Update 94: Sydney, Australia - Victoria to Ease COVID-19 Restrictions; COVID-19 Cases Continue to Rise in New South Wales

- On July 27, Australia's Victoria state said it will lift a strict lockdown after curtailing the spread of COVID-19
- While New South Wales (NSW) faces an extension of restrictions after daily new cases spiked to a 16-month peak
- More than half of Australia's near 26 million population has been in lockdown in recent weeks after an outbreak of the highly infectious Delta variant took hold in the New South Wales capital of Sydney and spread to three states
- New South Wales reported 172 COVID-19 cases in the past 24 hours, up from 145 a day earlier, with at least 60 spending time in the community while infectious
- New South Wales Premier Gladys Berejiklian said a decision on whether to extend the five-week lockdown will be taken this week
- However, with less than 13% of the state's population fully vaccinated, curbs are expected to remain
- In contrast, Victoria state said most restrictions imposed on July 15 will be removed from July 28 after recording just 10 infections of people already in quarantine
- Victoria's 5 million residents will now be allowed to leave home freely and schools will reopen, though households will not be permitted to have visitors
- The state announced to lift lockdown as it recorded zero COVID-19 cases in the past 24 hours
- The outbreak in Sydney has seen a wave of hospitalizations and 10 deaths in recent weeks
- New South Wales said 169 people are in hospital with the virus, of which 46 are in intensive care
- Amid heightened concerns about a spate of hospitalizations of younger people, Australia has urged people to take AstraZeneca's COVID-19 vaccine after struggling to secure enough supplies of Pfizer's inoculations
- Authorities had previously recommended only over 60s should take the AstraZeneca shot after rare but serious blood clotting cases
- Also, Australia's economy is expected to shrink in coming quarters with lockdowns costing about A$300 M daily (~US$220 M)
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Australia:

  1. Confirmed Cases: 33,266
  2. Deaths: 922 (2.77%)
  3. Recoveries: 29,856 (89.74%)
  4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 11,140,511
  5. Fully Vaccinated: 3,327,213 (13%)

- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments

Source(s)

Targets Affected:

Australia

Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

Guidance

Actions to consider:

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

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Related Alerts

July 24, 2021 `Medium`

Update 93: Sydney, Australia - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 136 COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 32,759

July 19, 2021 `Medium`

Update 92: Victoria, Australia - Extends Lockdown as Government Programs Fail to Curb COVID-19 Cases

July 16, 2021 `Medium`

Update 91: Victoria, Australia - Imposes Five-Day Lockdown Effective July 16, 2021 Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases; Hundreds Protest over Lockdown

July 14, 2021 `Medium`

Update 90: Sydney, Australia - Extends Lockdown as COVID-19 Cases Continue to Spike

July 12, 2021 `Medium`

Update 89: Sydney, Australia - Suffers Massive Power Outages Amid COVID-19 Lockdown

July 9, 2021 `Medium`

Update 88: Sydney, Australia - Reports Biggest Daily Rise in COVID-19 Cases for 2021

July 7, 2021 `Medium`

Update 87: Sydney, Australia - Extends Lockdown for Another Week as Delta COVID-19 Variant Spreads

July 3, 2021 `Medium`

Update 86: Sydney, Australia - Tightens Border Measures for Travelers Amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

June 29, 2021 Medium

Update 85: Perth, Australia - Government Reimposes Restrictions After Fresh COVID-19 Outbreak

June 27, 2021 Medium

Update 84: Greater Sydney and Darwin, Australia - Extend Lockdown Measures Until July 09, 2021 Amid Surge in Delta Variant COVID-19 Cases

June 25, 2021 Medium

Update 83: Sydney, Australia - Imposes Partial Lockdown Effective June 25, 2021 Amid Increase in COVID-19 Infections

June 14, 2021 Medium

Update 82: Victoria, Australia - Government Plans to Ease More Restrictions; Reports Two Local COVID-19 Cases in the Past 24 Hours

June 4, 2021 High

Update 81: Victoria, Australia - Reports First Cases of Delta Variant of COVID-19

June 2, 2021 Medium

Update 80: Melbourne, Australia - Government Extends Restrictions for a Week as COVID-19 Cluster Grows

May 28, 2021 Medium

Update 79: Victoria, Australia - Imposes Seven-Day Lockdown Effective May 28, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

May 26, 2021 Medium

Update 78: Melbourne, Australia - Government Reimposes Restrictions After Fresh COVID-19 Outbreak

May 9, 2021   Medium

Update 77: Sydney, Australia - Government Extends COVID-19 Restrictions for one Week

May 7, 2021   Medium

Update 75: Australia - International Borders May Remain Closed Until Late 2022 to Curb the Spread of COVID-19

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Update 76: Australia - Plans to Resume Repatriation Flights from India Effective May 15, 2021, Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 27, 2021   Medium

Update 74: Australia - Bans Direct Passenger Flights from India Until May 15, 2021 to Curb the Spread of COVID-19

April 25, 2021   Medium

Update 73: Perth and Peel, Australia - Government Imposes Three-Day Lockdown Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 22, 2021   Medium

