

Update 22: Sofia, Bulgaria - Eases Restrictions Amid Third Wave of COVID-19 Pandemic

- Bulgarian health authorities eased COVID-19 restrictions on April 01, 2021, three days before general elections, and despite a raging third wave that has seen hospital admissions spike
- The ministry of Bulgaria will go ahead with the easing and allow restaurant and cafe terraces to re-open after a ten-day closure along with cinemas, theatres, swimming pools, and other recreation venues that will be allowed to operate at 30% capacity
- Creches and kindergartens will also re-open on April 05, 2021, and schools will resume in-person lessons with alternate shifts after spring break on April 12, 2021
- As of now, the country has reported 346,327 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 13,313 deaths, 3.84% of total reported cases, and 262,095 recoveries, 75.68% of the total reported cases
- When compared to overall population of the country, confirmed COVID-19 cases and fatality rate stands at 5.01% and 0.19%, respectively
- In total, 486,002 people have received vaccine doses and 97,407 people, 1.4% of total population have been fully vaccinated against COVID -19
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant development
- Please consult the Ministry of Health of Bulgaria (<http://www.mh.government.bg/en/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Source(s)

- <https://www.macaubusiness.com/bulgaria-eases-virus-curbs-despite-third-wave-surge/>
- <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/bulgaria/>
- <https://news.google.com/covid19/map?hl=en-IN&gl=IN&ceid=IN%3Aen&state=2&mid=%2Fm%2F015qh>

Targets Affected:

Sofia

Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Business Recovery/Lifting Restrictions' and 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

Related Alerts

March 31, 2021

Medium

Update 21: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends Part of COVID-19 Restrictions

March 17, 2021

High

Update 20: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Total Lockdown Effective March 19, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic; Updates List of Red Zone Districts

March 13, 2021

Medium

Update 19: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Mandatory Ten Days Quarantine on Arrivals from Africa Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

March 10, 2021

Medium

Update 18: Sofia, Bulgaria - Economy Contracts by 4.2% in 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Feb. 28, 2021

Medium

Update 17: Sofia, Bulgaria - Orders to Reopen Businesses Including Restaurants and Entertainment Venues Effective March 01, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Feb. 7, 2021

Medium

Update 16: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports 30 Deaths and 910 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 223,552

Dec. 23, 2020

Medium

Update 15: Sofia, Bulgaria - Resumes Flights from UK and Northern Ireland Amid New COVID-19 Strain

Dec. 17, 2020

Medium

Update 14: Sofia, Bulgaria - Plans to Extend Restrictions Until January 31, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Dec. 1, 2020

Medium

Update 13: Sofia, Bulgaria - Bans Travelers from Outside European Union, Effective December 1, 2020 Amid COVID-19 Crisis

Nov. 29, 2020

High

Update 12: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Partial Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

Nov. 24, 2020

High

Update 11: Sofia, Bulgaria - Plans to Impose Strict Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

Nov. 14, 2020

Low

Update 10: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports Economic Recovery in Q3 2020 as GDP Increases by 4.3% Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Nov. 1, 2020

Medium

Update 9: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports 2,891 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 51,041

Oct. 25, 2020

Medium

Update 8: Sofia, Bulgaria - Tightens Lockdown Restrictions Amid Surge in New COVID-19 Cases

Oct. 14, 2020

Medium

Update 7: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports 785 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 25,774

Aug. 9, 2020

Medium

Update 6: Sofia, Bulgaria - Confirms 5,180 Active COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 13,343

June 11, 2020

Medium

Update 5: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends
Epidemiological Emergency for 15
Days as COVID-19 Cases Increase

May 6, 2020

High

Update 4: Sofia, Bulgaria - Removes
Checkpoint at City-Entrance Starting
May 6, 2020 Amid COVID-19
Pandemic

April 28, 2020

High

Update 3: Sofia, Bulgaria - Confirms 58
New COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 1,348

April 17, 2020

Immediate

Update 2: Sofia, Bulgaria - Announces
City Closure to Curb the Spread of
COVID-19 Pandemic

March 31, 2020

Immediate

Update 1: Sofia, Bulgaria - Rise in
Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

March 13, 2020

Low

Sofia - Coronavirus Infection Cases

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.
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.