

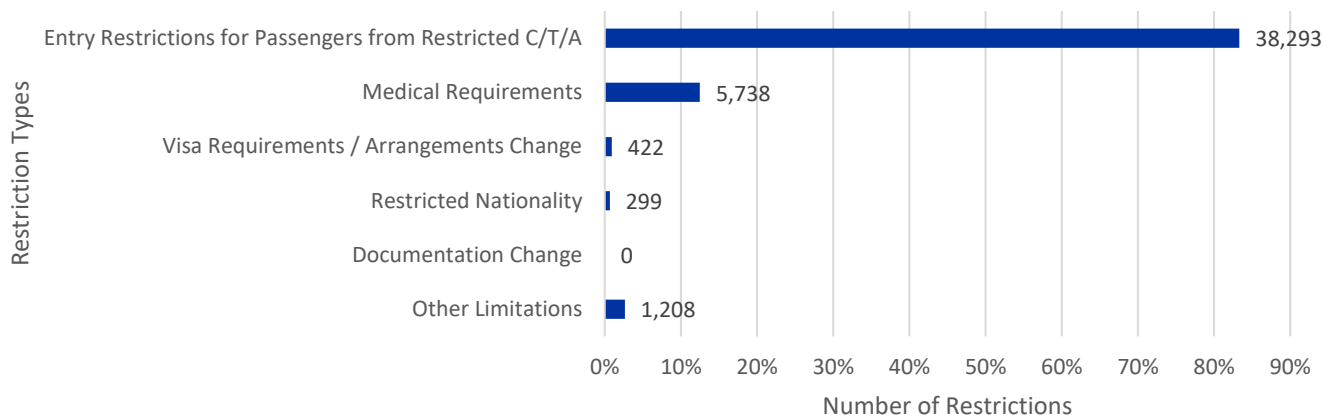
Overview:

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a global mobility deadlock with nearly all international borders closed for non-essential travel and multi-layered measures issued for exceptional movements. The total number of mobility restrictions and measures issued by Governments and authorities approximates nearly 46,000 as of 9th of April 2020 remaining almost unchanged when compared to the 45,956 issued as of 8th April 2020. The varying dynamic and extent of COVID-19 pandemic spread in regions, countries, territories and areas has generated diverging measures and impacts on mobility. Since the People's Republic of China lifted its internal lockdown on 7th April 2020, more than 10,000 Chinese flew back to their provinces as of the morning of 9th April 2020. However, passengers flights to Beijing and international locations still remain suspended. Other countries, territories and areas are also considering to relax certain internal mobility restrictions. Switzerland is looking at the possibility of easing internal lockdown measures while Norway plans to reopen kindergartens between 20th and 27th April 2020 and primary schools from 27th April 2020. Similarly, Denmark announced the reopening of primary schools and nurseries from 15th April 2020. Czechia has announced the reopening of shops selling non-essential goods from 16th April 2020. Both Denmark and Czechia closed their borders in response to the pandemic on 11th March 2020. European airports are also drawing up industry-wide guidelines for harmonizing passenger's health screening to ensure a coordinated response when travel restrictions due to COVID-19 are eased. Conversely, in some other locations reporting spikes in the daily number of new cases and deaths, stringent restrictions continue. With 5,194 cases as of 8th April 2020, the current lockdown in India is likely to be extended on 11th April 2020, the duration of the extension has not yet been confirmed. While the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has not issued any restrictions banning the entry of passengers, after recording 938 deaths on 8th April 2020, the highest daily fatality rate so far, authorities have announced the possibility of a lockdown extension. Peru also extended the state of emergency until 26th April 2020, while Ethiopia has declared a state of emergency to combat the pandemic. Apart from this, Government and authorities continue the efforts for repatriation of its nationals. Australia announced flights for the return of Australians from Peru, Argentina and South Africa over the next week. Japan also announced daily repatriation flights for its nationals from India between 14th and 16th April 2020.

