

Region of the Americas Update



3 PM WDC. 30 November 2021

Last 24 hours *

- 136,616** Additional cases
- 2,083** Additional deaths
- 0.14%** Relative increase in cases
- 0.09%** 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)		Deaths (≥ 100)	
United States	119,471	United States	1,718
Brazil	3,843		
Canada	2,332		
Colombia	1,975		
Argentina	1,968		
Chile	1,386		
Bolivia	1,087		

COVID-19 – Highlights

- On 30 November 2021, the **Brazilian** Ministry of Health (MoH) announced the preliminary identification of two cases of the SARS-CoV-2 variant of concern (VOC), Omicron, within the country. The samples are being sent out for further confirmatory laboratory analysis. This full press release is available in Portuguese at: <https://bit.ly/31egBcl>
- In **Costa Rica**, the MoH reaffirms the importance of prevention methods and vaccination in light VOC Omicron being introduced to the Americas. This full press release is available in Spanish at: <https://bit.ly/3xGF3zF>
- SARS-CoV-2 variant B.1.1.529 is a variant of concern (VOC), named Omicron, on the advice of WHO's [Technical Advisory Group of Virus Evolution](#) (TAG-VE). This decision was based on the evidence presented to the TAG-VE that Omicron has several mutations that may have an impact on how it behaved, for example, on how easily it spreads or the severity of the illness it causes. A summary of what is currently known can be found at: <https://bit.ly/3EaTrDC>

Starting the weekend of 26 June 2021, the PAHO COVID-19 daily situation reports will no longer be published on Saturdays and Sundays. The reports will continue to be published during the workweek – Monday through Friday – at the regularly scheduled time, with the exception of any official holidays observed by PAHO in Washington, DC

Region of the Americas

97,016,540 cases

2,350,543 deaths

56

countries/areas/territories affected.

Global

261,674,656 cases

5,209,833 deaths

236

countries/areas/territories affected.

Total cases, deaths & CFR (%) among PAHO countries/territories with ≥ 180,000 cumulative cases.

Country/Territory	Cases	Deaths	CFR (%)
United States of America	48,162,401	774,868	1.6%
Brazil	22,084,749	614,376	2.8%
Argentina	5,328,416	116,554	2.2%
Colombia	5,067,348	128,473	2.5%
Mexico	3,884,566	293,950	7.6%
Peru	2,234,970	201,144	9.0%
Canada	1,790,142	29,670	1.7%
Chile	1,762,751	38,346	2.2%
Cuba	962,486	8,304	0.9%
Guatemala	617,610	15,928	2.6%
Costa Rica	566,560	7,287	1.3%
Bolivia	537,559	19,171	3.6%
Ecuador	526,870	33,250	6.3%
Panama	477,608	7,362	1.5%
Paraguay	463,001	16,469	3.6%
Venezuela	431,296	5,144	1.2%
Dominican Republic	407,251	4,204	1.0%
Uruguay	399,504	6,130	1.5%
Honduras	377,888	10,403	2.8%
Puerto Rico	188,014	3,270	1.7%

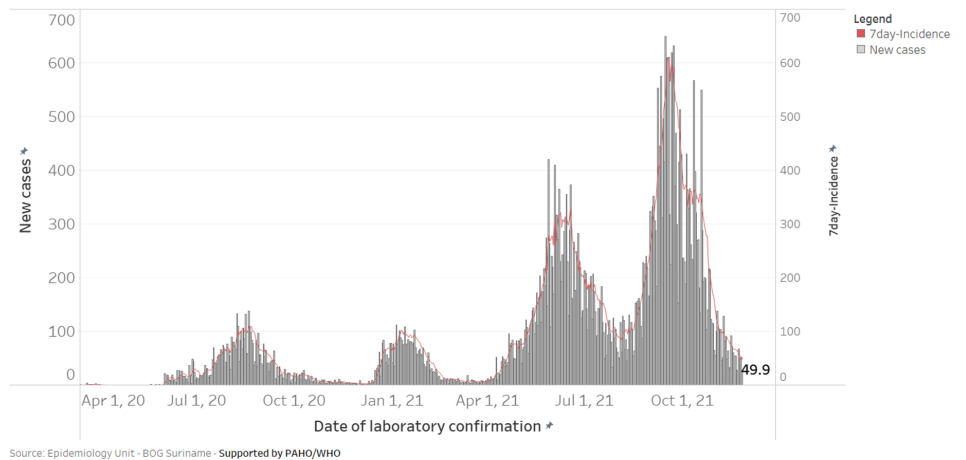
*Numbers may vary due to differences in reporting times.

