

# Global & Regional Update. 2 PM WDC.

15 April 2020

**Global**    1,952,480  
cases

119,507  
deaths

212  
countries/territories/areas

## HIGHLIGHTS

In the Region of the Americas, an additional 31,558 cases and 2,986 deaths were reported in the past 24 hours – representing an 5% (cases) and 11% (deaths) relative increase compared to the previous day. Majority of the new cases (25,802 cases) and deaths (2,395) continue to be reported from the United States of America.

- Other countries in the region with significant increase in cases compared to the previous day are Brazil (1,832 additional cases, 8 % increase), Canada (1,394 additional cases, 5% increase) and the Dominican Republic (328 additional cases, 10% increase).
- Of the total 2,986 new deaths (confirmed +probable) reported in the past 24 hours majority were reported by the United States of America (2,395 additional deaths, 80% of total new deaths), followed by Brazil (204 new deaths, 6.8%), Canada (131 new deaths, 4.4%), Ecuador (133 new deaths, 4.5%) and Mexico (74 new deaths, 2.5%)
- While the true mortality of COVID-19 will take some time to fully understand, the data we have so far indicate that the highest crude mortality ratio (the number of reported deaths divided by the reported cases) among the countries with more than 1,000 cumulative cases reported to date are Mexico (7.5%), Ecuador (11.5%), Brazil (6.1%) and the Dominican Republic (5.2%). See table 1
- In the United States, the New York State Governor announced a new order requiring residents to cover their faces in public spaces where social distancing isn't feasible, like on public transport. While the state remains the epicenter of the outbreak in the US, daily death toll remained steady – 752 deaths in the past 24 hours – and hospitalizations continued on the downward trend reported since last week.

## Global Updates

France reported 1,438 new deaths in the past 24 hours – which is almost double the amount reported the previous day. The surge in deaths is due to new data from retirement and nursing homes from where reporting was inconsistent previously. In addition, the country reported that more than 650 sailors out of 1,767 that were tested are positive for COVID-19 – they were among a crew of 2,000 sailors who were aboard an aircraft carrier.

As of today, Belgium has the second highest death rate in Europe with a total of 4,440 COVID-19 deaths reported to date – 383 deaths per 1 million residents, and second only to Spain which has reported 18,579 deaths to date (rate of 389 deaths per 1 million residents)

While local cases have been diminished in China, imported cases are on the rise, especially from Russia – 409 of its imported cases to date are from Russia. The Chinese government has now closed a border with Russia at Suifenhe, a city in Heilongjiang.

Singapore reported 334 new cases of COVID-19 on April 14 (including 198 linked to "foreign worker dormitories") and 447 new cases on April 15. In total, Singapore has reported at least 3,252 confirmed cases (through April 14) and 10 deaths (1 new).

