



COVID-19

California: State of Preparedness

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COVID-19 at a Glance

California COVID-19 By The Numbers
April 5, 2020
Numbers as of April 4, 2020



For county-level data:
data.chhs.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA COVID-19 SPREAD
13,438
Total Cases

Ages of Confirmed Cases

- 0-17: **160**
- 18-49: **6,610**
- 50-64: **3,653**
- 65+: **2,966**
- Unknown/Missing: **49**

Gender of Confirmed Cases

- Female: **6,349**
- Male: **6,876**
- Unknown/Missing: **213**

Hospitalizations

Confirmed COVID-19
2,398/1,040
Hospitalized/in ICU

Suspected COVID-19
3,187/559
Hospitalized/in ICU

319
Fatalities

Stay Home. **Save Lives.**

covid19.ca.gov



- **197 positive cases are healthcare workers.**
- **County numbers can be found here:**
<https://data.chhs.ca.gov/dataset/california-covid-19-hospital-data-and-case-statistics> .
- **Nationwide COVID-19 Numbers**
 - **As of April 5, there have been 7,616 deaths.**
 - **304,826** cases reported in 55 jurisdictions (50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, Northern Marianas and US Virgin Islands).



- **Taskforces stood up by the State Operations Center (SOC) to address various COVID-19 response issues:**

- Communications/Crisis Communications (ESF* 2/ESF 15)
 - Transportation and Infrastructure (ESF 1/ESF 3)
 - Housing and Social Services (ESF 6)
 - Logistics/Commodity Movement (ESF 7)
 - Fire/Law Enforcement (ESF 4/ESF 13)
 - Public Health and Medical (ESF 8)
 - Schools Task Force
 - Economic Impact/Recovery Task Force
 - Volunteers & Philanthropy (ESF 17)
 - Innovation & Technology Task Force
 - Cybersecurity (ESF 18)
 - Corrections Facilities & Hospitals
 - Future Opportunities
 - Workforce Development & Surge Capacity
- * Emergency Support Function*

- **PPE and Medical Supply Requests**

- Resource requests for health care providers and facilities are handled through local public health departments to CDPH. The requests are submitted to the Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator (MHOAC), through the Regional Disaster Medical Health Coordinator (RDMHC), which are then sent to the CDPH Medical and Health Coordination Center (MHCC).
- This way all equipment requests can be tracked and prioritized appropriately, and they are fulfilled as quickly as possible.
- The local health facilities know this process well and have been properly submitting requests.
- We know these requests are very urgent, which is why the MHCC is working closely with the State Operations Center (SOC). Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMSA) is also embedded in the SOC to help facilitate those requests.



- **PPE delivered to date 4/1/20:**
 - 617,612 gowns
 - 554,990 face shields
 - 2.3 million gloves
 - 3,196 coveralls
 - 109,558 goggles
 - 35.4 million N95 Masks

Cal OES Webinar for Local Governments: Procurement Standards for FEMA Public Assistance Awards

- An open invitation for all local governments in California that are making purchases in direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- This training will assist local governments apply for FEMA Public Assistance, and to apply the federal procurement under grant standards – a requirement of receiving FEMA Public Assistance to help pay for the cost of responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- These are virtual trainings that will be hosted on BlueJeans, which only requires a mobile phone or a computer with an internet connection to view and participate.
- To provide ample opportunity to take this training, the training will repeat every day starting **Wednesday April 1st, 2020, through Tuesday April 14th, 2020** with a morning and an afternoon session.
 - Morning Session: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 - Afternoon Session: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM
- To join the presentation:
 - Use the following hyperlink. Chrome works best :
<https://bluejeans.com/904327884?src=calendarLink>
 - Or download the iPhone or Android app
 - **Meeting ID: 904 327 884**



Actions Taken by the State and Federal Government

- On April 4, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of a new website, covid19supplies.ca.gov to get critical medical supplies to the front lines of California's fight against COVID-19. The website will allow individuals and companies to donate, sell or offer to manufacture 13 of the most essential medical supplies, including ventilators, N95 respirators and testing materials.

Governor Newsom also announced the COVID-19 Testing Task Force, a public-private collaboration that will work with stakeholders across the state to quickly and significantly boost California's testing capacity. The Task Force plans to scale up testing as demand increases.

The Governor also signed an executive order that will facilitate childcare for children of essential critical infrastructure workers by allowing the California Department of Education and California Department of Social Services the flexibility to waive certain programmatic and administrative requirements in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Executive order can be found [here](#).