Spotlight – Suriname – COVID-19 Daily PAHO CO Situation Report 30 November 2021

Current Situation: Between the start of the pandemic and 30 November 2021, there have been 50,823 cumulative confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Suriname. Of these, 29,570 cases have recovered and 1,166 have been reported dead. Of the remaining active cases in the country, 24 remain hospitalized with 9 in intensive care unit (ICU) beds.

Epidemiological Trends: **Figure 1** indicates the confirmed daily number of new cases and 7-day incidence per 100,000 population throughout the nation from the start of the pandemic on 12 March 2020, through 25 November 2021. As of 25 November the 7-day average incidence had shown a continued weekly decrease, moving from 67.5 cases per 100,000 population in epidemiological week (EW) 46, to 49.9 cases per 100,000 population in EW 47. As of 25 November, a continued decrease in positivity rate was observed, going from 16.1% in EW 46 week to 14.0% in EW 47. Overall, a relatively low number of positive cases and positivity rate could be seen for the districts of Marowijne (bordering French Guyana) and the districts in the South of Suriname (interior). Simultaneously, the calculated infection rate for the country during EW47 was 8,471 per 100,000 populations.

Figure 1: Epidemiological curve of COVID-19 and 7-day cumulative incidence per 100,000 population in Suriname from 12 March 2020 to 25 November 2021



Source: Epidemiology Unit - BOG Suriname - Supported by PAHO/WHO

Figure 2: Estimated Reproductive number (Rt) calculated using weekly data for Suriname from 1 April to 25 November 2021



Source: Epidemiology Unit - BOG Suriname
Calculated using <https://harvardanalytics.shinyapps.io/covid19/> and Supported by PAHO/WHO

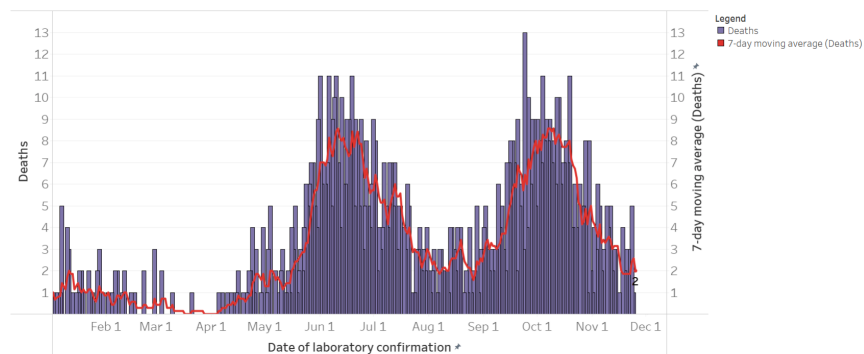
persons) of the target population had been fully vaccinated (2 doses), and 8.2% (39,590 persons) of the target population had been partially vaccinated (1 dose). As of 30 November, the only 53.41% of the target population has been vaccinated.

Deaths and Mortality: **Figure 3** illustrates the COVID-19 new deaths and 7-day moving average between 1 January and 25 November of 2021. During EW 47, there was an average of 2 deaths per day.

Figure 2 illustrates the estimated Reproductive number (Rt) for the COVID-19 cases reported from 1 April until 25 November 2021. During EW 47, the effective Rt continued to decrease to 0.78, from 0.84 the prior week.

