

# *Brazil reports record number of COVID-19 cases; over 1,000 deaths within 24 hours*

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Brasilia, May 29 (RHC)-- Brazil registered a record number of COVID-19 cases Thursday, with more than 1,000 deaths in just 24 hours.

Brazil is second only to the United States in infections and deaths, as far-right President Jair Bolsonaro has sought throughout the pandemic to undermine remain-at-home measures taken by state and local governments.

Despite this week's surge in COVID-19 cases, the mayor of São Paulo — the Western Hemisphere's largest city — is allowing nonessential businesses, including offices, shopping malls and car dealerships, to reopen beginning June 1st.



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