	French Guiana		20,877	-18%		106	-50%	Community transmission
	Grenada		161	-100%		1	0%	Sporadic cases
	Guadeloupe		15,429	-8%		236	-53%	Community transmission
	Guyana		14,531	5%		331	67%	Community transmission
	Haiti		13,255	-16%		268	-44%	Community transmission
	Jamaica		46,922	-19%		820	8%	Community transmission
	Martinique		11,490	-46%		87	-11%	Community transmission
	Montserrat		20	0%		1	0%	No cases
	Puerto Rico		135,769	-38%		2,395	12%	Community transmission
	Saba		7	-100%				Sporadic cases
	Saint Barthelemy		994	-50%		1	0%	Clusters of cases
	Saint Kitts and Nevis		45	-100%				Sporadic cases
	Saint Lucia		4,700	49%		75	0%	Community transmission
	Saint Martin		1,777	33%		14	-100%	Community transmission
	Saint Pierre and Miquelon		25	0%				No cases
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		1,922	25%		12	0%	Community transmission
	Sint Eustatius		20	0%				No cases
	Sint Maarten		2,268	40%		27	0%	Community transmission
	Suriname		11,306	47%		220	-27%	Community transmission
	Trinidad and Tobago		13,802	19%		224	63%	Community transmission
	Turks and Caicos		2,404	-33%		17	0%	Clusters of cases
	Virgin Islands (UK)		219	-86%		1	0%	Clusters of cases
	Virgin Islands (US)		3,236	-28%		27	0%	Community transmission
	Subtotal		738,112			9,747		
	Total		64,145,153			1,567,414		

* 7 Day Moving Average

Legend

>50% increase

10% to 50% increase

10 to -10% change

10% to 50% decrease

>50% decrease

Table notes on the next page.

NOTES: Case and death counts may include both confirmed and probable classifications depending on the reporting Member State.

- 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 a 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)

Argentina: On 14 March 2021, due to daylight savings time observed in Eastern Standard Time zone, the Argentina data is no longer published by 3:00PM EST same day and is henceforth included in the following day table. Between 22 February and 14 March 2021, the data had corresponded to the same date.

Bahamas: According to the 11 May 2021 Bahamas Ministry of Health (MoH) publication, there are a total of 26 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3y0wDTs>,

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, Saint Martin and Saint Barthelemy in Sante Publique France weekly publications; death counts for Guadeloupe are calculated subtracting deaths in Saint Martin and Saint Barthelemy. Available at: <https://bit.ly/39UMysd>

Jamaica: According to the latest Jamaica Ministry of Health and Wellness press release, there are a total of 132 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3qAwIJo>

Nicaragua: Please note there are discrepancies with the data published by the Citizen's Observatory COVID-19 Nicaragua as of 5 May 2021. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3pw7ZVR>

Peru: Aggregated case total as reported by the Peru MoH; disaggregated data available is 558,011 by RT-PCR + 394,386 by antigen tests + 905,842 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/3fJVKTM>.

Puerto Rico: Aggregated case total as reported by the Puerto Rico Department of Health (DoH); 119,674 were positive by RT-PCR and 16,095 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 include both confirmed and probable classifications, as published on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (US CDC) website on 12-May. Excludes American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Puerto Rico, Palau, Republic of Marshall Islands and the United States Virgin Islands. Sources: <https://bit.ly/2WJN2dd> and <https://bit.ly/2zUMSZ1>.

Uruguay: According to the latest Uruguay Ministry of Public Health report, the total notes 4 positive cases reported in the last 24 hours were excluded from the total. Available at: <https://bit.ly/33Evh2U>.

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

Bahamas: The Bahamas Ministry of Health retrospectively released data. Cases have been retrospectively adjusted for 11 May 2021 to align with the Bahamas MoH indicating 10,933 cases. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2QgVnpA>