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Daily Global Situation Report

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

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WHAT WE'RE WATCHING

Today, Syria will hold presidential elections pitting Bashar Al-Assad against two relatively unknown candidates, with an outcome that is all but assured. Voting will only be allowed for Syrians living in regime-controlled areas, and many tribes have vowed to boycott the sham election.

The actual intention behind the rigged vote, however, may be to create the appearance of democratic legitimacy so that Gulf Arab states and others can more comfortably reengage in dialogue with the dictator and, ultimately, invest in the rebuilding of the country following ten years of devastating war.



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Global

Globally, confirmed coronavirus cases surpassed 167.8 million with 3.4 million deaths.

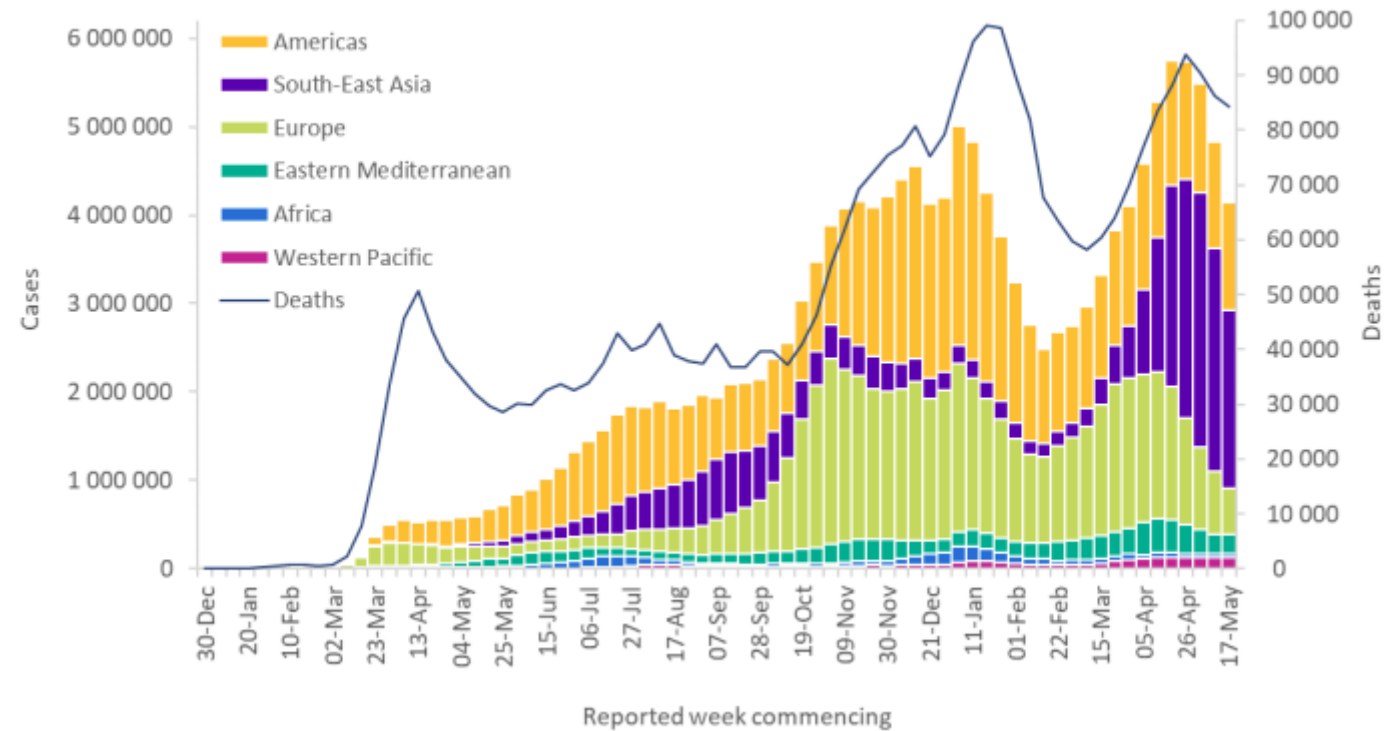
- Japanese newspaper publisher Asahi Shimbun, an official partner of the **Tokyo 2020 Olympics**, called for the games to be cancelled in an editorial on Wednesday, citing coronavirus risks to public safety and strains on the medical system.

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Global

Globally, over the past week, the number of new cases and deaths reported continued to decrease, with over 4.1 million new cases and 84 000 new deaths reported. The European Region reported the largest decline in new cases and deaths this week, followed by the South-East Asia Region. The Region of the Americas, Eastern Mediterranean, African, and Western Pacific Regions reported similar numbers of cases to the previous week.

Figure 1. COVID-19 cases reported weekly by WHO Region, and global deaths, as of 23 May 2021**



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COVID-19 Vaccine

Pfizer plans to apply for emergency use authorization in the US in September for use of its COVID-19 vaccine in kids aged 2-11.

- A new CDC report found that “**breakthrough**” **COVID-19 cases** are relatively rare, with a total of 10,262 individuals testing positive for the virus after being fully vaccinated between January and April.
- **Moderna** said that its vaccine showed 100 percent efficacy in a clinical trial of **children** aged 12 to 17.

Markets & Business

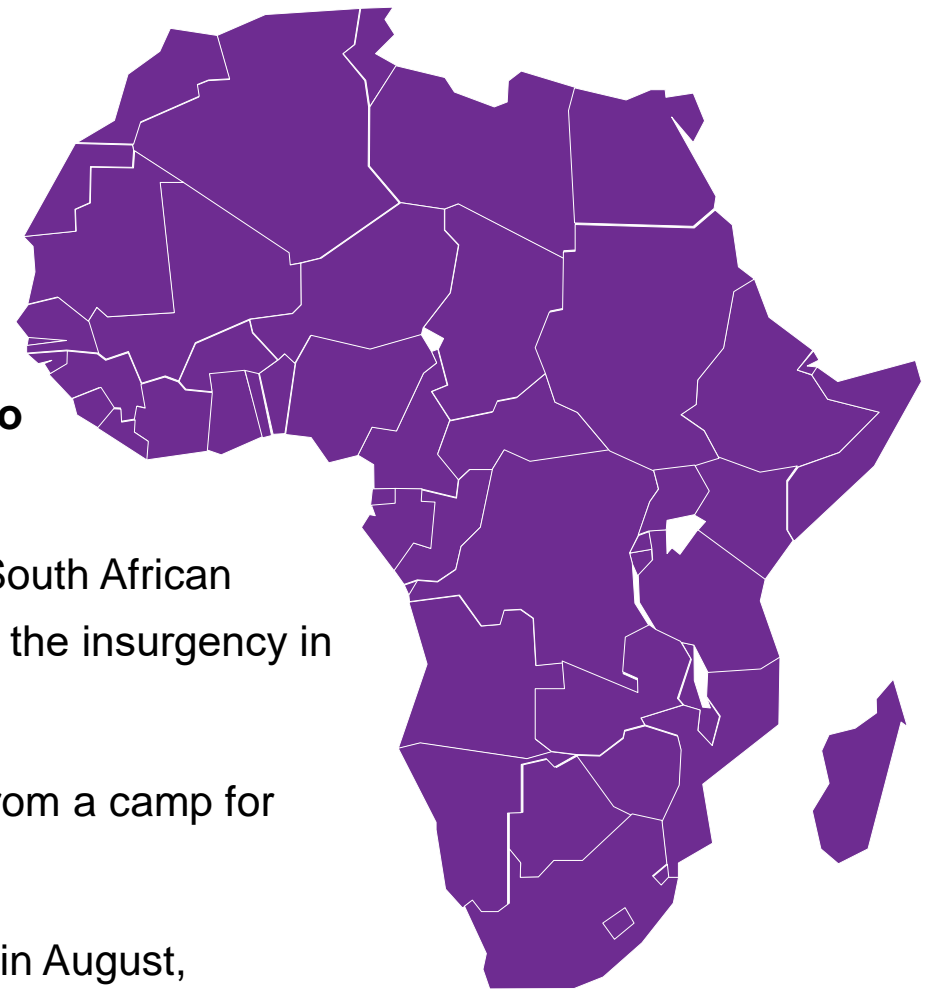
A new report published by ISS Corporate Solutions found that the number of S&P 500 companies appointing black board members has jumped since in the year since George Floyd's murder.

