

Nevada Health Response

COVID-19 PANDEMIC Weekly Situation Report

Friday, September 11, 2020



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HEALTH
RESPONSE

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COVID -19 Nevada Statistical Data

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

Total Tests

922,480
+10,076

Confirmed Cases

72,806
+260

Deaths

1,439
+10

Tests per 1,000 per week*

15.1

Daily Positivity Rate*

9.5%

Cumulative Positivity Rate*

10.3%

Please reference technical notes page for updated methodology.

Current Hospitalizations

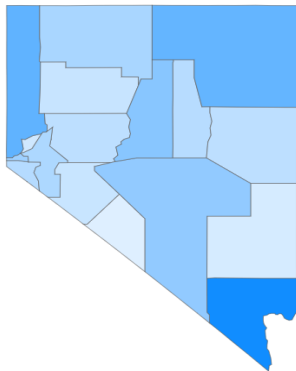
Confirmed Suspected

388 88
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Intensive Care Unit (ICU)

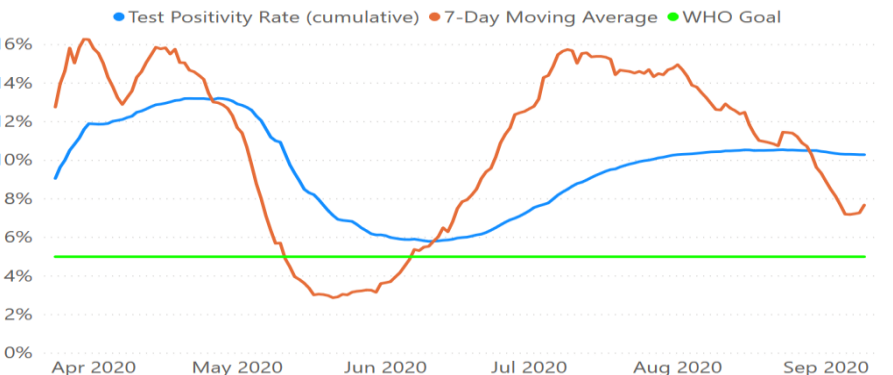
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-10

Hospitalization data are not updated on Sundays or holidays.



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	18,889	13,973	3.5%	475	840.0	8	14.1
Churchill	25,876	6,099	4,843	3.0%	113	436.7	1	3.9
Clark	2,318,174	716,674	480,326	11.4%	62,057	2,677.0	1,249	53.9
Douglas	49,695	5,838	4,881	3.7%	265	533.3	1	2.0
Elko	54,985	10,633	8,798	7.6%	875	1,591.3	7	12.7
Esmeralda	974	127	94	0.0%	0	0.0	0	0.0
Eureka	1,966	331	171	3.3%	10	508.6	0	0.0
Humboldt	17,062	2,811	2,324	9.5%	117	685.7	4	23.4
Lander	5,996	1,513	1,183	7.5%	67	1,117.4	1	16.7
Lincoln	5,200	457	362	2.2%	6	115.4	0	0.0
Lyon	57,987	5,644	4,396	4.9%	372	641.5	6	10.3
Mineral	4,561	1,731	1,165	2.5%	13	285.0	0	0.0
Nye	48,864	6,734	4,572	10.8%	488	998.7	14	28.7
Pershing	6,962	3,833	2,821	0.6%	21	301.6	0	0.0
Storey	4,465	133	116	1.5%	9	201.6	0	0.0
Washoe	478,155	120,242	91,546	7.4%	7,872	1,646.3	147	30.7
White Pine	10,586	6,003	3,214	1.4%	46	434.5	1	9.4

