

Update 8: Greece - Plans to Reopens Museums and Beaches Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

- Museums in Greece will reopen to visitors next week, a day before the official start of the tourism season on May 15, 2021
- The government started easing restrictions late last month after a small reduction in COVID-19 cases
- It allowed bars and restaurants to reopen earlier this week while organised beaches will open on May 8, 2021, in preparation for the return of foreign visitors next week
- Under current measures, beach managers like Venieris will have to place umbrellas at least four metres (13 feet), carry out regular disinfections and test beach bar employees and other staff for COVID-19
- The authorities stated that the combination of widespread testing, immunisation, and many activities would take place outdoors gave authorities confidence that tourists would be able to visit safely
- Traveling to Greece in such a crucial phase is still a huge bet but as the country's economy largely relies on tourism
- Though Greece is ready to welcome tourists from the US, the US State Department recently added Greece to its list of "Level 4: Do Not Travel," countries
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Greece:
 1. Confirmed Cases: 360,577
 2. Deaths: 10,978 (3.04%)
 3. Recoveries: 323,458 (89.70%)
 4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 3,075,698
 5. Fully Vaccinated: 9%
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments

Source(s)

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Targets Affected:

Greece

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' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

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