

Covid-19 lockdowns begin to relax

1. CANADA

May: Provinces gradually to reopen economies

2. UNITED STATES

Apr 30: Seven states partially reopen. Eight have already lifted restrictions

3. MEXICO

Non-essential businesses and schools closed to end of May, but no strict curfew

4. NETHERLANDS

May 11: Primary schools open

May 17: Leisure businesses may reopen

5. GERMANY

Some non-essential shops now open

Apr 27: Wearing masks mandatory in shops and on public transport

Apr 30: Review of bar, restaurant and school closures

6. DENMARK

Apr: Some year groups allowed to attend school

7. NORWAY

Apr: Primary schools open with smaller class sizes

8. SWEDEN

No lockdown. Primary schools remain open, as do restaurants and bars

9. FINLAND

May 13: Public gatherings of more than 10 people allowed. Schools may reopen

Jun: Restaurants may reopen

10. BELGIUM

May 4: Non-essential hospital treatments resume. Textile industry reopens to make face masks

Jun 8: Bars and restaurants reopen

16. ITALY

May 4: Parks reopen, funerals allowed, people permitted to visit relatives in same region

May 18: Stores and museums open

Jun 1: Restaurants and salons open

17. GREECE

May 4: Restrictions on movement eased, some shops reopen

18. POLAND

Apr: Parks and forests reopen

May 4: Shopping centres and hotels reopen

May 6: Pre-schools reopen

19. CZECH REPUBLIC

Apr: Non-essential travel restrictions lifted, meetings of up to 10 people allowed. Visits to relatives or doctor permitted

26. SOUTH KOREA

Apr 20: Shops, hotels and restaurants reopen but churches and schools remain closed

May 6: Further easing due

27. JAPAN

State of emergency but restaurants remain open

28. SOUTH AFRICA

May 1: Farming and some manufacturing and retail to resume

29. ISRAEL

Some businesses open

May 3: Schools aim to reopen

30. SAUDI ARABIA

Curfews eased across kingdom, excluding Mecca

31. IRAN

Apr: Shops, bazaars and parks reopen



All data subject to change

Face masks will become common attire in many countries

11. UK

May 7: Review of lockdown

12. FRANCE

May 11: Some shops and schools reopen, face masks compulsory

13. SPAIN

May 2: People allowed to leave home for exercise

14. PORTUGAL

May 3: Lockdown ends. Textile industry to focus on PPE* production

15. SWITZERLAND

Apr 27: Hairdressers, florists, and garden centres reopen

May 11: Schools reopen

Jun 8: Bars and restaurants may reopen

20. AUSTRIA

May 1: Stores reopen – restaurants by mid-May

21. SLOVENIA

Apr: Garages and some shops reopen. Outdoor sports resume

May 4: Beauty parlours reopen. People must wear face masks in indoor public spaces

22. RUSSIA

May 11: Review of lockdown

23. KAZAKHSTAN

May 1: Some internal flights resume. State of emergency extended to May 11

24. CHINA

May: Wuhan aims to resume rail, flight, freight services

25. HONG KONG

May 4: Civil servants return to work

32. INDIA

Small shops open with fewer staff, wearing masks and gloves

May 3: Lockdown ends, large shops reopen

33. SINGAPORE

Jun 1: Revised date to lift lockdown. Wearing of masks outside home mandatory

34. AUSTRALIA

Apr 28: NSW reopens beaches. WA allows gatherings of up to 10 people. Queensland reopens parks, allows picnics, shopping and drives of 50km from home

35. NEW ZEALAND

Apr 29: Primary schools open but attendance is voluntary. Delivery restaurants reopen