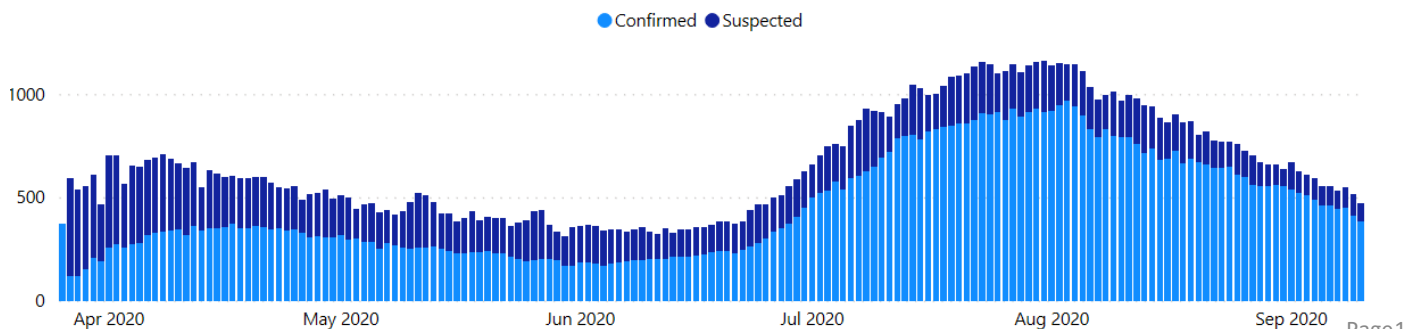
Test Positivity Rate (cumulative), 7-Day Moving Average and WHO Goal by Specimen Collection Date



Percent Change

Date	Test Positivity Rate (cumulative)	Test Positivity Percent Change
09/09	10.3%	-0.0%
09/08	10.3%	-0.1%
09/07	10.3%	-0.1%
09/06	10.3%	-0.0%
09/05	10.3%	-0.1%
09/04	10.3%	-0.3%
09/03	10.4%	-0.4%
09/02	10.4%	-0.4%
09/01	10.4%	-0.2%
08/31	10.5%	-0.4%
08/30	10.5%	-0.0%
08/29	10.5%	0.0%
08/28	10.5%	-0.0%
08/27	10.5%	-0.1%
08/26	10.5%	-0.1%
08/25	10.5%	0.0%
08/24	10.5%	-0.2%
08/23	10.5%	0.1%
08/22	10.5%	0.2%
08/21	10.5%	0.0%
08/20	10.5%	0.1%

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.

- [Directive 031 – Extension of Residential Evictions Moratorium \(08-31-2020\)](#)
 - ✓ [Guidance for Tenants and Landlords Under Directive 031 – FAQs](#)
 - ✓ [Orientación para inquilinos y propietarios según la Directiva 031 – Preguntas frecuentes](#)
- [Declaration of Emergency Directive 030](#)
 - ✓ [COVID-19 County Tracker](#)
- [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](#)

Mitigation and Management Task Force

The Nevada COVID-19 Task Force has been established to support a new county-specific approach to the state's emergency response. The Task Force will ensure statewide adoption. At a minimum, it will be made up of heads of key state agencies, private sector representatives, and local representatives. This task force will be charged with ensuring accountability for state-level efforts, coordinating essential activities between departments, and providing a sustainable model for receiving and sharing data and vetting proposals and recommendations.



This approach will ensure the state, in coordination with each county, can assess all available data, evaluate key metrics, and make timely decisions based on the disease burden and transmission risk in each region throughout Nevada.

Reviewing this critical data and metrics such as status of hospitalizations, disease investigation reports, and more will allow the State to better understand the capacity of each county to respond and then take targeted actions to help mitigate the spread.

The goal of this targeted approach is to address identified risk areas and take action, and to avoid broad-based closures or limitations that could harm businesses who may not be the cause of spread.

In the case that there is not enough data or information needed to take a targeted approach in a county, or if a county is not collaborating with the State in a productive manner, the Task Force and/or the Governor maintain the right to take action and implement mitigation measures in accepted high risk settings. [COVID-19 Task Force Assessment Details](#)

To ensure the success of this approach, the task force shall perform the following duties:

1. Meet on at least a weekly basis.
2. Provide a current situation report on COVID-19 in Nevada, including weekly case numbers and county-level analysis.
3. Provide an overview of the COVID-19 response effort in Nevada, including enforcement numbers from throughout the state and other findings.
4. Assess county status per these guidelines and make decisions for actions to be taken over the next week.
5. Collaborate with county representatives to determine best methods for reducing the community burden of COVID-19.



COVID-19 Testing Sites

Offered by the Health District and community partners

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 provides information on how the virus impacts the communities in Nevada.

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.

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

Individuals who need help accessing this content are encouraged to call Nevada 2-1-1. 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 sites here.](#)

Nevada Medicaid covers COVID-19 testing and related services for most uninsured Nevadans, available under the Families First Coronavirus Relief Act. 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.



GET TESTED NEVADA

Had contact with someone who has COVID?
You have no symptoms?
GET TESTED.

Find testing locations at: nvhealthresponse.nv.gov



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 go to accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov

Stop, Swab & Go Get TESTED TODAY!

