

Update 7: Jamaica - Tightens Curfew Restrictions for Holidays Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

- Jamaica will be subjected to a 7pm to 5am curfew on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and New Year's Day as the Government takes steps to prevent a rise in COVID-19 infections during the holiday period
- Jamaican Prime Minister Andrew Holness announced that except for the three holidays, the curfew will run from 10pm to 5am daily from December 2020 to January 15, 2021
- While this is a relaxation from the current 9pm to 5am curfew, Holness warns that it could be reversed, depending on whether there is a sharp rise in COVID-19 cases coming out of the Christmas holidays
- Meanwhile, in a bid to restrict crowding at a time when there is increased travel, Holness announced that the provisions of the Disaster Risk Management Act will be amended to restrict gatherings to no more than 15 persons indoors as well as in public spaces
- The new order will come into effect in December 2020
- At the same time, the Prime Minister has advised that the prohibition on parties and events will remain in force throughout December 2020
- He urged Jamaicans to be vigilant over the next few months, starting with the Christmas season
- As of now, the country reported 10,422 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 243 deaths (2.3% of total reported cases), and 5,572 recoveries (53.5% of the 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.moh.gov.jm/>) for latest information on COVID-19 in Jamaica

Source(s)

<https://www.loopjamaica.com/content/7pm-curfew-christmas-boxing-and-new-years-days>
<http://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20201124/tighter-curfews-christmas-new-years-holidays>
<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/jamaica/>

Targets Affected:

Jamaica

Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' and 'Lockdown/Emergency/Extension of Lockdown/Other Restrictions' and under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

Related Alerts

Oct. 30, 2020

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Update 6: Jamaica - Extends Certain COVID-19 Measures Until November 30, 2020

Oct. 28, 2020

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Update 5: Jamaica - Reports 38 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 8,787

Sept. 25, 2020

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Update 4: Jamaica - Extends COVID-19 Curfew Until October 7, 2020 to Curb the Spread of Infections

Sept. 11, 2020

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Update 3: Jamaica - Economy Contracts by 18% YoY in Q2 2020 Amid COVID-19 Restrictions

Aug. 20, 2020

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Update 2: Jamaica - Imposes Tighter COVID-19 Restrictions Amid Surge in Infections

Aug. 1, 2020

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Update 1: Jamaica - Extends Curfew Until September 30, 2020 Amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

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Jamaica - Announces Few COVID-19 Relaxations; Nationwide Confirmed Cases Increase to 707

Impact level Definitions

Impact Level	Definitions
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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Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - 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.
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