

COVID-19 Situation Update - 103

PAHO



Pan American
Health
Organization



World Health
Organization
REGIONAL OFFICE FOR THE
Americas



Office for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries

01 December 2020

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



Healthy Parenting

Across the world, due to the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19), children are affected by physical distancing, quarantines and nationwide school closures.

Some children and young people may be feeling more isolated, anxious, bored and uncertain. They may feel fear, and grief, over the impact of the virus on their families.

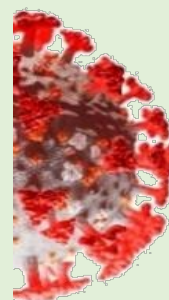
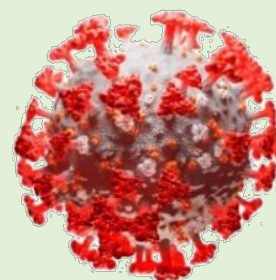
Working with our partners, WHO will bring you content to help open the world of isolation. Watch out for resources and ideas to support parents and projects that will engage children in understanding the coronavirus, the challenges it brings to their world and what can be done to protect them.

We will also introduce children to creative content that will entertain and provide a much-needed escape into the fun and magical worlds of imagination. [Read more...](#)

BE AWARE.

PREPARE.

ACT.



COVID-19 case update:

On 1 December 2020, there were no new cases.

COUNTRY	COVID-19 CASE UPDATE
Anguilla	last case on 28 November 2020
Antigua and Barbuda	last case on 27 November 2020
Barbados	last case on 30 November 2020
British Virgin Islands (UK)	last case on 14 October 2020
Dominica	last case on 30 November 2020
Grenada	last case on 20 November 2020
Montserrat	no new cases for 131 days
Saint Kitts and Nevis	last case on 23 November 2020
Saint Lucia	last 2 cases on 30 November 2020
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	last case on 26 November 2020

Updates

Global

63,056,164 confirmed cases,

1,467,713 deaths *in*

216 countries, areas, or territories

PAHO - Region of the Americas

26,875,671 confirmed cases,

727,679 deaths *in*

54 countries, areas, or territories

Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Caribbean sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 1 December 2020.



© Pan American Health Organization-World Health Organization 2020. All rights reserved. The designations employed and the presentation of the material in these maps do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the Secretariat of the Pan American Health Organization concerning the legal status of any country, territory, city or area or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries. Dotted and dashed lines on maps represent approximate border lines for which there may not yet be full agreement.

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

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	6	0	2,040	Sporadic cases	Schools open	Yes	No	No	https://beatcovid19.ai/ (264) 476-7627
Antigua & Barbuda	141	4	4,679	Sporadic cases	Ant: Schools reopened 7 Sep. 2020	Yes		Yes	https://ab.gov.ag/detail_page.php?page=42 (268) 462-6843
Barbados	278	7	47,649	Clusters of cases	2 students infected from one school which closed from 5 Oct. to 16 Oct. 2020	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://gisbarbados.gov.bb/covid-19/ (246) 536-4500
British Virgin Islands	72	1	7,132	Clusters of cases	Phased reopening – Nov. 9, 26; 4 th Jan. 2021.	Yes	Yes	No	https://bvi.gov.vg/covid-19 (284) 852-7650
Dominica	85	0	6,021	Clusters of cases	Schools reopened 7 Sep. 2020	Yes	Specific settings only	No	http://dominica.gov.dm/corona (767) 448-2151
French Guiana	11,240	70	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-	
Grenada	41	0	3,396	Sporadic cases	Varied stages of reopening	Lifted	Yes	Yes	https://covid19.gov.gd/ (473) 458-4787 / (473) 538-4787
Guadeloupe	8,378	149	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-	https://www.guadeloupe.ars.sante.fr/
Martinique	5,486	40	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-	https://www.martinique.ars.sante.fr/
Montserrat	13	1	643	No cases	Schools reopened 7 Sep. 2020	Yes	No	No	http://www.gov.ms/latest-on-the-coronavirus/
Saint Barthélemy	152	0	-	Sporadic cases	-	-	-	-	
St Kitts & Nevis	22	0	4,096	No cases	Schools reopened 9 Sep. 2020	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://www.covid19.gov.kn/
Saint Lucia	259	2	16,074	Clusters of cases	Schools remain closed.	Yes	Specific settings only	Yes	https://www.covid19response.lc/
Saint Martin	744	12		Community transmission	-		-	-	https://www.stmartinweek.fr/
St Vincent & the Grenadines	85	0	9,963	Sporadic cases	Varied stages of reopening	No	Specific settings only	No	http://health.gov.vc/health/index.php/c (784) 534-4325
Total	27,002	286	101,693						

