City: Bordeaux (FR)

This series of fact sheets only includes measures taken by the above-mentioned city authorities during the first wave of the pandemic to strengthen public health security, adapt various aspects of city life to new reality, support vulnerable populations and support the local economy. The fact sheet has been prepared based on official sources and media reporting. However, given the variegated degrees of online communication efficiency from the part of various city authorities, and the risks associated with collecting information from non-standardised online sources (including media), please note that the information in the table may not be comprehensive.

Contextual information

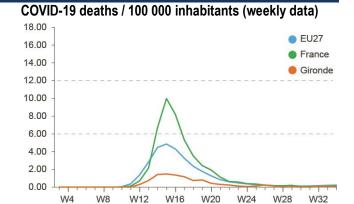
Territory concerned by measures

Measures described below have been taken by municipal authorities of Bordeaux.

General information¹

Type of territory City
City population (2017) 650 000
FUA population (2017) 1 259 000
Level of COVID-19 mortality* Low

*COVID-19 deaths / 100 000 inhabitants shown at the corresponding NUTS3 level (Gironde Department)



Policy answers at local level - Measures²

Health security	Date	Perspective ³
• Opening of four establishments for the childcare of nursing staff who will be mobilized during the epidemic	14-Mar	ST
Teleconsultations are set up to replace the planned consultations.	15-Mar	LT
 Maintaining the functioning of nurseries within the hospital in order to allow professionals to work. 	15-Mar	ST
 The gradual deprogramming of non-urgent surgical and medical activities in view of the evolution of the pandemic. 	15-Mar	ST
• Several municipal wards will be open for private nurses (storage, changing rooms, etc.).	8-Apr	ST
 Compulsory face masks for people over 11 years old. 	28-Aug	ST
 More than a hundred children of nursing staff are welcomed every day in 8 schools and 4 municipal nurseries (school system extended to weekends). 	31-Aug	ST
Daily way of life and work		
 Priority is given to the bus and tram service to health establishments. 	17-Mar	ST
 Public services are physically closed to the public and a hotline is provided. 	17-Mar	ST
• The buildings of Bordeaux Métropole are closed to the public. The telephone reception remains open	17-Mar	ST
Closure of recycling centers.	17-Mar	ST
 Waste collection is ensured at 90% of the service by reorganizing and adapting its mobilizable teams. 	17-Mar	ST
Support to vulnerable populations		
Helpline for vulnerable people	14-Mar	ST
Food packages for vulnerable people	14-Mar	ST
Creation of a solidarity group	14-Mar	ST
Solidarity fundraising	8-Apr	ST/ MT
Computer for vulnerable children	8-Apr	ST

Support to economic actors & recovery		
• Free surface parking, to facilitate travel and encourage commercial activity in the city center (14 Mar), plus other two temporary free parking lots on weekends (4 Apr).	14-Mar	ST
• "Call and collect" platform www.bordeauxmoncommerce.fr to support traders, artisans and restaurateurs in the city.	4-Apr	ST/MT
• Logistical support to the Gironde Chamber of Agriculture for the opening of a new "farm drive" distribution point (sale of fresh produce: fruit and vegetables, dairy products, wines, bee products, fish, cheese, eggs etc.).	4-Apr	ST/ MT
 Creation of an initial emergency fund of € 15.2 million, complementary to the regional system in order to support local businesses with less than 5 employees and associations in difficulty (social and solidarity economy, tourism and events, etc.). 	4-Apr	ST/ MT
 Special unit to answer all questions: deadline for payment of credits, remission of taxes, postponement of payment of rents and invoices, proposed aid, rescheduling bank loans, partial unemployment scheme. 	4-Apr	ST
 Exemption from patio fees and public domain occupation taxes and advertising. 	4-Apr	ST
• Exemption of the collection of the tourist tax, to help relieve the cash flow of economic players, particularly in the tourism sector.	4-Apr	ST
Flexibility in the application of late payment penalties on public contracts.	4-Apr	ST
 Suspension of rents in business incubators managed by the City. 	4-Apr	ST
• The operator InCité has postponed the deadlines of its commercial tenants (rents and charges) until further notice.	4-Apr	ST

Policy answers at local level - Overall strategy						
	Mitigating	Compensating	Circumventing	Exploit		
Health security	✓	✓	√			
Daily way of life and work	\checkmark					
Support to vulnerable populations	\checkmark		1			
Support to economic actors & recovery	✓	\checkmark	√			

¹ Data source: EUROSTAT (*urb_lpop1* and *urb_cpop1*), and ESPON COVID-19 database for mortality levels. Thresholds for COVID-19 mortality levels: low (0-6 deaths/100,000 inh.), moderate (6-12 deaths/100,000 inh.) and high (>12 deaths/100 000 inh).

² Main sources used: http://www.bordeaux.fr and https://rue89bordeaux.com/ and https://www.bordeaux.fr and other

³ ST = short term, MT = medium term, LT = long term.