

NUTS 3 Region: Cluj (RO)

This series of fact sheets includes measures taken by the above-mentioned regional 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 regional 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

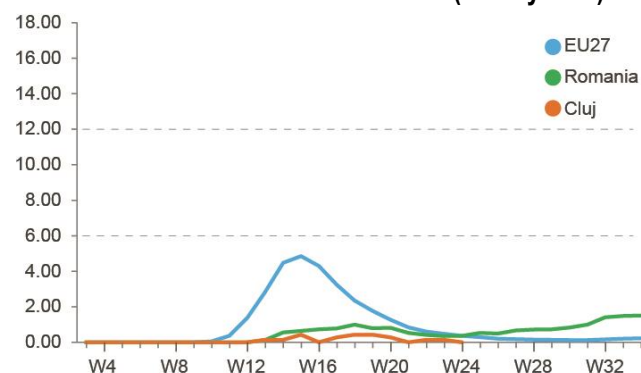
General information¹

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| Population (2019) | 366 000 |
| Density (inh/sqkm, 2018) | 106 |
| Type of territory (OECD typology) | Intermediate region |
| Level of COVID-19 deaths (1 st wave) | Low |

Governance (responsibilities of NUTS3 regions)

Romanian counties, called *județe*, are generally considered first-level administrative divisions. They are mostly responsible for managing local airports and roads, important cultural institutions, county public health units (including hospitals), social services for vulnerable populations, and special education institutions.

COVID-19 deaths / 100 000 inhabitants (weekly data)



Policy answers at local level - Measures²

| Health security | Date | Perspective ³ |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase of personal protective equipment to prevent spread of SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus among police officers. | 25-Feb | MT |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obligation to wear a mask, for all persons over 5 years, at cultural, scientific or artistic events organized in the open air, at public celebrations, pilgrimages or religious gatherings, regardless of the time | 25-Mar | ST/ MT |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaning and sanitation of public transport before each race and as many times as needed | 31-Mar | ST |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renting of a private hospital by the Cluj County Council, for a period of 6 months, for the treatment of patients with COVID-19 | 1-Apr | ST |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Temporary hospital "maximum emergency" with 350 beds at the Multipurpose Hall in Cluj-Napoca | 25-Apr | ST/ MT |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A New Integrated Plan of Measures for Reorganization of Health Care in the conditions of the Covid-19 epidemic in Cluj County | 5-Aug | MT/ LT |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget rectification by the Cluj County Council from other areas to the hospitals involved in the fight against COVID-20 | 5-Aug | MT |
| Daily way of life and work | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishing work from home (online) for the staff of the County Council and for the employees of the subordinated institutions, with the possibility of extending the period | 16-Mar | ST/ MT |
| Support to vulnerable populations | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protective equipment for vulnerable people. | 26-Aug | ST |
| Support to economic actors & recovery | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No publicly visible measures. | - | - |

Policy answers at local level - Overall strategy

| | Mitigating | Compensating | Circumventing | Exploit |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---------|
| Health security | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| Daily way of life and work | | | ✓ | |
| Support to vulnerable populations | ✓ | | | |
| Support to economic actors & recovery | | | | |

¹ Data source: EUROSTAT (*demo_r_pjangrp3* and *demo_r_d3dens*), OECD urban/rural typology, 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: local media (online news articles), and <https://www.cicluj.ro/>

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