A global pandemic is a time of tough choices. The policy decisions taken now on COVID-19 will shape the fate of millions and define the future of nations. The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) experts are working to help decision makers prevent the world from sliding into a major depression. The following is a compilation from the latest research, analysis and policy advice from UN DESA.

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COVID-19 and the least developed countries

Responses to the COVID-19 catastrophe could turn the tide on inequality
The COVID-19 pandemic puts Small Island Developing economies in dire straits

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Commodity exporters face mounting economic challenges as pandemic spreads

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