- US Federal Reserve Vice Chairman Clarida became the latest official to say the central bank may soon discuss reducing **asset purchases**.
- **United** predicted it will be profitable in Q3 as summer domestic travel boosts flight prices.
- Auto insurer **Geico** will begin using AI to process policyholders vehicle repair needs.
- **Morgan Stanley's** global head of prime brokerage Ed Keller is stepping down, after the division triggered a \$911 million hit to firm profits through dealing with **Archegos Capital**.
- Washington DC sued **Amazon** for allegedly violating the district's competition laws through its pricing for merchants.
- The European Commission is set to open a formal probe into **Facebook's** alleged anti-competitive practices.

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Africa

- Powerful aftershocks from the eruption of the Sunday eruption of the Mount Nyiragongo volcano in the **Democratic Republic of the Congo** opened new fissures in the ground and drove further displacement.
- **Mozambican** President Nyusi called an extraordinary summit of the South African Development Community to request the group's assistance in fighting the insurgency in Cabo Delgado.
- **Ethiopian and Eritrean** soldiers forcibly detained some 400 people from a camp for displaced people near Tigray.
- **Malian** interim vice president Colonel Assimi Goita, who led the coup in August, announced that he had seized power a day after detaining the interim president and prime minister, saying that they had failed to consult him about a recent government reshuffle that removed several military figures from the cabinet.



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Asia

- Total births in **Japan** fell 4.7 percent in the year ending in March, in evidence that the pandemic will worsen the country's demographic crunch.
- Hackers who targeted hospitals in **New Zealand's** Waikato district have released what appears to be private patient information to media outlets, as health systems struggled to come back online more than a week after the attack.
- **Thai** law-enforcement officials are considering early parole as a measure to curb prison outbreaks of COVID-19.
- **China** is bracing for a heavy flood season with 71 rivers already exceeding warning levels, as meteorological authorities warned that global warming is fueling more extreme weather.
- **Chinese** foreign minister Wang Yi criticized the **EU** for freezing the Comprehensive Investment Agreement (CAI) and linking the deal to human rights concerns.



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How do You Manage Risks?

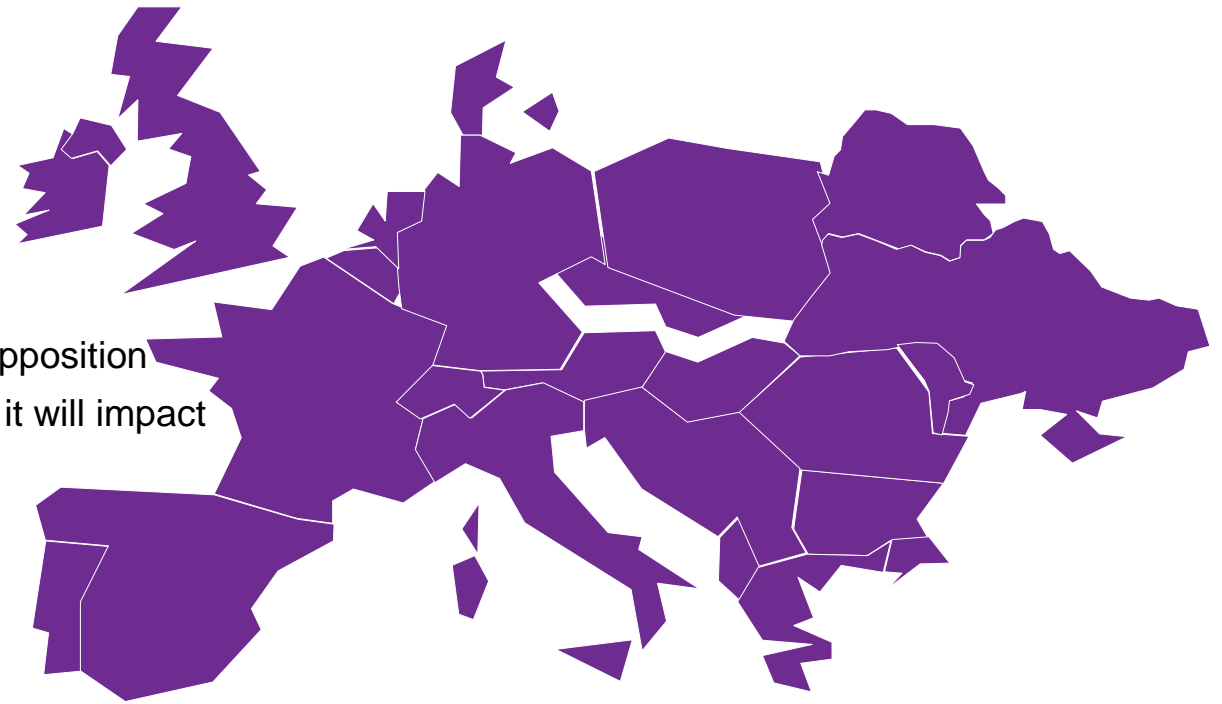
The coronavirus pandemic has not just added a new layer of risk for business leaders to navigate, but has accelerated drivers of change, including disruptive technologies, political and economic realignments and cultural priorities on equality, justice and conservation, while increasing vulnerabilities that bad actors seek to exploit.

