

Update 12: Zimbabwe - Faces Multiple Challenges and Declares Indefinite Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases and Political Unrest

- Zimbabwe has declared a renewed COVID-19 lockdown, imposing a 12-hour curfew to be effective starting July 22 from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. local time
- All business premises must operate from 0800-1500 hours, with exception of providers of Essential Services
- All non-working sections of the population will be required to stay at home
- The renewed lockdown will be stringently enforced by the country's security forces, including the military and police
- Pro-democracy activists in Zimbabwe have criticized the curfew as an onslaught on planned July 31 anti-government protests
- Zimbabwe has been gripped by unease in recent months as the government grapples with a host of challenges
- The challenges include a struggling economy, the COVID-19 pandemic, and speculation about political unrest
- Zimbabwe has so far reported 1,713 COVID-19 cases, 142 recoveries, and 26 deaths
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Ministry of Health and Child Care (<http://www.mohcc.gov.zw/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Zimbabwe

Source(s)

- <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/africa/zimbabwe-president-declares-curfew-amid-spiraling-virus/1918073>
- <https://africa.cgtn.com/2020/07/21/zimbabwe-president-announces-curfew-to-tackle-spread-of-covid-19/>
- <https://www.voazimbabwe.com/a/zimbabwe-president-dusk-to-dawn-curfew/5511676.html>

Targets Affected:

Zimbabwe

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Staff and visitors in the region are advised to remain vigilant, maintain a low profile in crowded places, and pay close attention to travel warnings and advisories issued by the local authorities
- Ensure current Business Continuity Plans of third parties/captive units have a plan for sudden shortage or unavailability of resources in the event several team members are unable to commute to the workplace due to social unrest
- 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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