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Number of new member organisations and member organisations which have increased, decreased or kept the same membership in each World Physiotherapy region

In your region 51% of member organisations have increased their membership.

Total membership of the Europe region has increased by 157,490 individual members.
PORTUGAL | GENDER

The 3 countries with the highest % of female physiotherapists in your region

- Estonia
- Hungary
- Slovenia

PERCENTAGE OF FEMALE PHYSIOTHERAPISTS IN WORLD PHYSIOTHERAPY REGIONS

- 80% of physiotherapists in Portugal are female
- 63% of physiotherapists globally are female

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- 61% in South America region

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90% of countries/territories in the region had to **stop clinical practice** at some point during the pandemic.

73% of countries in the Europe region reported challenges for physiotherapists **accessing PPE**.

The information on this page includes data from 40 of the 41 World Physiotherapy member organisations in the Europe region that completed the 2020 annual survey.
EUROPE | COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN YOUR REGION

What actions did member organisations in your region take to support their members during the COVID-19 pandemic?

- **28** member organisations offered COVID-19 specific [online education or training](#).
- **19** member organisations facilitated access to [personal protective equipment](#) for physiotherapists.
- **8** member organisations arranged other support for their members.

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**51%** of national conferences in the Europe region were cancelled or postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**41%** of countries in the Europe region had to cancel or postpone continuous professional development (CPD) activities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Map showing the number of practising physiotherapists per 10,000 of the population within the Europe region of World Physiotherapy
EUROPE ENTRY-LEVEL PROGRAMMES

NUMBER OF ENTRY LEVEL EDUCATION PROGRAMMES PER 5,000,000 POPULATION

9.2

entry-level education programmes in your country/territory per 5 million population

6.9

is the average number of entry-level education programmes per 5 million population in the Europe region of World Physiotherapy
ARE PHYSIOTHERAPISTS PERMITTED TO PROVIDE TELEHEALTH SERVICES?

76% of respondents reported that physiotherapists in your region are permitted to provide telehealth services in the workforce. In your country/territory physiotherapists are permitted to provide telehealth services.

76% Yes
24% No

CAN PHYSIOTHERAPISTS IN YOUR COUNTRY/TERRITORY TREAT PEOPLE WITHOUT A REFERRAL FROM A MEDICAL DOCTOR?

10% of respondents in your region reported full direct access to physiotherapy services. In your country/territory direct access is only permitted for private practice.

10% Yes (10%)
63% Private only (63%)
27% No (27%)
74% recognise special interest groups
79% provide CPD for their members
58% have support personnel to work with physiotherapists
16% of countries a physiotherapist has to be a member of our MO to practice
71% have postgraduate education
48% have access to PhD programmes
WORLD PHYSIOTHERAPY MEMBER ORGANISATIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES RESPONDED:

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