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Europe

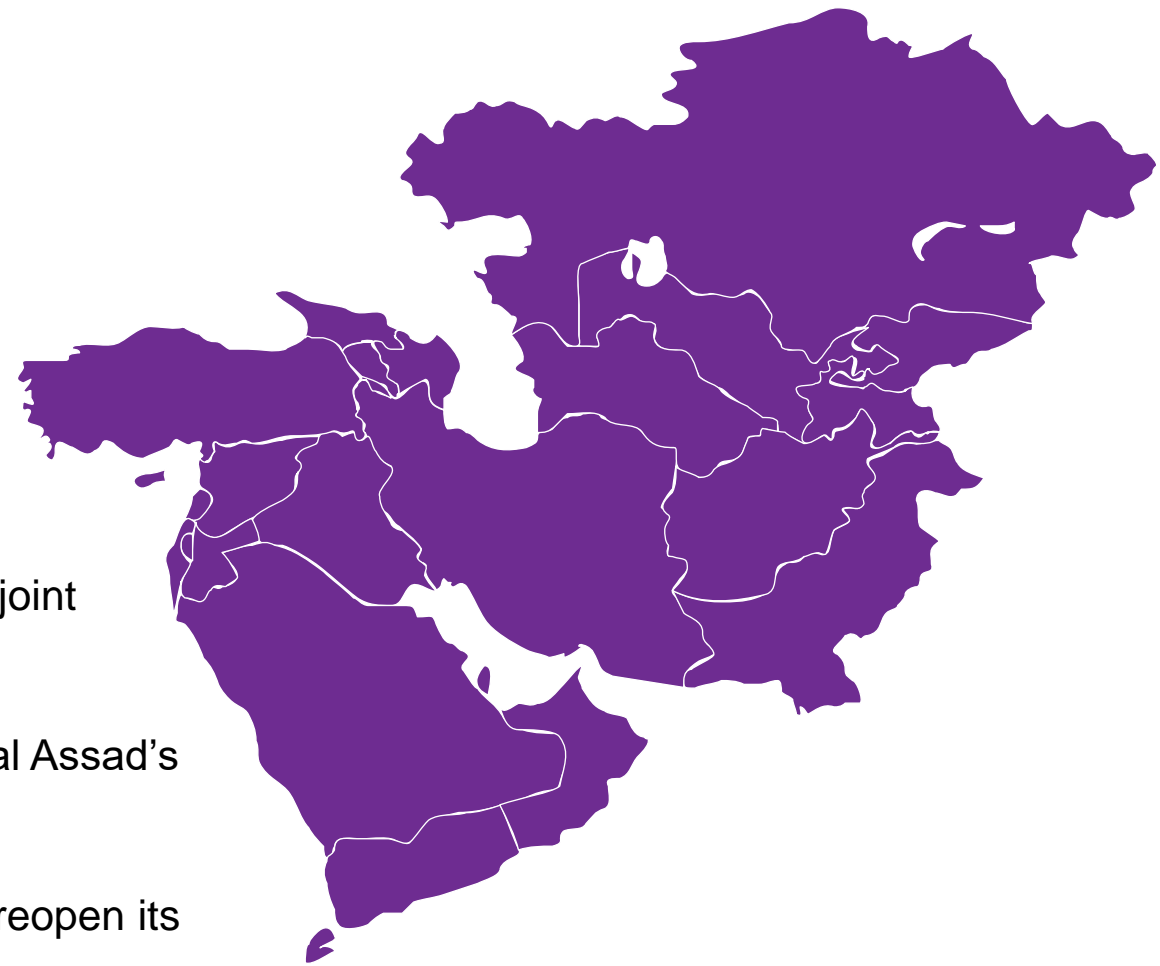


- At a Tuesday summit in Brussels, **Poland's** prime minister led opposition to upcoming plans to extend **Europe's** carbon price, arguing that it will impact poorer countries the most.
- The Siberian province of Yakutia will make COVID-19 vaccines mandatory for some workers as **Russian** officials warn that nationwide uptake is too slow. **Austria** is banning flights from the **UK** due to the prevalence of the Indian variant there. **Romania** surpassed 30,000 deaths.
- Opposition groups in **Belarus** are pressing the **EU** to sanction state-owned oil and petrochemical companies over the detention of journalist Roman Protasevich. **Russia** dismissed allegations of involvement in the diversion of Protasevich's flight as "*obsessive Russiaphobia*." **French** President Macron called for the Belarusian opposition to join the upcoming Group of 7 meeting; host **UK** said there were no plans.
- **Azerbaijan** accused **Armenian** forces of firing at its troops across the two countries' international border on May 24-26. Relations between the two countries remain strained after Azeri troops last year drove ethnic Armenian forces out of territory they had controlled since the 1990s in and around the Nagorno-Karabakh region.

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Middle East

- **Oman's** Sultan Haitham ordered a new jobs initiative that would employ 2,000 in the wake of rare protests over unemployment in the country.
- **Russia** announced that it is training **Saudi** cosmonauts for a joint manned space mission.
- **Syrians** vote today in an election in which President Bashar al Assad's victory is considered pre-determined.
- **US** Secretary of State Blinken announced that the US would reopen its **Jerusalem** consulate to reestablish ties with the Palestinian Authority, and increase development aid to Palestinian territories, in a visit to Ramallah in the **West Bank**.
- The head of the IAEA has warned that **Iran** is enriching uranium at purity levels that "*only countries making bombs are reaching*". Iran officially approved seven candidates for its upcoming elections, but barred several popular prospective candidates, including former president Ahmadinejad.



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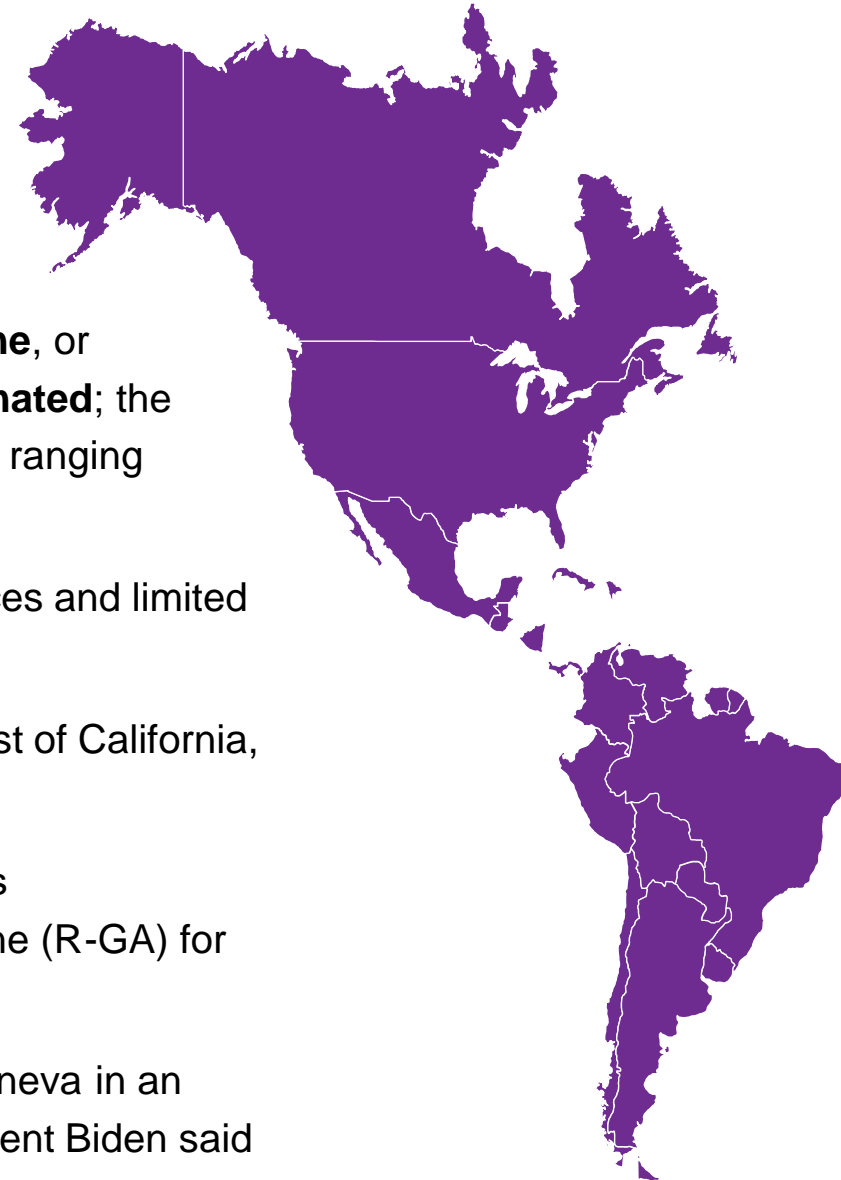
Americas

