

# Update 4: Hungary - Plans to Close Borders for All Foreign Nationals and International Tourists Starting September 1, 2020

- Hungary is re-closing borders for international tourism on September 1, 2020, due to a worsening COVID-19 situation across Europe
- Starting September 1, all tourists and foreign nationals will be banned from entering Hungary, with very few exceptions for essential travelers like diplomats or spouses of Hungarian citizens
- This is the second European country to re-close borders this week, after Ukraine's similar closing announcement, barring entry for all international arrivals on August 29
- The government has decided to implement almost the same restrictions they did in March, as they proved effective in flattening the nation's curve.
- While Hungary hasn't seen a significant second-wave surge as some other EU nations, the country wants to re-instate tight border controls and quarantines for nationals returning home
- Authorities in Hungary are not only barring incoming tourists and requiring residents returning home to quarantine, but they are also advising all citizens to not travel outside of the country for at least the next 30 days
- Both the closure for all foreign arrivals and the recommendation for Hungarian's to not travel outside the country is expected to last at least 30 days, at which point it will either be extended or removed
- As of now, the country has reported 5,961 COVID-19 confirmed cases and 614 related deaths
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult National Health Center (<https://www.nnk.gov.hu/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Hungary

## Source(s)

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-hungary-borders/hungary-to-close-borders-to-foreigners-next-week-to-curb-coronavirus-infections-idUSKBN25O273>

<https://www.euronews.com/2020/08/28/hungary-to-close-its-borders-in-bid-to-curb-covid-19-resurgence>

<https://www.traveloffpath.com/hungary-closes-for-all-international-tourists-on-september-1/>

## Targets Affected:

Hungary

### Guidance

#### *Actions to consider:*

- Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Lockdown/Emergency/Extension of Lockdown/Other Restrictions' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

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# Impact level Definitions

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Immediate	<b>Certain</b> - 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.
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