



**COVID-19
Feedback Collection
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	Infected		Isolated / quarantine		Dead		
	Prisoner	Staff	Prisoner	Staff	Prisoner	Staff	
Slovenia	2	1	28	14			
Poland	2*	6	59	52			*pre-trial detainees that came to prison with COVID-19 infection
Slovakia	0	0	4	8			
Belgium	14	61*	50**				*25 of the 61 are recovered and back at work; **on average 50 per day in quarantine
Czech Republic	0	6*	3	8			*5 staff members have recovered
Israel	0	6*	11	72			*1 staff member recovered
Spain	40*	93**	510	398	2	3	*53 total, 13 already recovered; ** 249 total, 95 already recovered
Catalonia	52*	55		297			*61 in total, 9 have already been discharged
Sweden	7*	**	20-30	0			*8 have recovered from COVID-19** on sick leave for positive Covid-19, symptoms, and other illnesses (7% prison&probation)
Italy	132*	226**			1	2	* 13 are hospitalized; **7 of them civilian/administrative
Austria*	0	7**	43	250			*tested negative staff 91 and inmates 42 **6 recovered
Norway	9*	10		69			*6 from prison, 3 from probation – 1 of the three is recovered
Netherlands	14*					1	*8 in prisons and 6 in forensic care
Hungary	0	1*	0	1*			*1 infected staff member that is in quarantine
Finland	0	5*	NONE	22			*4 of them already recovered
Lithuania	0	0	0	0			
Georgia	0	0	0	0			
Latvia	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE			
Luxembourg	1	0	2*	0			*prisoners quarantined upon their arrival are not calculated. Every new detainee stays in isolation for 7 days before being transferred to regular sections.
Malta*	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE			
Bulgaria	1*	0	0	0			*pre-trial detainee that went directly from court to civil hospital
Romania	0	9					
Estonia	0	2*	some	some			*both infected staff members were working from home when tested positive and had no direct contact with prisoners
Denmark	0*	0					*1 prisoner has recovered
Moldova	1	7	9	28	0	0	
Croatia	0	2*	138**	27	0	0	*one staff member was quarantined immediately after returning from travelling abroad and has been on sick-leave since then (never entered a prison), **all newly admitted prisoners are isolated for reasons of precaution
France	35	51	127	312	1	1	

Planning for "after COVID-19"

*How do Prison Services think to restart – priorities, reopening visits, steps to take...?
Is there any recovery planning? And if yes, how does it look like?*

Luxembourg	Developed a deconfinement strategy that outlines a progressive suspension of the restriction measures, the plan contains multiple stages. Will communicate more details once the plan has been approved. I can already tell you, that concerning visits, we agreed to follow the example of the strategies implemented by nursing homes. So far there hasn't been any information on how they are going to proceed. In any case reopening visits for families and friends is supposed to be the last step of the plan.
Slovenia	We have no recovery plan yet and we are still not thinking about the restart. We are still in a position to try to maintain a stable situation.
Poland	Currently, the Polish Prison Service has not yet developed plans for restart "after COVID-19". We are dealing with the current situation.
Norway	The Directorate of Norwegian Correctional Service has not developed plans yet for the situation after "Covid- 19". We are not there yet.
Austria	We are still at the start Position in planning of recovering the System. At the End of April we are planning to restart the system. Restricted visitation of inmates will be possible again from 11.5. Several visitors may not be allowed to visit a prisoner at the same time, except for a visitor under 14 years of age and his adult companion
Sweden	The Swedish Prison and Probation Service are still in the very early planning phase for the situation after Covid- 19. At the moment we have nothing substantial to share, but are grateful for all the input given here.
Spain	We are still under a general confinement. We are waiting to the general planification of our government that will be published these days. We have some ideas to recover step by step the penitentiary activity, but we have to wait to general instructions.

