DAILY HIGHLIGHTS

Globally, COVID-19 cases have surpassed 31.66 million with more than 972,000 deaths.

The total number of cases in the U.S. increased from 6,874,982 as reported on Wednesday 9/23/2020 to 6,916,292 reported today. The number of deaths in the U.S. increased from 200,275 to 201,411.

Please join the National Indian Health Board (NIHB) this Friday, September 25 for an important information session on COVID-19 vaccine planning. The purpose of this NIHB webinar is to introduce Tribal leaders to COVID-19 vaccine distribution options and planning considerations. The webinar will include an overview of the federal government’s COVID-19 vaccine planning activities, and will highlight considerations for Tribal leaders and health organizations serving Tribal and urban Indian communities making decisions about vaccine distribution. The goal of the webinar is to provide background information about COVID-19 vaccine development and potential distribution scenarios in preparation for the HHS regional Tribal consultation calls about COVID-19 vaccine distribution. Join the webinar HERE.

Just days after publishing significant new guidance on airborne transmission of the coronavirus, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Monday withdrew the advice, saying only that it had been "posted in error" on the agency's website. To view the current transmission guidelines of COVID-19, visit HERE.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Department of Defense (DoD) released two documents on September 16, 2020, outlining the Administration's detailed strategy to deliver safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine doses to the American people. Read the full press release HERE from the Department of Health and Human Services. Download the Strategy for Distributing a COVID-19 Vaccine PDF HERE. Download the COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Process Infographic PDF HERE.

UNITED STATES

COVID-19: U.S. at a Glance*
- Total cases: 6,916,292
- Total deaths: 201,411
- Jurisdictions reporting cases: 55 (50 states, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands)

*As of April 14, 2020, CDC case counts and death counts include both confirmed and probable cases and deaths. This change was made to reflect an interim COVID-19 position statement issued by the Council for State and Territorial Epidemiologists on April 5, 2020. The position statement included a case definition and made COVID-19 a nationally notifiable disease.

A confirmed case or death is defined by meeting confirmatory laboratory evidence for COVID-19.

A probable case or death is defined by:
- meeting clinical criteria AND epidemiologic evidence with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID-19; or
- meeting presumptive laboratory evidence AND either clinical criteria OR epidemiologic evidence; or
- meeting vital records criteria with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID-19.

State and local public health departments are now testing and publicly reporting their cases. In the event of a discrepancy between CDC cases and cases reported by state and local public health officials, data reported by states should be considered the most up to date.

National Laboratory Testing Data
- Total tests reported: 107,300,299
- Positive tests reported: 8,509,043
- Percent of positive tests: 8%
CALIFORNIA

As of September 23, 2020, there were a total of 790,640 positive cases and 15,314 deaths in California.

Ages of all confirmed positive cases:
- Age 0-17: 81,545 cases
- Age 18-49: 474,158 cases
- Age 50-64: 149,356 cases
- Age 65 and older: 84,659 cases
- Unknown/Missing: 922 cases

Gender of all confirmed positive cases:
- Female: 399,084 cases
- Male: 384,959 cases
- Unknown: 6,597 cases

Lab tests reported statewide: 13,952,857

Twenty-five public health labs in California are testing samples for COVID-19. These labs include the California Department of Public Health’s Laboratory in Richmond, Alameda, Butte, Contra Costa, Fresno, Humboldt, Imperial, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey, Napa-Solano-Yolo-Marin (located in Solano), Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sonoma, Tulare and Ventura County public health laboratories. The Richmond Laboratory will provide diagnostic testing within a 48-hour turnaround time. This means California public health officials will get test results sooner, so that patients will get the best care.

Click HERE to find your nearest testing site.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE CALIFORNIA AREA

11,943 Tribal or Urban Indian Health Program patients in the California Area have been tested for COVID-19 as of 9/22/2020.

Of these, 728 patients have tested positive for COVID-19 and 10,481 have tested negative for COVID-19.
CONFIRMED CASES AND DEATHS BY COUNTY

 Counties with most reported cases

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As of 9/24/2020. Source: CDPH

For an interactive version of this map online, click HERE.
Racial distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths in California

American Indians and Alaska Natives account for 0.5% percent of the population, 0.2% of COVID-19 cases, and 0.3% of deaths in California. This includes a total of 1,418 cases and 48 deaths among American Indian and Alaska Native people in California.

Latinos and African Americans are dying at disproportionately high rates in California. The proportion of COVID-19 deaths in Latinos is 1.3 times their population representation across all adult age categories.