- **Costa Rica** became the 38th member of the OECD after 11 years of efforts to join the club of developed nations. **Chile, Colombia and Mexico** are the other Latin American OECD members, while **Argentina, Brazil and Peru** are under consideration.
- The **US** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) downgraded **Mexico's** air-safety rating in a blow to the country's travel industry.
- The **Colombian** government and the strike committee reached a “*pre-agreement*” to restart work and improve conditions in talks.
- **Peru's** Shining Path rebels killed 16 in an apparent move to discourage voting in the June 6 election.



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Americas: US



- Across the nation, 164.4 million people have received at least **one dose of vaccine**, or 49.5 percent to the total population. Half of US adults have now been **fully vaccinated**; the share of fully vaccinated residents is significantly divergent across different states, ranging between Vermont at over 64 percent vaccinated to Mississippi at only 34 percent.
- Sales of **newly built homes** in the US fell more than expected in April as high prices and limited supply are beginning to decelerate the market.
- Federal and state officials are working to develop two **wind farm sites** off the coast of California, which could power about 1.6 million homes.
- A group of Republicans are preparing a \$1 trillion counteroffer to President Biden's **infrastructure plan**. House Republican leaders denounced Representative Greene (R-GA) for **comparing mask mandates and proof of vaccines to the holocaust**.
- President Biden will hold a summit with Russian President Putin on June 16 in Geneva in an effort to “*restore predictability and stability*” to the **US-Russia relationship**. President Biden said he decided to waive sanctions against the company behind the **Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline** because the project was nearly complete and doing so could have harmed ties with Europe.

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Emerging and Existing Hotspots: Jihadist Movements in Africa Ascendant in 2021

By Scott Muir

Mostly lost among international headlines through the first five months of 2021 are increasing jihadist attacks and intensifying Islamist insurgencies across Africa. The threat is, of course, nothing new to Africa, nor are the underlying conditions that allow it to persist. What is new, however, is that Islamic State and Al-Qaeda affiliated groups are currently ascendant from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean.

This comes as Western governments dedicate fewer resources to counter-terror operations amid a shift to great power competition. On the continent, the consequences of ignoring the persistent and growing threat posed by various jihadist groups will be more devastation and displacement as well as a loss of willingness by outside investors to risk money in unstable areas. For the international community, although Islamist terrorists based in Africa have not yet struck significant targets beyond the continent, they may opt to do so in the future as they compete with rivals for funding, followers and prestige.

North Africa and Sahel Region

Ten years after the start of the Libyan civil war, North Africa and the Sahel region are home to more jihadists than ever in modern times.

An influx of fighters arrived there after the 2019 collapse of the Islamic State Caliphate in Syria and Iraq, and some have even relocated from faraway places such as Afghanistan. As a result, some 50 global and Sahel-based NGOs wrote an open letter in April 2021 calling for a fresh approach to fighting jihadism, arguing that international counter-terrorism coalitions are not solving the root causes that allow them to live in the vast desert and attract new recruits from local tribes.

Primarily, the letter called for dialogue with militants and fair and impartial trials. In a place like Mali, the center of the anti-jihadist fight, this will be more difficult in the wake of the country's second coup d'état in nine months. This latest instability comes as Islamist insurgents control more and more of Mali's countryside and follows the kidnapping of French journalist Oliver Dubois in April by al-

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Qaeda affiliate Jama'at Nusrat Al-Islam wa'l-Muslimin (JNIM) . Meanwhile, French security officials have warned that international attacks could emanate from the country. To the east, Burkina Faso witnessed one of the worst jihadist attacks in the country's history this month with dozens of civilians killed, while security forces there are increasingly ambushed and killed in counter-terror operations. The situation is not much better further to the west in Niger and Chad, where the former president was killed on the frontlines while battling Libya-based jihadists. This is not to mention long running insurgencies in Algeria and Mauritania as well as fighting between al-Qaeda in the Maghreb (AQIM) and Islamic State affiliates over which radical ideology is supreme.

West Africa

Islamist terrorism is now the most serious issue facing West African countries, according to a recent statement from Ghana's president. This follows reports that jihadists from the Sahel are starting to enter border areas of Ivory Coast and Benin, while France has opened the door to pulling some troops out of the region. Some West African nations are just now confronting the threat, but the continent's most populous country, Nigeria, has fought Boko Haram jihadists for over a decade, a group that has killed several tens of thousands of

soldiers in combat and civilians in terror attacks. Thus far in 2021, the violent extremists captured a Nigerian military base for the first time in several years and forced almost 100,000 more villagers to flee their homes in the country's Muslim north. The situation is more complicated than ever as Boko Haram also battles rival Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWP) jihadists, which reportedly surrounded Boko's leader in a jungle in a recent skirmish leading him to attempt to kill himself to avoid capture. It is still unclear if he is alive or dead. ISWP also regularly attacks Nigerian security forces. The threat is transnational, and Cameroonian military forces regularly confront Boko Haram and other jihadists that attempt to cross the border into their country to hide out or kidnap locals for ransom .

East Africa

Across the continent in East Africa is another of the longest running Islamist insurgencies. Somalia's Qaeda affiliated al-Shabaab group remains one of the most persistent and dangerous jihadist movements on the continent and continues to threaten the government, civilians, maritime shipping, neighbors and more. US forces withdrew from Somalia in January 2021 following an order from former US President Trump. During the withdrawal, al-Shabaab killed three US Department of Defense personnel. More recently, the

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group kidnapped seven Kenyan soldiers in an ambush, and has vowed future attacks on Kenya because the country has sent troops to support Mogadishu's counter-terror operations over the years. Bordering both Kenya and Somalia is Ethiopia's Ogadin province, which is inhabited by 6 to 7 million Muslims. Ethiopia's intelligence services routinely report the arrest of militants in the region linked to either al Qaeda affiliates, al Shabaab or the Islamic State.

