

# Update 34: Ireland - Confirms Three Cases of New COVID-19 Variant from South Africa

- On January 8, 2021, Irish Chief Medical Officer stated that three cases of new COVID-19 variant from South Africa were found in Ireland
- Health officials urged anyone who has traveled from South Africa recently to self-isolate for 14 days and get tested for COVID-19
- Ireland this week reported an increasing presence of the new more infectious UK variant of virus
- The country reported with 8,227 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 20 deaths on January 8, 2021
- As of now, Ireland has reported 135,884 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 2,327 deaths, 1.7% of total reported cases, and 23,364 recoveries, 17.2% of total reported cases
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Institute of Public Health of Ireland (<http://www.publichealth.ie/>) for latest information on COVID-19 in Ireland

## Source(s)

<https://www.reuters.com/article/health-coronavirus-ireland/south-african-covid-19-variant-present-in-ireland-health-chief-idUSS8N2II031>

<https://www.irishtimes.com/news/health/covid-19-south-african-strain-detected-for-first-time-in-ireland-1.4453160?mode=sample&auth-failed=1&pw-origin=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.irishtimes.com%2Fnews%2Fhealth%2F%2Fcovid-19-south-african-strain-detected-for-first-time-in-ireland-1.4453160>

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

## Targets Affected:

Ireland

## Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

## Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

## Guidance

### Actions to consider:

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

**Related Alerts**

**Jan. 7, 2021**

**Medium**

Update 33: Ireland - Plans to Implement Negative COVID-19 Test Requirement for Arriving Air Passengers from United Kingdom and South Africa Starting January 9, 2021

**Jan. 2, 2021**

**Medium**

Update 32: Ireland - Plans to Lift Flight Service Restriction with United Kingdom Starting January 6, 2021 and Impose Stricter Testing Measures Amid Infectious COVID-19 Strain

**Dec. 31, 2020**

**High**

Update 31: Ireland - Re-Imposes Full Scale Lockdown Starting December 31, 2020 After Recording New COVID-19 Cases

**Dec. 18, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 30: Ireland - Prime Minister Confirms to Impose Stricter COVID-19 Measures by End of 2020, Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**Nov. 28, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 29: Ireland - Plans to Ease COVID-19 Restrictions Starting December 1, 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**Nov. 26, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 28: Ireland - Plans to Ease COVID-19 Restrictions for Two Weeks Over Christmas Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**Oct. 20, 2020**

**High**

Update 27: Ireland - Reimposes 'Level 5' COVID-19 Restrictions Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

**Oct. 19, 2020**

**High**

Update 26: Ireland - Plans to Impose Nationwide COVID-19 Restrictions Starting October 19, 2020 Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

**Oct. 16, 2020**

**High**

Update 25: Ireland - Imposes 'Level 4' COVID-19 Restrictions Until November 10, 2020 Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

**Sept. 25, 2020**

**High**

Update 24: Donegal, Ireland - Imposes 'Level 3' COVID-19 Restrictions Until October 16, 2020

**Sept. 16, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 23: Ireland - Plans to Ease Travel Restrictions to Countries in October 2020 Based on COVID-19 Infection Rate

**Sept. 8, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 22: Ireland - Reports Recession as Economy Contracts by 6.1% in Q2 2020

**Aug. 23, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 21: Ireland - Extends Lockdown in Kildare for Two Weeks Amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

**Aug. 19, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 20: Ireland - Tightens COVID-19 Restrictions Until September 13, 2020 Amid Surge in Infections

**Aug. 17, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 19: Ireland - Raises Concern Due to Highest Daily Increase in COVID-19 Infections Since May 2020

**July 25, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 18: Ireland - Likely to Tighten Travel Restrictions for COVID-19 Hot Spots; Quarantine Lifted for Arrivals from 15 Nations

**July 24, 2020**

**Low**

Update 17: Ireland - Announces Stimulus Package of ~US\$8.6 B to Support Businesses Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

July 7, 2020

Medium

Update 16: Ireland - Extends Ban on Non-Essential International Travel Until July 20, 2020

June 26, 2020

Medium

Update 15: Ireland - Phase 3 of Easing COVID-19 Restrictions to Commence Starting June 29, 2020

June 25, 2020

Medium

Update 14: Ireland - Plans to Ease Air Travel Restrictions Starting July 2020

June 8, 2020

Medium

Update 13: Ireland - Enters Phase 2 of Easing COVID-19 Restrictions

May 28, 2020

Immediate

Update 12: Ireland - Announces New Quarantine Restrictions for Overseas Travelers Until June 18, 2020

May 18, 2020

High

Update 11: Ireland - Resumes Certain Businesses to Aid Economy Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

May 8, 2020

Immediate

Update 10: Ireland - Extends COVID-19 Lockdown for Three Weeks; Postpones Plans on Easing Restrictions Amid High Infection Rate

May 2, 2020

High

Update 9: Ireland - Extends COVID-19 Lockdown Until May 18; Plans to Relax Restrictions in Five Stages

April 22, 2020

Immediate

Update 8: Ireland - Bans Major Mass Gatherings of Over 5,000 Until August Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**April 11, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 7: Ireland - Extends Lockdown Until May 5, 2020 to Slow COVID-19 Spread

**April 8, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 6: Ireland - Government Considers Extension of Lockdown Amid Increasing COVID-19 Cases

**April 4, 2020**

**High**

Update 5: Ireland - Central Bank Predicts GDP Slowdown by 8.3% and Unemployment Rate of 25%

**March 31, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 4: Ireland - Increase in COVID-19 Cases

**March 25, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 3: Ireland - Announces New Measures in Place Until April 19, 2020 to Control Spike in COVID-19 Cases

**March 17, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 2: Ireland - Steep Rise in Coronavirus Infection Cases

**March 11, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 1: Ireland - Surge in Coronavirus Infection Cases

**March 2, 2020**

**Low**

Ireland - Coronavirus Infection Cases

# 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.