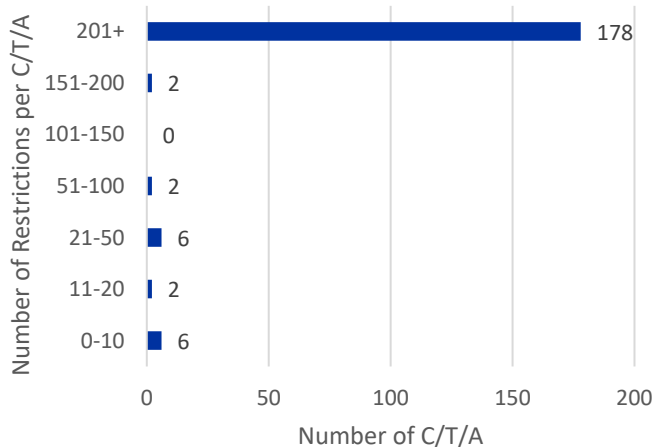
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Numbers at a glance

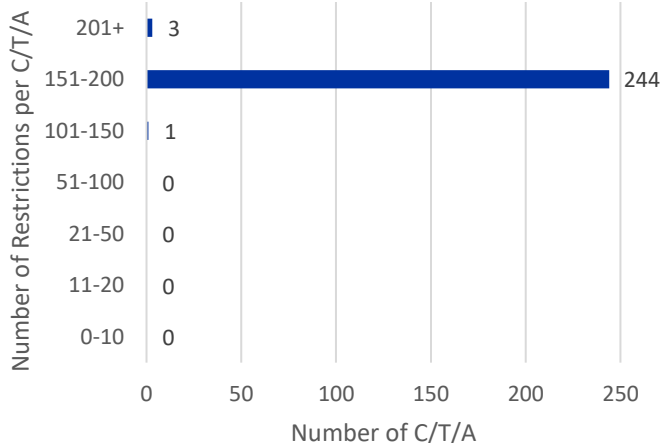
Most Common Imposed Restriction Types



Number of Countries/ Territories/ Areas Imposing Restrictions