Free testing - Through September 18

DoINeedaCOVID19Test.com

Clark County, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the state of Nevada have partnered to make up to 60,000 drive-thru coronavirus tests available in southern Nevada to anyone who wants to be tested whether you have symptoms of the virus or not.

Free tests offered through Sept. 18

Monday through Friday,
6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fiesta Henderson Hotel and Casino
777 W. Lake Mead Parkway
Henderson

Texas Station Hotel and Casino
2101 Texas Star Lane
North Las Vegas

Sam Boyd Stadium
7000 E. Russell Road
Las Vegas

Eldorado High School
139 Linn Lane
Las Vegas

City of Mesquite Streets Division Garage
725 Hardy Way
Mesquite
7:00 a.m. to noon
Sept 14, 15, 16, 17



The registration website for the "Stop, Swab & Go" event, www.DoINeedaCOVID19Test.com, is managed by eTrueNorth, a HHS program contractor. Individuals must register to be tested by creating a username and password to schedule an appointment on the site.

For general COVID-19 questions, call the Southern Nevada Health District information line at (702) 759-INFO (4636) from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. To access a continuously updated calendar of testing events across the Las Vegas Valley visit <https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/>. Information is available in Spanish through [Esta En Tus Manos](http://EstaEnTusManos.com).



CONTACT TRACING

Contact tracing gives health officials the information needed to draw a road map of how coronavirus is traveling throughout Nevada. This procedure aims to identify and alert people who have come into contact with a person infected. Your information will not be shared.

The process begins at the point one of the health departments receives a positive lab report. If you get a phone call from a contact tracer, they will identify themselves and ask you for specific information. Help Nevada slow the spread and answer the call.

Contact tracing involves:

- Interview infected people to identify everyone they had close contact with
- Collect information 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.
- Notify contacts of their potential exposure and refer contacts for testing.
- Monitor contacts for signs and symptoms of COVID-19.
- Connect contacts with services they might need during the self-quarantine period.
- Monitor smartphone usage to determine who has been in contact with an infected person.

WHY CONTACT TRACING IS VITAL

Identifies **how** a patient got infected

Identifies **who** the patient may have infected

#Fact: One patient can potentially infect scores

KEEP YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS SAFE

ANSWER THE CALL

If you receive a call from our contact tracers, break the chain of infection by answering the call.

Contact tracing is a confidential technique public health workers use to track the spread of a disease.

Contact tracers will never ask for your social security number or financial information. Contact your public health agency if you have questions.

Contact tracers will not ask for:

- Social Security Number
- Money
- Salary Information
- Bank, credit card, insurance or financial information
- Ask about your citizenship
- Offer to sell you a COVID test kit

For more information visit [Contact Tracing](#)

COVID Trace App

A free, easy-to-use mobile phone app that gives health officials the information needed to fight COVID-19, without compromising your privacy.



COVID Trace is a contact tracing mobile app developed by the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services that uses a technology called the Exposure Notifications System from Google and Apple. The app exchanges anonymous information with other phones in your vicinity and can notify you if you've come in contact with someone who has tested positive.

- ✓ The app uses Bluetooth to exchange random codes with nearby phones.
- ✓ Every day, it checks a list of random codes from people who tell the app they tested positive.
- ✓ If it finds codes that match, the app notifies you that you've been exposed and explains what to do next.

How it works:

- ✓ Download the free COVID Trace app from the Apple or Android app store.
- ✓ Once you opt-in, the Exposure Notifications System will generate a random ID for your device. To help ensure these random IDs can't be used to identify you or your location, they change every 10-20 minutes.
- ✓ Your phone and the phones around you will work in the background to exchange these privacy-preserving random IDs via Bluetooth. This is a passive process that begins once you opt-in and functions without the app open.
- ✓ Your phone periodically checks all the random IDs associated with positive COVID-19 cases against its own list.
- ✓ If there's a match, the app will notify you with further instructions from the Department of Health and Human Services on how to keep you and the people around you safe.

Protecting your community. And your privacy.

With the COVID Trace app, you don't have to choose between your privacy and the health and safety of your community. The app was designed to protect and preserve your privacy. It doesn't use GPS and can't share your location or information.

No one will know:

- ✓ Your location, name or address
- ✓ Your health information
- ✓ Who you met
- ✓ Who tested positive

Download now for free.



[Learn more about how the COVID Trace works](#)

Home Battle Born Business Nominations

Recognizing Nevada businesses that enhance guidelines to stop the spread of COVID-19.



