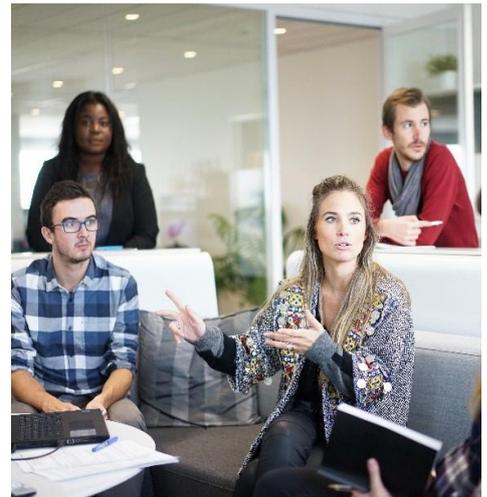


# IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC ECONOMIC

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The World economy faces unprecedented challenges from the COVID-19 crisis, only in U.S. with millions of Americans suffering from impacts on health, family, and financial conditions. In addition to the human toll of the pandemic, businesses are also facing significant challenges and the Capital Markets industry is no exception. Tirep Finances has surveyed industry

stakeholders, and the results have revealed immediate and potentially devastating impacts to U.S. market industry, which employed more than 60,000 people in the U.S. in 2019, now more than 3 Million is asking for government helps. This is a reflection of the impact not yet measured in economies that depend heavily on the Northern States. Like the Dominican.



The IDB-BID also calculates the severe impact of COVID-19 on the Dominican economy.

Tirep conducted two surveys, the first survey, conducted in mid-March and comprising 12 survey responses showed that a significant slowdown in business had already taken effect, due primarily to cancelled contract, financing and shipments of project companies; travel restrictions for tourism travelers, not new projects starting; ceasing direct customer contact; closed government permitting agencies; and reduced demand in all sectors of the economic.

- 62% of customer's respondents said they are already experiencing delays in project deployment and financing.

- 37% are experiencing six month or longer delays in project financing and project deployment.

- Many respondents simply did not know what length their delays might be, due to considerable uncertainty about the duration of the pandemic.

The second survey, conducted in early April and comprising 20 survey respondents revealed that a large proportion of respondents expected lower than initially forecast revenues, with manufacturers expecting to be impacted the most. These findings are consistent with the March survey results. Different sectors same results.



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## Immediate Congressional Action Is Needed to Keep the Economic and Financial Industry Working

In considering economic stimulus measures, the Capital Markets urges Congress to reduce the financial stress on the worldwide and local economic industry and to help keep these citizens workers employed. In the immediate sense, the progress of locals economic is making to foster resilient, efficient, sustainable, but now those achievements is being threatened by the potentially devastating financial impact of COVID-19, in regionals and small economic like of Dominican Republic. It is particularly important that resilient disruptions that could complicate effective response to the pandemic by health providers and hospitals can be reduced. As we move from the immediate crisis to a sustainable economic recovery, additional measures may be called for. But at the very next possible opportunity, Tirep Finances recommends the following protection measures:

Modify energy investment tax credits (ISR) to allow businesses to monetize them directly and immediately, including explicit inclusion of renewables energies technologies. ii) Incentives to the small companies especially to the industrial, agricultural and export sector, with millions in grants for distributed, to generated economic resilience and cycle cost-savings; iii) Incentives across the electric systems

iv) \$200 million for assistance and grants for distribution system mapping and interconnection process enhancement on different and interdependent sectors of the hospitality. v) Incorporation of remote technologies and funds into other immediate relevant institutions of the state, helping local governments and smalls communities and expand existing non for profit funds (e.g. Sectors as Energy, Transportation, Education, Agriculture, hospitality, ONG's, Small companies).



Dominican Republic. -IDB researchers Joaquín Zentner and Fanny Vargas were in charge of the chapter on the Dominican Republic of the analysis of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) «The impact of COVID-19 on the economies of the region», where It starts by highlighting the importance of tourism for the country (8% of GDP) and its extensive ramifications, all in obvious danger.

Dominican Republic, Tourism left the year 2019; US \$7,600MM, which effectively represents 8% of GDP and, in addition, "67% of total exports", cite Zentner and Vargas and warn that "the impact of the shock to demand will depend on how local authorities handle the outbreak and the evolution of the crisis in the United States, Canada, Germany, France, Russia, Spain and Italy ».

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