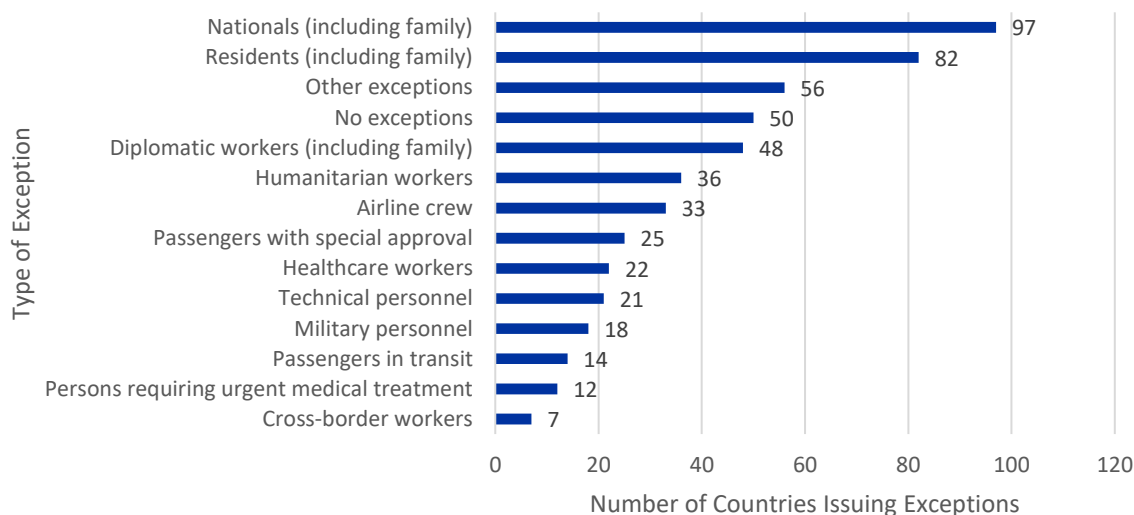


Number of Countries/ Territories/ Areas with Restrictions Imposed upon them



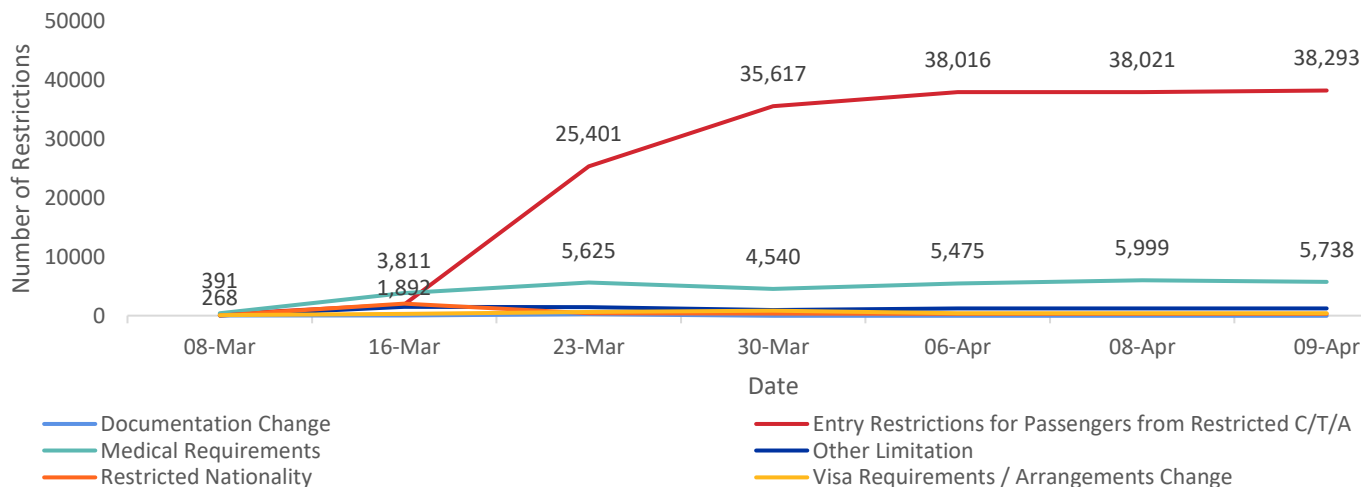
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Exceptions for Entry

