CRIHB COVID-19 Updates
August 18, 2020

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# California COVID-19 By The Numbers

**August 17, 2020**  
Numbers as of August 16, 2020

## California COVID-19 Spread

**628,031 (+6,469)**

### Cases

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<tr>
<th>Ages of Confirmed Cases</th>
<th>Gender of Confirmed Cases</th>
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<tr>
<td>0-17: 61,538</td>
<td>Female: 315,642</td>
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<td>18-49: 378,166</td>
<td>Male: 309,562</td>
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<td>50-64: 119,629</td>
<td>Unknown/Missing: 6,827</td>
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<td>65+: 47,814</td>
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<td>Unknown/Missing: 862</td>
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### Fatalities

11,242 (+18)

## Hospitalizations

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<tr>
<th>Confirmed COVID-19</th>
<th>Suspected COVID-19</th>
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<td>4,975/1,589</td>
<td>1,357/222</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hospitalized/In ICU</td>
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For county-level hospital data: bit.ly/hospitalsca

Your actions save lives.

For county-level data: data.chhs.ca.gov  
covid19.ca.gov

## New Confirmed Cases in California by Date of Lab Confirmation

12,807

6,469
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<tr>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Negative Cases</th>
<th>Positive Cases</th>
<th>Tested</th>
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<tr>
<td>ALASKA</td>
<td>97,508</td>
<td>807</td>
<td>115,084</td>
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<td>ALBUQUERQUE</td>
<td>24,692</td>
<td>1,647</td>
<td>36,256</td>
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<td>BEMIDJI</td>
<td>31,748</td>
<td>942</td>
<td>34,939</td>
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<td>BILLINGS</td>
<td>37,349</td>
<td>1,155</td>
<td>41,636</td>
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<td>CALIFORNIA</td>
<td>7,408</td>
<td>588</td>
<td>8,764</td>
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<td>GREAT PLAINS</td>
<td>43,049</td>
<td>1,989</td>
<td>46,085</td>
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<td>NASHVILLE</td>
<td>19,102</td>
<td>1,828</td>
<td>21,502</td>
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<td>NAVAJO</td>
<td>55,965</td>
<td>10,954</td>
<td>74,026</td>
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<td>OKLAHOMA CITY</td>
<td>103,033</td>
<td>6,647</td>
<td>112,527</td>
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<td>PHOENIX</td>
<td>42,361</td>
<td>8,482</td>
<td>51,350</td>
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<td>PORTLAND</td>
<td>21,158</td>
<td>1,834</td>
<td>23,711</td>
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<td>TUCSON</td>
<td>5,183</td>
<td>555</td>
<td>5,847</td>
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Based on self-reported data to IHS
Two sources for tracking American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) cases reported in California

Data from the **Indian Health Service (IHS)** include positive cases reported by Tribal and Urban Indian Health Programs.

Data from **California Department of Public Health (CDPH)** include all positive cases of AIAN diagnosed in California.

As of 7/31/2020. Source: IHS Data Portal. Note: Gaps in CDPH reported AIAN cases are due to intermittent availability. As of 8/17/2020. Source: CDPH
CDC Data show that AIAN in California are testing positive for COVID-19 at rates nearly equal to their proportion of California’s population, and dying at rates slightly higher than expected. This includes a total of:

1,559 cases and 49 deaths.


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As of 8/17/2020. Source: CDC.
State Response

• CalOES Statewide Tribal Assistance Coordination Group (TAC-G) call:
  • Friday @11:00AM, 1-888-240-2560; 282056959#

• Governor’s Tribal Advisor Tribal Leaders call:
  • W @ 5:00PM (This call is by invite only to Tribal leaders and council members)

• COVID-19 Statewide Regional/Tribal Coordination call
  • M and Th @ 3:30PM, 1-888-455-0887; 3907094#

• Operational Area (OA)/Tribal Coordination call:
  • W @ 2:00PM, 1-844-291-5489; 6115888#
Federal Updates

COVID-19 National Briefing Call for State, Local, and Tribal Officials

• Date:/Time Wednesday, August 19, at 10:00AM PST/1:00PM EST

• Call-In Registration: https://ems9.intellor.com/?do=register&t=1&p=901698

Note: Call-in lines are limited. RSVPs will be allocated in the order they are received.
CARES ACT PROVIDER RELIEF FUND- PHASE 3 BROAD DISTIBUTIONS, MORE MONEY AVAILABLE

Provider Relief Fund Timeline

- **Phase 1: General Distributions ($50 B)**
  - Medicare providers

- **Targeted Distributions**
  - COVID-19 High Impact Area Hospitals
  - Rural and Small Metro Area Providers
  - Indian Health Service Programs
  - Skilled Nursing Facilities
  - Safety Net Providers

- **Phase 2: General Distribution ($18B)**
  - Medicaid/CHIP providers
  - Dental providers
  - Medicare providers who didn’t receive full payment in Phase 1

- **Phase 3**
  - Broadly available
  - Considers actual lost revenue and expenses

- **Uninsured Testing and Treatment Fund**

Phase 1 & 2 lump sum distributions up to 2% of your claims (MOSTLY COMPLETED)
- Phase 1 Medicare
- Phase 2 Medicaid/Dental/Medicare

Faster, Targeted to Categories of Providers   More Deliberate, Individualized
Provider Relief Fund- Phase 3 Broad Distribution of Funds Now Available

- Phase 3- Broad Distributions (NEED TO VALIDATE TIN & SUBMIT APPLICATION)
  - If you think you might be eligible, it is worth it to enter the portal to have your Tax ID Number (TIN) validated before August 28, 2020
  - As long as you validate your TIN by 8/28/20, you can submit application later to get any remaining funds.