Update 72: Australia - Reduces Flights from India by 30% due to Surge in COVID-19 Cases

April 8, 2021   Medium

Update 71: Australia - Plans to Start Quarantine-Free Travel with New Zealand from April 19, 2021 as COVID-19 Cases Decline

April 1, 2021   Medium

Update 70: Brisbane, Australia - Lifts Three-Day Lockdown as COVID-19 Cases Decline

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March 29, 2021 `High`

Update 69: Brisbane, Australia - Government Imposes Lockdown for Three Days to Contain Spread of New UK COVID-19 Variant

March 11, 2021 `Low`

Update 68: Australia - Announces Stimulus Package to Boost Domestic Tourism Amid COVID-19 Pandemic - ~US$928 M

March 4, 2021 `Medium`

Update 67: Australia - Extends International Travel Ban Until June 17, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Feb. 25, 2021 `Medium`

Update 66: Australia - Tightens Restrictions in Four States Amid COVID-19 Outbreak in New Zealand

Feb. 12, 2021 `High`

Update 65: Victoria, Australia - Government Imposes Lockdown for Five Days After Reporting Multiple COVID-19 Cases

Feb. 1, 2021 `High`

Update 64: Perth, Australia - Government Imposes Lockdown for Five Days After Reporting One COVID-19 Case

Jan. 29, 2021 `Medium`

Update 63: Australia - Extends Suspension of Quarantine-Free Travel with New Zealand Until January 31, 2021 Amid Confirmation of New COVID-19 Variant Cases in New Zealand

Jan. 8, 2021 `Medium`

Update 62: Brisbane, Australia - Enters Three-Day Lockdown Starting January 08, 2021 to Contain Spread of New UK COVID-19 Variant

Jan. 3, 2021 `High`

[Update 61: New South Wales, Australia - Government Imposes New Restrictions Amid Rise in COVID-19 Cases](#)

Dec. 23, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 60: New South Wales, Australia - Government Plans to Slightly Ease Lockdown Restrictions During Festival](#)

Dec. 19, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 59: Sydney, Australia - Imposes Strict Restrictions Amid Rise in COVID-19 Cases](#)

Dec. 18, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 58: Australia - Imposes Border Restrictions Amid Rise in COVID-19 Infections](#)

Dec. 8, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 57: New South Wales and Victoria, Australia - Government Removes Quarantine Requirements for Travelers Amid Drop in COVID-19 Cases](#)

Dec. 2, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 56: Australia - Reports Minor Economic Recovery; However COVID-19 Recession Continues](#)

Nov. 23, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 55: New South Wales, Victoria, Australia - Government Plans to Reopen Borders Amid Drop in COVID-19 Cases](#)

Nov. 19, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 54: South Australia - Imposes Six-Day Lockdown Amid Rise in COVID-19 Infections](#)

Nov. 17, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 53: South Australia - Plans to Impose Social Distancing Restrictions Amid COVID-19 Outbreak

Nov. 10, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 52: Australia - Plans to Open Borders to Asia as It Records No Local COVID-19 Case

Oct. 29, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 51: Melbourne, Australia - Ends Lockdown After Three Months

Oct. 25, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 50: Australia - Plans to Lift State Border Closures by December 25, 2020

Oct. 18, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 49: Victoria, Australia - Government Eases Lockdown as COVID-19 Cases Fall

Oct. 2, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 48: Australia - Plans to Open Borders with New Zealand as COVID-19 Restrictions Ease

Sept. 22, 2020　　　　Medium

Update 47: Australia - Queensland and South Australia to Reopen Border with New South Wales Amid State-wise Decline in COVID-19 Infections

Sept. 7, 2020　　　　High

Update 46: Melbourne, Australia - Extends Strict Lockdown Until September 28, 2020 to Curb the Spread of COVID-19 Infections

Sept. 4, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 45: Australia - Extends Outbound Travel Ban Until December 17, 2020 Amid COVID-19 Crisis](#)

Sept. 2, 2020 `High`

[Update 44: Australia - Reports First Recession Since 1991 as Economy Contracts by 7% in Q2 2020 Citing Biggest GDP Decline Since 1959](#)

Aug. 28, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 43: South Australia - Eases Restrictions as COVID-19 Infections Decline](#)

Aug. 13, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 42: South Australia - Announces New Border Restrictions with Victoria Commencing August 21, 2020 Amid Increase in Nationwide Unemployment Rate in July 2020](#)

Aug. 4, 2020 `Immediate`

[Update 41: Melbourne, Australia - New Restrictions on Non-Essential Businesses Commencing August 5, 2020 Amid New Surge in COVID-19 Cases](#)

Aug. 2, 2020 `High`

[Update 40: Victoria, Australia - Declares State of Disaster, Imposes Curfew Until September 13, 2020 to Contain COVID-19](#)

July 30, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 39: Australia - Reports Annual Deflation of 0.3% for the First Time in 22 Years Amid COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

July 27, 2020 `Medium`

[Update 38: Australia - Reports Highest Daily Death Toll Due to COVID-19 Infections](#)

July 24, 2020   `High`

Update 37: South Australia - Tightens COVID-19 Restrictions Commencing July 28, 2020 to Curb the Spread of Infections

