

# COVID-19 Update – Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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Category	Recent Developments
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Businesses to benefit from Saudi royal decree extending economic-relief initiatives <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Saudi Payments measures helped society adapt to COVID-19 <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Qiddiya awards SR10bn in contracts to help construct Riyadh mega project <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• New VAT rate comes into effect in Saudi Arabia <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
Health & Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Over 100 COVID-19 patients treated with blood plasma in Saudi Arabia <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Al-Jadaan: SANED support to cover 70% of the most affected Saudis <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Royal Commission for AIUla completes second phase of airport expansion <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Saudi Arabia's 3,400 km charming coastlines beckon tourists <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
Daily Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Saudi Arabia allows social events, weddings with up to 50 people <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Riyadh public bus transport project starts operation later this year <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• King Fahd Causeway likely to reopen by end of July <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>
Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 'Worst is behind us,' says Saudi Aramco chief as he expects rebound in oil demand <a href="#">(Link)</a></li><li>• Saudi crown prince, Nigerian president discuss Opec+ deal <a href="#">(Link)</a></li></ul>