

# Nevada Health Response

## COVID-19 PANDEMIC Weekly Situation Report

Thursday, August 6, 2020



NEVADA  
HEALTH  
RESPONSE

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*In coordination with the Office of Governor Steve Sisolak – Cleared for Public Distribution*

# COVID -19 Nevada Statistical Data

For additional statistics visit: [Nevada Health Response](#)

## Total Tests (molecular)

666,990  
+ 16,369

## Confirmed Cases

53,557  
+ 729

## Deaths

900  
+10

## Tests per 1,000 per week\*

13.3

## Daily Positivity Rate\*

16.5%

## Cumulative Positivity Rate\*

10.3%

Please reference technical notes page for updated methodology.

## Current Hospitalizations

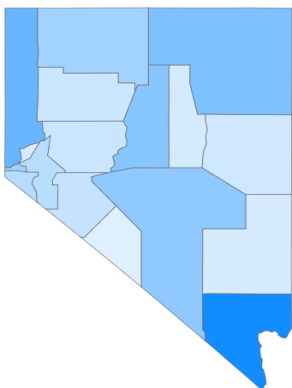
Confirmed Suspected

901 216  
-42 +11

## Intensive Care Unit (ICU)

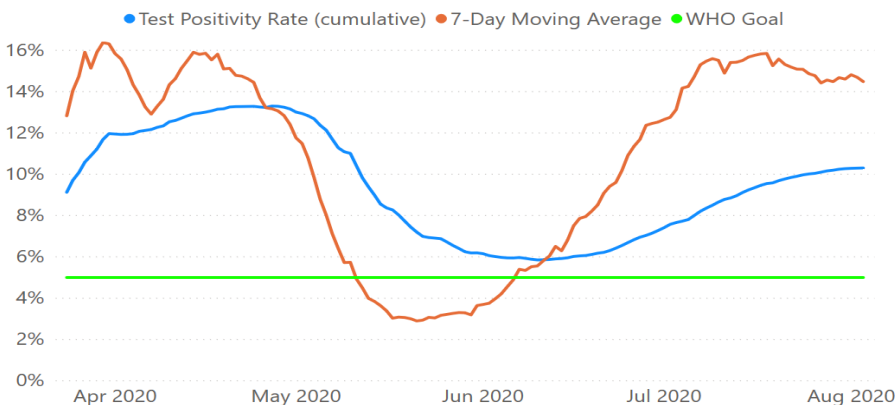
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-13

Hospitalization data are not updated on Sundays.



County	Population	Tests	People Tested	Cumulative Positivity Rate	Total Cases	Case Rate per 100,000	Deaths	Death Rate per 100,000
Carson City	56,546	13,055	11,090	3.0%	328	580.1	8	14.1
Churchill	25,876	4,476	3,767	1.3%	50	193.2	1	3.9
Clark	2,318,174	514,228	377,156	12.2%	46,184	1,992.3	752	32.4
Douglas	49,695	4,165	3,667	5.2%	191	384.3	0	0.0
Elko	54,985	8,016	7,179	7.1%	512	931.2	2	3.6
Esmeralda	974	91	69	0.0%	0	0.0	0	0.0
Eureka	1,966	161	97	2.1%	2	101.7	0	0.0
Humboldt	17,062	2,381	2,006	4.9%	99	580.2	4	23.4
Lander	5,996	1,183	998	5.0%	50	833.9	1	16.7
Lincoln	5,200	319	272	1.5%	4	76.9	0	0.0
Lyon	57,987	4,182	3,451	6.3%	217	374.2	5	8.6
Mineral	4,561	1,280	886	1.2%	11	241.2	0	0.0
Nye	48,864	5,436	3,923	9.5%	374	765.4	9	18.4
Pershing	6,962	3,092	2,680	0.5%	13	186.7	0	0.0
Storey	4,465	105	97	4.1%	4	89.6	0	0.0
Washoe	478,155	92,021	73,845	7.5%	5,504	1,151.1	117	24.5
White Pine	10,586	4,096	2,693	0.5%	14	132.3	1	9.4