July 20, 2020   `High`

Update 35: New South Wales, Australia - Plans to Close Border with Victoria Starting July 21, 2020 Amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

July 20, 2020   `Low`

Update 36: Australia - Extends Loan to Support Small Businesses Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

July 16, 2020   `Medium`

Update 34: Australia - Unemployment Rate Increases to 22-Year High in June 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

July 8, 2020   `High`

Update 33: Melbourne, Australia - Reimposes Lockdown for Six Weeks Amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

July 6, 2020   `High`

Update 32: Australia - Closes Victoria-New South Wales Border Indefinitely Amid Increase in COVID-19 Cases

June 30, 2020   `High`

Update 31: Melbourne, Australia - Imposes Strict Lockdown for Four Weeks to Curb the Spread of COVID-19 Cases

June 29, 2020   `Medium`

Update 30: Australia - Reports Highest Daily Increase of 85 COVID-19 Cases Amid Second Wave, Totaling 7,800

June 25, 2020

Immediate

Update 29: Melbourne, Australia - Deploys Military to Contain Spread of COVID-19 Amid Concerns of Second Wave

June 21, 2020

High

Update 28: Victoria, Australia - Reinstates Restrictions Until July 12, 2020 After Spike in COVID-19 Cases

June 18, 2020

Medium

Update 27: Australia - Unemployment Rate Increases to 19-Year High in May 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

June 17, 2020

Medium

Update 26: Australia - Eases Certain State Border Restrictions; Border Closure for International Travelers Anticipated Until 2021

June 3, 2020

High

Update 25: Australia - GDP Contracts 0.3% in Q1 2020, Signaling a Possible Recession; Further Contraction Anticipated for Q2 2020

June 1, 2020

High

Update 24: Australia - Businesses Resume Operations as COVID-19 Cases Decline

May 20, 2020

High

Update 23: Australia - Plans to Ease Interstate Travel Restrictions Beginning June 1 as COVID-19 Cases Decline

May 14, 2020

High

Update 22: Australia - COVID-19 Pandemic Causes Five-Year High in Unemployment Rate

May 11, 2020   High

[Update 21: Australia - Eases COVID-19 Restrictions as COVID-19 Cases Decline](#)

May 8, 2020   High

[Update 20: Australia - Prepares Three-Stage Plan for Easing COVID-19 Restrictions](#)

May 5, 2020   High

[Update 19: Australia - Plans to Restart All Businesses by July 2020 to Recover Economy Amid COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

May 3, 2020   Immediate

[Update 18: Australia - Raises Concerns of Fresh COVID-19 Outbreak After Relaxing Few Restrictions; Reports 6,738 Cases, Death Toll at 94](#)

May 1, 2020   High

[Update 17: Australia - Prepares to Ease COVID-19 Restrictions](#)

April 24, 2020   Immediate

[Update 16: Australia - Travel Restrictions to Remain in Place for Three Months to Contain COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

April 22, 2020   Medium

[Update 15: Australia - Expected to Lift COVID-19 Restrictions in Major States as Reserve Bank Warns of Biggest Economic Contraction](#)

April 19, 2020   High

[Update 14: Australia - International Monetary Fund Predicts GDP Growth Contraction by 6.7% in 2020](#)

April 17, 2020 Immediate

Update 13: Australia - COVID-19
Restriction Extended by Four Weeks

April 14, 2020 High

Update 12: Australia - Forecasters
Predict Unemployment Rate to Double
to 10% in Q2 2020

April 2, 2020 Immediate

Update 11: Australia - Restrictions on
Public Gatherings in Place Until June
29, 2020 - New South Wales

April 1, 2020 Immediate

Update 10: Australia - Rise in
Confirmed COVID-19 Related Cases
and Deaths

March 30, 2020 Immediate

Update 9: Australia - New Restrictions
to Limit Public Gatherings and Enforce
People to Stay at Home

March 27, 2020 Immediate

Update 8: Australia - Imposes Forced
Quarantine of 14 Days for Returning
Citizens to Curb Spreading of COVID-
19

March 26, 2020 Immediate

Update 7: Australia - Businesses
Report Widespread Impact from
COVID-19 Pandemic; Further
Disruption Anticipated

March 25, 2020 Immediate

Update 6: Australia - Announces New
Shutdown Measures Amid COVID-19
Pandemic

March 22, 2020   Immediate

Update 5: Australia - Reports Highest
Daily Increase in Infected Cases;
Brings Total to Over 1,000

March 18, 2020   Immediate

Update 4: Australia - Declares 'Human
Biosecurity Emergency' Amid
Coronavirus Pandemic

March 16, 2020   Immediate

Update 3: Australia - Declares State of
Emergency Amid Coronavirus
Outbreak

March 5, 2020   Immediate

Update 2: Australia - Coronavirus
Outbreak Disrupts Normal Life

Feb. 3, 2020   Low

Update 1: Australia - Travel Ban Amid
Coronavirus Outbreak

Jan. 22, 2020   Low

Australia - Health Alert in Place as
Coronavirus Spreads

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.
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.