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Policy responses	
Containment	 February 2, 2020: Travel bans¹, social distancing rules, school closure. March 21, 2020: Border closure except for the delivery of essential goods, and quarantine requirements apply at all ports. March 28, 2020: Declaration of state of emergency. March (End), 2020: Partial Lockdown.² May 20, 2020: Electronic payment of salaries of government staff who were previously paid in cash.³ September 20, 2020: Kiribati authorities plan to keep borders closed until at least 2021. Kiribati does not have any confirmed cases as of February 4, 2021.⁴ March 5, 2020:⁵ -Travellers partially allowed Masks are not required Quarantine not required Negative COVID-19 test required for all countries. -No lockdown in effect -Events Banned -Transport operational with restrictions -All shops open -Tourist attractions are open -Restaurants and bars are delivery/takeout only. March 16, 2021: Kiribati has officially extended its closure until the end of June.
Monetary Financial	 June 2020⁶: Government A\$32.9 million fiscal response package (12.5% of 2019 GDP). Allocation: 37.2% financial support, 36.2% health preparedness, 12.4% food security, 9.2% education, remaining funds on transportation, public awareness campaign and isolation infrastructure. Grants and subsidies are expected for businesses and state-owned enterprises. Grants for unemployed including seafarers, fisheries, fruit pickers, construction and tourism industry Australian government allocated \$3.6 million in budget to support Kiribati to implement preparedness plans for pandemic; funds will support health security, stability and economic recovery ⁷
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Other policy measures	• May 20, 2020: USD300,000 from UN Covid-19 response and recovery

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- June 26, 2020: World Bank US\$2.5 million for Covid-19 capacity building⁹
- July 30, 2020: The Asian Development Bank announced more than \$13 million in grants to help Pacific countries finance COVID-19 responses, including \$1.5 million for Kiribati.¹⁰
- September 30, 2020: 10 ventilators were donated by the U.S. government and a training program funded by the USAID to help Kiribati respond to COVID-19.¹¹
- 16 December 2020: USD8 million under the Pacific Disaster Resilience Program (Phase 3)¹²
- 17 December 2020: USD0.13 million under the Supporting Recovery by Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises in the Pacific from the Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic.¹³

Source: IMF, Policy Responses to COVID-19, if not specified.

⁸ https://covid19policy.adb.org/policy-measures/KIR

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