Israel	As of now, we are still not allowing visits. All the facilities remain closed.
Italy	No recovery plan has been considered yet
Catalonia	For the Health Department, the priority of the contingency plan continues to be on addressing the current health situation with the number of infected people, improving compensation measures, readjusting treatment activities and continue to prevent the spread. For now, not yet the time for planning the “restart” although the gradual “deconfinement” has started for the rest of the citizens in the community.
Latvia	For now in Latvia the emergency situation will continue until 12th May, thus we are currently focusing on the current situation – how to protect both staff and prisoners from infection. In any case, the end of emergency situation and termination of current protective measures will be closely connected with the decisions made for the whole country.
Czech Republic	We are currently not yet in the phase of planning of "after-Covid restart". However, our government claimed that this week it is going to reveal a kind of plan/schedule for loosening the current measures, though it is still not clear when exactly it will be applied. The Prison Service is going to start preparing its own schedule accordingly when the governmental plan is known.
Estonia	Estonian Prison Service has not yet developed plans for the situation after Covid- 19. For now the emergency situation in Estonia will continue until 1st of May and the current focus is on preventing the spread of C-19 to prisons. Like already stated by others - the end of emergency situation and termination of current protective measures will be closely connected with the decisions made for the whole country.
Lithuania	the situation in Lithuania is similar like in other countries - the lockdown officially continues till 27 March, currently the Government is considering the mitigation of existing conditions for some economic sectors (prison service is not included). The government is very cautious when evaluating the current situation and keeps its plans confidential, so the prison service shall consider "restart" of its activities following the official plan of the Government.
Romania	The state of emergency was prolonged with 30 more days, the National Administration of Penitentiaries is taking all precaution measures in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the penitentiary environment. We are positive that the situation will turn for the better if we all respect the measures that are meant to protect us all, staff and inmates. We will be making plans depending on how the situation will develop.
Slovakia	At the moment, we are dealing with the current situation. There are discussions about the future, but so far nothing has been made public. It will depend on the decisions of the Government.
Netherlands	The Dutch Custodial Institutions Agency has not yet developed a plan of action regarding the situation after Covid- 19.
Denmark	On 17th April the Danish parliament agreed to gradually start reopening Denmark after the lockdown. As a part of this agreement, the Danish Prison and Probation Service will gradually start receiving new prisoners who come in to serve from liberty, i.e. offenders awaiting placement in prison. This process will be strictly monitored to comply with guidelines from the health authorities. Danish prisons have received remand prisoners continuously during the Danish lockdown. At the moment, there are no set date for when leave and visits will be granted again. The Danish Prison and Probation Service is closely following and assessing the situation.
Moldova	No recovery plan has been considered yet
Croatia	We are currently not yet in the phase of recovery planning, but still more focused on preventing the virus from entering the prisons. All steps are taken in accordance to measures and recommendations of the Civil Protection Headquarters of the Government and this will continue to be the case. As the national situation with the pandemic seems to be under control, this gives a reason for modest optimism, but it is still too early for any concrete planning.
Finland	Restart planning has been launched by preparation of a report concerning sentences waiting for enforcement. Also planning of other technical preparations (mainly legal) have started for the exit strategy. The opening process of prisons will be gradual and cautious, taking into consideration the development of epidemic in society overall.
Belgium	No recovery plan has been considered yet. Tomorrow the first video visit will take place in one prison. We will install this in every prison in the following days. Next step will be to prepare the visit of one person (similar with elderly homes) but not before 18/5
Sweden	No steps have been taken to go back to normal regimes and all restrictions that have been put in place are still valid, for example no visits (legal visits and clergy exceptions) and no leaves. However, in addition to free calls nationally (international calls are half the normal price) there are now tests ongoing with providing inmates contact with their children by using tablets.
Georgia	All prisons remain closed, visits are not allowed, right to visits are compensated by the free of charge phone call for inmates and remands, prisoners are participating in online court hearings – special spaces and equipment are devoted for that in all facilities.
France	The deconfinement will be done gradually from May 11, depending in particular on the health situation of each department. The French Prime Minister also announced a second level of deconfinement on June 2. In these conditions, the visiting rooms will restart in the week of May 11, respecting strict sanitary measures to ensure the protection of all, under strict conditions (1) initially, the visiting rooms will be limited to one visitor per inmate and the provision of laundry will not be possible: these precautionary measures will be reassessed on June 2; (2) the contacts between inmates and their visitor must strictly respect the barrier measures: wash your hands before the visiting room, cough and sneeze into your elbow, respect a sufficient distance, avoid any physical contact (kissing, hugging, etc.); (3) the wearing of the mask will be compulsory for all visitors from the entrance of the establishment, in order to maintain a maximum level of protection against the virus in detention. To prepare the restart of the visiting rooms, reservations will reopen on May 7 by telephone or on the Internet (Digital in detention), then at the terminals during deconfinement.