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# Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

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The Department of Health and Human Services is working around the clock with health services, the Commonwealth and international agencies to respond to the outbreak of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and to keep the Victorian community safe.

Here you will find information and guidance about the current outbreak of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

This is a rapidly changing situation, so please visit for regular updates. Additional cases and outbreaks of COVID-19 are expected in Victoria as this illness continues to spread across the world.

**If you suspect you may have the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), please call the dedicated hotline on 1800 675 398.** Please keep Triple Zero (000) for emergencies only.

## Updated travel restrictions and advice

The current Australian Government advice is to not travel to China and Iran, to reconsider your need to travel to South Korea and Italy, and exercise a high degree of caution if travelling to Japan and Mongolia.

These restrictions will be reviewed by 14 March 2020.

Further information can be found on the [Smartraveller website](https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/news-and-updates/coronavirus-covid-19) ↗ (<https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/news-and-updates/coronavirus-covid-19>).

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## 新型冠状病毒中文信息 (Information for the Chinese community in Victoria - coronavirus disease)

卫生和民政服务部现正与维州医疗保健部门、联邦和国际机构紧密合作，以正确应对中国大陆爆发的新型冠状病毒。

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## Media hub - coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

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
The department's promotional material for coronavirus disease (COVID-19)


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## More information on coronavirus






The WHO has declared the new coronavirus outbreak a [Public Health Emergency of International Concern](https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/30-01-2020-statement-on-the-second-meeting-of-the-international-health-regulations-(2005)-emergency-committee-regarding-the-outbreak-of-novel-coronavirus-(2019-ncov))  ([https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/30-01-2020-statement-on-the-second-meeting-of-the-international-health-regulations-\(2005\)-emergency-committee-regarding-the-outbreak-of-novel-coronavirus-\(2019-ncov\)](https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/30-01-2020-statement-on-the-second-meeting-of-the-international-health-regulations-(2005)-emergency-committee-regarding-the-outbreak-of-novel-coronavirus-(2019-ncov))).

For a full suite of Australian Government resources, visit the [Australian Department of Health's website](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-resources)   
(<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-resources>).

Australians concerned about family overseas should call the [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Consular emergency line](https://dfat.gov.au/pages/contact-us.aspx)   
(<https://dfat.gov.au/pages/contact-us.aspx>).

For full details on travel restrictions, visit the [Australian Border Force website](https://www.abf.gov.au/news-media/archive/article?itemId=354)   
(<https://www.abf.gov.au/news-media/archive/article?itemId=354>).


Further information from the following websites:

- [WorkSafe – exposure to coronavirus in workplaces](https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/safety-alerts/exposure-coronavirus-workplaces)   
(<https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/safety-alerts/exposure-coronavirus-workplaces>)
- [Study Melbourne – information for university students](https://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/news-updates/information-for-university-students-regarding-novel-coronavirus)   
(<https://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/news-updates/information-for-university-students-regarding-novel-coronavirus>)
- [Department of Education and Training – information for schools](https://education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx)   
(<https://education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>)
- [Food Standards – novel coronavirus and food safety](https://www.foodstandards.gov.au/consumer/safety/Pages/NOVEL-CORONAVIRUS-AND-FOOD-SAFETY.aspx)   
(<https://www.foodstandards.gov.au/consumer/safety/Pages/NOVEL-CORONAVIRUS-AND-FOOD-SAFETY.aspx>)
- [Coronavirus and Australian workplace laws](https://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/website-news/coronavirus-and-australian-workplace-laws)   
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