CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATIONAL REPORT #343 SEPTEMBER 20, 2021



HIGHLIGHTS

Globally, COVID-19 cases have surpassed 228.2 million with more than 4.6 million deaths.

In the United States as of September 16, the total number of cases stands at 42,031,103 and deaths at 672,238.

An expert panel advising the US Food and Drug Administration said on Friday (9/17/21) that a booster shot of Pfizer's coronavirus vaccine should be made available to older adults and others at high risk from the pandemic, under an emergency use authorization. While the committee was persuaded by the evidence that a third dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine would help those at highest risk, the group was not convinced to include younger people for now. The panel also voted to suggest that the FDA make the booster available to people who are at higher risk of being exposed to the virus at work, such as healthcare workers and teachers. The FDA isn't required to follow the recommendations of its advisory committees, meaning it could still decide to approve booster shots for everyone 16 and older.

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) now tracks the difference in COVID-19 cases between unvaccinated and vaccinated people. Vaccines prevent serious illness, save lives, and reduce further spread of COVID-19. As more people are vaccinated, the virus is less likely to spread, mutate, and potentially become even more dangerous. Vaccines will help put an end to the pandemic. From August 29, 2021 to September 4, 2021, unvaccinated people were 8.0 times more likely to get COVID-19 than fully vaccinated people.

Among U.S. adults without immunocompromising conditions, vaccine effectiveness against COVID-19 hospitalization during March 11–August 15, 2021, was higher for the Moderna vaccine (93%) than the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine (88%) and the Janssen vaccine (71%). View the full report **HERE**.

UNITED STATES

COVID-19: U.S. at a Glance*

- Total cases: 42,031,103
- Total deaths: 672,238
- 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.

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

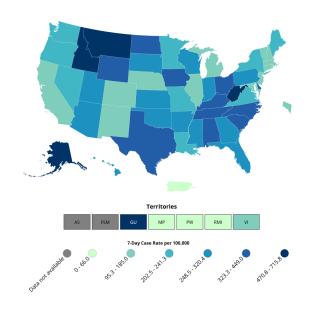
A probable case or death is defined by:

i) meeting clinical criteria AND epidémiologic evidence with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID-19; or ii) meeting presumptive laboratory evidence AND either clinical criteria OR epidemiologic evidence; or iii) meeting vital records criteria with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID19. 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: 559,322,853
- Positive tests reported: 43,639,968
- Percent of positive tests (7-day): 8.2%

US COVID-19 7-Day Case Rate per 100,000, by State/Territory



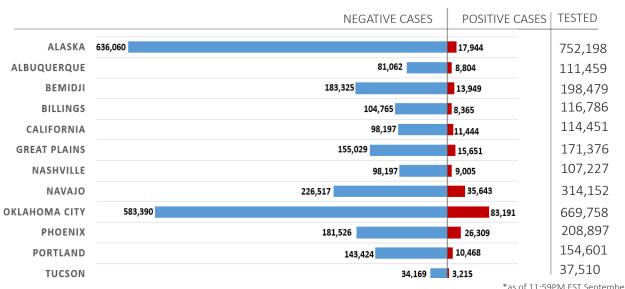


RATES FOR COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATION BY RACE/ETHNICITY, U.S.

As of September 9, 2021, the table to the right shows that AIAN nationwide higher rates of COVID-19 hospitalization and death from COVID-19 than any other race/ethnicity group.

Rate ratios compared to White, Non- Hispanic persons	American Indian or Alaska Native, Non-Hispanic persons	Asian, Non- Hispanic persons	Black or African American, Non- Hispanic persons	Hispanic or Latino persons
Cases ¹	1.7x	0.7x	1.1x	1.9x
Hospitalization ²	3.5x	1.0x	2.8x	2.8x
Death ³	2.4x	1.0x	2.0x	2.3x

COVID-19 CASES BY IHS AREA



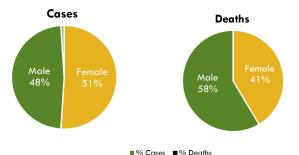
*as of 11:59PM EST September 19, 2021

CALIFORNIA

As of September 20, 2021, there were a total of 4,422,085 positive cases and 67,612 deaths in California.

Confirmed positive cases by gender:

• Female: 2,255,263 Male: 2,122,601 • Unknown: 44,221



Confirmed positive cases by age:

• Age 0-17: 619,092

• Age 18-49: 2,520,588

• Age 50-64: 795,975

Age 65 and older: 442,209

California COVID-19 threat level: Very High

DAILY NEW CASES

25.7 PER 100K

COVID NOT CONTAINED AND
DAILY NEW CASES AT HIGH LEVELS

INFECTION RATE

0.90

COVID IS STILL SPREADING BUT AT LOW LEVELS

POSITIVE TEST RATE

3.7 %

INDICATES MEDIUM TESTING

Lab tests reported statewide*: 89,332,249

7-day test positivity rate*: 3.0%

*as of 9/19/21

Numerous public health labs in California are testing for COVID-19 samples. Click <u>HERE</u> to find your nearest testing site.

COVID-19 CASES BY VARIANTS OF INTEREST, CALIFORNIA

As of September 15, 157,168 samples have been sequenced in California. In August 2021, 8% of cases in California have been sequenced so far. In July 2021, 16% of cases in California were sequenced. The table below shows the percent of specimens sequenced that are variants of concern or variants of interest statewide.