Vaccination: Since the beginning of the vaccination campaign on 23 February 2021, up to 25 November 2021, there had been 256,711 persons vaccinated against COVID-19 with at least one dose of the vaccine. A total of 473,832 vaccine doses had been administered at a rate of 78.82 vaccine doses administered per 100 persons. As of 25 November, 45.1% (217,121

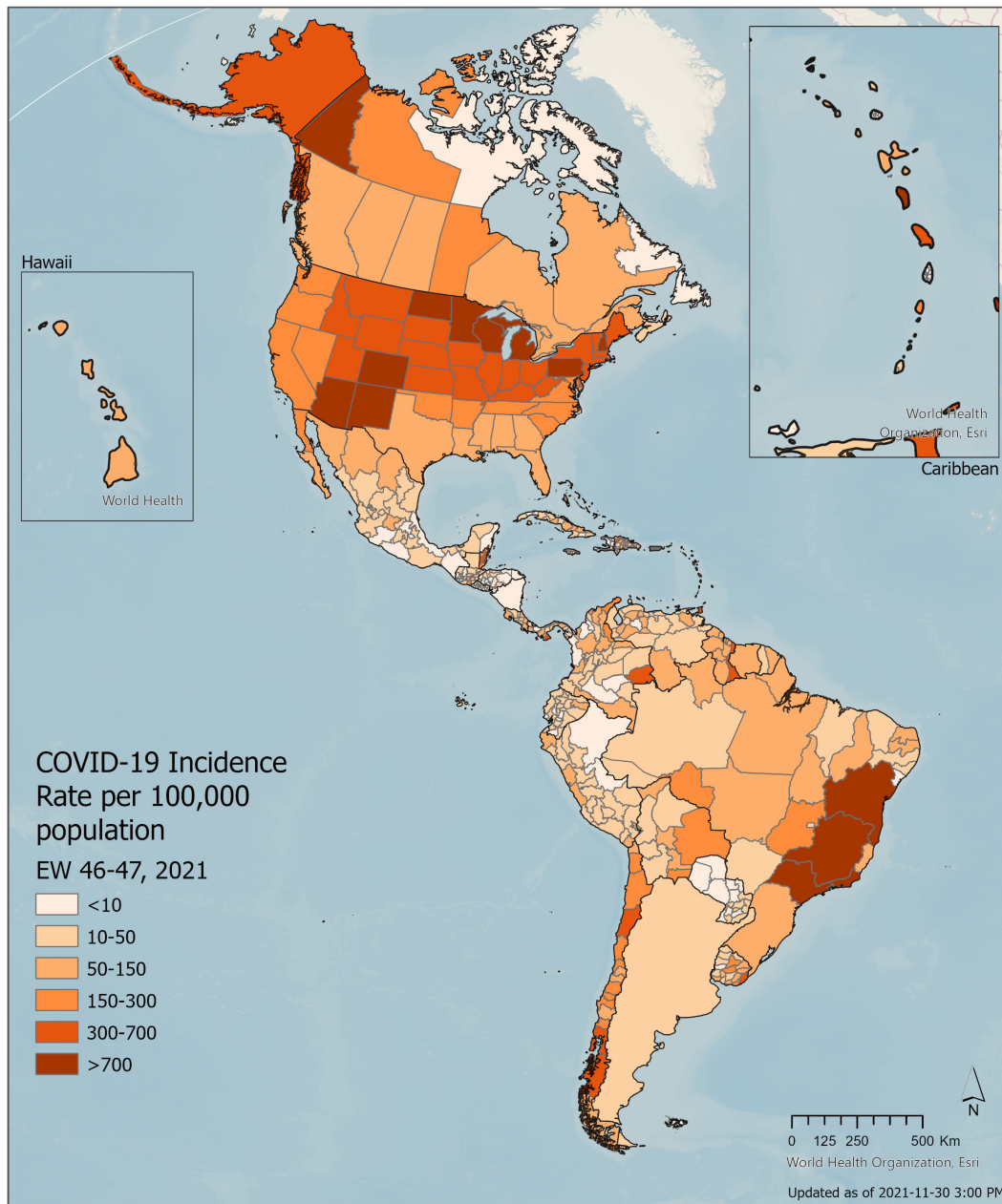
Figure 3: COVID-19 new deaths and 7-day average in Suriname, from 1 January to 25 November 2021



Source: Epidemiology Unit - BOG Suriname - Supported by PAHO/WHO

Map 1. Incidence rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population in the Region of the Americas by country/territory as reported in EW 46 and 47. As of 30 November 2021

The highest rates in the region in the last 2 weeks are seen in the US, Brazil, Belize, Barbados and Dominica.

