

Update 21: Iraq - Authorities Approve Plans to Reimpose Curfew Effective February 18, 2021 amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

- Iraqi authorities have approved a package of health restrictions, including reimposing partial and full curfew starting from February 18, 2021 due to a resurgence of new COVID-19 cases
- The partial curfew will be imposed for four days and a full curfew for three days during the period from February 18 until March 8
- During the period, the partial curfew will start from 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
- The full curfew will be imposed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday
- Health workers, security forces, and public service departments are exempted from the curfew
- Governmental institutions will work with 50% of its employees, except for the Ministry of Health
- All governmental and private schools, institutes, and colleges will resort to electronic learning starting from February 18 until March 4
- The Ministry of Health reported 2,190 new COVID-19 cases and seven new fatalities
- As of now, Iraq has reported 641,628 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 13,164 deaths, 2.1% of total reported cases and 605,980 recoveries, 94.4% of total reported cases
- When compared to the overall population of the country, confirmed COVID-19 cases and fatality rate stand at 1.67% 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)

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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 20: Iraq - Warns to Reimpose Curfew as it Reports 1,317 New COVID-19 Cases

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Update 19: Iraq - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 1,135 COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 621,755

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Update 18: Samarra, Iraq - Reports Outbreak of H5N8 Bird Flu, Adding Further Stress to COVID-19 Pandemic

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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 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 9: Iraq - Extends COVID-19 Lockdown Until June 13, 2020

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

May 31, 2020

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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

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

May 5, 2020

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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

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

April 17, 2020

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

April 8, 2020

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

Impact level Definitions

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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.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - 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	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.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - 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.
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