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## New coronavirus: Current situation – Switzerland and international

Information on the number of confirmed cases of coronavirus and those who have died as a result of the infection, as well as the report on the epidemiological situation in Switzerland, can be found here.

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### Current situation in Switzerland

#### Cases confirmed in Switzerland, 27.3.2020, 8 am:

No. of people tested positive (for coronavirus): 12,161

Deaths: 197 people

The figures published here are based on notifications received until early morning. They generally correspond to the date on which the sample was taken by the doctor. The figures contained in the report and in the Excel table may therefore differ from those communicated by the cantons.

#### The Federal Council's highest priority is to protect the public

People at especially high risk of becoming seriously ill should be better protected from the new coronavirus. We can all help by following the new recommendations and those already in place:

- **Keep your distance** – for example: Protect elderly people by keeping adequate distance from them; Keep your distance when queuing or waiting in line; Keep your distance at meetings.
- **Wash your hands thoroughly.**
- **Avoid shaking hands.**
- **Cough and sneeze into a tissue or the crook of your arm.**
- **Stay at home if you have a high temperature and a cough.**
- **Only go to the doctor's or emergency department after calling ahead.**

You will find detailed information on the "[Protect yourself and others](#)" site or at [www.foph-coronavirus](http://www.foph-coronavirus) .

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### Current situation – International

#### As of 27 March 2020, 7 am

Cases of new coronavirus infections have been confirmed in more than 180 countries or regions.

##### Italy:

**Confirmed cases:** more than 80,000 people

**Deaths:** 8,215 people

##### Globally:

**Confirmed cases:** more than 532,000 people

**Deaths:** more than 24,000 people

In the majority of cases the illness is mild. [However, people aged over 65 and those with an existing pre-illness could become seriously ill.](#)

## Affected areas: why is reference no longer being made to 'affected areas'?

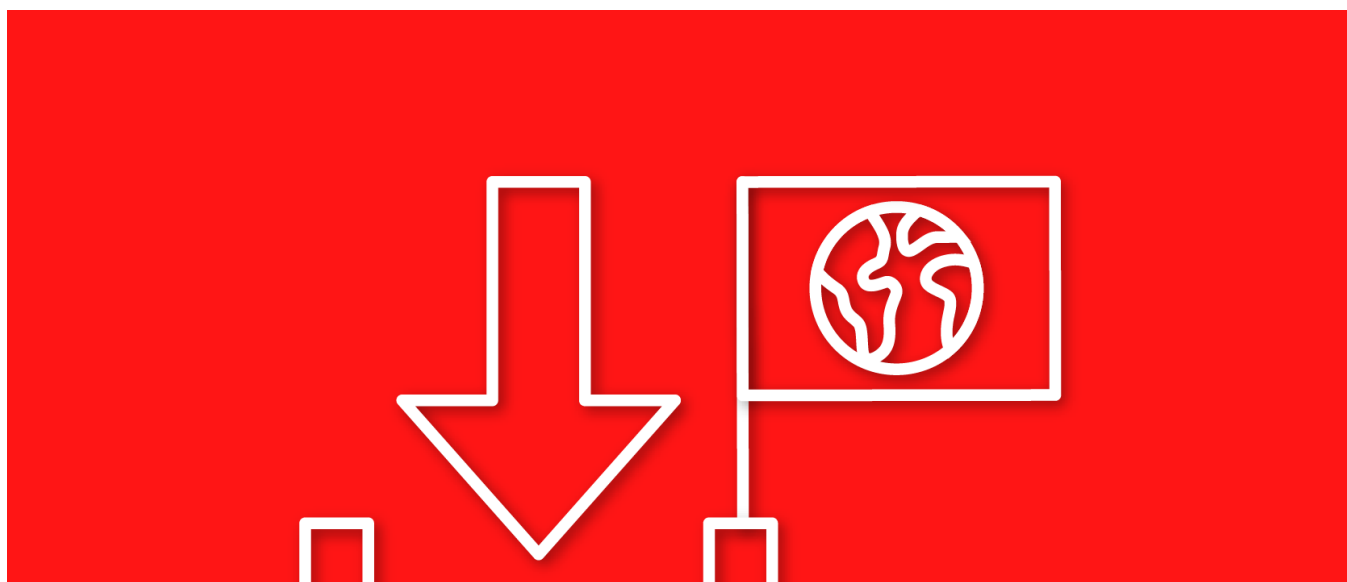
There is now a risk of becoming infected with new coronavirus in almost all parts of the world. As of 9 March we will therefore no longer be referring to 'affected areas'.

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Press conference on 27 march 2020, 2.30 pm

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