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## **SOUTH AFRICA DECLARED LOCKDOWN ON MARCH31 AND SET UP AN ECONOMIC COVID19 IMPACT**

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**USPA NEWS** - Over the weekend, the South African government declared a three-week nation-wide lockdown as the number of coronavirus cases in the country passed the 1000 mark. While there is hope that this drastic measure will help curb the spread of Covid-19, the reality is that South Africa is at the head of the list of vulnerable countries. With a population of 7.7 million living with HIV, the country's health system is stretched-thin already. But South Africa will not be the only African country shaken by Covid-19: with all 54 countries on the continent reporting cases of the new coronavirus, the pandemic now threatens to batter Africa's economies across the board.

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