Southeast Africa

One of the newest battlegrounds for jihadists on the continent is Southeast Africa. Mozambique is among those worst hit as fighters under the banner of Islamic State Central Africa Province (ISCAP) have launched so many attacks in 2021 that France's Total declared "force majeure" on a major energy project. Since then, 800,000 Mozambicans have fled from their homes due to fighting. Portugal sent a small contingent of military trainers as part of a five-year deal to provide advice on how to push back the armed zealots, but they have established a strong presence now in the oil and gas-rich north of the country. Further to the north, Congolese military forces are regularly battling Islamic State affiliates in the jungles along the border between Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda.

The Outlook

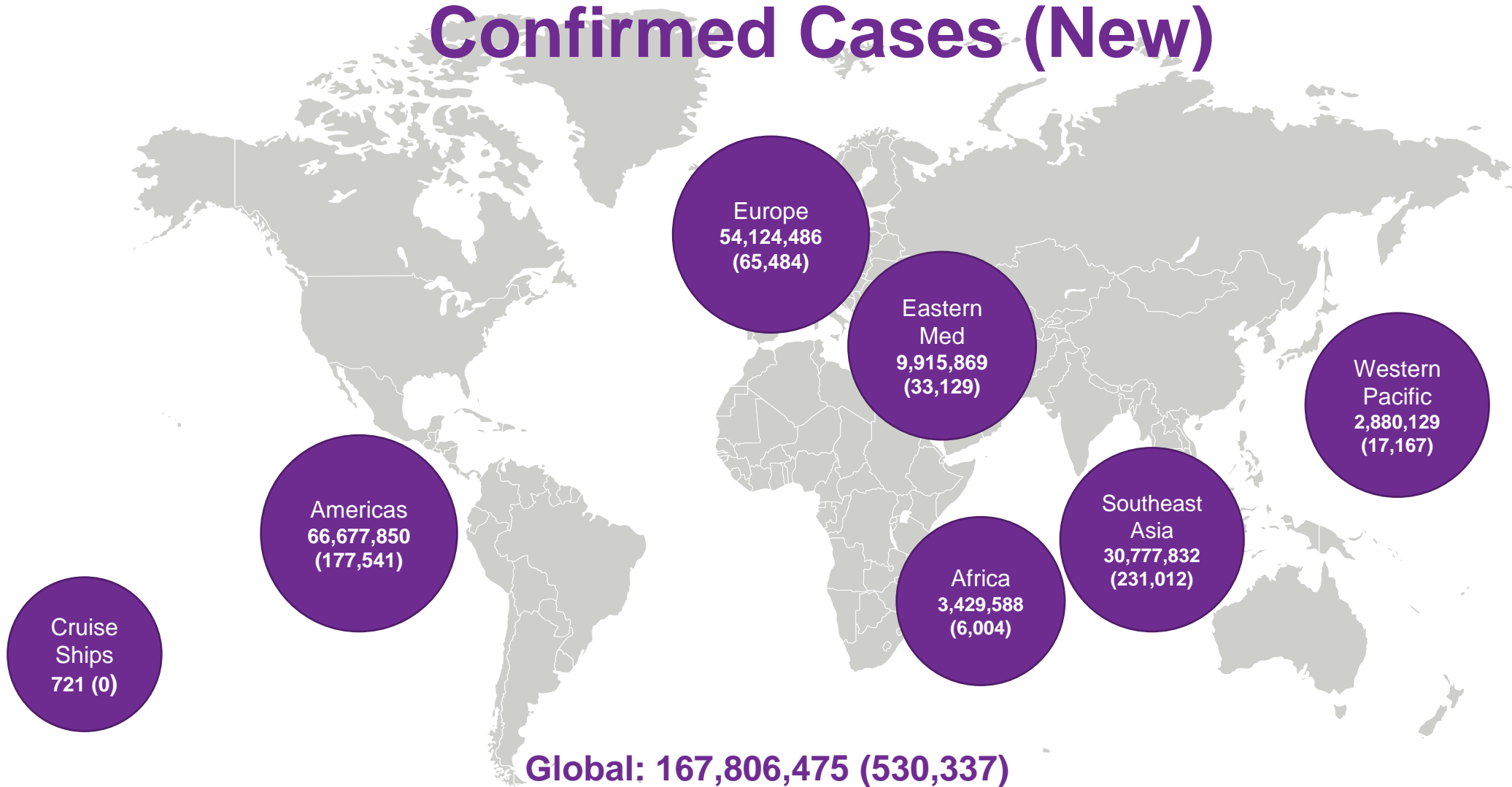
It is important to remember that the vast majority of jihadist fighters in Africa are homegrown locals who operate under the names of well-known international groups like Islamic State and Al-Qaeda because of the intimidation factor and prestige it bestows. While some are die hard ideologues, many are likely disillusioned youth with few economic opportunities disillusioned by the rampant corruption and government ineffectiveness that plagues their countries. Two decades of counter-terror operations in the Middle East and South Asia have proven that military and police measures must be coupled with economic growth and political stability to make a lasting impact. With the threat of violent jihadists spreading across the continent, many countries are in the unfortunate position of having to dedicate precious resources to quick-fix military solutions rather than long-term public investments that could stem extremism in the future. As a result, Africa may soon be considered the most active battlefield for violent Islamist extremists in the world.

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Coronavirus Condition Updates

