

# Update 11: Costa Rica - Eases Travel Restrictions and Welcomes Tourists from US and Other Countries

- On October 15, 2020, Costa Rica began welcoming tourists from more countries and US states
- Now residents of Florida, Georgia and Texas can visit Costa Rica
- In addition, residents of all other Central American countries, including Panama, can now enter Costa Rica via a flight
- On November 1, 2020, Costa Rica will allow all US citizens and residents to visit, provided they meet the country's entry requirements
- Costa Rica closed its airports to commercial flights in mid-March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- It began reopening for international tourists in August 2020
- The Costa Rica Tourism Board (ICT) says that despite Costa Rica opening to visitors from all US states, the pandemic and entry requirements will limit passenger volume to 35-40% compared to previous years
- Everyone will have to complete the Digital Health Pass and show proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken within three days previous to their flight to Costa Rica
- Until November 1, 2020, US residents must also show a driver's license or State ID indicating they live in an authorized state
- Beginning November 1, 2020, this will no longer be necessary, as all US states will be authorized
- Citizens and residents will be issued a 14-day quarantine upon their arrival in Costa Rica
- However, they are exempted from the isolation order if they come from an approved country/US state and obtained a negative COVID-19 test prior to travel
- As of now, Costa Rica reported 93,152 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 1,159 deaths (1.2% of total reported cases) and 57,731 recoveries (62% of total reported cases)
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Ministry of Health (<https://www.ministeriodesalud.go.cr/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Costa Rica

## Source(s)

- <https://ticotimes.net/2020/10/15/costa-rica-welcomes-visitors-from-florida-texas-georgia-and-more-today>
- <https://menafn.com/1100961542/Costa-Rica-will-be-open-to-Tourism-from-North-America-as-of-November-1st>
- <https://nearshoreamericas.com/us-advises-citizens-avoid-visiting-costa-rica/>
- <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/costa-rica/>

## Targets Affected:

Costa Rica

## Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk - Infrastructure Risk

## Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

### Guidance

#### *Actions to consider:*

- Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Business Recovery/Lifting Restrictions' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

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Update 8: Costa Rica - Eases Travel Restrictions for US Citizens Commencing September 1, 2020

**Aug. 17, 2020**

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Update 7: Costa Rica - Lifts Entry Ban for Travelers Amid COVID-19 Outbreak

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Update 6: Costa Rica - Plans to Reopen Businesses Commencing August 1, 2020

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Update 5: Costa Rica - Plans to Resume International Flights for European Union, United Kingdom, and Canada Commencing August 1, 2020

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Update 4: Costa Rica - Records Highest Unemployment Rate of 20.1% in May 2020 Amid COVID-19 Outbreak

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Update 3: Costa Rica - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 310 COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 4,621

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Update 2: Costa Rica - Enters Phase 2 of Easing COVID-19 Restrictions

June 20, 2020

High

Update 1: Costa Rica - Suspends Economic Reopening Plans as New COVID-19 Cases Increase

May 30, 2020

Immediate

Costa Rica - Extends Border Closure Until June 30, 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

# 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.