

This situation update is on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) reported cases and deaths, Globally, Regionally, for Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and the United Kingdom Overseas Territories.

Food Safety during the COVID-19 Pandemic



This year's <u>World Food Safety Day</u>, was observed on 07 June 2020, in the middle of the COVID-19 crisis. The current global crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has emphasized more than ever before the importance of monitoring and addressing food safety. It has also highlighted the need for food safety systems to be adapted to respond to disruptions in supply chains and ensure continued access to safe food. See <u>WHO EUROPE statement on</u> <u>World Food Safety Day</u>.

In the context of COVID-19, people can follow the same "<u>Five Keys</u> to <u>Safer Food</u>" that WHO always recommends to protect against bacteria, viruses, parasites, chemicals and toxins. See also WHO Q&A to <u>consumers</u>.

There is no evidence that the transmission of COVID-19 is carried by food. COVID-19 is a respiratory illness and the transmission route is through person-to-person contact and through direct contact with respiratory droplets generated when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

BE AWARE.

PREPARE.

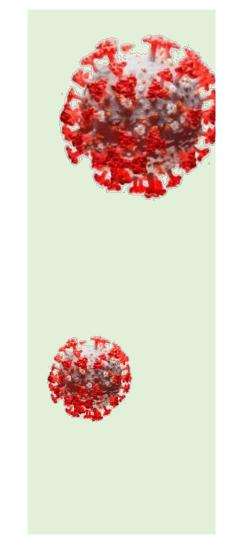
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COVID-19 case update: In Eastern Caribbean countries only Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has recorded one more case. French Guiana and Saint Martin have additional cases also reported. (please see *Table 1* on page 3)

Anguilla	- no new cases for 67 days
Virgin Islands (UK)	- no new cases for 23 days
Antigua and Barbuda	- no new cases for 8 days
Barbados	- no new cases for 17 days
Dominica	- no new cases for 61 days
Grenada	- no new cases for 15 days
Montserrat	- no case for 57 days
Saint Kitts and Nevis	- no new cases for 52 days
Saint Lucia	- last case on 04 June 2020
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	- last case on 07 June 2020



Updates

Global	PAHO - Region of the Americas
6,985,864 confirmed cases,	3,366,251 confirmed cases,
403,003 deaths <i>in</i>	183,950 deaths <i>in</i>
215 countries, areas or territories	54 countries, areas or territories

Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories

Country	Confirmed Cases	Deaths	No of Tests	Transmission Type	Schools Closed	Travel Restrictions	Social / Physical Distance	State of Emergency (Curfew ends)	COVID-19 Web Address and Hotline
Anguilla	3	0	70	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	<u>https://beatcovid19.ai/</u> (264) 476-7627
Antigua & Barbuda	25	3	149	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (12 June 2020)	https://ab.gov.ag/detail_page.php?page=42 (268) 462-6843
Barbados	92	7	5,925	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (30 June 2020)	https://gisbarbados.gov.bb/covid-19/ (246) 536-4500
British Virgin Islands	8	1	157	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	https://bvi.gov.vg/covid-19 (284) 852-7650
Dominica	16	0	433	Clusters cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	http://dominica.gov.dm/corona (767) 448-2151
French Guiana	729	1	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	Yes	-	
Grenada	23	0	523	Clusters of case	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (3 June 2020)	<u>https://covid19.gov.gd/</u> (473) 458-4787 / (473) 538-4787
Guadeloupe	164	14	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	Yes	-	https://www.guadeloupe.ars.sante.fr/
Martinique	202	14	-	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	https://www.martinique.ars.sante.fr/
Montserrat	11	1	61	Sporadic cases only	Yes	-	Yes	- (01 July 2020)	http://www.gov.ms/latest-on-the-coronavirus/
Saint Barthélemy	6	0	-	Sporadic cases only	-	-	-	-	
Saint Lucia	19	0	965	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://www.covid19response.lc/
Saint Martin	41	3		Sporadic cases only				-	https://www.stmartinweek.fr/
St Kitts & Nevis	15	0	403	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (13 th June 2020)	https://www.covid19.gov.kn/
St Vincent & the Grenadines	27	0	638	Sporadic cases only	Yes	-	-	-	http://health.gov.vc/health/index.php/c (784) 534-4325
Total	1381	44			•	•	•	•	

Table 1: COVID-19 status in Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories. 'Sporadic cases only' indicates countries/territories/areas with one or more cases, imported or locally detected. 'Clusters of cases' indicates countries/territories/areas experiencing cases clustered in time, geographic location and/or by common exposures.

Data in red new.

Disclaimer: Data is updated by 5:00PM each day and there could be delays in reporting. Any discrepancies from national data figures will be edited on the next issue.



PAHO issues guidance to reduce COVID-19 transmission among indigenous, afro-descendant groups

Washington, DC, June 8, 2020 (PAHO)—The Pan American Health Organization has published a guide with recommendations on measures to reduce COVID-19 transmission among indigenous populations, Afro-descendants, and other ethnic groups. These focus on promoting hygiene, social distancing, and improving access to basic health services in their communities.

The PAHO guidance notes that these groups face singular challenges, such as higher poverty levels, lack of access to some basic services such as water and sanitation, and cultural barriers, including language barriers. Other factors that can increase their vulnerability include health service access barriers, a higher prevalence of chronic diseases, less access to social safety nets, mistrust caused by a history of racism, and high levels of informal labor among members of these communities.

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