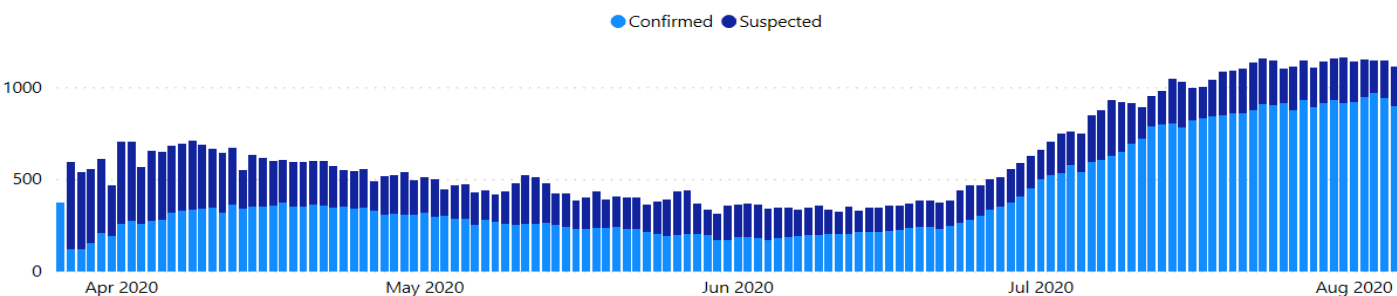
Test Positivity Rate (cumulative), 7-Day Moving Average and WHO Goal by Specimen Collection Date



Percent Change

Date	Test Positivity Rate (cumulative)	Test Positivity Percent Change
08/03	10.3%	0.1%
08/02	10.3%	0.1%
08/01	10.3%	0.2%
07/31	10.3%	0.3%
07/30	10.2%	0.5%
07/29	10.2%	0.3%
07/28	10.2%	0.6%
07/27	10.1%	0.6%
07/26	10.0%	0.3%
07/25	10.0%	0.4%
07/24	10.0%	0.7%
07/23	9.9%	0.6%
07/22	9.8%	0.7%
07/21	9.8%	0.8%
07/20	9.7%	1.1%
07/19	9.6%	0.4%
07/18	9.5%	0.9%
07/17	9.5%	1.2%
07/16	9.3%	1.1%
07/15	9.2%	1.4%
07/14	9.1%	1.7%

Confirmed and Suspected Hospitalizations by Date





# Governor's Directives and Declarations

The guidance for businesses reopening was developed in consultation with Nevada's Local Empowerment Advisory Panel (LEAP) created under the Nevada United Plan for reopening Nevada.

- [Road to Recovery: Moving to a New Normal](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 029](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 028](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 027](#)
  - ✓ [Guidance on Directive 027: Elevated Disease Transmission Criteria](#)
  - ✓ [Nevada's County COVID-19 Elevated Disease Transmission Tracker](#)
  - ✓ [Food Establishments](#)
  - ✓ [Bars](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency 026](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 025](#)
  - ✓ [Guidance for Commercial Properties](#)
  - ✓ [Guidance for Landlords and Tenants](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 024](#)
  - ✓ [Guidance on Directive 024: Face Coverings](#)
  - ✓ [Fact Sheet: What does the science say about face coverings?](#)
    - ❖ [Hoja de hechos: ¿Qué es lo que dice la ciencia sobre las cubiertas faciales?](#)
  - ✓ ['No Shirt. No Shoes. No Mask. No Service.' printable sign](#)
  - ✓ [Guidance on Improvised Facial Coverings](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 023](#)
  - ✓ [Nevada Health Response releases guidance on youth sports](#)
  - ✓ [Roadmap to Recovery for Nevada: Baseball and Softball Practice Only](#)
  - ✓ [Roadmap to Recovery for Nevada: Soccer Practice Only](#)
  - ✓ [Roadmap to Recovery for Nevada: Organized Youth Sports Practice Only](#)
- [Nevada COVID-19 Disease Outbreak Management Strategy and Concept of Operations](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 021](#)
  - ✓ [Phase Two Reopening: General Guidance](#)
  - ✓ [Phase Two Reopening: Industry-Specific Guidance](#)

