



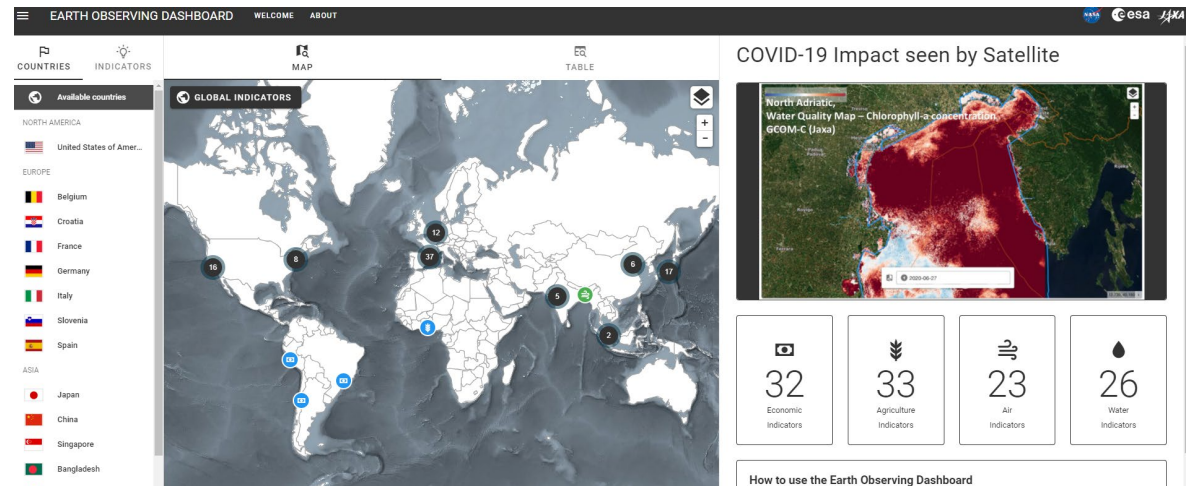
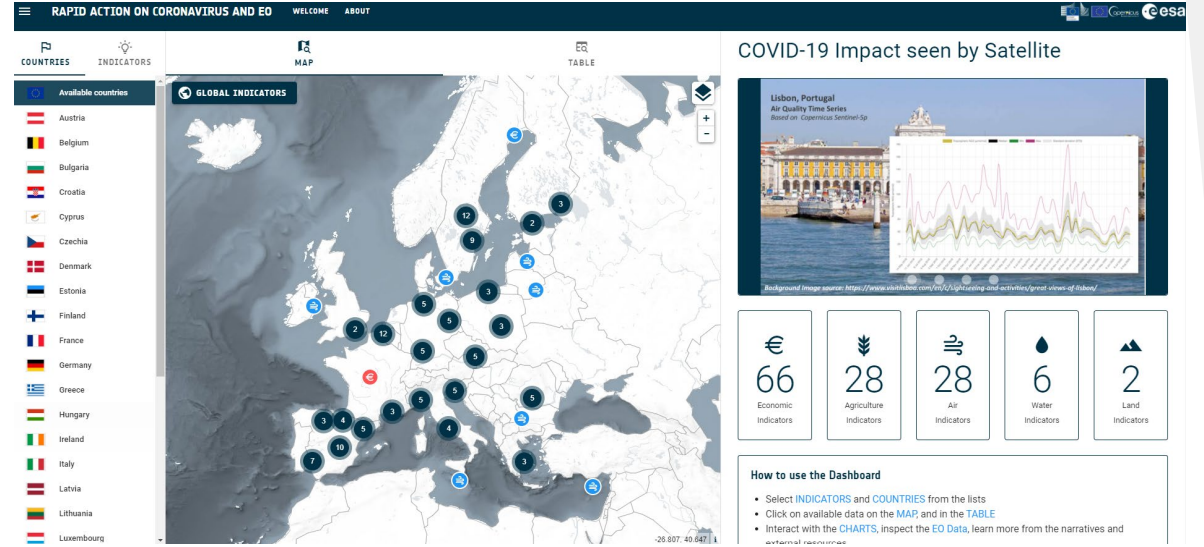
COVID-19 and the European Space Sector

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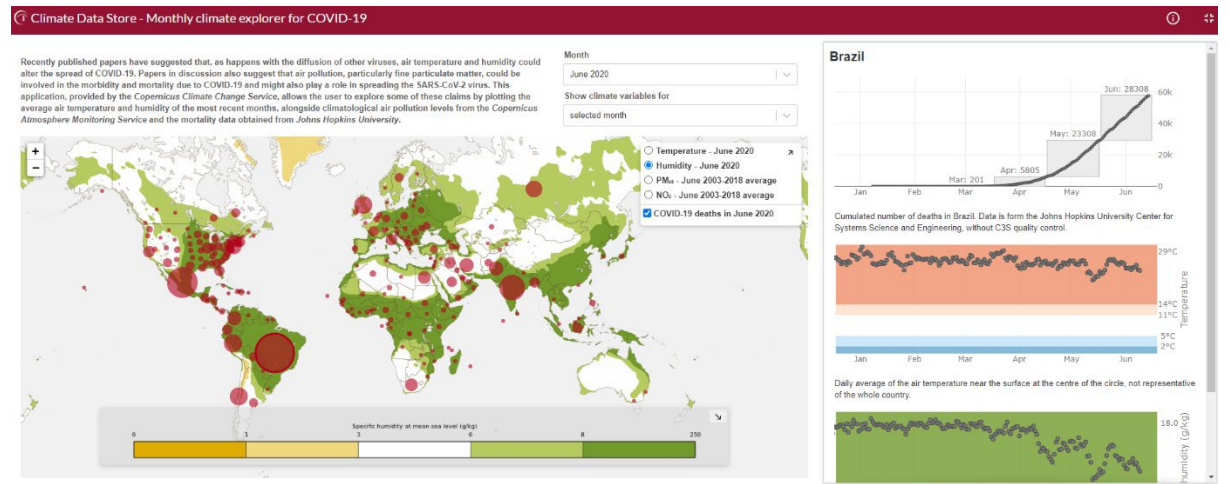
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Space systems provide unique solutions:

- to better understand, monitor and respond to crisis
- to improve situational awareness, strengthen economic resilience, support responses



Space Solutions for Crisis Response



- Relevance of EU programmes
- Key role played by national and European institutions



Impact on the European Space Sector



Direct impact on labour and operations:

- Recourse to teleworking
- Sites and operations shutdowns
- Supply chain disruptions



Direct and indirect impact on business:

- Payment delays
- Order cancellations
- Increased costs



Wider macroeconomic impact:

- Changes in demand and market verticals
- Changes in public policies and budgets
- Changes in investment capacity



- Structural resilience
- Critical role of public actors

Questions raised for the European space policy

- The place of space in the post-COVID European agenda
- Level of budget and evolution of space programmes
- Long-standing European space policy issues

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