

Mexico reports record coronavirus deaths, cases

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Mexico on Wednesday reported 1,165 coronavirus deaths and more than 13,000 additional cases, setting grim new records in one of the countries hardest hit by the pandemic.

The [nation's](#) COVID-19 death toll, the fourth highest in the world, now stands at 129,987, the [health ministry](#) said in its daily update.

The official total number of cases has risen by 13,345, to nearly 1.48 million, in a country of 128 million people.

The authorities acknowledge that the real figure is probably much higher due to limited testing.

Mexico began a mass immunization program on December 24 using the Pfizer-BioNTech coronavirus vaccine, and on Monday also authorized the shot developed by AstraZeneca and the University of Oxford.

Mexico City and surrounding areas last month suspended all non-essential activities, warning that hospitals were in danger of being overwhelmed by a spike in the number of cases.

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