# COVID Testing in Nevada

COVID-19 data and test results that include people who don't show symptoms ("asymptomatic") can provide a more accurate understanding of how the virus is spreading. Identifying asymptomatic cases will provide a better understanding of the virus's impacts on the community. Expanding testing plays a major part in influencing the state's continuous adjustment of prevention and control measures. Additional testing can also lead to a larger number of Nevadans being made aware of their conditions, knowledge that could contribute to focused social distancing and further slowing community transmissions.

The testing location information is provided and maintained by [Castlight: COVID-19 Resource Center](#). (Testing locations are not endorsed or vetted by the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services.) Testing sites can be searched by specific location or by county.

Individuals who need help accessing this content are encouraged to call Nevada 2-1-1 for more information. While testing criteria for coronavirus disease have been expanded in Nevada, each testing site has its own criteria. Please call the testing site or your health care provider before you go for testing. [Report incorrect information about testing locations here.](#)



Gardnerville Community based testing



Silver Springs Community based testing

Nevada Medicaid now covers COVID-19 testing and testing related services for most uninsured Nevadans, available under the Families First Coronavirus Relief Act (FFCRA). Most Nevadans, who are either uninsured or enrolled in a limited benefit Medicaid eligibility group, may be eligible for coverage. There is no resource or income test for this group.

In addition to being uninsured (enrolled in a limited benefit Medicaid eligibility category), individuals must be Nevada residents, a U.S. citizen, or have qualifying immigration status and provide a social security number to qualify for this coverage. To apply for benefits including Medicaid, go to [accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov](https://accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov)

# CONTACT TRACING

Contact tracing gives us the information needed to draw a road map of how coronavirus is traveling throughout Nevada. But we can't draw that map without help.

If you get a phone call from a contact tracer, they will identify themselves and ask you for specific information. Your information will not be shared. With your help, we can collect the information needed to get a handle on COVID-19 and stop the spread.

## **Contact tracing involves:**

- Interviewing people with COVID-19 to identify everyone with whom they had close contact during the time they may have been infectious.
- Contact information is obtained for each case (discuss initial symptoms, when they were most infectious, what they did on those days, who they interacted with for at least 15 minutes within 6 feet of each other).
- Follow-up with identified contacts and advocate they follow CDC health guidance.
- Notifying contacts of their potential exposure.
- Referring contacts for testing.
- Monitoring contacts for signs and symptoms of COVID-19.
- Connecting contacts with services they might need during the self-quarantine period.
- Monitor smartphone usage to determine whether somebody has been in contact with an infected person.

To prevent the further spread of disease, COVID-19 contacts are encouraged to stay home and maintain social distance (at least 6 feet) from others until 14 days after their last exposure to a person with COVID-19. Contacts should monitor themselves by checking their temperature twice daily and watching for [symptoms of COVID-19](#).

## Contact Tracing: Four Key Steps





# Battle Born Business

Recognizing Nevada businesses enhancing directive guidelines to stop the spread of COVID-19.

Send nominations to: [BattleBornBiz@gmail.com](mailto:BattleBornBiz@gmail.com)

Backstage Dance Studio has offered dance lessons and studio space to pros and residents alike since 1973. With a “the show must go on” approach, they introduced a plethora of protective measures to keep the facility clean, the air flowing, and students safely distanced from each other. After checking in with a mask and sanitizing hands, there is clear direction and expectations on how to navigate hallways, use classrooms and bathrooms, and to exit the facility safely. They have gone above and beyond to keep safe and stay open. Well-staged Backstage Dance Studio.