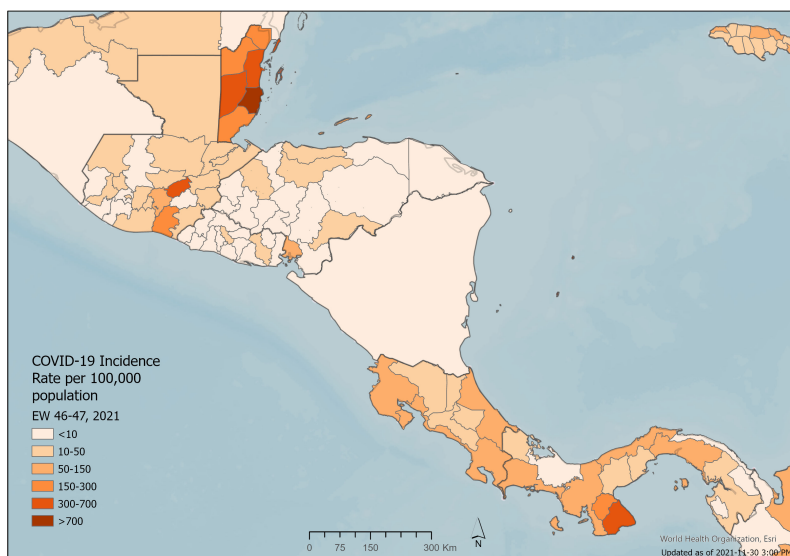


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In **North America**, the US continues to show the highest incidence. Most states in the US have an incidence higher than 300 per 100,000 population, with most of the northern Midwest states (North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan) and two northeast (Vermont and Pennsylvania) states reporting rates >700 per 100,000 people. A decrease in incidence was observed in some western states (Washington, Nevada, Montana) as well as in Alaska, compared to previous weeks. In Canada, we see a decrease in incidence in the Northwest Territories (>150 per 100,000 pop), while Yukon continues to have the highest incidence rates in the country (>700 per 100,000 pop).

In **South America**, an increase in incidence rates was reported for coastal states in Brazil (Bahia, Minas Gerais, Sao Paulo, and Rio de Janeiro), reporting rates >700 per 100,000 people. Rates remain high in Chile, with highest rates reported in Aysen and Atacama (>300 per 100,000 people). Decreases in incidence in Venezuela are observed in the departments of Bolivar and Anzoategui.

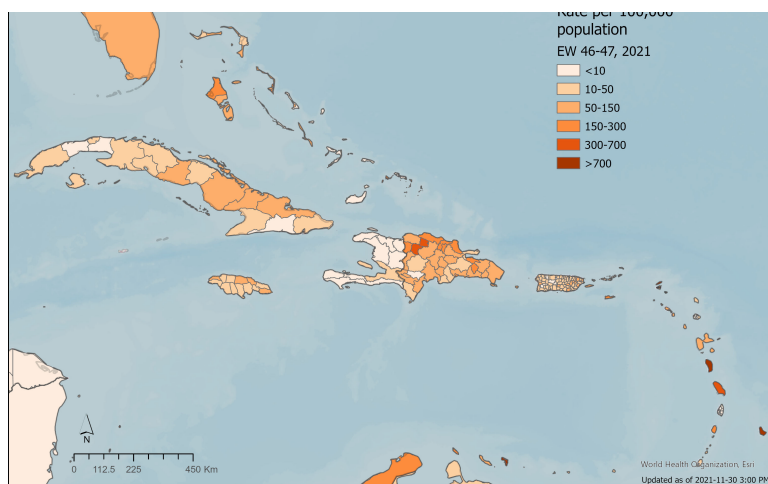
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In **Central America**, Belize continues to have the highest incidence rates in the region, with Stann Creek with >700 per 100,000 and the other districts with > 150 cases per 100,000 population. There is a continued decrease in case incidence in the other territories in the subregion, except for the regions El Progreso in Guatemala and Los Santos in Panama, reporting >300 cases per 100,000.

