# **Government of the United Arab Emirates COVID-19 Update**

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#### Latest Update on COVID -19

United Arab Emirates Sunday 12 - April - 2020



**New cases** 



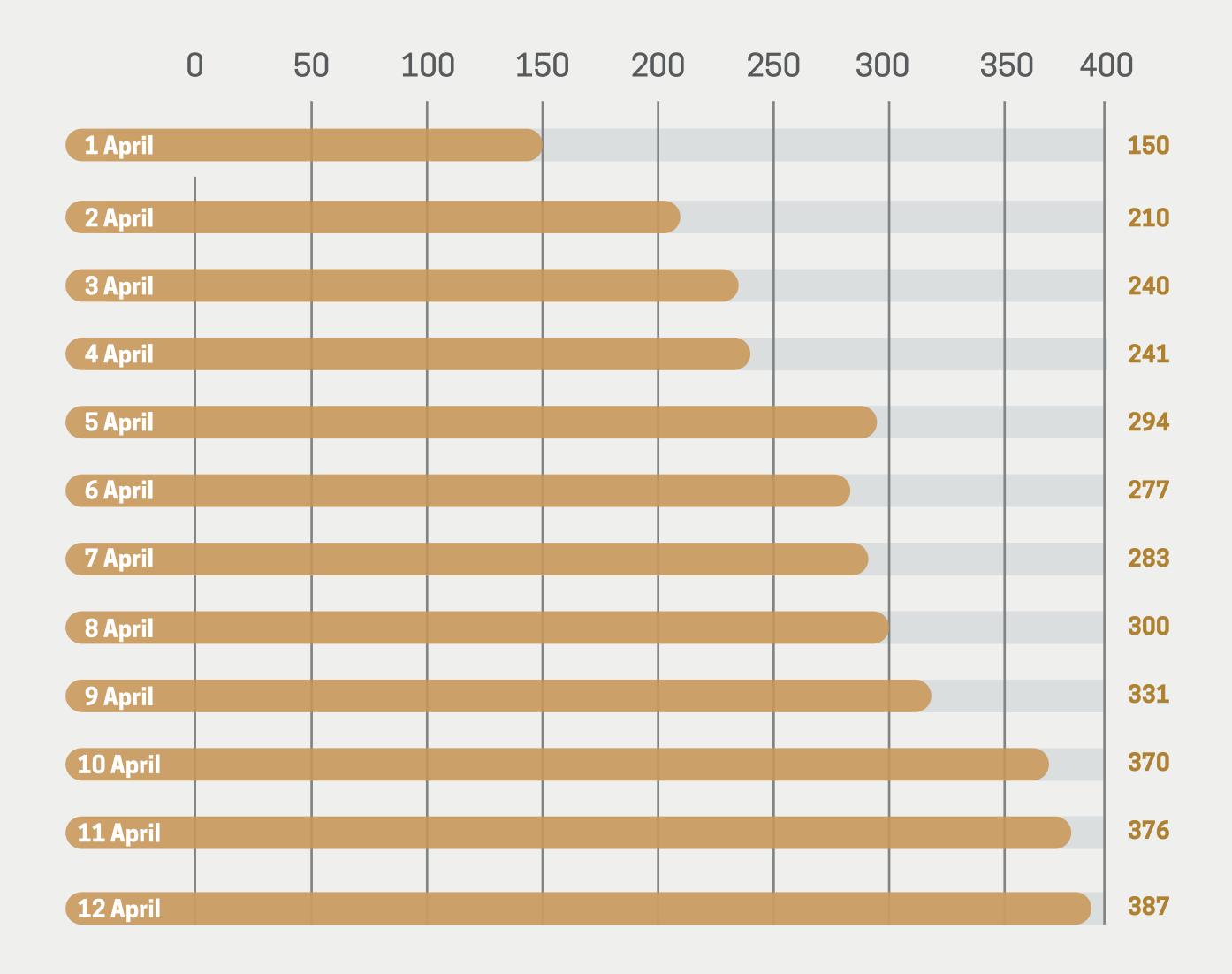




Metric tons of aid to 17 countries

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## **UAE COVID-19 News**

**The UAE** has supplied 11 metric tons of aid to Ukraine in the fight against COVID-19. The shipment, which contained hundreds of thousands of pieces of personal protective equipment, will benefit over 10,000 healthcare workers. Bulgarian Minister of Economy Emil Karanikolov met with UAE Minister of State H.E. Ahmed Ali Al Sayegh in Abu Dhabi to discuss further cooperation between both countries. An exchange of goods between both countries also took place.

**Abu Dhabi Investment** Office has invested \$100 million to attract four agriculture technology companies as part of government efforts to create hundreds of high-skilled jobs and boost domestic agricultural production, further bolstering the UAE's food security.



**The UAE** is researching convalescent plasma therapy, using blood plasma from patients who have recovered from COVID-19 to explore a possible treatment.

The UAE has extended the suspension of prayers in all places of worship across the country until further notice.

**UAE Minister** of State for Foreign Affairs H.E. Dr. Anwar Gargash has discussed the COVID-19 situation in Syria, Libya, and Lebanon with respective UN envoys.

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**The UAE** has opened 13 new drive-through testing centers across the UAE. Built over a period of 10 days, each center can test approximately 600 people daily. The National Home Testing Program for People of Determination was also launched to ensure adequate access to testing for all members of the public.

**His Highness** Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, held a video call with national team leaders handling the COVID-19 response to follow up on their work and safety while offering them all necessary support.

**Etihad Airways** will be operating special flights from Abu Dhabi to Jakarta, Manila, Melbourne, Seoul, Singapore, Tokyo, Amsterdam, Brussels, Dublin, London and Zurich up until 21 April.

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#### John Rakolta US AMBASSADOR TO THE UAE

"In recent weeks, we have witnessed a tremendous change in how we move, how we work, how we live. We have seen populations isolated and separated, causing understandable disruption, all in the interest of the greater good. At a moment like this, I would like to commend the Government of the United Arab Emirates for leading in this time of crisis, and for its close partnership with the United States of America..."



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"There is much to be learned from the approaches of [countries] such as South Korea, Singapore and Iceland, but perhaps none more so than the UAE...the country's success lies in its efficiency and inventiveness."