

# Update 39: Iran - Imposes Ban on Travel During Ramadan Holidays Effective May 11, 2021 to Curb the Spread of COVID-19 Infections

- The Iranian government has imposed an outright ban on all domestic travels during the Ramadan holidays
- This ban will be effective from May 11, 2021, in a bid to contain a fresh surge in COVID-19 infections
- The four-day blanket ban would end on midday May 15, 2021, and would cover all intercity travels in Iran
- The ban would not distinguish between cities based on a color-coding system that shows the severity of COVID-19 outbreaks
- The announcement comes as the government struggles to contain a fourth wave of COVID-19 in Iran
- It also comes amid concerns that a mutated and more dangerous form of the virus that is currently circulating in India and Pakistan could hit Iran
- The blanket travel ban comes a month after the government began imposing hefty fines on drivers traveling between cities that were on a red alert
- Health ministry officials stated that restrictions on gatherings and movement have helped reduce the number of positive cases and deaths from the virus
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Iran:
  1. Confirmed Cases: 2,627,094
  2. Deaths: 74,241 (2.83%)
  3. Recoveries: 2,074,089 (78.95%)
  4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 938,754
- Supply Wisdom will continue to monitor and issue alerts for any relevant developments

## Source(s)

<https://www.presstv.com/Detail/2021/05/06/652085/Iran-travel-ban-Ramadan-holidays-coronavirus>  
<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/iran/>  
<https://www.pharmaceutical-technology.com/covid-19-vaccination-tracker/>  
<https://behdasht.gov.ir/>

## Targets Affected:

Iran

## 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](#)' under the '[COVID-19: Actions to Consider](#)' section below / next page

## Related Alerts

April 30, 2021

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Update 38: Iran - Extends Border Closure with Afghanistan Indefinitely Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 27, 2021

Medium

Update 37: Iran - Reports Highest Daily Rise of 496 COVID-19 Deaths in Last 24 Hours Since the Pandemic

April 25, 2021

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Update 36: Iran - Bans Flights from India and Pakistan Starting April 25, 2021

April 11, 2021

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Update 35: Iran - Imposes Lockdown for Ten Days Amid Fourth Wave of COVID-19

April 10, 2021

Medium

Update 34: Iran - Reports Highest Daily Rise of 22,478 New COVID-19 Cases in 24 Hours

April 4, 2021

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Update 33: Iran - President Confirms Fourth Wave of COVID-19 Infection in Two Provinces

March 28, 2021

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Update 32: Iran - Tightens Restrictions Between Cities Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

March 25, 2021

Medium

Update 31: Iran - Extends Border Closure with Iraq Until April 1, 2021 to Curb the Spread of UK COVID-19 Variant

**Feb. 21, 2021**

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Update 30: Iran - Closes Border with Iraq to Curb the Spread of UK COVID-19 Variant

**Jan. 31, 2021**

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Update 29: Iran - Government Imposes Mandatory Quarantine for Travelers from Europe

**Jan. 25, 2021**

Medium

Update 28: Iran - Extends Ban on UK Flights Until February 18, 2021 amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

**Jan. 6, 2021**

High

Update 27: Iran - Confirms First Case of UK COVID-19 Variant

**Dec. 20, 2020**

Medium

Update 26: Iran - Government Extends COVID-19 Restrictions Ahead of Yalda Festival

**Dec. 18, 2020**

Medium

Update 25: Iran - Reports 7,453 New COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 1,138,530

**Dec. 6, 2020**

Medium

Update 24: Iran - Government Extends Restrictions Amid Rise in COVID-19 Daily Cases

**Nov. 22, 2020**

Immediate

Update 23: Iran - Government Imposes New Business and Travel Restrictions Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

**Nov. 16, 2020**

Medium

Update 22: Iran - Government Announces National Mobilization Amid Highest Daily Increase of 12,543 COVID-19 Cases

**Nov. 15, 2020**

Medium

Update 21: Iran - Government Announces to Further Tighten COVID-19 Restriction

**Nov. 11, 2020**

High

Update 20: Iran - Government Imposes Additional Restrictions Amid Rise in COVID-19 Daily Cases

**Nov. 2, 2020**

High

Update 19: Iran - Government Imposes Travel Restrictions Until November 6, 2020 Amid Rise in COVID-19 Deaths

**Nov. 1, 2020**

Medium

Update 18: Tehran, Iran - Extends Curfew in Selected Regions Amid Rise in COVID-19 Cases

**Oct. 28, 2020**

High

Update 17: Iran - Reports Highest Daily Increase of Over 6,968 COVID-19 Cases, Non-Essential Businesses Shut in Capital Tehran

**Oct. 21, 2020**

Medium

Update 16: Iran - Reports Highest Daily Increase of Over 5,000 COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 539,670

**Oct. 18, 2020**

Medium

Update 15: Tehran, Iran - Extends Curfew Until October 23, 2020 Amid Rise in COVID-19 Cases

**Oct. 4, 2020**

**High**

Update 14: Tehran, Iran - Imposes New Restrictions Amid Rapid Rise in COVID-19 Cases

**Sept. 18, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 13: Iran - Faces Third Wave of COVID-19 Infections as Death Toll Surges Over 23,000

**Aug. 24, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 12: Iran - Economy Contracts by 3% Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

**Aug. 5, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 11: Iran - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 2,751 COVID-19 Cases Amid Second Wave, Totaling 314,786

**July 31, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 10: Iran - Reports Higher Fatality During Second COVID-19 Surge, Surpassing 16,000

**June 15, 2020**

**Medium**

Update 9: Iran - Records 107 Single Day COVID-19 Deaths for First Time in Two Months

**June 7, 2020**

**High**

Update 8: Iran - Cases Hit Record High in Second Wave of COVID-19

**May 24, 2020**

**High**

Update 7: Iran - Announces Further Easing of COVID-19 Restrictions; Reopens Religious and Cultural Centers

May 19, 2020

Immediate

Update 6: Iran - Faces Second Wave of COVID-19 Infections as Death Toll Surges Past 7,000

May 16, 2020

Immediate

Update 5: Iran - Records Biggest Rise in COVID-19 Cases of 2,102, Totaling 116,635

May 4, 2020

High

Update 4: Iran - Set to Lift Restrictions in Low-Risk Areas as COVID-19 Infections Decline

April 26, 2020

Immediate

Update 3: Iran - Raises Concerns of Fresh COVID-19 Outbreak After Relaxing Restrictions; Reports 89,328 Cases, Death Toll at 5,650

April 21, 2020

Medium

Update 2: Iran - Partially Reopens Businesses in Tehran for Relief from Economic Damage Despite COVID-19 Fears

April 13, 2020

Immediate

Update 1: Iran - COVID-19 Cases Surpass 71,000

April 8, 2020

Immediate

Iran - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 2,089 in COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 62,589

# 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.