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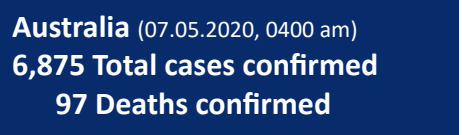


QLD COVID-19 update

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Australia wide



Economic Insights

New car sales plunge almost 50 per cent as COVID-19 crashes demand

Car dealers want government incentives for drivers to upgrade to new vehicles and vehicle taxes abolished or reformed, after new car sales plunged a record 48.5 per cent in April because of the coronavirus pandemic.

It was the biggest fall recorded in almost 30 years of tracking the sales, as COVID-19 rattled consumer confidence and social movement restrictions kept people indoors. April sales plummeted to 38,926 vehicles, down from 75,550 in April 2019, as sales of passenger cars, SUVs and light commercial vehicles went into reverse.



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Latest updates:

- There have been 26 newly confirmed cases.
- Prime Minister Scott Morrison said the government will begin easing restrictions on Friday. He said attention is now on getting Australians back to work.
- The COVIDSafe app has now been downloaded nearly 5.1 million times.
- Cinemas in Australia are aiming to reopen in July. However, the association said operators will not reopen until the government advises it is safe to do so, and are likely to do so with reduced seating capacity because of social distancing measures.
- WA Premier Mark McGowan rule out any lifting of interstate borders. He says he wants to keep the interstate border closed until the bitter end.
- The number of active coronavirus cases in Victoria has risen to 101, making it the fourth day in a row in Victoria that the number of new people testing positive for COVID19 has outweighed the number of new people have made a full recovery.

World Situation

Hong Kong

Hong Kong would relax some of its social distancing measures, allowing certain businesses such as gyms, cinemas and beauty salons to reopen and doubling the number of individuals allowed at public gatherings to a maximum of eight.

Hong Kong International Airport has provided a glimpse of what the future of air travel might look like, introducing cleaning robots, antimicrobial coatings on surfaces and a disinfection booth for passengers.



The busy Asian airport claims it is the first in the world to trial a live operation of CleanTech, designed to disinfect travellers from head to toe. The process sees travellers have their temperatures checked before stepping into a small booth to be disinfected and sanitised for 40 seconds.

Worldwide Cases

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3,711,425 Total cases confirmed
1,274,793 Total recovered
259,760 Deaths confirmed

The true figure is expected to be far higher due to the lack of widespread testing in many countries.

Photo of the Day - A cleaner walks through the nearly empty Int. Airport in Jakarta, Indonesia.

