

Update 8: Google LLC - Extends Work from Home Till July 2021 Amid Covid-19 Pandemic

Targets Affected:

Google LLC

- Google plans to keep 200,000 full-time and contract employees working remotely until at least July 2021
- Other tech firms have announced long-term plans to keep employees working from home due to restrictions from the COVID-19 pandemic, but Google would be the first to extend remote working into the middle of next year
- According to WSJ, Sundar Pichai, the CEO of Google parent company Alphabet, made the call last week following a meeting with top company executives
- A Google spokesperson told that Pichai sent an email to employees this morning announcing the plan: "To give employees the ability to plan ahead, we are extending our global voluntary work from home option through June 30, 2021 for roles that don't need to be in the office"
- Google had previously announced plans to reopen some offices for a limited number of employees starting on July 6, 2020 but it made the return to physical offices optional
- Pichai made the decision to establish a more specific time frame for remote working in part to give Google employees with families more certainty about how long they would be working from home, as many are struggling with inconsistent direction from school districts
- Facebook, Twitter, and Square have already announced plans to allow workers to continue working remotely indefinitely

Source(s)

<https://www.theverge.com/2020/7/27/21340038/google-remote-working-employees-2021-twitter-facebook-alphabet>

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2020/07/27/google-remote-workers-july-2021/>

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Immediate	Certain - 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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