Bently Heritage Distillery in Minden, Nevada, has been working hard to keep both its employees and community members safe during the pandemic. In March, the distillery converted from spirits production to a sanitizer operation, and thus far has donated more than 3,000 gallons of sanitizer to local and statewide first responders. Recently, it began offering curbside service as a safe and convenient way for locals to purchase their premium estate-spirits. Bently Heritage has also implemented a complete COVID-19 operational plan to ensure a safe environment for those employees who are working on site.

Send nominations with a photo and description to: BattleBornBizNV@gmail.com.

You do not have to forgo your morning coffee at your favorite local spot during Covid-19; Comma Coffee is open for business. It has made some unique and compliant changes to stay open during this trying time. Comma Coffee has been working hard to keep the community and its employees safe. A new walk-up window makes it safe and pleasant for customers to enjoy some of their favorites. This new addition is a flagship way that Comma Coffee has truly embraced the safety of its loyal customers.

Comma Coffee's employees all wear masks and they are happy to be open and offering a pleasant environment for Nevadans to enjoy themselves. The outside courtyard is fully open for your dining pleasure. The seating in the courtyard is socially distanced while still being truly enchanting. Just order at the new window and your item is then brought to you were you choose to sit outside or picked up at the window.



My Coronavirus Story

Share your story, at: NVcovidStory@gmail.com



One Wednesday morning in August, Michelle Simpson and her 11-year-old-daughter woke up ready to tackle the day, but they did not feel very well and decided to stay home as a precaution. "I felt congested in my head but because of the time of the season and air quality I wasn't really sure if it was because of smoke or my allergies," Michelle said.

As the day progressed Michelle, an administrative assistant for the Nevada Division of Forestry in Carson City, and her daughter started to feel worse. The next day she was notified that a close friend with whom she had been in contact recently, had not been feeling well either and had potentially been exposed to COVID-19. That's when Michelle and her family decided to get tested.

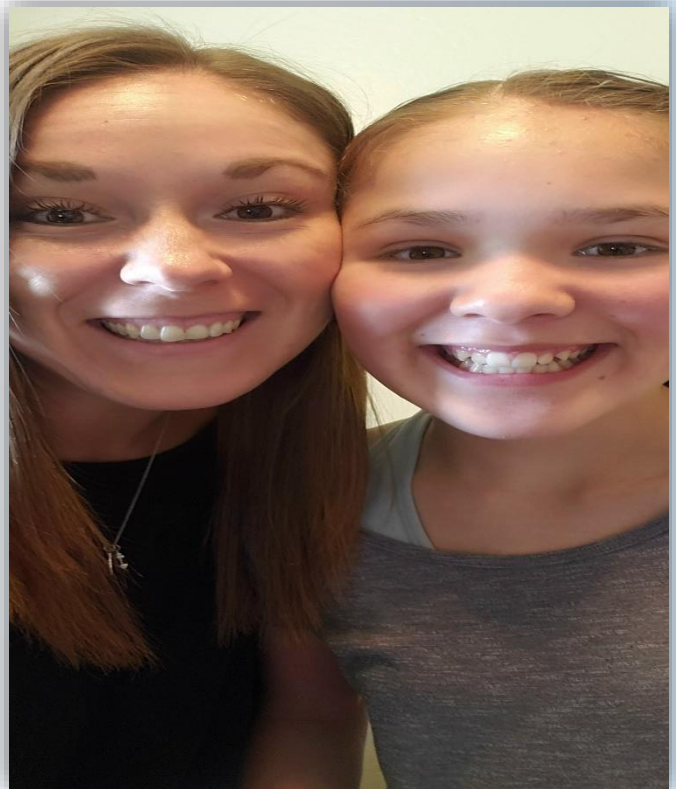
Despite the head congestion, body aches, and pounding headache Michelle kept a positive outlook on life. "I am very positive, so I was thinking I could still be sick and it not be COVID," she said. "So I was trying to think positive and at that point we did not feel super terrible."

However, it was COVID-19. While Michelle's husband and her 9-year-old daughter tested negative, Michelle and her 11-year-old daughter received positive results for COVID-19. Fortunately, her daughter's symptoms were mild, but the first 3-4 days were the worst for Michelle, she described it as feeling like the "annual flu."