Map 3. Incidence rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population in the Region of the Americas by country/territory as reported in EW 46 and 47. As of 30 November 2021



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In the **Caribbean**, Barbados, Dominica, and Bonaire reported the highest incidence rates in the sub-region with over 700 cases per 100,000 population. Decreasing trends in incidence were observed in the following countries and territories: Cuba, with most territories reporting between 50 and 300 cases per 100,000 people, the Dominican Republic (provinces: Dejabon, San Juan, Monte Plata, San Cristobal, Baoruco, Pedernales, Samana and Peravia, most of them reporting between 10 and 15 cases per 100,000 people) and finally in the Crooked Island, Bahamas. In the Guianese shield, Region 6 in Guyana reported an incidence >300 per 100,000 population.



COVID-19 situation reported by countries and territories in the Americas,
as of 30 November 2021
Updated as of 3 PM

Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases			Deaths		
		7 Day MA* Trend	Cummulative	7day % change	7 Day MA* Trend	Cummulative	7day % change
North America	Canada		1,790,142	14%		29,670	1%
	Mexico		3,884,566	90%		293,950	273%
	United States of America (the)		48,162,401	-15%		774,868	-38%
	Subtotal		53,837,109			1,098,488	
Central America	Belize		30,338	14%		574	-50%
	Costa Rica		566,560	-53%		7,287	-44%
	El Salvador		119,803	0%		3,776	-29%
	Guatemala		617,610	-45%		15,928	-42%
	Honduras		377,888	-15%		10,403	-72%
	Nicaragua		13,397	-24%		213	0%
	Panama		477,608	6%		7,362	0%
	Subtotal		2,203,204			45,543	
South America	Argentina		5,328,416	41%		116,554	30%
	Bolivia (the Plurinational State of)		537,559	18%		19,171	57%
	Brazil		22,084,749	10%		614,376	11%
	Chile		1,762,751	-6%		38,346	19%
	Colombia		5,067,348	7%		128,473	10%
	Ecuador		526,870	20%		33,250	307%
	Paraguay		463,001	104%		16,469	361%
	Peru		2,234,970	1%		201,144	13%
	Uruguay		399,504	15%		6,130	15%
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)		431,296	-4%		5,144	4%
Subtotal		38,836,464			1,179,057		
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla		1,386	-74%		3	0%
	Antigua and Barbuda		4,141	-64%		117	-100%
	Aruba		16,335	3%		174	0%
	Bahamas (the)		22,791	62%		671	-100%
	Barbados		25,152	-26%		229	6%
	Bermuda		5,748	118%		106	0%
	Bonaire		2,863	60%		22	0%
	Cayman Islands		7,074	-48%		5	-50%
	Cuba		962,486	-39%		8,304	-57%
	Curacao		17,401	-35%		178	-50%
	Dominica		5,776	-33%		37	0%
	Dominican Republic (the)		407,251	-53%		4,204	-50%
	Falkland Islands (the)		79	0%		0	0%
	French Guiana		46,014	24%		327	300%
	Grenada		5,894	64%		200	0%
	Guadeloupe		55,080	-100%		823	-100%
	Guyana		37,825	-11%		992	-17%
	Haiti		25,265	-8%		738	-31%
	Jamaica		91,249	-23%		2,392	-9%
	Martinique		45,348	-40%		715	175%
Montserrat		44	-100%		1	0%	
Puerto Rico		188,014	-39%		3,270	0%	
Saba		12	-100%		0	0%	
Saint Barthelemy		1,672	20%		4	0%	
Saint Kitts and Nevis		2,782	7%		28	-100%	
Saint Lucia		12,989	23%		280	-89%	
Saint Martin		4,031	-10%		38	0%	
Saint Pierre and Miquelon		84	43%		0	0%	
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		5,525	26%		74	0%	
Sint Eustatius		31	-100%		0	0%	
Sint Maarten		4,584	21%		75	0%	
Suriname		50,823	-19%		1,166	8%	
Trinidad and Tobago		70,598	19%		2,134	47%	
Turks and Caicos		3,096	-73%		24	0%	
Virgin Islands (UK)		2,809	0%		38	0%	
Virgin Islands (US)		7,511	-48%		86	0%	
Subtotal		2,139,763			27,455		
Total		97,016,540			2,350,543		