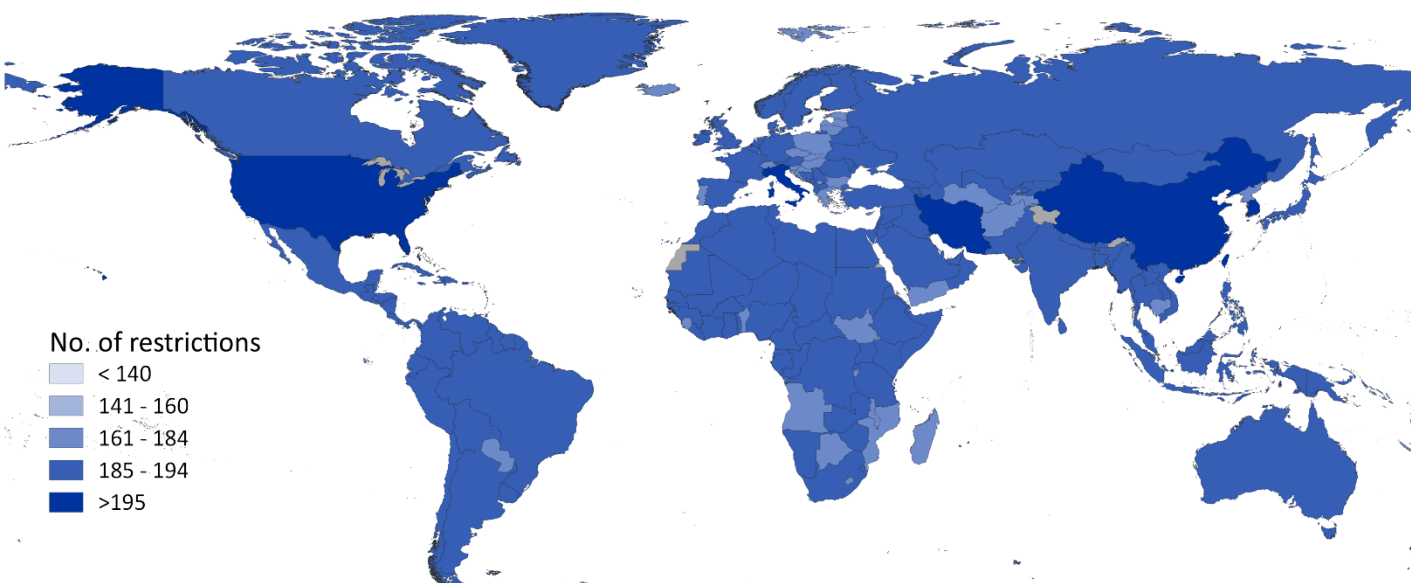


*Nationals (including family members)
Residents (including family members)
No exceptions
Other exceptions
Passengers with a diplomatic passport/visa; diplomats on duty station in the country (including family members)
Passengers with a UN passport; personnel of international and humanitarian organizations
Airline crew
Passengers with a special approval/valid letter of prior approval issued by the government or other entity
Technical, directive personnel and cargo operators
Healthcare professionals, healthcare researchers and collaborators
Military personnel/Military forces of NATO
Passengers in transit
Persons requiring urgent medical treatment
Cross-border workers

Measures Imposed by Countries/ Territories/ Areas, by Type and Date



Restriction Received by Country



Points of Entry Highlights:

As of 9th April 2020 (17:00 CET), through the Points of Entry (PoE) data base IOM has thus far recorded and processed information on 2,619 PoE located across 156 countries, territories and areas. These consist of 1,420 land border crossing points, 584 airports, 373 sea border points and 242 internal transit points. A total of 892 (34%) of the assessed PoE are in Europe, 833 (32%) in Asia, 619 (24%) in Africa, 175 (7%) in North America, 81 (3%) in South America and 19 (0.7%) in Oceania. Of the processed 2,619 PoE, at the time of the assessment 1,078 were fully closed, 939 were partially closed, 244 were open, 136 were closed for entry, for 104 the status was unknown, 94 were open only for commercial traffic and 24 were closed for exit.

Key Highlights

- Jamaica shifted from a partial restriction banning the entry of passengers from specific countries, territories and areas to total restriction on all passenger entry, as authorities announced airport closures until 21st April 2020. Italy also expanded its entry restrictions for tourists at airports in the north of the country to now encompass a nation-wide air-travel ban for that category of passengers.
- A cargo plane carrying 90 tonnes of medical aid, ventilators and protective masks from Wuhan in the People's Republic of China arrived in Australia late 8th April 2020. The flight is the first to arrive in Australia from Wuhan since 23rd January and marks the official lifting of restrictions in the city where the outbreak began.
- Stringent measures related to the mobility of airline crew and maritime crew continue. Uganda issued stipulations specifically for airline crew who now must undergo mandatory quarantine during their rest period. The Centre for Disease Control in the United States of America has issued restrictions for disembarking cruise passengers and crew, stipulating that they will no longer be allowed to board domestic commercial flights.
- New exceptions were issued by Spain for the entry of military personnel, whereas Sudan and Nepal issued exceptions for the entry of medical evacuations and emergency medical flights.
- Finland extended restrictions imposed from 9th April 2020 until the 13th May 2020, including the ban on public meetings of more than 10 people and the closure of public services such as libraries and schools for most students.
- Bangladesh has imposed a lockdown in the Cox's Bazaar District banning all entry and exit after they reported 218 cases of COVID-19 and 20 deaths, as of 8th April 2020. Cox's Bazaar hosts more than a million Rohingya refugees.

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