Send nominations with a photo and brief explanation to: [BattleBornBizNV@gmail.com](mailto:BattleBornBizNV@gmail.com).

**BATTLE BORN BUSINESS**  
Backstage Dance Studio

Backstage Dance Studio in Las Vegas reopened with a “the show must go on” approach, with a plethora of protective measures to keep the facility clean, the air flowing and students safely distanced from each other. Well-staged, Backstage Dance Studio!

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## BATTLE BORN BUSINESS Grassroots Books

Grassroots Books in Reno converted a section of its parking lot for use as an open-air book shop, as well as offering customers self-checkout options — a textbook example on how to conduct business in a pandemic.



When the COVID-19 pandemic stuck, Grassroots Books had a good read on the situation: without preventative measures, the virus could spread. So, the Reno-based independent bookseller took steps to protect employees and customers. Among other things, Grassroots has transformed a section of its parking lot into an open-air book shop, after surmising that people would be safer outdoors than inside the store. Self-checkout is available for contactless payment, and customers also can pay by phone. “The mandate has been safety, kindness, then business,” employee Anne Lazarus said. A textbook example on how to conduct business in a pandemic.

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# My Coronavirus Story



About four years ago, Lori Pallares moved from California to east Las Vegas with her father, Daniel Garzelli. In June, Daniel tested positive for COVID-19 and doctors admitted him to an emergency room in the intensive care unit at Desert Springs Hospital. Within days, Lori also tested positive for COVID-19 and was admitted into the hospital's ICU — on the same floor, three doors down from her father's room. Even with their close proximity, Lori could not visit her father. They maintained communication through video chat until Daniel's strength deteriorated and he was unable to communicate. Eventually, Lori recovered and left the hospital, but the infectious disease overtook Daniel and he died alone in a hospital bed on Father's Day. "Every day is a struggle," Lori said. "Words can't describe what I've been through this summer. It's been tragic." Lori receives assistance through Nevada Senior Service's Hospital 2 Home program, which provides grief therapy support and other programs as she transitions back home following her stay in the hospital. However, every day is still a challenge even with the support. "I'm trying the best I can. I just miss my father. I miss him so much."

Did you or someone you know recover from COVID-19? The State Joint Information Center is looking to better explain the virus through anecdotes and stories of COVID-19 survivors in Nevada. We know this virus affects everyone differently – mentally and physically. **Share your story, email us at: [NVcovidStory@gmail.com](mailto:NVcovidStory@gmail.com)**

## I RECOVERED FROM COVID-19

Lori Pallares survived but suffered a great loss — her father. "Every day is a struggle. Words can't describe what I've been through this summer. It's been tragic. I'm trying the best I can. I just miss my father. I miss him so much."

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Lori Pallares and her father, Daniel Garzelli, of Las Vegas, were hospitalized together as they battled COVID-19.



# Division of Public and Behavioral Health

Call **2-1-1** or visit [nevada211.org](http://nevada211.org) for information and referrals to health, Human and social service organizations.

For more than 50 years, Crisis Support Services of Nevada has provided an empathetic ear, a caring heart and a helping hand to anyone in need. Nevada staff and volunteers offer crisis support and resources for specific communities including LGBTQ+, military and youth. Find guidance to get the help you need or discover resources to help someone in need of crisis support. Talk with someone now. It's free confidential support available at any time. You can call or text 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

Crisis Support Services offers services for depression and suicide, sexual assault, elder abuse, child abuse, domestic violence and substance abuse.