As of 2100 hours US EDT on May 25, 2021

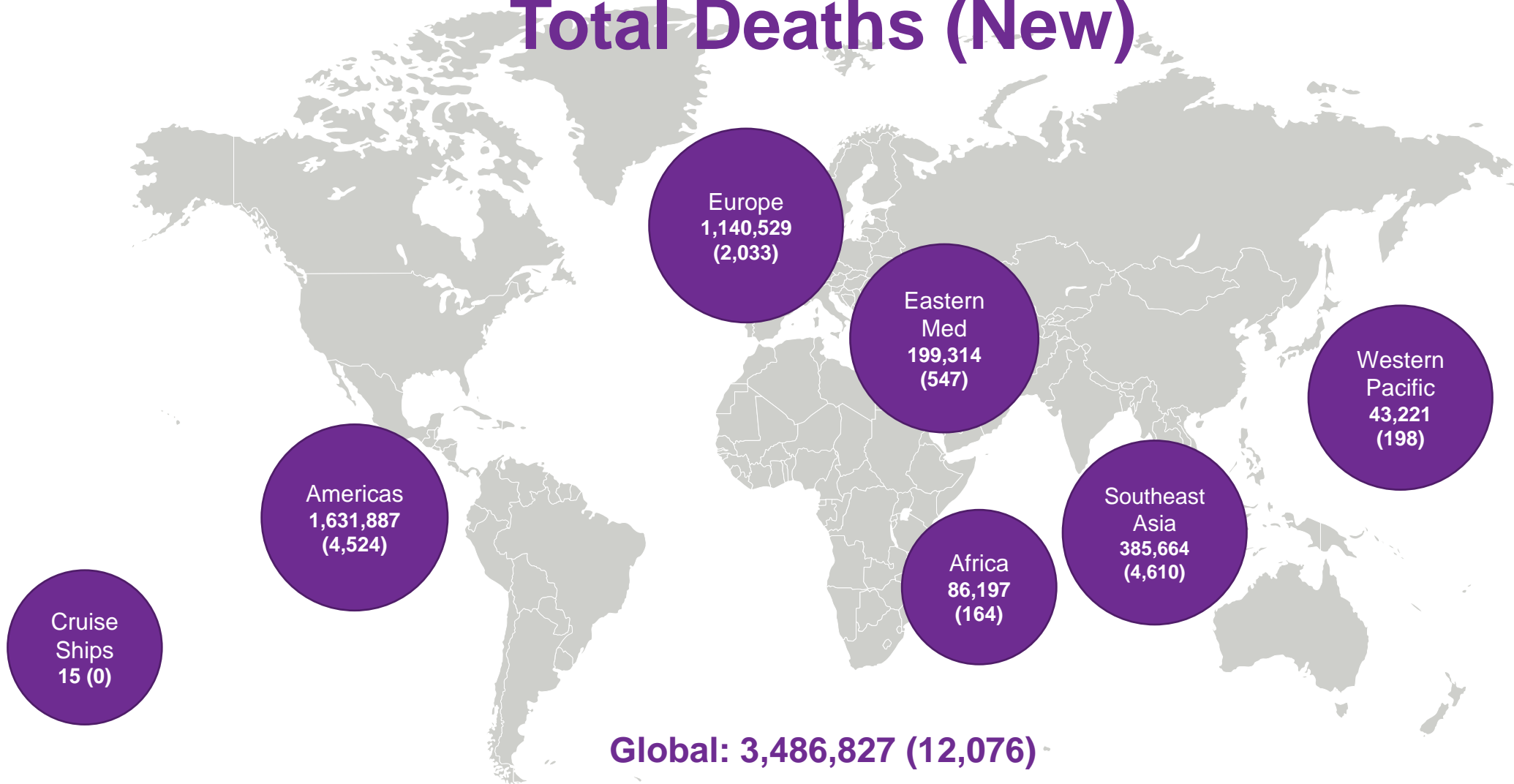
Confirmed Cases (New)



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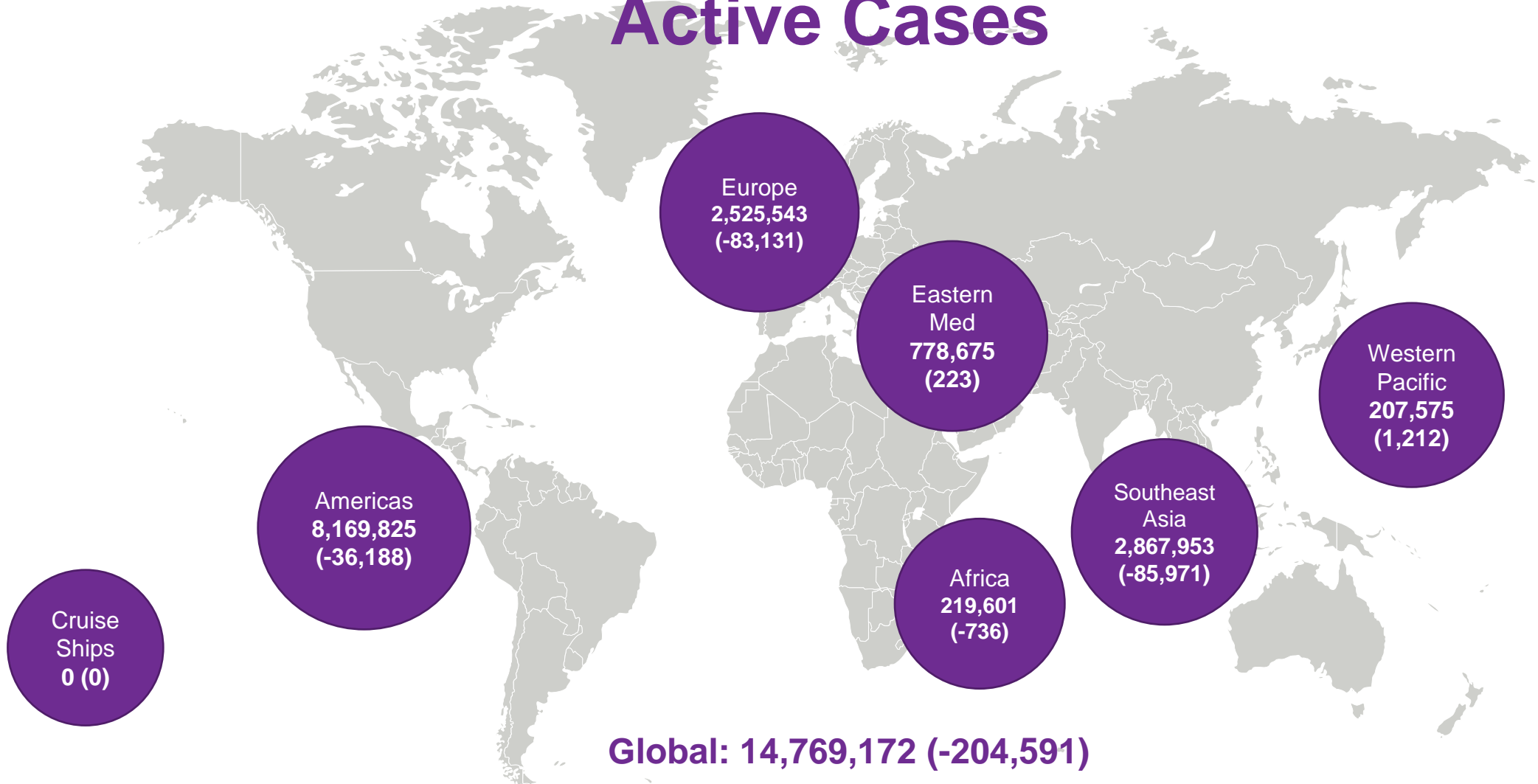
Total Deaths (New)



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Active Cases



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Country Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change7-Day Av
US	5593835	33166422 (22756)	591167 (634)	102022	1819	0.51%
India	2501662	27156382 (208886)	311421 (4172)	19507	224	6.12%
Brazil	1095425	16195981 (74845)	452224 (2198)	75712	2114	2.84%
Iran	413912	2855396 (11873)	79056 (208)	33611	931	2.66%
Argentina	354020	3586736 (24601)	75056 (576)	78713	1647	6.00%
France	312726	5728149 (4656)	109830 (219)	85761	1665	-4.99%
Italy	268145	4197892 (3224)	125501 (166)	69522	2078	0.74%
Russia	265646	5017795 (7884)	119194 (393)	34371	816	1.20%
Mexico	259468	2397307 (703)	221695 (48)	18420	1703	0.61%
Spain	170820	3652879 (5359)	79801 (90)	78101	1706	0.90%
Netherlands	170459	1658587 (2493)	17840 (13)	95020	1023	1.52%
Poland	164465	2867187 (1000)	73096 (151)	75833	1933	0.36%
Ukraine	161714	2186463 (2608)	49685 (249)	50267	1142	1.21%
Germany	150707	3662568 (2578)	88161 (122)	43589	1049	1.27%

