

# Update 36: Brazil - Confirms First Case of Re-Infection with South Africa COVID-19 Variant

- On January 09, 2021, Brazil announced the first case of re-infection of South Africa COVID-19 variant in the country
- A Brazilian woman has become the first person in the world to be re-infected with a variant of COVID-19 known as E484K
- The case was discovered by researchers from the D'Or Institute for Research and Education in northeast Bahia, involved a 45-year-old woman who tested positive for COVID-19 in May 2020 and tested positive again in October 2020 with the mutation
- In both cases, the patient did not present serious symptoms
- Originally identified in South Africa, the E484K mutation has been previously detected in Brazil, but this is the first case of re-infection with it
- The discovery serves as an alert and reinforces the need to maintain pandemic control measures through social distancing, and the need to accelerate the vaccination process
- In Brazil, at least five variants of COVID-19 have already been discovered
- As of now, the country has reported 8,015,920 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 201,542 deaths, 2.5% of total reported cases, and 7,114,474 recoveries, 88.8% of total reported cases
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (<https://portal.fiocruz.br/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Brazil

## Source(s)

[https://www.business-standard.com/article/current-affairs/brazil-detects-first-case-of-covid-re-infection-with-south-africa-variant-121010900212\\_1.html](https://www.business-standard.com/article/current-affairs/brazil-detects-first-case-of-covid-re-infection-with-south-africa-variant-121010900212_1.html)

<http://www.businessworld.in/article/Brazil-detects-the-first-case-of-re-infection-with-coronavirus-variant/09-01-2021-363388/>

<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/brazil/>

## Targets Affected:

Brazil

## Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

## Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

## Guidance

### *Actions to consider:*

- Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

**Related Alerts**

**Jan. 8, 2021**

Medium

Update 35: Brazil - Records Highest Death Toll Since July 29, 2020 Surpassing Total Death Number of 200,000 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**Dec. 30, 2020**

Medium

Update 34: Brazil - Records Highest Death Toll Since October 03, 2020

**Dec. 24, 2020**

Medium

Update 32: Brazil - Suspends Travel from the United Kingdom Over More Infectious COVID-19 Strain

**Dec. 24, 2020**

Medium

Update 33: Sao Paulo, Brazil - Tightens Lockdown Measures to Curb Christmas and New Year Festivities Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**Dec. 9, 2020**

Medium

Update 31: Brazil - Reports Daily Increase of 51,088 COVID-19 Cases, Records Highest Death Toll Since November 14, 2020

**Nov. 7, 2020**

Medium

Update 30: Brazil - Reports Highest Inflation in October 2020 Since 2002 Amid COVID-19 Crisis

**Nov. 1, 2020**

Medium

Update 29: Brazil - Reports Daily Increase of 18,947 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 5,535,605

**Oct. 31, 2020**

Medium

Update 28: Brazil - Reports Highest Unemployment Rate Since 2012 Amid COVID-19 Crisis

**Oct. 15, 2020**

Medium

Update 27: Brazil - Reports Daily Increase of 27,235 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 5,140,863

**Sept. 2, 2020**

High

Update 26: Brazil - Reports Recession as Economy Contracts by 9.7% in Q2 2020

**July 31, 2020**

Medium

Update 25: Brazil - Resumes International Air Travel to Foreign Tourists Despite Surge in COVID-19 Cases

**June 26, 2020**

Immediate

Update 24: Brazil - Faces Multiple Crisis Amid Attack by Zika Virus, Locusts, and COVID-19

**June 23, 2020**

Medium

Update 23: Brazil - Extends Restriction on Foreign Travelers for Another 15 Days

**June 22, 2020**

Medium

Update 22: Brazil - Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Surpass One Million with 50,659 Related Deaths

**June 11, 2020**

Medium

Update 21: Brazil - Records Highest Daily Average of COVID-19 Deaths Worldwide as Economy Reopens

**May 30, 2020**

High

Update 20: Brazil - Expects Worst Recession as Economy Contracts by 1.5% in Q1 2020

**May 28, 2020**

High

Update 19: Sao Paulo, Brazil - Plans to Reopen Certain Businesses Starting June 1 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

May 23, 2020

Immediate

Update 18: Brazil - Reports Second Highest COVID-19 Cases Worldwide, Totaling 330,890

May 19, 2020

Immediate

Update 17: Brazil - Reports Third Highest COVID-19 Cases Worldwide, Totaling 254,220

May 13, 2020

High

Update 16: Brazil - Sao Paulo Announces Opening of Certain Businesses; COVID-19 Death Toll Exceeds 12,000, with 881 Cases Reported in Last 24 Hours

May 4, 2020

Immediate

Update 15: Brazil - Reports 4,588 COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Exceeds 100,000

April 30, 2020

Immediate

Update 14: Brazil - Extends Travel Restriction of Foreigners for One Month

April 27, 2020

Immediate

Update 13: Brazil - Reports 3,379 Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Totaling 61,888

April 22, 2020

High

Update 12: Brazil - Anticipates Economic Contraction by 5.2% in 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 18, 2020

Immediate

Update 11: Brazil - Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Increases to 33,682 with 2,141 Deaths

April 12, 2020

High

Update 10: Brazil - Public Sector Deficit Reaches 7% of GDP as Coronavirus Deaths Mount

**April 10, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 9: Brazil - Reports 141 COVID-19 Related Deaths in Last 24 Hours, Totaling 941

**April 6, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 8: Brazil - Reports Over 11,000 Confirmed COVID-19 Cases, Nearing 500 Deaths

**April 1, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 7: Brazil - Increase in Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

**March 26, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 6: Brazil - Massive Spike in COVID-19 Cases with Maximum Deaths Reported in Sao Paulo

**March 24, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 5: Brazil - Restricts Entry of Foreigners Amid Rapid Spike in COVID-19 Cases

**March 21, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 4: Brazil - Declares COVID-19 State of Emergency; Warns of Healthcare Collapse

**March 20, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 3: Brazil - Coronavirus Infection Cases Continues to Rise

**March 18, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 2: Brazil - Steep Rise in Coronavirus Infection Cases

**March 11, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 1: Brazil - Surge in Coronavirus Infection Cases

Feb. 27, 2020

Low

Brazil - Coronavirus Infection Cases -  
Sao Paulo

# Impact level Definitions

| Impact Level  | Definitions  |
|---------------|--|
| 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.  |
| High          | <b>Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months)</b> - 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        | <b>Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months)</b> - 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           | <b>Possible in the long-term (after 6 months)</b> - 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.                  |