- **California State Association of Counties and the California Association of County Treasurers and Tax Collectors [announced](#) that counties will use all existing authority to cancel penalties and other charges for homeowners, small businesses, and other property owners that are unable to pay their property taxes due to circumstances caused by COVID-19 on a case-by-case basis. However, property owners who can pay or that haven't been directly affected by COVID-19, including international corporations and out-of-state landlords, still need to pay on time to keep critical government services running.**
- April 3 Governor Gavin Newsom signed an executive order to expand protections to medical providers as they amplify the use of video chats and similar applications to provide routine and non-emergency medical appointments in an effort to minimize patient exposure to COVID-19.

The order relaxes certain state privacy and security laws for medical providers, so they can provide telehealth services without the risk of being penalized. This action is similar to the federal HHS Office for Civil Rights



waiver issued on [March 17, 2020](#) regarding federal privacy and security laws.

- April 3 Governor Gavin Newsom signed an executive order expanding consumer protection against price gouging as California continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The order generally prohibits sellers of any kind from increasing prices on food, consumer goods, medical or emergency supplies, and certain other items by more than 10 percent. The order also gives additional tools to the California Department of Justice and Attorney General's Office, among others, to take action against price gougers.

- April 3, Governor Gavin Newsom [announced the launch of Project Roomkey](#)- a FEMA approved, a first-in-the-nation effort to provide safe isolation capacity for tens of thousands of people experiencing homelessness in California in order to protect them and the state from COVID-19.
- The state's effort, Project Roomkey, has set an initial goal of securing up to 15,000 rooms for this purpose and county partners have moved 869 homeless individuals most vulnerable to COVID-19 off the street, out of shelters, and into isolation.
- April 2, Governor Gavin Newsom announced [OnwardCa.org](#), a one stop resource for Californians impacted by job loss due to COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor also [announced \\$50 million](#) in loan guarantees for small businesses that may not be eligible for federal relief, as well as \$17.8 million in new state initiatives to support California workers impacted by COVID-19. The allocation will come from Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funds.
- Governor Newsom also issued an [executive order](#) protecting homes and small businesses from water shutoffs on April 2.
- April 1, [Governor Gavin Newsom announced](#) a major agreement between teachers, classified employees, school boards, superintendents, and principals to work together to provide distance learning to California's students as a result of school closures due to mitigation efforts



against the COVID-19 outbreak. The agreement means more kids will be able to get school resources, such as quality distance instruction, and empowers teachers to create lessons within clear parameters.

- The [agreement](#) includes a collaboration framework for school employers and employees to work together on matters of labor and management to minimize any impact to students—including direction on implementation and delivery of distance learning, special education, and meals through the end of the school year.
- The Governor also issued an [executive order](#) expediting the use of funds to support the state's continuing efforts to protect public health and respond to the COVID-19 crisis.
- On March 31st, Governor Newsom announced the [Stay Home. Save Lives. Check In. Campaign](#), which urges all Californians to check in on vulnerable neighbors with a call, text or physically distanced door knock.
- March 30, Governor Gavin Newsom launched a new initiative to expand California's health care workforce and recruit health care professionals to address the COVID-19 surge. Health care professionals with an active license, public health professionals, medical retirees, medical and nursing students, or members of medical disaster response teams in California are all encouraged to join the new [California Health Corps](#).
- The Governor also signed an [executive order](#) that will temporarily expand the health care workforce and allow health care facilities to staff at least an additional 50,000 hospital beds the state needs to treat COVID-19 patients. Governor Newsom also signed an [omnibus](#) executive order allowing small businesses a 90 day extension for filing returns.
 - The executive order also includes extensions that impact state government workers, as well as consumers. For instance, the Department of Motor Vehicles will limit in-person transactions for the next 60 days, allowing instead for mail-in renewals. Additionally, the Department of Consumer Affairs will waive continuing education requirements for several professions, also for the next 60 days



- Further, the order will extend the Office of Administrative Law's deadlines to review regular department proposed regulations. The order also extends by 60 days the time period to complete investigation of public safety officers based on allegations of misconduct. Finally, deadlines for trainings, investigations, and adverse actions for state workers will also be extended.

- March 29, California State Parks announced it is temporarily closing vehicle access at all 280 state parks to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Many state parks once again experienced visitation surges that made it impossible for the public to implement appropriate social/physical distancing practices.

