COVID-19 Situation Update - 61



























Office for Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries

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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.

Immunization during COVID-19 pandemic

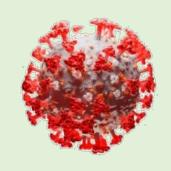


As a public health emergency of international concern, the COVID-19 pandemic (caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 virus) has drawn global attention and response. Because of this, many countries in the Eastern Caribbean have initiated a range of measures to mitigate the transmission of SARS-CoV-2 and reduce the impact of the outbreak on healthcare systems, including shifting of healthcare resources (human and financial) to the COVID-19 response.

However, these measures have led to various levels of disruption being experienced in the provision of Immunization services and the public's perceptions on the safety of vaccines during the Pandemic. Disruption of immunization services, even for brief periods, will result in increased numbers of susceptible individuals and raise the likelihood of outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases (VPDs) such as measles. Such outbreaks may result in increased morbidity and mortality predominantly in young infants and other vulnerable groups, which can cause greater burden on health systems already strained by the COVID-19 response.

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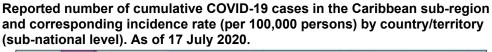


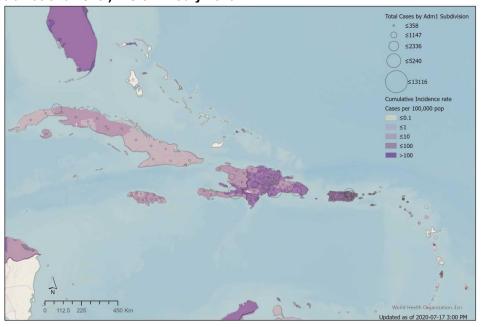


COVID-19 case update:

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to accelerate with over 13 million cases and 585 000 deaths reported globally. All countries are affected but they can be broadly categorized under 4 categories: those who have successfully avoided large outbreaks, those who have overcome them, those who are seeing a resurgence in cases ('new peaks') and finally, those in an intense phase of transmission.

COUNTRY	COVID-19 CASE UPDATE
Anguilla	no new cases for 104 days
Antigua and Barbuda	last case on 16 July 2020
Barbados	last case on 15 July 2020
British Virgin Islands (UK)	no new cases for 64 days
Dominica	no new cases for 47 days
Grenada	no new cases for 53 days
Montserrat	last case on 09 July 2020
Saint Kitts and Nevis	last case on 10 July 2020
Saint Lucia	last case on 14 July 2020
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	last case on 12 July 2020

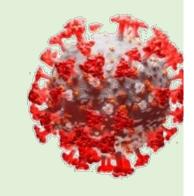


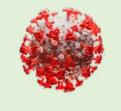




Updates

Global	PAHO - Region of the Americas
13,768,124 confirmed cases,	7,306,508 confirmed cases,
590,380 deaths <i>in</i>	302,508 deaths <i>in</i>
216 countries, areas, or territories	54 countries, areas, or territories







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

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Country	Confirmed Cases	Deaths	No of Tests	Transmission Type	Status of Schools	Travel Restrictions	Masks Mandatory	State of Emergency (Curfew ends)	COVID-19 Web Address and Hotline
Anguilla	3	0	392	No cases	Schools open	Yes	No	No	https://beatcovid19.ai/ (264) 476-7627
Antigua & Barbuda	76	3	930	Clusters of cases	-	Yes		Yes	https://ab.gov.ag/detail_page.php?page=42 (268) 462-6843
Barbados	104	7	9,270	Clusters of cases	Varied stages of reopening	Yes	Yes	No	https://gisbarbados.gov.bb/covid-19/ (246) 536-4500
British Virgin Islands	8	1	784	Sporadic cases only	Partial opening	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://bvi.gov.vg/covid-19 (284) 852-7650
Dominica	18	0	921	Clusters cases only	Schools closed	Yes	Specific settings only	No	http://dominica.gov.dm/corona (767) 448-2151
French Guiana	6,509	34	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-	
Grenada	23	0	961	Clusters of case	Schools closed except Form 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://covid19.gov.gd/ (473) 458-4787 / (473) 538-4787
Guadeloupe	195	14	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	-	-	https://www.guadeloupe.ars.sante.fr/
Martinique	261	15	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	-	-	https://www.martinique.ars.sante.fr/
Montserrat	12	1	130	No cases	-	Yes	No	No	http://www.gov.ms/latest-on-the- coronavirus/
Saint Barthélemy	6	0	-	Sporadic cases only	-	-	-	-	
Saint Lucia	23	0	2,082	Sporadic cases only	-	Yes	Specific settings only	Yes	https://www.covid19response.lc/
Saint Martin	46	3		Sporadic cases only	-		-	-	https://www.stmartinweek.fr/
St Kitts & Nevis	17	0	725	No cases	Schools closed	Yes	Yes	Yes (27 July 2020)	https://www.covid19.gov.kn/
St Vincent & the Grenadines	35	0	1,268	Sporadic cases only	Partial closure	No	Specific settings only	No	http://health.gov.vc/health/index.php/c (784) 534-4325
Total	7.336	78	17.463						

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.

TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS FOR BARBADOS AND THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES							
Country / Territory	Entry Requirement / Testing / Prior Up on Arrival	Entry Requirements / Quarantine Days	Entry Requirement / Fee For Testing / Quarantine				
ANGUILLA (borders open only for returning nationals/residents, and crew of aircraft and ship)	 Pre-travel registration Ports closed to regional and international traffic until 14 July 2020 	Mandatory 14-day quarantine	Release from quarantine conditional to a negative test for COVID-19				
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA	 Face mask on disembarkation Negative RT-PCR test within 7 days of travel Health declaration form Health and temperature screening upon arrival 	Quarantine up to 14 days at home, hotel, or a government facility	No cost for testing upon arrival and no cost for quarantine at Government facilities				
BARBADOS	 Face mask while at the airport Negative RT-PCR test prior to arrival Health screening upon arrival Entry denial if no evidence of a negative RT-PCR upon arrival and refusal to be tested 	 Quarantine for contacts of a positive case Citizens, permanent residents, and those with a permanent status will also be quarantined if no evidence of a negative RT-PCR result and refusal to be tested. 	 Testing upon arrival if no evidence of a negative RT-PCR test. No cost for testing and for accommodation while waiting for the results unless the test is done at a hotel (US\$150) Second test after 7 days for passengers from high risk areas (USA, Brazil, other parts of Latin America, and Eastern Europe) 				
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS	 Pre-Travel online application form Inspection of residences to ascertain suitability for home quarantine Mandatory wearing of mask at airport Health Screening on arrival 	Mandatory 14-day quarantine	Release from quarantine conditional on a negative COVID-19 test				
DOMINICA	 Pre-arrival online health questionnaire Paper-based form/kiosk system at arrival if unable to complete the online form Negative RT-PCR result upon arrival 	Quarantine for 10 days or until 2 negative RT-PCR results if asymptomatic but positive IgM antibody test and RT-PCR positive	 Rapid testing at cost (not specified) upon arrival if no proof of on-line payment Screening by RT-PCR if fever or positive IgM test without fever 				

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	 For CARICOM nationals a negative/non-reactive IgG antibody test or proof of stay in the homeland for the last 14 days is sufficient to meet entry requirements Health and temperature screening upon arrival 					
* * * * GRENADA	 Certified copy of a negative COVID-19 PCR Test within 7 days – if travel from a medium or a high-risk country Pre-travel Health Declaration Form Travel insurance for non-nationals or agreement to cover the cost for treatment and isolation Pre-travel downloading of the contact tracing app Face mask or face covering is required 	 For travelers from low and medium risk countries 14-day quarantine at a state approved quarantine facility if positive PCR test For travelers from high risk countries those testing negative on PCR 14-day quarantine at a state approved quarantine facility. For those testing positive they are quarantined for 14-days at a state facility. Release from quarantine after 2 negative PCR test results within 48 hours Testing and quarantine is at the travelers expense 	 PCR test is required if the traveler from a low or medium risk country tests positive on the rapid test on arrival. Results expected within 24h to 48h. All persons travelling from high risk countries will be tested via PCR on arrival. 			
MONTSERRAT (borders open only for returning nationals/residents, and crew of aircraft and ship)	 Pre-travel online "Access Declaration Form" within 3 days of travel Mandatory mask wearing at the airport Health screening including travel history and address / place of residence in the past 14 days 	Quarantine for 14 days for all retuning nationals / residents and for the crew members	Testing is not mentioned in the protocol			
SAINT KITTS & NEVIS	 Online health questionnaire Face Mask on disembarkation Health Declaration Form to be filled out Health and temperature screening 	 14-day quarantine in a Government facility PCR test conducted at least 48-72 hours prior to leaving quarantine 	 US\$150.00 for the PCR test US\$500.00 for the 14 day stay in the Government facility (Not inclusive of meals or laundry access) 			

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(borders open only for returning nationals / residents)	Compulsory filling out of the section on the immigration form on travel history	Immediate Isolation of a positive PCR test				
SAINT LUCIA	 Pre-arrival online registration Negative RT-PCR test within 7 days of travel except if travel from the Travel Bubble including OECS, Barbados, Jamaica, Guyana, Bahamas, Turks and Caicos, Curacao, UKOTs and French Departments in the Americas Health and temperature screening 	 Pre-arrival online registration Negative RT-PCR test within 7 days of travel except if travel from the Travel Bubble including OECS, Barbados, Jamaica, Guyana, Bahamas, Turks and Caicos, Curacao, UKOTs and French Departments in the Americas Health and temperature screening 	Testing upon arrival at the traveler's cost if no evidence of a negative RT-PCR test result			
SAINT VINCENT & THE GRENADINES	 Pre-travel online application form Health form, health, and temperature screening upon arrival RT-PCR test upon arrival depending on the country where the traveler stayed in the past 14 days (country of origin) except travelers from the Caribbean Bubble (OECS, UKOTS, Barbados, Jamaica, T&T, Guyana) or evidence of a negative Antibody test (within 5 days) or a negative Antigen test or RT-PCR test (within 2 days). If the test done upon arrival is positive, the traveler will be transferred to an isolation facility 	 24-h court-ordered quarantine while waiting for the PCR test results. No quarantine for persons with documented negative test result upon arrival but 14-day self-monitoring of temperature and disease symptoms 	Testing by rapid test and RT-PCR if no evidence of a negative test result at arrival			

Disclaimer: *The above travel requirements are compiled based on available press releases, social media postings and government officials' statements. For up to date information please contact respective governments official websites.

PAHO's Response



PAHO/WHO and Canada contribute to Barbados' COVID-19 response

The Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) in collaboration with the government of Canada, recently made a significant contribution of essential COVID-19 supplies to Barbados.

The government of Canada made available to PAHO the sum of CAD 7.5 million in support of addressing COVID-19 for essential action to save lives, protect health workers, and slow the spread of the virus. From this Canadian grant Barbados was allocated CAD 485,614.00.

During a donation ceremony which took place 15 July 2020, at the PAHO/WHO Office in Barbados, Dr Yitades Gebre, PAHO/WHO Representative to Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean stated that COVID-19 essential products and supplies totalling US \$200,000 were purchased.

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