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**Health workers in the Americas: Facts and Figures**

**Health workers in the Americas:**

**More than 9 million:** Number of health workers in the Americas, including doctors, nurses, nursing assistants and hospital staff (Amnesty International calculations based on PAHO data)

**At least 70%:** Number of women who make up the workforce of health workers in the Americas (Amnesty International calculations based on WHO and OECD data)

**COVID-19 in the Americas:**

**More than 2 million**: Number of cases of COVID-19 confirmed in the Americas region, according to WHO/[PAHO](https://who.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=2203b04c3a5f486685a15482a0d97a87&extent=-20656313.6818,-3596894.4332,1611932.8945,7390469.7606,102100&site=paho) (Figures updated 15 May)

**Health workers affected by COVID-19**

**More than 9,000** – Number of COVID-19 positive health workers in the United States, according to the [CDC, latest update 9 April.](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6915e6.htm?s_cid=mm6915e6_w.)

**100** – Number of nurses that have died from COVID-19 in the United States, according to the [National Nurses Union - USA](https://www.nationalnursesunited.org/press/nations-largest-nurses-union-hosts-national-vigil-covid-19-nurse-deaths) (figures as of May 12)

**109** – Number of nurses who have died in Brazil from COVID-19 as of 12 May, according to [National Council of Nurses of Brazil](http://www.cofen.gov.br/brasil-tem-108-enfermeiros-mortos-e-mais-de-41-mil-contaminados-pelo-coronavirus_79784.html)

**4,128 –** Number of nurses who have contracted COVID-19 in Brazil, according to the [National Council of Nurses of Brazil](http://www.cofen.gov.br/brasil-tem-108-enfermeiros-mortos-e-mais-de-41-mil-contaminados-pelo-coronavirus_79784.html)

**73 –** Percentage of health workers with COVID-19 in the United States that are female, according to CDC (latest update 9 April)

**2** – Number of health workers who told Amnesty International they had adequate or almost adequate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), **out of 21** health workers interviewed in United States, Mexico, Honduras, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Dominican Republic, Colombia and Paraguay

**5 –** Number of dollars per day (USD) earned by a 70-year old cleaner interviewed by Amnesty International in a public hospital in Mexico City with a significant number of COVID-19 patients