- On March 28, Governor Gavin Newsom announced from Bloom Energy site in San Jose that 100s of ventilators were sent for refurbishment.
 - 80 have been refurbished and sent out to hospitals.
 - 170 ventilators received from federal government that were not working sent to Bloom for refurbishment to be sent back to LA on Monday.
 - 350 manufacturers have volunteered to help with response effort.
 - Anheuser-Busch making hand sanitizer for food banks and for seniors. Small distillers making hand sanitizer, as well.
 - GAP making gowns and masks.
 - St. John Knits to makes gowns and masks.
 - 7-11 donated 1 million N95 Masks.

- On March 27, the USNS Mercy arrived in Port of Los Angeles.

- Governor Gavin Newsom issued an [executive order](#) establishing statewide moratorium on evictions on March 27. An additional [executive order](#) was issued to empower the Judicial Council and the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court to take necessary action to be able to conduct business and continue to operate while responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.



- The President signed a [Presidential Memo](#) directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to use authority under the Defense Production Act to require the production of ventilators.
- March 27, [President Trump signed the CARES act into law.](#)
- On March 26, The President released [a letter announcing new guidelines](#) for state and local governments were in the works, for COVID -19 mitigation. The letter also announced that officials are gathering testing data that will suggest guidelines categorizing counties as "high risk, medium risk or low risk" for the virus.
- All California DMV field offices were closed.
- On March 26, FEMA announced the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has completed an assessment of eight state-selected facilities throughout California to develop large-scale, supplemental hospital space as the state works to expand existing hospital capacity.
 - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are scoping sites provided by the State of California for their potential use as Alternate Care Facilities.
- FEMA expedited the transfer of 109 disaster mobile home units to support COVID-19 housing initiative for impacted individuals.
- On March 25, Governor Gavin Newsom announced mortgage relief for Californians affected by COVID-19. Eligible homeowners would be able to defer mortgage payments for at least three months. The relief package included Wells Fargo, U.S. Bank, Citi Bank and J.P. Morgan Chase, as well as 200 state-chartered banks and credit unions.
- On March 24, Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order mandating COVID-19 protocols for DOJ and CDCR. [Text of order available here.](#)
- On March 23, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the closure of state parks and beaches to combat COVID-19. A list of closures can be found



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online at www.parks.ca.gov/FlattenTheCurve . The Governor also awarded [\\$100 Million to Cities, Counties and Continuums of Care](#) to Help People Experiencing Homelessness During COVID-19 Pandemic.

- March 23, deadlines for the Real ID have been extended. New deadlines to be announced.
- On March 22, In a letter to President Donald Trump, Governor Gavin Newsom requested a Presidential [Major Disaster Declaration](#) to assist in California's COVID-19 preparedness and emergency response efforts. The [President approved the request later that evening](#).
- The President also activated the [National Guard](#) for use in California, with 100 percent federal cost share. The National Guard will facilitate [distribution of food to pantries and food banks](#).
- On March 21, the [Governor's Office released guidance on essential services](#).
- Governor Newsom directed \$42 million in emergency funding to expand California's health care infrastructure and secure equipment and services to support California's response to COVID-19.
- \$30 million to lease and operate two facilities and to expand the state's hospital capacity.
 - Seton Medical Center in Daly City.
 - St. Vincent Medical Center in Los Angeles.
 - \$1,420,000 to expand capacity of the state's public health lab in Richmond.
 - \$8,647,000 to purchase new ventilators, as well as IV fusion pumps, and refurbish additional ventilators.
 - \$2 million to contract with American Medical Response to provide patient transportation.
- On March 20, FEMA has established a [COVID-19 rumor control page](#) on their website to clear up misconceptions about the virus. Visitors to the page will also find fact sheets and archived news releases. The COVID-19 response pages can be found at:



- ENGLISH: <https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus>
- SPANISH: <https://www.fema.gov/es/coronavirus>
- The Treasury department announced [Tax Day](#) would be moved from April 15th to July 15th.
- The U.S. Department of Education is temporarily waiving interest on all [federally held student loans](#) and has directed federal lenders to suspend student loan payments for 60 days.
- CDC released guidance on healthcare workers returning to work after exposure or confirmation of COVID-19. This guidance can be found on the CDC website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/healthcare-facilities/hcp-return-work.html>.
- 500 California National Guard personnel have been requested by CalVolunteers and CHHS On March 20, to augment food distribution through food bank and pantry locations due to COVID-19 disruption of local and volunteer activities throughout the state
- On March 20, 2020, CDE launched the email COVID19@cde.ca.gov to streamline management of inquiries from the field.
- On March 4, Governor Newsom declared a [State of Emergency](#).

