

Update 9: Costa Rica - Announces New Restrictions Starting August 31, 2020 to Contain Surge in COVID-19 Cases

- On August 26, Costa Rica announced new COVID-19 restrictions starting August 31
- This comes as country reported 1,002 new COVID-19 cases on that day increasing national tally to 36,307
- From August 31 until September 8, the country will be in a transition phase affecting counties under Orange alert, which are higher risk areas
- Counties under orange alert are San Jose, Alajuela, Cartago, Heredia, and Puntarenas
- During this phase, most commercial businesses will remain closed
- Exceptions include supermarkets, hardware stores, delivery services, vehicle repairs, stores in general, restaurants, and salons
- Businesses in Yellow alert areas will remain unaffected
- From September 9 until September 30, most commercial establishments will reopen, including in Orange alert areas
- Activities that will remain closed throughout September includes mass gathering events, bars, and casinos
- Event halls will be allowed to host events with up to 75 people
- Vehicular restrictions will be standardized for the entire month throughout the country
- On weekdays, driving is permitted from 5 am (CST) to 10 pm (CST), however, on weekends, driving is permitted until 8 pm (CST)
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Ministry of Health (<https://www.ministeriodesalud.go.cr/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Costa Rica

Source(s)

<https://news.co.cr/costa-rican-government-announces-restrictions-to-apply-in-september/82259/>

<https://ticotimes.net/2020/08/26/costa-rica-announces-coronavirus-measures-for-september>

Targets Affected:

Costa Rica

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Consider implementing more detailed actions related to 'Lockdown/Emergency/Extension of Lockdown/Other Restrictions' and 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

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Update 8: Costa Rica - Eases Travel Restrictions for US Citizens Commencing September 1, 2020

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Update 6: Costa Rica - Plans to Reopen Businesses Commencing August 1, 2020

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Update 5: Costa Rica - Plans to Resume International Flights for European Union, United Kingdom, and Canada Commencing August 1, 2020

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Update 4: Costa Rica - Records Highest Unemployment Rate of 20.1% in May 2020 Amid COVID-19 Outbreak

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Update 3: Costa Rica - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 310 COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 4,621

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Update 2: Costa Rica - Enters Phase 2 of Easing COVID-19 Restrictions

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Update 1: Costa Rica - Suspends Economic Reopening Plans as New COVID-19 Cases Increase

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Costa Rica - Extends Border Closure
Until June 30, 2020 Amid COVID-19
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Impact level Definitions

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Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.