

Fact Sheet

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation in and outside Japan and Japan's Measures

as of March 10, 2020

Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles

- As of March 9, 2020, there are 488 confirmed cases of PCR-tested positive and 7 deaths in Japan. (The numbers for the confirmed cases/deaths as of March 9, 2020 for the Republic of Korea, Italy and Iran are 7,382/51, 7,375/366, and 6,566/194 according to the respective nations' authorities.) The latest figures and information including Japan's Basic Policies can be found on the website of the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare:
https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/newpage_00032.html
- Charts showing how the numbers of confirmed cases of COVID-19 have increased in several countries since the end of February are posted on Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs' website:
https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/covid19/pdf/graph_suii1_E.JPG
https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/covid19/pdf/graph_suii2_E.JPG
https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/covid19/pdf/graph_suii3_E.JPG
- The latest global situation reports can also be found on the website of the World Health Organization (WHO):
<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports/>
- The U.S. Department of State and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have announced the following advisories:
 - U.S. Department of State Travel Advisories
Level 4 (Do Not Travel): China, South Korea (Daegu), Italy (Lombardy and

Veneto), Iran

Level 3 (Reconsider Travel): Mongolia, South Korea (except Daegu), Italy (except Lombardy and Veneto), Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan

Level 2 (Exercise Increased Caution): Japan, Hong Kong, Makau

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/>

- CDC Travel Health Notices

Level 3 (Avoid Nonessential Travel): China, South Korea, Italy, Iran

Level 2 (Practice Enhanced Precautions): Japan

Level 1 (Practice Usual Precautions): Hong Kong

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices>

- According to the Guidance for Employers updated on March 3, 2020, by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, if there is increased community transmission of COVID-19, businesses/organizations should have a plan and be prepared to take additional actions, if recommended by Public Health. This includes actions to protect employees, to suspend operations, and to “modify, postpone, or cancel large conferences or events.” However, there has been no such recommendation issued by Public Health up to this point.

<http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/GuidanceEmployersEnglish.pdf>

- The County of Los Angeles declared on March 4, 2020, a local and public health emergency in response to increased spread of coronavirus and 6 additional cases in the County. Along with their enhanced efforts, the County announced personal preparation measures noting people should plan “for the possibility of more significant social distancing requirements should there be broad community spread.” Such measures include “planning for the possibility of business disruptions, school closures, and modifications/cancellations of select public events.”

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm>

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- On March 9, 2020, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health announced that one of the two additional cases of COVID-19 in the County is “the first possible case of community transmission in LA County.”

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2258>

- On March 10, 2020, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health announced that with the March 9, 2020 "discovery of community spread," there will be more cases of COVID-19 in the County. The Director of Public Health stated that the Department is "urging people with underlying health conditions, pregnant women and the elderly to practice social distancing by avoiding non-essential travel, public events, community gatherings, and indoor venues."

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2260>

- The Government of Japan has taken measures to restrict travel to Japan. Updated on February 26, 2020, these restrictions are posted on the website of the Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles:

https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/pdf/COVID19_2_26_2020.pdf

- Japan’s Prime Minister ABE Shinzo announced additional measures on March 5, 2020, including strengthened travel restrictions to Japan. Such measures include denying entry of foreign nationals who stayed in certain areas of the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Iran, and strengthening the quarantine of those who enter Japan from China and the ROK.

https://japan.kantei.go.jp/98_abe/actions/202003/00007.html

- The Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) issued a statement on March 3, 2020, that they are fully committed to the success of the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 (July 24 – August 9, 2020).

<https://www.olympic.org/news/ioc-executive-board-statement-on-the->

[coronavirus-covid-19-and-the-olympic-games-tokyo-2020](#)

- IOC President Thomas Bach said in a March 4, 2020, press conference that in their Executive Board meeting “neither the word cancellation nor the word postponement was even mentioned.”
<https://olympics.nbcsports.com/2020/03/05/ioc-bach-coronavirus-gender-climate/>

- Those visitors in Japan who require emergency support can call “Japan Visitor Hotline” operated by the Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO). The service is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year:
<https://www.japan.travel/en/plan/hotline/>

- JNTO also provides a website created to help travelers receive medical care in Japan:
https://www.jnto.go.jp/emergency/eng/mi_guide.html