* 7 Day Moving Average



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 130 November 2020 Guidance, available at: <https://bit.ly/2FxFk2fs>.
- Data is updated on a weekly basis for the British Virgin Islands, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Nicaragua, Saint Barthelemy, Saint Martin, and Saint Pierre and Miquelon.
- As of 130 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 latest Bahamas Ministry of Health (MoH) publication, there are a total of 68 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3wh84Aq>,

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> ,,,

El Salvador: Cumulative cases and deaths as published by the Government of El Salvador: <https://covid19.gob.sv/>. The government presents a retroactively adjusted epidemiological curve of daily cases on the same dashboard.

Jamaica: According to the latest Jamaica Ministry of Health and Wellness press release, there are a total of 345 additional deaths under investigation, available at: <https://bit.ly/3qAwIJo>

Mexico: On 1 June 2021, the Mexico Ministry of Health reported 4,272 deaths in 24 hours. Of these, 3,924 were reported in 2020 and the remaining were reported in 2021. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3pfdMA8>

Nicaragua: Please note there are discrepancies with the data published by the Citizen's Observatory COVID-19 Nicaragua as of 17 November 2021. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3pw7ZVR>

Peru: Aggregated case total as reported by the Peru MoH; latest disaggregated data available is 667,824 by RT-PCR + 616,609 by antigen tests + 948,316 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>. On 31 May 2021, the Government of Peru announced that, after revision, the death toll was 180,764 deaths as of 22 May 2021, available at: <https://bit.ly/3fYGj8V>. The number of cumulative deaths reported prior to the revision, on 30 May, was 69,342, available at: <https://bit.ly/3pkar2U>.

Puerto Rico: Aggregated case total as reported by the Puerto Rico Department of Health (DoH); 153,946 were positive by RT-PCR and 34,068 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/3AXY7KU>

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 30-November. 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. Case and death counts may differ from other US CDC data sources because these are provisional counts which are subject to change, including updates to data reported previously, adjustments can occur. Sources: <https://bit.ly/2RSspap5> and <https://bit.ly/2RVi2n6>.

Uruguay: According to the latest Uruguay Ministry of Public Health report, the total notes 06 positive cases reported in the last 24 hours were excluded from the total. Available at: <https://bit.ly/3D9Jmon>.

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

ISO3_CODE	Adjusted Date	Cases	Deaths	Source
ARG	2021-11-27	5324039	116505	
BHS	2021-11-29	22773	671	https://bit.ly/3roOeUk
CAN	2021-11-28	1785191	29634	
CAN	2021-11-29	1787810	29643	
ECU	2021-11-29	526800	33234	https://bit.ly/3EguJkw
GTM	2021-11-26	617037	15898	https://bit.ly/3I7wmmN
HND	2021-11-28	377888	10403	https://bit.ly/3D8mPbw
HTI	2021-11-26	25146	736	https://bit.ly/31dr08M
HTI	2021-11-27	25175	738	https://bit.ly/3rmMHOt
HTI	2021-11-28	25202	738	https://bit.ly/3FVNmdI
HTI	2021-11-29	25265	738	https://mspp.gouv.ht/site/downloads/Sitrep%20COVID-19_26-11-2021.pdf
SPM	2021-11-27	75	0	https://bit.ly/3d50XmQ
SPM	2021-11-28	81	0	https://bit.ly/3dlvvRr
SPM	2021-11-29	84	0	https://bit.ly/3D4FjcF
USA	2021-11-27	47949911	772896	
USA	2021-11-29	48042930	773150	