How Can People Protect Themselves:

We're all in this together. We are working rapidly to keep our state healthy. Every person has a role to play. Your actions save lives.

DO:

- Stay home.
- Avoid people outside your household.
- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Maintain a safe social distance of 6 ft whenever outside of the house.



DON'T

- Leave the house except for essential activities.
 - Shake hands.
 - Touch your face.
 - Go to the doctor if you aren't sick.
 - Stockpile masks or gloves.
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- It is also important that anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, call their health care provider first before seeking medical care so that appropriate precautions can be taken.
 - Staying away from work, school or other people if you become sick with respiratory symptoms like fever and cough.
 - Visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/> for more information about COVID-19 and things you can do to keep you, your family and your community healthy.

About the Disease:

- The family of coronaviruses has been around for some time. Some coronavirus are common, like the ones that cause the common cold. Coronavirus Disease 2019, or COVID-19, is a new a kind of coronavirus.
- The most common symptoms include fever cough and respiratory symptoms. Our experience to date is that most people, more than 80%, have mild or no symptoms, but some have more complicated course, including pneumonia.
- We are learning more about its transmission, but the most common symptoms are respiratory, so its primary mode of transmission is through coughing and sneezing.



About the Tests:

- As of **April 4, approximately 131, 500 tests** have been conducted in California - received from commercial, private and academic labs and the 22 [state and county health labs](#) currently testing.
 - **116,563 have been received.**
 - **15,000 are still pending.**
- Commercial, provider and academic labs have increased testing capacity and are now reporting that data to the state. The biggest labs included in this count include Quest, LabCorp, Kaiser, University of California and Stanford.
- In order to better focus public health resources on the changing needs of California communities, the state is no longer collecting information about California travelers returning from countries that have confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks.
- Community transmission of COVID-19 has been identified in California since late February, and since early March, most confirmed cases in the state were not related to travel outside of the United States.
- The CDC is providing test kits to public health labs in the U.S., including California, to detect the novel coronavirus. The test kits contain all the elements necessary for a laboratory to test and confirm the presence of the disease. Each test kit contains enough ingredients to test between 350 and 400 individuals. As of March 7, there are 25 such kits in California at various public health labs. Additional test kits have been ordered.
- At this time, both oral and nasal swabs are taken at a hospital or by a physician who suspects COVID 19. This is handled through regular procedures for specimen collection, much in the same way flu testing is handled. There are no special materials needed for this collection. Those specimens are delivered, again much in the same way flu specimens are delivered, to the nearest public health lab for testing.
- California is working closely with the CDC to request and receive more testing capacity, as needed. The CDC has fulfilled those requests on an ongoing basis and, as needs expand, California continues to request more testing capacity.



Small Business Assistance

- [California Small Business Loan Guarantee Program](#) (via IBank) is making available \$50 million in state funding, providing potential capital for individuals who do not qualify for federal funds.
 - Small Businesses located in California with 1-750 employees that have been negatively impacted or experienced disruption by COVID-19 and nonprofits are eligible.
- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has declared all [California counties](#) eligible for the Economic Injury Disasters Loans.
- This SBA declaration, makes available Economic Injury Disaster Loans to impacted small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture, and private non-profit organizations.
- SBA loans can be approved up to 2 million dollars but are limited to the economic injury determined by SBA. These loans are intended to assist through the disaster recovery period.
 - In response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, small business owners in all U.S. states, Washington D.C., and territories are eligible to apply for an Economic Injury Disaster Loan advance of up to \$10,000. This advance will provide economic relief to businesses that are currently experiencing a temporary loss of revenue. Funds will be made available within three days of a successful application. This loan advance will not have to be repaid.
 - This advance may be available even if your EIDL application was declined or is still pending and will be forgiven. If you wish to apply for the Advance on your EIDL, please visit <https://covid19relief.sba.gov/#/> as soon as possible to fill out a new, streamlined application.
 - In order to qualify you need to submit this new application even if you previously submitted an EIDL application. Applying will not impact the status or slow your existing application.



- U.S. Small Business Administration announced changes to help borrowers still paying back SBA loans from previous disasters. By making this change, deferments through December 31, 2020, will be automatic. Now, borrowers of home and business disaster loans do not have to contact SBA to request deferment.
- Information on these and other programs can be found at:
<https://covid19.ca.gov/business-and-employers/#top> .