**Call 1-800-273-8255;**  
**text CARE to 839863**  
**24/7/365 crisis services.**

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tomorrow



- 1. Crisis Text Line:** Text HOME to 741741 from anywhere in the U.S., for 24/7/365 crisis services.
- 2. Disaster Distress Hotline:** Call 1-800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs to 66746. The helpline is available 24/7/365 and provides immediate crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster. People with deafness or hearing loss can use their preferred relay service to call 1-800-985-5990.
- 3. National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** If you feel you or someone you know may need emotional support, please visit the Lifeline's website at [suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org) for helpful resources or call 1-800-273-TALK (8255). The Lifeline is free, confidential, and available to everyone in the U.S. You do not have to be suicidal to call the Lifeline.
- 4. Warmline for Health Care Workers:** Call 1-833-434-0385 This line serves as a confidential mental health resource for health care professionals to seek support before they have reached a crisis point. Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- 5. SafeVoice:** Call 1-833-216-SAFE (7233) This program provides students a safe place to submit tips concerning their own safety or that of others and is available 24/7/365. Tips always stay anonymous.



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# Unemployment Resources

In response to COVID-19, the Nevada Division of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) has implemented and launched a NEW filing system for Nevada residents who have been affected by the pandemic to receive benefits. This is completely separate from filing; for traditional unemployment insurance benefits. [More information on Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act \(CARES Act\)](#)

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) is a temporary federal program that is part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. PUA is available to Nevada workers who are unemployed, partially unemployed, unable to work or unavailable for work due to the COVID-19 pandemic and who are not eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) a temporary federal program that provides up to 13 weeks of regular unemployment insurance (UI) for eligible claimants whose claims have been exhausted.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) provides eligible individuals will receive an additional \$600 per week in addition to their weekly benefit amount from another unemployment compensation program.

## Pandemic unemployment assistance:

Online:  [www.employnv.gov](http://www.employnv.gov)

Phone:  800-603-9681

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 8p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. to Noon



Individuals who believe that someone is fraudulently using their identity to apply for unemployment benefits should file a complaint through the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov) and to DETR's Fraud Report. Nevada's COVID-19 Task Force is working with DETR to assess the problem. [File an Unemployment Insurance Fraud Report here.](#)

## Unemployment Quick Links:




- [DETR website](#)
- [Backdate Frequently Asked Questions for Claimants](#)
- [Claimants Frequently Asked Questions and COVID-19](#)
- [Unemployment Insurance Benefits Tutorials](#)
- [Rapid Response Resource Packet for Laid Off Workers](#)
- [Relief for Workers Affected by COVID 19 CARES Act](#)





# We All Play a Role Keeping Nevada Safe.

## Wearing is Caring!

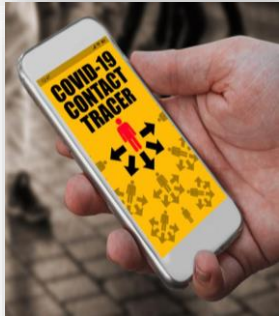
### Who do wear your face covering for?

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- Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth to help protect others in case you're infected with COVID-19 but don't have symptoms.
  - Wear a face covering in public settings when around people who don't live in your household, especially when it may be difficult for you to stay six feet apart.
  - Wear a face covering correctly for maximum protection.
  - Don't put the face covering around your neck or up on your forehead.
  - Don't touch the face covering, and, if you do, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer to disinfect.
  - Maintain 6 feet distance between you and other people
  - Stay home when sick

### When and Where are you required to wear a face covering in public spaces?

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- Inside of, standing in line, any indoor space.
  - While outside in a public space when 6 ft. of social distancing isn't possible.
  - Public or private transportation that others HAVE or WILL use.
  - At work and when interacting in-person with members of the public.
  - While working out indoors at a gym, fitness center, dance studio, or boutique fitness facility
  - In any space where food is prepared.
  - In any room or enclosed area where other people are present.

