

# COVID-19 Update – United Arab Emirates

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Category	Recent Developments
<b>Economic Measures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UAE Central Bank says 75% of the AED 50 billion pandemic liquidity facility has been drawn down. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Dubai is in talks with banks to raise a financing worth billions of dollars which would be backed by road toll revenues. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Khalifa Industrial Zone Abu Dhabi has announced a new economic incentive package. The package supports both existing and prospective free zone establishments with savings of up to 25 percent on new registrations and renewals. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Emirates Airline Foundation uses 132 million Skywards Miles to donate over AED 6.5 million to help more than 90,000 people, mainly children in some of the most impoverished communities worldwide. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On May 06, the UAE saw 502 new cases (-8.05% from the previous day) of the coronavirus, bringing the total to 16,240 total confirmed cases. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Ministry of Foreign Affairs supports national screening program as ambassadors of foreign mission visit UAE coronavirus testing centers. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• The Ministry of Health and Prevention has announced that it is deploying a self-driving vehicle to distribute personal protective equipment including masks, gloves and sanitizers to residents and workers of a residential complex in Sharjah. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• UAE Health Authorities have again stressed the importance of social distancing after it was revealed that the latest confirmed cases include 30 people from two families who held a family gathering. Two babies are among those infected. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Sharjah police chief states that they will not close any area due to the coronavirus because the virus did not spread widely in the emirate. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
<b>Travel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Emirates SkyCargo reconnects six continents with scheduled cargo flights with 67 global destinations on a weekly basis. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
<b>Daily Life</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Restaurants and cafes outside shopping malls will be allowed to re-open for sit-in customers but with safety measures in place. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• The Consumers and Markets Services Sector has launched a remote inspection initiative to inspect online platforms to ensure that products displayed meet the set requirements and technical specifications. This comes as more people are shopping online amid the coronavirus. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>