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Honduras	143203	233116 (444)	6188 (42)	23206	616	2.40%
Peru	143120	1932255 (5332)	68470 (112)	57882	2051	1.78%
Colombia	121618	3270614 (21181)	85666 (459)	63669	1668	3.85%
Nepal	117261	528848 (8387)	6700 (169)	17863	226	10.68%
Sweden	114317	1064375 (0)	14360 (0)	104805	1414	1.62%
Turkey	111256	5203385 (9375)	46621 (175)	61107	548	1.23%
Hungary	101537	802510 (164)	29581 (21)	83263	3069	0.44%
Indonesia	94486	1786187 (5060)	49627 (172)	6469	180	2.13%
Belgium	77770	1049822 (941)	24853 (11)	90231	2136	1.61%
Costa Rica	71703	306899 (2370)	3877 (28)	59757	755	5.21%
Iraq	69848	1176980 (4938)	16241 (27)	28687	396	2.55%
Japan	64357	721912 (2715)	12398 (86)	5724	98	4.72%
Malaysia	63458	525889 (7289)	2369 (60)	16064	72	8.84%
Pakistan	62295	905852 (2253)	20400 (92)	4031	91	2.53%

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Bolivia	54473	352170 (2517)	14024 (59)	29806	1187	4.93%
Egypt	53626	256124 (1140)	14807 (41)	2461	142	3.14%
Paraguay	50980	338914 (3223)	8591 (117)	47000	1191	6.10%
Kenya	50025	168925 (382)	3087 (14)	3081	56	1.73%
Philippines	48201	1188672 (3972)	20019 (36)	10720	181	2.89%
Canada	47868	1365516 (3952)	25324 (59)	35898	666	2.00%
Bangladesh	46945	792196 (1675)	12441 (40)	4768	75	1.27%
Thailand	45413	135439 (3226)	832 (26)	1936	12	16.16%
Finland	44802	91744 (125)	942 (3)	16535	170	1.47%
Dominican Republic	44048	285211 (644)	3610 (0)	26058	330	2.34%
Switzerland	43559	690123 (2770)	10786 (7)	79221	1238	0.97%
South Africa	41005	1640932 (3084)	55976 (102)	27359	933	1.41%
Chile	40067	1339421 (4160)	28585 (37)	69532	1484	3.25%
Algeria	35256	127361 (254)	3433 (7)	2858	77	1.31%

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Uruguay	34257	271859 (3971)	3973 (51)	78019	1140	9.50%
Ethiopia	34054	269782 (282)	4093 (9)	2296	35	0.99%
UK	33754	4483226 (2501)	128001 (15)	65497	1873	0.38%
Ecuador	33515	420167 (969)	20227 (17)	23496	1131	2.07%
Norway	33429	123163 (511)	782 (0)	22560	143	2.72%
Kazakhstan	31766	376572 (1558)	3828 (23)	19843	202	3.86%
Sri Lanka	27456	169900 (2728)	1269 (26)	7905	59	13.05%
Tunisia	27046	337529 (1115)	12342 (69)	28294	1035	2.67%
Bahrain	24527	223613 (2766)	866 (18)	127478	494	8.54%
Maldives	24042	58345 (1004)	144 (5)	106265	262	18.72%
Bulgaria	23426	417133 (406)	17581 (68)	60442	2547	0.43%
Jamaica	22924	48081 (27)	931 (6)	16174	313	1.25%
Portugal	22171	845840 (375)	17021 (3)	83170	1674	0.36%
Greece	21821	393583 (2402)	11872 (50)	37927	1144	3.13%

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UAE	18472	559291 (1672)	1658 (4)	55944	166	1.90%
Lebanon	18052	538991 (323)	7690 (6)	79287	1131	0.45%
Lithuania	17855	271708 (563)	4213 (10)	101080	1567	1.79%
Czechia	14366	1658775 (698)	30050 (6)	154638	2801	0.27%
Venezuela	14097	226136 (1317)	2544 (16)	7973	90	3.77%
Oman	14034	212038 (817)	2284 (10)	40602	437	2.32%
Georgia	13884	339315 (1354)	4654 (15)	85206	1169	2.03%
Serbia	13475	710729 (414)	6801 (13)	81639	781	0.42%
Denmark	13411	275935 (796)	2511 (1)	47364	432	2.53%
Ireland	12782	259415 (365)	4941 (0)	52016	991	1.17%
Kuwait	12760	301863 (1408)	1746 (5)	69762	404	2.75%
Guatemala	11676	248824 (1180)	8022 (13)	13663	440	2.43%
Romania	10999	1076154 (381)	30040 (63)	56278	1571	0.30%

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Jordan	10503	732356 (920)	9395 (11)	71145	913	0.81%
Kosovo	10488	76070 (0)	1688 (0)			0.00%
Libya	10329	183932 (340)	3114 (2)	26446	448	1.04%
Saudi Arabia	9593	443460 (1389)	7278 (14)	12563	206	1.90%
Trinidad and Tobago	8444	20879 (612)	408 (18)	14876	291	17.86%
Afghanistan	8370	67743 (840)	2855 (19)	1706	72	5.35%
South Korea	8044	136975 (508)	1938 (4)	2670	38	3.03%
Myanmar	7851	143296 (34)	3216 (0)	2618	59	0.12%
Nigeria	7499	166098 (37)	2071 (4)	788	10	0.19%
Somalia	7180	14632 (0)	767 (0)	898	47	0.39%
Belarus	7158	387818 (840)	2791 (11)	41054	295	2.35%
Cambodia	7124	26329 (568)	183 (4)	1556	11	13.07%
Latvia	7084	131514 (435)	2342 (14)	70426	1254	2.15%
Austria	7038	642138 (398)	10551 (4)	70935	1166	0.62%

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Cuba	6984	135499 (1291)	901 (11)	11969	80	6.45%
Azerbaijan	6340	332894 (284)	4877 (10)	32569	477	0.66%
Mongolia	6123	53734 (634)	255 (2)	16158	77	7.83%
Armenia	6105	222139 (157)	4400 (6)	74839	1482	0.45%
Estonia	6008	128829 (160)	1241 (0)	97058	935	1.03%
Panama	5819	374937 (581)	6353 (7)	85690	1452	0.87%
Slovenia	5374	252098 (326)	4358 (3)	121248	2096	0.86%