"I had the headache symptom, which is like a migraine that comes out of nowhere and that lingered for an additional three days." Michelle explained that towards the end when they started to feel better, she lost her sense of taste and smell. Even though Michelle said that overall her symptoms were manageable, and jokingly said she doesn't know what was worse: isolation or COVID.

"It was difficult because we have our children, but we were just doing our part and doing our best to obviously not infect others and keep those around us safe. So we did not have contact with anybody and we were honestly just waiting to get out of quarantine." Michelle and her family made sure to step outside and spend time in their yard to get some sun and fresh air. "It is easy to not go outside when you don't feel well. I tried to spend at least 15-20 minutes outside every morning and every afternoon. "

Michelle and her daughter have made a full recovery from COVID-19. Michelle suggests that the public not be afraid of the virus but to take it seriously and be cautious. "It is a virus that will make you sick and I can see how it can affect people differently and potentially be deadly to some if they aren't healthy enough to battle it."



Division of Public and Behavioral Health

Call **2-1-1** or visit nevada211.org for information and referrals to health, human and social service organizations.



One-Time Benefits to Replace Missed School Lunches to be Disbursed

Children who would have received free or reduced-price meals through the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program will receive a one-time refund for the cost of school lunches that were missed this spring due to COVID-related school closures. For families that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefits, the funds will be added to their current EBT card. All other eligible families will receive a new funds card in the mail between August 31 and September 8.



[Division of Welfare and Supportive Services](#)

Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Northern Nevada - 775-684-8740

Southern Nevada - 702-486-9640

Resources for Parents and Children

- ✓ [Nevada Children's Mobile Crisis](#) – Mobile Crisis Response Team supports youth and families of youth in crisis over the phone so that the proper care is given, and emergency room visits are reduced. MCRT offers Telephone triage, Crisis response, Crisis stabilization, and After care.
- ✓ [Boys & Girls Clubs](#) - Visit the website of your local facility. Fills the gap between school and home, providing safe, fun environments, with a variety of programs.
- ✓ [The Children's Cabinet](#) – Keeping children safe and families together with a variety of services and resources. Call 800-536-4588 or text "SAFE" and current location to 4HELP (44357)
- ✓ [Healthy Children](#) - Information on kids returning to school during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- ✓ [CDC back-to-school decision making tool](#) - Questions that address how your school is preparing for school year 2020-2021.
- ✓ [The Solace Tree](#) - Peer-to-Peer Grief Support availability for remote areas such as rural, mountain or military base communities.
- ✓ [Mental Health America](#) – Visit for a "back to school" kit. Community-based nonprofit, dedicated to addressing the needs of those living with mental illness and promoting overall mental health of all.
- ✓ [Safe Voice](#) - Call 1-833-216-SAFE (7233) This program provides a safe place to submit tips concerning their own others and is available 24/7/365. Tips always stay anonymous.



UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS APPLICATION FORM

Unemployment Resources

The Division of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) has launched a COVID-19 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.

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 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.



You MAY BE ELIGIBLE for unemployment if:

- Not receiving pay from your employer through no fault of your own – extended furlough, shutdowns, layoffs, etc.
- Hours have been reduced, receiving less than \$469 gross earnings per week.
- Self-employed and unable to work during the pandemic

How to apply for unemployment:

- File online at ui.nv.gov (fastest way)
- File claim before 8 a.m. and after 8 p.m. (best times to file)
- Phone lines reserved for people unable to file online
- No in-person claims – offices are closed
- File a claim every week until you return to work, weeks begin on Sunday.
- Keep filing weekly claims, even if you are paid that week
- Be cautious of scams

Pandemic unemployment assistance:

Online:  www.employnv.gov

Phone:  800-603-9681

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

Saturday 8 a.m. to Noon

Quick Links:

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





BEAT THE SCAMS
DON'T FALL VICTIM

[How to File a Complaint](#)

- **CDC or WHO** - Watch for emails and calls claiming to be from a government agency. Don't click on links from sources you don't know.
- **COVID-19 Treatment** – Nationwide marketers making unsubstantiated claims that their products and therapies can prevent or treat COVID-19. [FTC Details](#).
- **Contact Tracers** – Tracers need health information. Don't pay, give out your social security number or financial info to a contact tracer.
- **Government Grants** - Scammers ask you to complete a grant application and request your bank account information to transfer funds.
- **Mortgage** - It's illegal for companies to charge you before they help you with [your mortgage](#). Talk with a [legal services organization](#) first.
- **PPE Supplies** - Before you order from a supply company; research the company, know the terms of the sale, and pay by credit card.