- Go to portal: https://covid19.linkhealth.com/docusign/#/step/1
CTEC Surveillance

• The system allows data entry at the facility level for all I/T/U facilities. I/T/U facilities will enter the data directly into the new online data collection tool themselves.

• Starting Tuesday, April 14, 2020, submit data via the new online data entry tool.

• Link: https://maps.ihs.gov/portal/home/ and click Sign-In
To order additional posters, complete and email form to yrengnez@crihb.org

Link to form:
Public Service Announcements

• Far Northern California: Wingspan Media
• Sonoma/Mendocino Area: California Indian Museum and Cultural Center
• Central California: TBD
• Eastern California: Tazbah Chavez
  • How to Wash Your Hands in 20 Seconds: https://youtu.be/iT_DKfeBa2I
  • Who Do You Wear a Mask For?: https://youtu.be/B-GJuNULtWY
  • Be a Good Relative and Be Good to Yourself: https://youtu.be/PExtK4Q5aF8
• Southern California: American Indian Media Concepts
  • We Will Endure!: https://youtu.be/pdtqREQgiLo
  • Do Your Duty!: https://youtu.be/U5a3rsmeFP8
  • A Time to Connect: https://youtu.be/Z_d_6vwOnIw
CDC Foundation COVID-19 Corps Staff

• The CDC Foundation has hired following positions to serve California Tribal communities. These are 100% remote and will work directly with California Tribes and Tribal Health Programs.

• Tribal Nation Epidemiologist (1)
  • Inger Appanaitis, iappanitis@cdcfoundation.org

• Tribal Nation Emergency Preparedness Planner (2)
  • TBD

• Tribal Nation Public Health Disease Investigator (2)
  • Annie Rivera, arivera@cdcfoundation.org
  • Mwihaki Gaciri, mgacici@cdcfoundation.org
Tribal Nation Public Health Disease Investigators

Northern California: Mwihaki Gaciri
Southern California: Annie Rivera
How to reach us for questions:

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**PPE-related questions:**
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**Community or grant-related assistance:**
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Director, Research and Public Health
vcresci@crihb.org

**Epidemiologic or data-related assistance:**
Aurimar Ayala, MPH
Epidemiology Manager
aayala@crihb.org

Submit CTEC TA online request:
https://crihb.org/technical-assistance-request-form/
DATE: Tuesday August 18, 2020 (3:30PM-4:30PM, PST)  
HOST: CRIHB

Meeting Recording:  
https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/5v1NE52r1W5IQ4mRuVn5RK4zEtW8T6a803UYq_NbmkqQ-08hAG1wjk9AGPwp7XG6  Password: g?pT2r3C

**Update**
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- **11,242 Fatalities as of 08/17/2020**
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  - All funds for Phase 1 & 2 should have been received by clinics
  - Phase 3 funding now available to all programs. Need to validate TIN by 8/28/20 & submit application. Go to: https://covid19.linkhealth.com/docusign/#/step/1
  - There is additional funding in Uninsured Testing and Treatment Fund to be reimbursed on a claims basis

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**CRIHB Response Updates**
- CTEC developed posters available free of charge. To receive posters fill out order form [https://crihb.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/COVID19PosterOrderFormFILLABLE.pdf](https://crihb.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/COVID19PosterOrderFormFILLABLE.pdf) and email to yrengnez@crihb.org

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**Questions**
- **Q:** 340B Drug Pricing Program - what is the knowledge of this?  
  **A:** Sidebar with Rosario Arreola Pro. Speak to Caroyln Pumares, PharmD, MSCDR, United States Public Health Service Area Pharmacy Consultant/Project Officer California Area Indian Health Service (916) 930-3981 ext. 308 Cell (916) 769-6854 E: Carolyn.Pumares@ihs.gov

- **Q:** Is there a second wave of COVID-19? Are we in it?  
  **A:** Still in the first wave, some days are still going up and have not gone down. Second wave is not a fact but very likely.

- **Q:** How has the adjustment been with back to school?  
  **A:** Number of employees have requested time off, have to be flexible. California Primary Care Association has webinars on staffing that may be helpful.
Q: Patients are having “screening fatigue”, the same questions are being asked over and over. Looking to restructure questions so they pay more attention. How are other sites dealing with this?
A: Some tribes have transitioned to thermal imaging as a supplement.