Data Source: WorldOMeter

HIGH RISK 1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Angola	4994	32933 (310)	735 (4)	975	22	5.73%
Kyrgyzstan	4802	103000 (298)	1765 (8)	15558	267	1.97%
Sudan	4740	35289 (46)	2600 (0)	788	58	2.88%
Cyprus*	4669	72090 (79)	357 (1)	59322	294	0.96%
Taiwan	4619	5787 (375)	35 (6)	243	1	60.98%
Cameroon	4268	77733 (0)	1239 (0)	2865	46	0.39%
Mali	4234	14252 (8)	514 (0)	686	25	0.32%
Lesotho	4065	10822 (0)	326 (0)	5016	151	0.30%
Qatar	3907	216091 (349)	549 (2)	76961	196	1.03%
West Bank & Gaza	3830	306334 (557)	3480 (10)	58829	668	0.74%
Burundi	3789	4568 (22)	6 (0)	374	1	4.71%
Uzbekistan	3782	98849 (192)	682 (2)	2916	20	1.80%
Congo (Brazzaville)	3297	11658 (182)	153 (3)	2067	27	2.70%

* Indicates moved down a risk category

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Country Risk Assessment

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Namibia	3103	53432 (225)	779 (5)	20694	302	3.36%
Croatia	3019	354383 (323)	7950 (21)	86806	1947	0.96%
Vietnam	2935	5773 (369)	44 (0)	59	0	21.84%
Nicaragua	2913	7324 (131)	186 (1)	1094	28	1.79%
Slovakia	2845	388986 (132)	12301 (5)	71217	2252	0.28%
Gabon	2777	24191 (84)	149 (2)	10645	66	1.17%
Congo (Kinshasa)	2768	31172 (120)	780 (1)	339	8	1.77%
N Macedonia	2686	155071 (14)	5342 (13)	74435	2564	0.17%
Morocco	2627	517433 (310)	9130 (3)	13871	245	0.39%
Timor-Leste	2601	5816 (0)	13 (0)	4337	10	18.07%
El Salvador	2579	72821 (147)	2224 (4)	11176	341	1.84%
Botswana	2415	52865 (0)	809 (0)	22082	338	3.91%
Suriname	2204	13495 (193)	261 (5)	22821	441	9.22%

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

Country	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Guinea	2139	23060 (8)	160 (1)	1714	12	0.90%
Yemen	2086	6670 (8)	1311 (1)	219	43	1.26%
Cabo Verde	1892	29549 (138)	259 (1)	52635	461	3.85%
Guyana	1868	16235 (105)	361 (2)	20552	457	4.81%
Moldova	1836	254814 (73)	6084 (4)	63299	1511	0.29%
Luxembourg	1303	69616 (0)	812 (1)	109617	1279	0.54%
Haiti	1236	14037 (131)	292 (4)	1218	25	3.68%
Ghana	1221	93711 (27)	783 (0)	2961	25	0.34%
Seychelles	1179	10740 (0)	38 (0)	108602	384	9.09%
Rwanda	1148	26780 (50)	349 (0)	2023	26	1.63%
Montenegro	1031	99358 (67)	1577 (3)	158179	2511	0.39%

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US Risk Assessment

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
California	1695126	3779998 (1443)	62986 (37)	95669	1594	0.23%
Virginia	606717	673759 (654)	11137 (21)	78936	1305	0.43%
Maryland	439042	458680 (160)	9029 (7)	75869	1493	0.49%
Kentucky	397291	456626 (573)	6725 (5)	102207	1505	0.69%
New York	367579	2097200 (920)	53181 (17)	110425	2749	0.42%
Florida	348102	2313815 (1874)	36581 (80)	107731	1703	0.74%
Washington	213679	430415 (916)	5722 (13)	56861	759	1.48%
Michigan	177516	988947 (973)	20225 (71)	99025	2025	0.86%
Rhode Island	139559	151502 (62)	2707 (2)	143013	2555	0.50%
Colorado	115204	539261 (1403)	6520 (11)	93642	1156	1.14%
New Jersey	114818	1014579 (389)	26124 (24)	114226	2941	0.28%
Georgia	110120	1120923 (651)	20699 (38)	105574	1950	0.37%
Idaho	78527	191546 (149)	2087 (1)	107185	1168	0.56%
Texas	69510	2946793 (2528)	51288 (39)	101684	1776	0.41%

VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Wisconsin	69381	673023 (432)	7760 (11)	104588	1202	0.40%
Illinois	67027	1377165 (808)	25029 (18)	108686	1975	0.62%
Pennsylvania	58208	1198896 (812)	27043 (34)	93905	2124	0.75%
Missouri	54373	603849 (469)	9463 (43)	97258	1568	0.51%
Maine	53352	67139 (61)	824 (2)	49942	613	1.53%
Nebraska	49946	223126 (72)	2249 (0)	115346	1163	0.23%
South Carolina	43501	591525 (160)	9705 (15)	114888	1885	0.41%
Hawaii	35428	35924 (23)	496 (0)	25372	350	1.22%
Oregon	29227	199391 (419)	2628 (4)	47274	623	1.50%
Louisiana	28962	469445 (1043)	10548 (13)	100982	2269	0.64%
Alabama	21638	542562 (306)	11124 (12)	110655	2269	0.36%
Ohio	20913	1098594 (727)	19709 (0)	93984	1690	0.54%
Indiana	18639	741053 (489)	13566 (12)	110076	2015	0.62%
Arizona	17499	877682 (500)	17569 (14)	120582	2414	0.41%

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VERY HIGH RISK (>5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases / 1M Pop.	Deaths / 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Nevada	17479	323022 (265)	5563 (4)	104872	1806	0.51%
Puerto Rico	14911	138094 (11)	2483 (3)	77878	732	0.73%
Connecticut	13884	346892 (181)	8221 (2)	97297	2306	0.34%
North Carolina	13631	998701 (525)	13004 (17)	95222	1240	0.61%
District of Columbia	13095	48803 (41)	1130 (0)	69151	1601	0.38%
New Mexico	9773	202405 (219)	4458 (0)	96529	2027	0.53%
Alaska	9740	70052 (53)	369 (0)	91931	495	0.56%
Massachusetts	9034	705598 (228)	17835 (10)	102372	2588	0.40%
Kansas	7653	314757 (0)	5059 (0)	107532	1736	0.38%
Utah	6601	404810 (185)	2292 (0)	126268	715	0.45%
Iowa	6545	370873 (154)	6038 (3)	127145	1914	0.32%
Tennessee	5557	861313 (347)	12400 (7)	126123	1816	0.29%
West Virginia	5341	160587 (233)	2782 (7)	89606	1552	1.06%
Minnesota	5035	599477 (243)	7474 (11)	106297	1323	0.66%

HIGH RISK (1,000-5,000 cases)

State & Territory	Active Cases	Confirmed (New)	Deaths (New)	Cases/ 1M Pop.	Deaths/ 1M Pop	% Daily Change 7-Day Av
Delaware	4322	108409 (0)	1659 (0)	111330	1704	1.14%
Mississippi	2741	316911 (157)	7298 (13)	106484	2452	0.40%
Arkansas	2046	340515 (329)	5824 (4)	112835	1930	0.40%
Vermont	1218	24136 (9)	255 (0)	38680	409	0.79%
Oklahoma	1210	452377 (89)	6918 (0)	114324	1748	0.23%

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