Note: 31% of cases and 1% of deaths are of unknown race/ethnicity. As of 9/24/2020. Source: CDPH
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 9/24/2020. Source: CDPH

Age and gender distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths in California

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<td>Age 65+</td>
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Cases

- Male: 49%
- Female: 51%

Deaths

- Male: 57%
- Female: 43%

Note: Demographic percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. As of 9/24/2020. Source: CDPH

California COVID-19 threat level: Slow disease growth

**DAILY NEW CASES**

- 9.1 per 100k
- COVID not contained, but at low levels

**INFECTION RATE**

- 0.94
- COVID is still spreading, but slowly

**POSITIVE TEST RATE**

- 2.8%
- Indicates widespread testing

As of 9/24/2020. Source: COVID Act Now
American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) data reported by California to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

CDC data show that AIAN in California are testing positive for COVID-19 at rates lower than their proportion of California’s population and dying at rates that are higher. This includes a total of **3,016 cases** and **86 deaths**.

As of 9/16/2020. Source: CDC
COVID-19 testing information from patients seen at a Tribal or Urban Indian Health Program in California

Note: This map shows patients by the regional location of the clinic where they were tested and NOT by the residence of the patients.

Number of positive cases identified by region

GREATER LOS ANGELES
Positive: 4
Negative: 155

INLAND DESERT
Positive: 208
Negative: 1,560

DELTA AND GOLD COUNTRY
Positive: 86
Negative: 1,809

CENTRAL COAST
Positive: 243
Negative: 2,718

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA
Positive: 57
Negative: 185

CENTRAL VALLEY
Positive: 169
Negative: 1,474

NORTH COAST AND CASCADES
Positive: 345
Negative: 7,220

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As of 9/14/2020. Source: IHS
American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) COVID-19 cases reported by local public health departments in selected California counties

**Los Angeles County***
AIAN Cases 236
AIAN Deaths 12
AIAN Tested 1,429

*Note: Data do not include the Cities of Long Beach and Pasadena.

**San Bernardino County**
AIAN Cases 208
AIAN Deaths 7

**San Diego County**
AIAN Cases 158
AIAN Deaths 1
AIAN Tested 2,486

**Riverside County**
AIAN Cases 107
AIAN Deaths 7

**Sacramento**
AIAN Cases 57
AIAN Deaths na

**San Francisco**
AIAN Cases 34
AIAN Deaths na

**Alameda**
AIAN Cases 33
AIAN Deaths na

Tribes do not need to issue a state of emergency to access FEMA resources.
OPENINGS AND CLOSURES: TRIBAL CASINOS

Casino Closures (n=2)
1. Cache Creek Casino Resort
2. Robinson Rancheria Resort and Casino

Casino Openings (n=64)
1. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs
2. Agua Caliente Resort Casino Spa Rancho Mirage
3. Augustine Casino
4. Barona Valley Ranch Resort and Casino
5. Bear River Casino
6. Black Oak Casino
7. Blue Lake Casino
8. Cahuilla Casino
9. Casino Pauma
10. Cher-Ae Heights Bingo and Casino
11. Chicken Ranch Bingo and Casino
12. Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino
13. Chumash Casino Resort
14. Colusa Casino Resort
15. Coyote Valley Casino
16. Desert Rose Casino
17. Diamond Mountain Casino
18. Elk Valley Casino
19. Fantasy Springs Resort and Casino
20. Feather Falls Casino
21. Garcia River Casino
22. Gold Country Casino and Hotel
23. Golden Acorn Casino
24. Graton Resort & Casino
25. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain
26. Harrah's Northern California
27. Harrah's Resort Southern California
28. Havasu Landing Resort and Casino
29. Jackson Rancheria Casino
30. Jamul Casino
31. Konociti Vista Casino and Bingo
32. Lucky 7 Casino
33. Lucky Bear Casino
34. Mono Wind Casino
35. Morongo Casino, Resort & Spa
36. Paiute Palace Casino
37. Pala Casino Resort and Spa
38. Pechanga Resort and Casino
39. Pit River Casino
40. Quechan Resort Casino
41. Rain Rock Casino
42. Red Earth Casino
43. Red Fox Casino
44. Redhawk Casino
45. Redwood Hotel Casino
46. River Rock Casino
47. Rolling Hills Casino
48. Running Creek Casino
49. San Manuel Indian Bingo and Casino
50. San Pablo Lytton Casino
51. Sherwood Valley Casino
52. Soboba Casino
53. Spotlight 29 Casino
54. Sycuan Casino
55. Table Mountain Casino
56. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino
57. Thunder Valley Casino Resort
58. Tortoise Valley Casino Resort
59. Valley View Casino
60. Twin Pine Casino
61. Viejas Casino
62. Win-River Casino
63. Winnebago Winn's Casino

Updated 09/23/2020
Beginning in early September 2020, some Tribal early childhood education programs, such as Head Start, will begin reopening either in person, virtually, or in combination of both (i.e. hybrid program). Please check with local school districts, Tribes, or Lead Agencies for start dates.

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