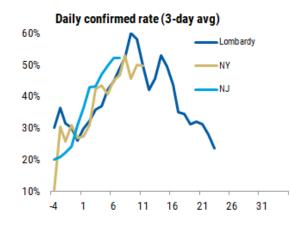


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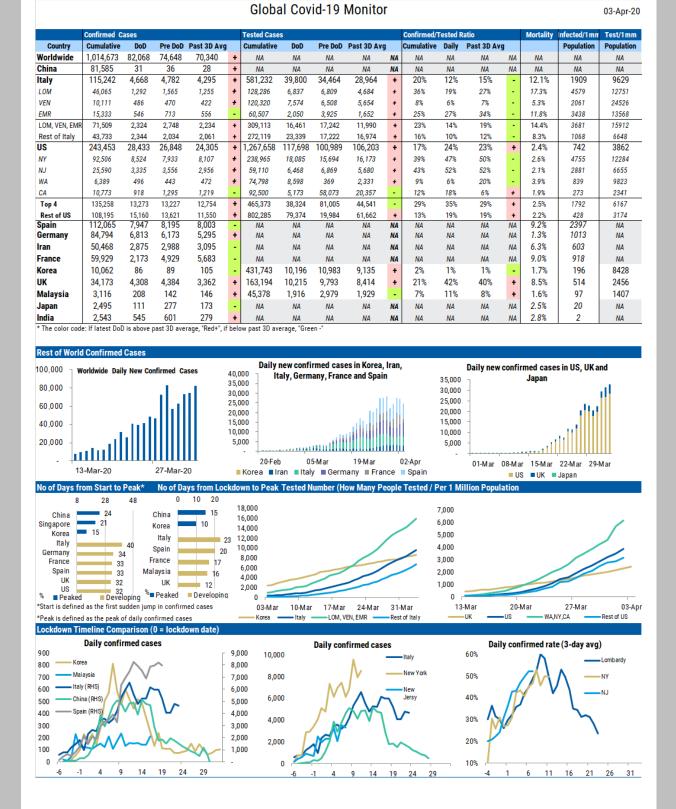
As we aim to keep you informed, below are some of the key developments locally, regionally and globally. The sooner the economies of the US, Canada and Europe recover the sooner our markets will recover.

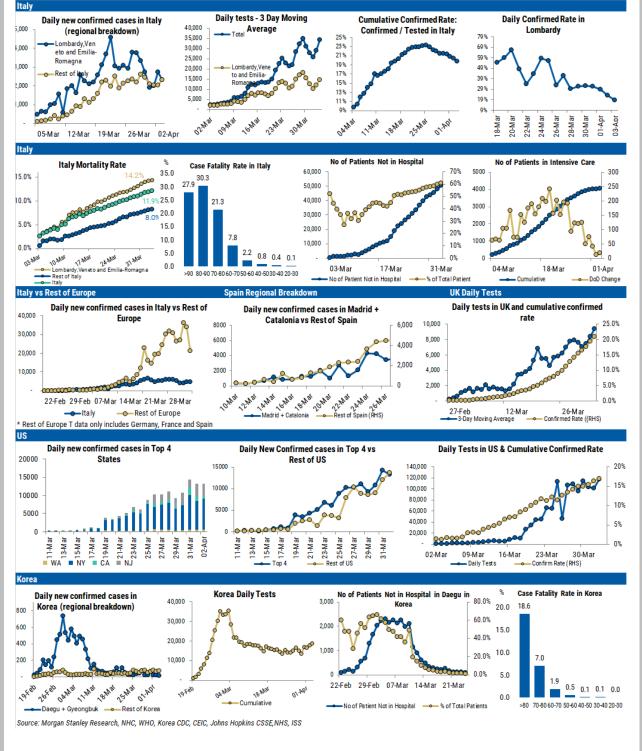
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• Added daily confirmed rate (confirmed/tested) comparison chart for New York, New Jersey and Lombardy as their trends could be similar.



- **Italy**'s new cases remained stable: 4.7k as the government now tests 40k/day. Lombardy daily confirmed rate dropped further to 19%
- **US** reported 28k new cases out of 120k tests. Confirmed rate in New York and New Jersey is about 50%.
- **UK** reported 4.3k new cases as the government increased the daily test to 10k now. Confirmed rate 42%.
- <u>Matthew Harrison's Message</u>: Trends continue to be encouraging in Italy. The peak in Italy is likely to be wider and flatter than other regions given the limitations on testing capacity. In US, trends continue to deteriorate with the US exhibiting the fastest rate of growth in new cases, cases growing faster than testing capacity (NY and NJ still reporting daily test positivity rates of ~50% while the total US rate is ~24%), mortality growing exponentially and new "hot spots" developing in the interior of the country which create risk of a second wave of infections in the US which could delay the time to peak.





For published research by Morgan Stanley on the virus and its implication. Please see

- <u>Biotechnology: COVID-19 Outbreak Dynamics Daily Update Vs Our Model</u>
- Morgan Stanley Global Research: Global Weekly COVID-19 Impact Update (27 Mar 2020)

Have questions about this update or surrounding the Coronavirus market impacts? Submit them here and we'll address them in our next communication.

Submit Question

Regional Updates

Want to know what's happening in the region and beyond? Here are a few updates:

□ □ Barbados

• Barbados now has 46 COVID-19 cases and community spread, but no deaths*.

□ □ Bahamas & □ □ Cayman

- The Bahamas has 24 COVID-19 cases and possibly a second death*.
- The Bahamas has 1,500 test kits in country and additional test kits, PPE and ventilators are expected in country shortly.
- Prime Minister Dr. Hubert Minnis will address the nation at 5 pm tonight.
- The Cayman Islands now have 28 COVID-19 cases and community spread, but no deaths.

□ International

- Global COVID-19 cases, deaths and recoveries surpassed the 1.08 million, 57k and 225k marks respectively*.
- US COVID-19 cases, deaths and recoveries surpassed the 260k, 6.6k and 9.4k marks respectively*.
- The term "flatten the curve" is used repeatedly in the media. Flattening the curve

involves reducing the number of new COVID-19 cases from one day to the next. According to Johns Hopkins, five of the 10 most affected countries have seen the 5day moving average of new cases decrease. This is an indication that the curves for these countries are flattening. These countries include Italy, China, Iran, Netherlands and Belgium*.

*Source: Johns Hopkins University Coronavirus Resource Center