## PAHO

707,720 (+5%)  
Cases\*

30,827 (+11%)  
deaths \*

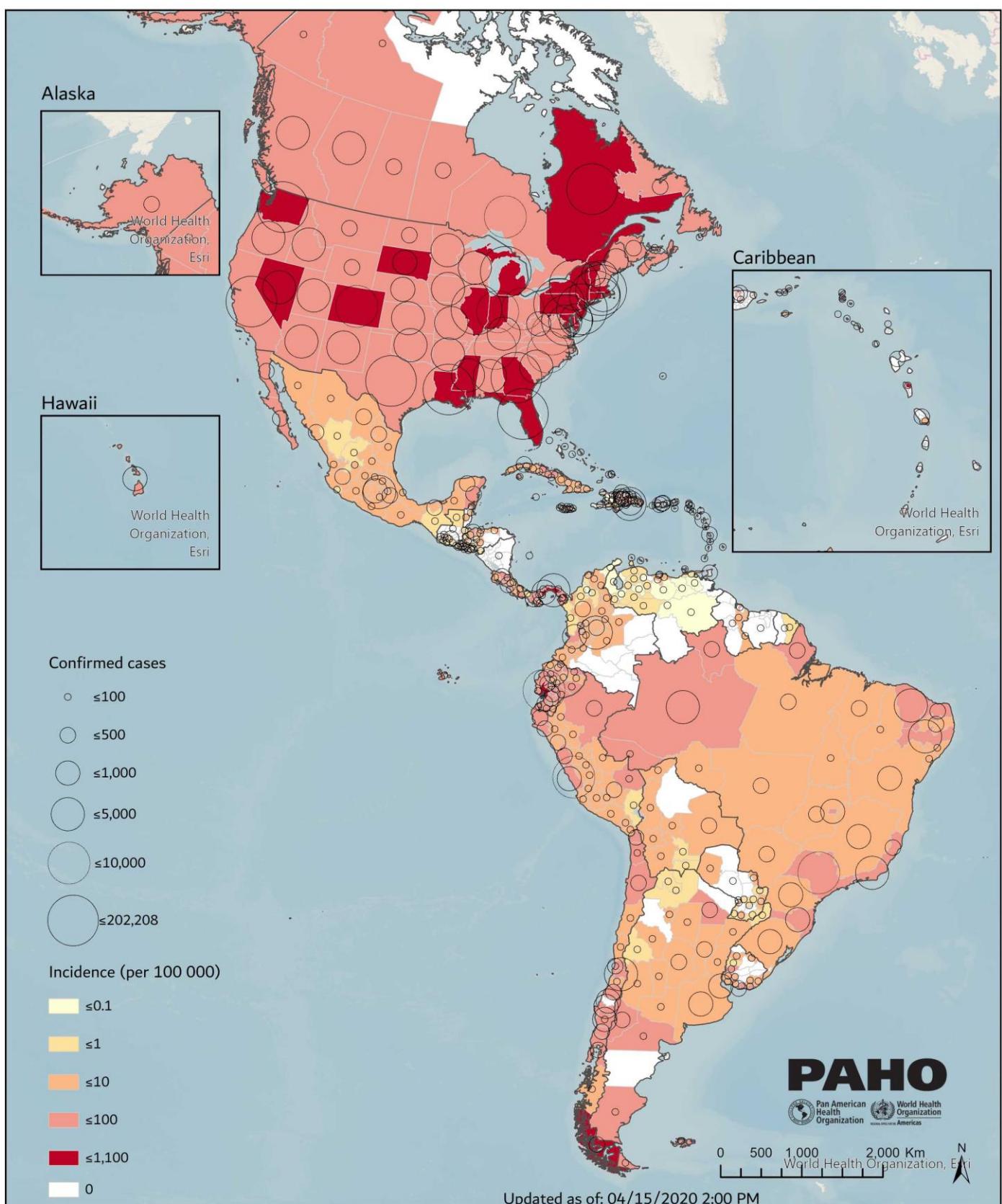
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Countries/areas/territories

\* Total includes both confirmed and probable for Ecuador (cases & deaths) and Canada (cases).

**Table 1:** Cumulative cases and deaths among PAHO countries with  $\geq 1,000$  cumulative confirmed cases

Country	cases	deaths
USA	604,070	25,871
Canada	27,557	954
Brazil	25,262	1,532
Peru	10,303	230
Ecuador	8,440	970
Chile	8,273	94
Mexico	5,399	406
Dominican Republic	3,614	189
Panama	3,574	95
Colombia	2,979	127
Argentina	2,477	108

**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 April 2020**



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Cumulative confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases reported by countries and territories in the Americas, as of 15 April 2020