# Coronavirus Scams Fraud Alert



## Contact Tracers

Don't pay a contact tracer, give out your social security number or financial information. It's a scam. [File a complaint.](#)



## Unemployment Insurance Fraud

If someone uses your personal information to file an insurance claim. Report it and get help [IdentityTheft.gov.](#)



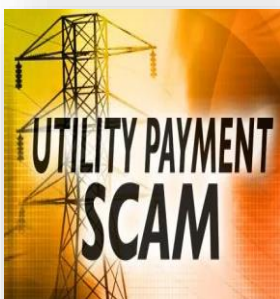
## PPE Supplies

Before your order from a supply company; research the company, know the terms of the sale, and pay by credit card. [File a Complaint.](#)



## Fake Grants

Scammers ask you to complete a grant application and request your bank account information to transfer funds. [File a complaint.](#)



## Utility Imposter

Utility companies don't make demands. Legitimate reps will explain how to make a payment using their established payment options/programs.



## Work-at-Home

Visit the FTC to learn more about [protecting](#) yourself from work-at-home scams during the pandemic, and how to [avoid job scams.](#)



## Rate Schemes

It is illegal for a company to charge a fee before performing a debt relief service. Report credit card interest rate schemes to [ftc.gov/complaint.](#)

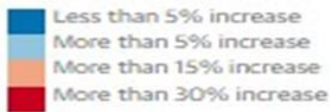


## College Students

Don't click on a link to get a message that needs to be opened through a portal link requiring your university login. It's a [phishing scam.](#)

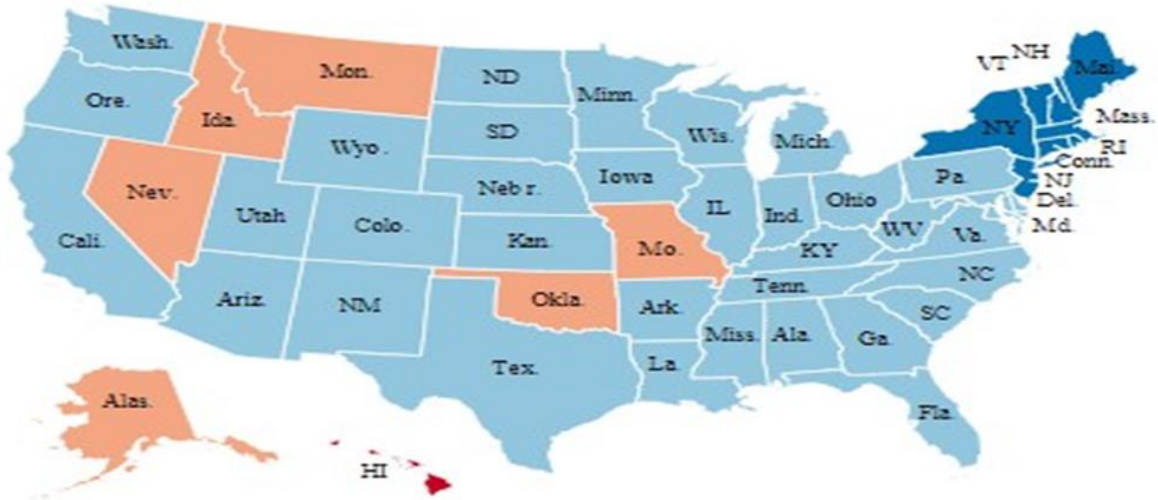
# USA COVID -19 Data

Increase in total cases since last week



**Confirmed Cases:**  
**4,823,229**

**Deaths:**  
**158,225**



## U.S. State Department – Travel Advisory Worldwide Caution

**STEP**  
March 22, 2020

**Enroll in STEP (Smart Traveler Enrollment Program)**

**COVID-19 Travel**  
August 6, 2020

**For COVID-19 Travel Information click here**

**COVID-19 Alert**  
August 6, 2020

**Update on U.S. Passport Operations**

## Worldwide COVID-19 Data

**Total Confirmed Cases**  
**18,923,922**

**Total Deaths**  
**710,916**

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[\\*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)