Other Resources and Press Releases

State

[California Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Response](#)

[California Health And Human Services Open Data Portal](#)

[Check in Campaign](#)

www.aging.ca.gov

<https://www.engageca.org/check-in>

*Or Call 211 (Local) or 1-833-544-2374 (Statewide)

Serve.ca.gov

[CDPH Website](#)

[COVID-19 Guidance Documents](#)

[COVID-19 Messaging Toolkit](#)

[Cal OES News](#)

Federal

Coronavirus.gov

[FEMA Rumor Control Page](#)

[Dept. of Justice Covid-19 Fraud Prevention Page](#)

[Federal Trade Commission Coronavirus Scam Page](#)

[The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration's \(SAMHSA\) Disaster Distress](#)



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[CDC Webpage](#)

[Travel Notices: COVID-19 and Cruise Ship Travel-CDC](#)

[Travel notices - CDC](#)

[Resources for the Community](#)

[State Department Travel Advisories](#)

[FDA COVID-19 Guidance](#)

[FDA Enforcement Policy for Ventilators](#)

[USDA SNAP Guidance](#)

[SBA- COVID-19 Small Business Guidance](#)

Orders & Press Releases

[Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order to Provide Expanded Access to Child Care for Essential Workers During COVID-19 Response](#)

[Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order to Expand Telehealth Services](#)

[Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order to Protect Consumers from Price Gouging](#)

[At Newly Converted Motel, Governor Newsom Launches Project Roomkey: A First-in-the-Nation Initiative to Secure Hotel & Motel Rooms to Protect Homeless Individuals from COVID-19](#)

[Governor Newsom Announces New Help for Small Businesses & Workers Displaced by COVID-19](#)

[Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order Protecting Homes, Small Businesses from Water Shutoffs](#)

[Governor Newsom Announces Agreement Between Teachers, Classified Employees and School System Management to Support Student Instruction During COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

[Governor Newsom Launches Campaign to Protect Health and Well-Being of Older Californians During COVID-19 Pandemic](#)



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[Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order Providing Relief to California Small Businesses](#)

[Governor Newsom Announces California Health Corps, a Major Initiative to Expand Health Care Workforce to Fight COVID-19](#)

[California State Parks Closes Vehicular Access at all State Parks](#)

[Governor Newsom Statement on Federal Supplemental Stimulus Bill](#)

[Statement from the President Regarding the Defense Production Act](#)

[Governor Newsom Takes Executive Action to Establish a Statewide Moratorium on Evictions](#)

[Governor Gavin Newsom Announces Major Financial Relief Package: 90-Day Mortgage Payment Relief During COVID-19 Crisis](#)

[Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order on State Prisons and Juvenile Facilities in Response to the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

[California Secures Presidential Major Disaster Declaration to Support State's COVID-19 Emergency Response](#)

[Governor Newsom Requests Presidential Major Disaster Declaration for State's COVID-19 Response Efforts](#)

[Governor Newsom Takes Action to Strengthen California's Health Care Delivery System to Respond to COVID-19](#)

[Governor Newsom Signs Order to Protect Public Health by Expanding Vote-by-Mail Options and Extending Deadlines for Presidential Primary Canvass](#)

[Governor Gavin Newsom Issues Stay at Home Order](#)

[Governor Newsom Takes Emergency Actions & Authorizes \\$150 Million in Funding to Protect Homeless Californians from COVID-19](#)

[Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order to Suspend Standardized Testing for Students in Response to COVID-19 Outbreak](#)



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[Governor Newsom Asks Legislature for Emergency Legislative Action to Fight COVID-19](#)

[Small Business Administration- Disaster Loan Assistance-Declaration Details](#)

[DMV allows customers to avoid coming to a DMV office for 60 days](#)

[FEMA Support Under Emergency Declaration](#)

[Get Your Mass Gatherings or Large Community Events Ready](#)

[Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order Ensuring State Funding for Schools Even in Event of Physical Closure](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions About Use of Stockpiled N95 Filtering Facepiece Respirators for Protection from COVID-19](#)

[Interim Guidance for Protecting Health Care Workers from Exposure to 2019 Novel Coronavirus \(2019-nCoV\)](#)

[Governor Newsom, State Health Officials Announce More than 22 Million Californians Now Eligible for Free Medically Necessary COVID-19 Testing](#)

[Federal and State Partners Protect the Community of Oakland while Supporting the Safe Return of Passengers from the Grand Princess Cruise Ship](#)

[Covid-19 Public Health Guidance for Individuals With Access And Functional Needs](#)

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