Updated as of 2 PM

Sub-Region	Country/Territory	Cases		Deaths		Recovered	% Relative Increase in Confirmed Cases	Transmission Type
		Confirmed	Probable	Confirmed	Probable			
North America	Canada	27,540	17	954		7,969	5%	Community transmission
	Mexico	5,399		406			8%	Community transmission
	United States of America (the)	604,070		25,871		37,816	4%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	637,099	17	27,231	0	45,785	5%	
Central America	Belize	18		2			0%	Sporadic cases
	Costa Rica	618		3		66	1%	Clusters of cases
	El Salvador	159		6		30	7%	Clusters of cases
	Guatemala	180		5		19	8%	Clusters of cases
	Honduras	419		31		7	3%	Clusters of cases
	Nicaragua	9		1		3	0%	Undetermined
	Panama	3,574		95		72	3%	Community transmission
	Subtotal	4,977	0	143	0	197	3%	
South America	Argentina	2,477		108		596	6%	Community transmission
	Bolivia	397		28		7	12%	Clusters of cases
	Brazil	25,262		1,532		14,026	8%	Community transmission
	Chile	8,273		94		2,937	4%	Community transmission
	Colombia	2,979		127		354	4%	Community transmission
	Ecuador	7,858	582	388	582	780	3%	Community transmission
	Paraguay	161		8		23	1%	Community transmission
	Peru	10,303		230		989	0%	Community transmission
	Uruguay	492		8		260	2%	Clusters of cases
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	193		9		111	7%	Clusters of cases
	Subtotal	58,395	582	2,532	582	20,083	5%	
Caribbean and Atlantic Ocean Islands	Anguilla	3				1	0%	Sporadic cases
	Antigua and Barbuda	23		2		3	0%	Clusters of cases
	Aruba	93		1		39	1%	Clusters of cases
	Bahamas (the)	49		8		6	0%	Clusters of cases
	Barbados	73		5		15	1%	Clusters of cases
	Bermuda	57		5		30	0%	Clusters of cases
	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba	4					0%	Sporadic cases
	Cayman Islands	54		1		6	0%	Clusters of cases
	Cuba	814		24		151	6%	Clusters of cases
	Curacao	14		1		10	0%	Sporadic cases
	Dominica	16				8	0%	Clusters of cases
	Dominican Republic (the)	3,614		189		208	10%	Community transmission
	Falkland Islands (the) [Malvinas]	11				1	0%	Clusters of cases
	French Guiana	95				61	8%	Clusters of cases
	Grenada	14					0%	Clusters of cases
	Guadeloupe	145		8		68	0%	Clusters of cases
	Guyana	48		6		8	2%	Clusters of cases
	Haiti	41		3			3%	Clusters of cases
	Jamaica	105		5		21	44%	Clusters of cases
	Martinique	158		8		73	1%	Clusters of cases
	Montserrat	11				1	0%	Sporadic cases
	Puerto Rico	974		51			6%	Clusters of cases
	Saint Barthelemy	6				4	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Kitts and Nevis	14				0	17%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Lucia	15				11	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Martin	35		2		13	0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	1					0%	Sporadic cases
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	12				1	0%	Sporadic cases
	Sint Maarten	53		9		5	2%	Clusters of cases
	Suriname	10		1		4	0%	Sporadic cases
	Trinidad and Tobago	114		8		19	1%	Sporadic cases
	Turks and Caicos	10		1			0%	Sporadic cases
	Virgin Islands (UK)	3				2	0%	Sporadic cases
	Virgin Islands (US)	51		1		44	0%	Clusters of cases
	Subtotal	6,740	0	339	0	813	8%	
	Total	707,121	599	30,245	582	66,878	5%	

Note: WHO recommends using the following categories to describe **transmission patterns** at national and sub-national levels (wherever possible) to guide decisions for preparedness, readiness and response activities.

Category number	Category name	Definition
1	No cases	Countries/territories/areas with no cases
2	Sporadic cases	Countries/territories/areas with one or more cases, imported or locally detected
3	Clusters of cases	Countries/territories/areas experiencing cases, clustered in time, geographic location and/or by common exposures
4	Community transmission	Countries/area/territories experiencing larger outbreaks of local transmission defined through an assessment of factors including, but not limited to: - Large numbers of cases not linkable to transmission chains - Large numbers of cases from sentinel lab surveillance - Multiple unrelated clusters in several areas of the country/territory/area