

A phased easing of the lockdown



As the full national lockdown ends, South Africa will **shift to a system of alert levels** at the provincial and, in some cases, the district level.



Clear criteria based on the rate of infection as well as **health system capacity will be used to determine the alert level** in each area. Where the alert level is lower, economic activity can resume more quickly.



The National Command Council will **review the alert level at each meeting**, and will impose a lower or higher level as necessary.



Many **restrictions on public life and gatherings**, as well as higher-risk activities, **will remain** regardless of the alert level.

Summary of alert levels

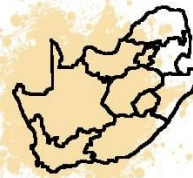
ALERT LEVEL 5	ALERT LEVEL 4	ALERT LEVEL 3	ALERT LEVEL 2	ALERT LEVEL 1
<h1>OBJECTIVE</h1>				
<p>Drastic measures to contain the spread of the virus and save lives.</p>	<p>Extreme precautions to limit community transmission and outbreaks, while allowing some activity to resume.</p>	<p>Restrictions on many activities, including at workplaces and socially, to address a high risk of transmission.</p>	<p>Physical distancing and restrictions on leisure and social activities to prevent a resurgence of the virus.</p>	<p>Most normal activity can resume, with precautions and health guidelines followed at all times.</p> <p>Population prepared for an increase in alert levels if necessary.</p>



How the alert system works



The **level of alert** at any given time will be decided based on the **rate of transmission**, as well as the capacity of the health system to provide care to those infected.



Different **parts of the country** may be at **different levels** simultaneously.



It is possible to **move up and down levels**, as well as to skip levels if necessary.

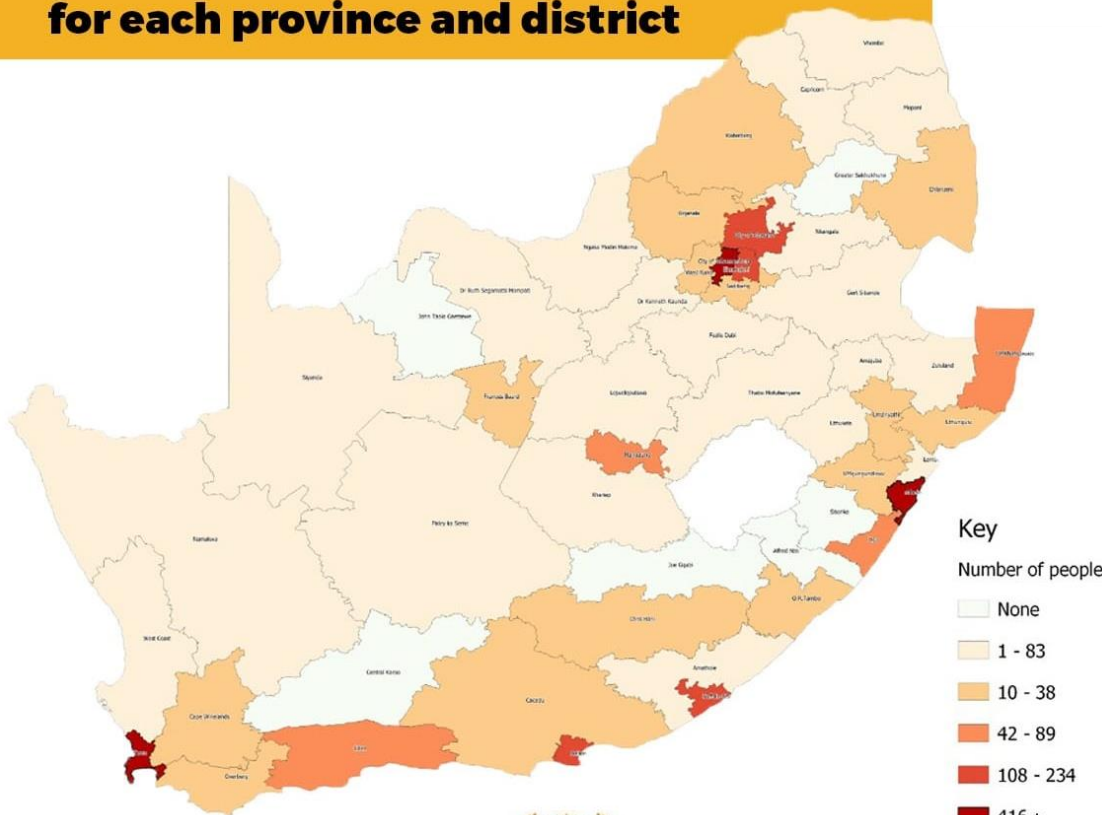


Essential goods and services will continue to be available at all levels.



Some precautions will **remain in place at all levels**, including **social distancing** guidelines and **safe hygiene** practices.

Alert levels will be determined for each province and district



The following restrictions will remain in place



Bars and shebeens



Conference and convention centres



Entertainment venues, including cinemas, theatres, and concerts



Sporting events



Religious, cultural and social gatherings