Table 1: COVID-19 status in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories. 'Sporadic cases' 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.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN INCREASING DURING PANDEMIC

COVID-19

ADDRESSING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE CONTEXT OF COVID-19

As people are asked to stay at home, reports of partner and domestic violence are on the rise. Women and children are at particular risk of violence in their homes. Preventing and responding to violence is an important component of the COVID-19 response.



WHAT CAN COMMUNITIES DO?



Be aware of the increased risk of domestic violence during the COVID-19 pandemic and remember: Violence is never justified.

Reach out to keep in touch with and support women and children.

Be careful when contacting the survivor, as the abuser may be present in the home.

Get and share information on available support with survivors and communities.

Be prepared to call emergency services in case someone needs urgent help.



WHAT CAN SURVIVORS DO?

Be aware that isolation and distancing measures can affect your well-being and that of your family.

Reduce and manage stress as much as possible – e.g., through physical exercise and relaxation techniques.

Reach out to trusted family and friends for practical help and support.

Make a plan to protect yourself and your children any way you can.

Find out about available services and support and **seek support** from a hotline, shelter or other health or protection services.

VIOLENCE AGAINST YOU IS NEVER YOUR FAULT. YOU DESERVE TO FEEL SAFE IN YOUR HOME.



PAHO



Pan American
Health
Organization



World Health
Organization
www.paho.org/americas

BE AWARE. PREPARE. ACT.
www.paho.org/coronavirus

Dr. Yitades Gebre, PAHO/WHO Representative for Barbados and the ECC, is reminding countries that violence against women is never acceptable.

The stern reminder came during the recognition of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women on November 25, 2020.

This year, the theme was “**Orange the World: Fund, Respond, Prevent, Collect!**” and there was a specific focus on COVID-19.

As is customary, the International Day also marked the launch of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence, which concludes on International Human Rights Day, 10 December 2020.

Dr. Darlene Omeir, Family and Community Health Advisor, explained that there has been an increase in reported domestic violence cases in some of the ECC, following the COVID-19 pandemic, subsequent lockdowns and teleworking arrangements.

“As people are asked to stay at home, as part of the measures introduced to curb the COVID-19 pandemic, reports of partner and domestic violence are on the rise in the already existing pandemic of violence against women. Anguilla, for example, noted an increase of 88% in cases.”

Global statistics on violence against women are worrisome. Statistics reveal that 1 in 3 women worldwide have experienced physical and/or sexual violence in their lifetime. In the Caribbean, according to UNODC’s Crime Trends Survey (CTS) based on police statistics, three of the top ten recorded rape rates in the world occur in the Caribbean. In addition, all countries in the Caribbean for which comparable data are available (Bahamas, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Jamaica, St. Kitts/Nevis, Dominica, Barbados, and Trinidad & Tobago) experienced a rate of rape above the unweighted average of the 102 countries in the CTS.

Violence against women and girls is reportedly one of the most prevalent human rights violations. Dr. Omeir emphasises that “it undermines the health, dignity, security, and autonomy of its victims, yet it remains shrouded in a culture of silence.

“There is never any excuse for violence, and I encourage you to act if you are a victim or know of a case.”

Several activities were developed to mark the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence:

Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Anguilla and Antigua and Barbuda, with support from PAHO have developed a campaign targeting policy makers, service providers, community, and women. It includes airing of nationally developed videos with messages delivered by Ministers and other stakeholders, displaying of posters, sharing social media cards, media briefings, panel discussions, radio and TV programmes, training of crisis hotline advocates, national Vigil and Candle Lighting, Religious Sermonettes, Discussions with Persons with Disabilities, among other activities. **Barbados** will host a silent March on Tuesday 8th December in Broad Street.

Learn what you can do if you, or someone you know, is a victim of violence. Visit the below link (press the control key and right click on the link):

[Risk of domestic violence during the covid-19 pandemic. - YouTube \(outlook.com\)](#)



For more information on COVID-19 visit: www.paho.org/coronavirus

