

# Update 17: Iraq - Issues Travel Ban to Twenty Countries Amid New COVID-19 Strain Spread

- Iraq has adopted several new restrictive measures against the COVID-19 pandemic
- This included a ban on travel to twenty countries where the new novel COVID-19 strain has spread
- The countries are the UK, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, Slovakia, Spain, Brazil, the US, India, Australia, Japan, South Africa, and Zambia
- The entry of travelers from these countries to Iraq was also banned, except for Iraqi citizens who must be quarantined for 14 days
- Also, the tests should prove that they are not infected with the new strain of the virus
- However, diplomats, official government delegations, workers in embassies, and experts working in service projects are excluded from the entry ban
- The Committee also tightened punitive measures for stores, restaurants, malls, and sports halls by imposing a fine of an equivalent of US\$3,400
- Total cases increased to 605,416 with 12,915 death 2.13% of total reported cases and 562,575 recoveries 92.9% of total reported cases
- When compared to the overall population of the country, confirmed COVID-19 cases and fatality rate stands at 1.48% and 0.03%, respectively
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Ministry of Health (<http://www.moh.gov.iq/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Iraq

## Source(s)

- <https://www.daijiworld.com/news/newsDisplay.aspx?newsID=791085>
- <https://www.rudaw.net/english/middleeast/iraq/130120213>
- <https://www.worldometers.info/world-population/iraq-population/>
- <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/iraq/>

## Targets Affected:

Iraq

## Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

## Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

## Guidance

### *Actions to consider:*

- Consider implementing suggested 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 16: Iraq - Bans Air Travel With Eight Nations Over New Variant Of COVID-19 Virus

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Update 15: Iraq - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 5,036 COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 252,075

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Update 13: Iraq - Resumes International Flights Despite Rise in COVID-19 Cases

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Update 12: Iraq - Plans to Reopen Scheduled International Flights Starting July 23, 2020, and Lift Night-Time Curfew by August Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

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Update 11: Iraq - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 2,125 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 60,479

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Update 10: Iraq - Reports Highest Single-Day Increase of 1,635 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 27,352

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Update 8: Iraq - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 781 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 8,168

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Update 7: Iraq - Imposes Week-Long Curfew Until June 6, 2020 to Contain COVID-19 Infections

**May 24, 2020**

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Update 6: Iraq - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 308 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 4,272

**May 18, 2020**

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Update 5: Iraq - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 144 COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 3,404

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Update 4: Iraq - Implements Odd-Even Traffic Restriction to Curb Spread of COVID-19

**April 29, 2020**

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Update 3: Iraq - Warns of Tightening Measures and Extending COVID-19 Curfew Until May 22, 2020 as Cases Increase to 1,928

**April 24, 2020**

**High**

Update 2: Iraq - Relaxes COVID-19 Restrictions Amid Cases Totaling 1,677

**April 17, 2020**

**Immediate**

Update 1: Iraq - Extends COVID-19 Curfew Until April 23, 2020 as Cases Increase to 1,415

**April 8, 2020**

**Immediate**

Iraq - Confirms 91 New COVID-19 Cases in 24 Hours, 1,122 in Total

# 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.