- **WhatsApp/Facebook** - Messages offering money to people in need - through grants, coupons for food support, or other giveaways. They're fake, and not from those companies.
- **Stimulus Packages** - Don't give out your social security number, bank account, or credit card number to receive your payment.

- **Job Opportunities** - Scammers pay for online ads, promising you ways to earn money online. But [do your research](#) before you sign up — and certainly before you pay. [Avoid job scams](#)
- **Unemployment Insurance** – You may even be prosecuted for felony theft. Collecting benefits based on false, misreported, or unreported information is fraud. If you are filing or reopening a claim, or certifying for benefits, you are legally responsible to follow the requirements set by State law. [File an UI claim](#) [File an UI Fraud Report](#)
- **Utility Imposter** – Utility companies don't make demands for cash. Legitimate reps will explain how to make a payment using their established payment options/programs.
- **Rate Schemes** - It is illegal for a company to charge a fee before performing a debt relief service. Report credit card interest schemes to:
- **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](#).



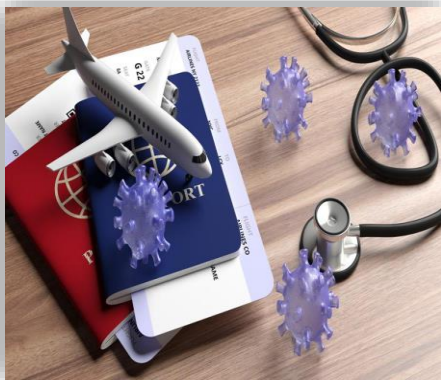
INSIDE OR OUT?

Outdoor activities pose less risk than indoor activities.

Learn more at
nvhealthresponse.nv.gov.

When & where face coverings are required in public?

- 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.
- Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth to help protect others in case you're infected but don't have symptoms.



Travel Information



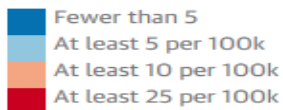
Face Covering Information



Park and Recreation

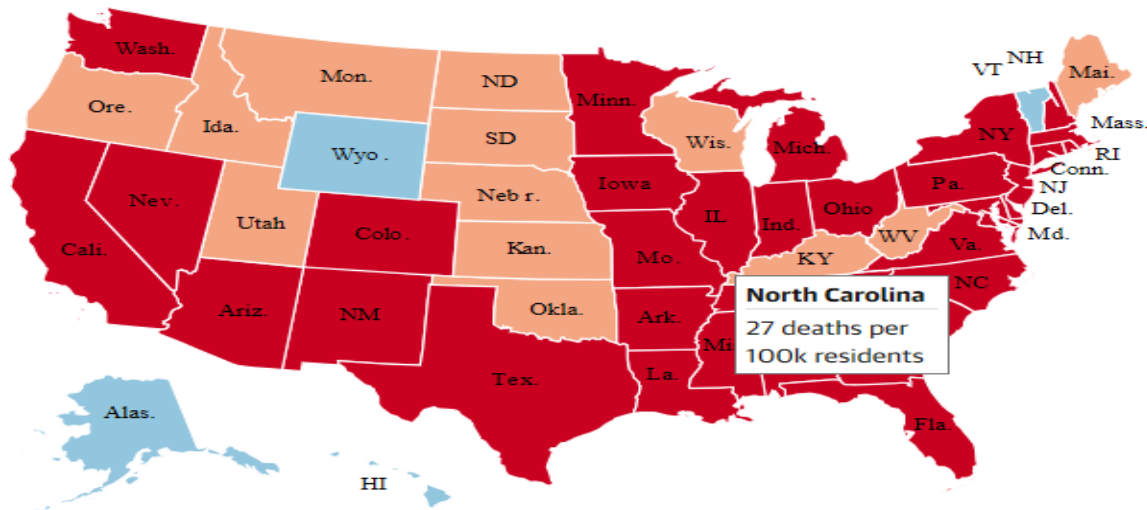
USA COVID -19 Data

Number of confirmed Covid-19 deaths per 100,000 Americans



Confirmed Cases:
6,396,428

Deaths:
191,738



U.S. State Department – Travel Advisory

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
September 10, 2020

Update on U.S. Passport Operations
[U.S. Department of State - Travel Advisories](#)

Worldwide COVID-19 Data

Total Confirmed Cases
28,268,970

Total Deaths
911,282

[*U.S. State Department](#)

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