21-Sept	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Collection Month									
Specimen	Alpha	Beta	Gamma	Delta	Epsilon	Zeta	Eta	lota	Карра

The following table shows the number of COVID-19 cases by variants of interest among the California counties with the most COVID-19 cases reported.

County	Number of Cases by Variants of Interest		
	Alpha	Delta	Total COVID-19 Cases
Los Angeles	N/A*	N/A*	1,444,127
San Diego	2,598	3,297	346,934
Riverside	169	373	348,571
San Bernardino	N/A*	N/A*	340,989
Orange	N/A*	N/A*	292,844
STATEWIDE TOTALS	16,178	60,573	4,422,085
Updated as of 9/20/21			
*to be updated as data becomes publicly available			

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE CALIFORNIA AREA

114,451 Tribal or Urban Indian Health Program patients in the California Area have been tested for COVID-19 as of 9/19/2021.

Of these, 11,444 patients have tested positive for COVID-19 and 98,197 have tested negative for COVID-19. The 7-day rolling average positivity rate is 10.8%.

CONFIRMED CASES AND DEATHS BY COUNTY



Counties with most reported cases

Los Angeles	1,381,200
San Diego	349,225
Riverside	341,566
San Bernardino	336,688
Orange	293,258

Counties with most reported deaths

Los Angeles	25,852
San Bernardino	5,506
Orange	5,354
Riverside	4,804
San Diego	3,006

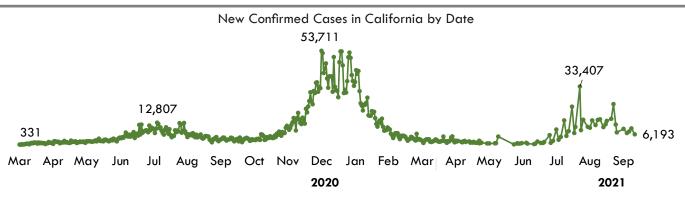
As of 9/20/2021. Source: CDPH

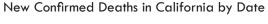
4,422,085 Cases

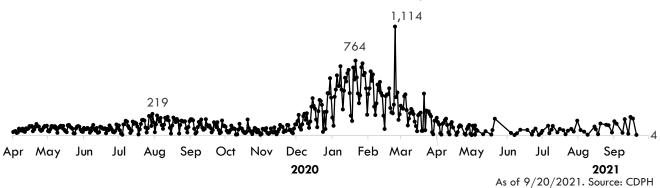
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67,612 Deaths

in California

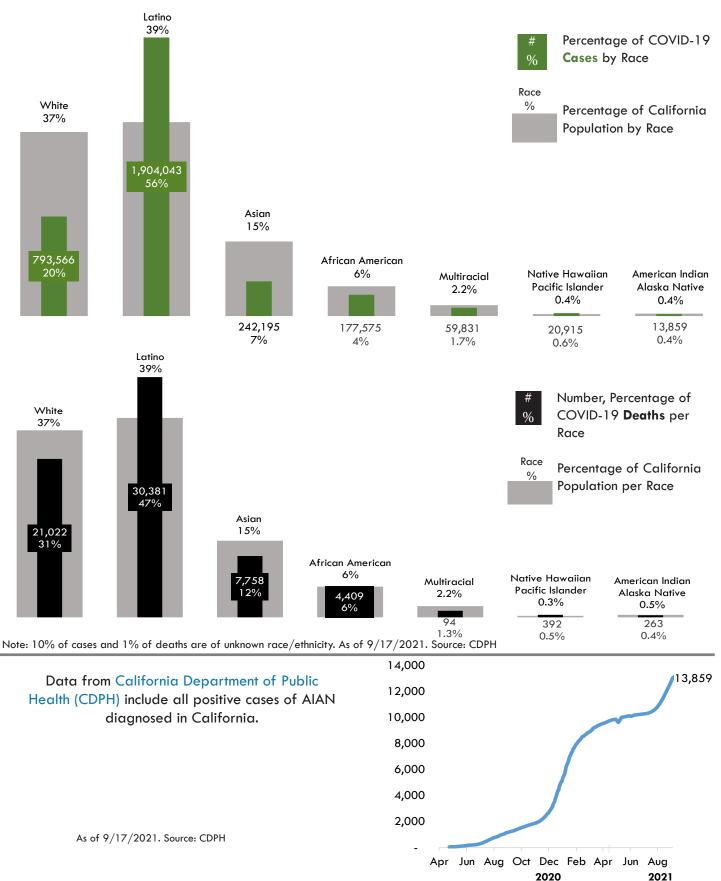




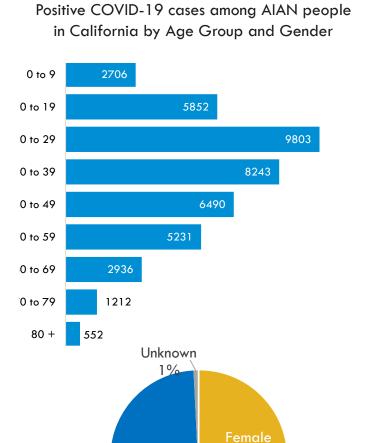


Racial distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths in California

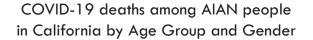
American Indians and Alaska Natives account for 0.5% percent of the population, 0.4% of COVID-19 cases, and 0.4% of deaths in California. This includes a total of 13,859 cases and 263 deaths among American Indian and Alaska Native people in California.

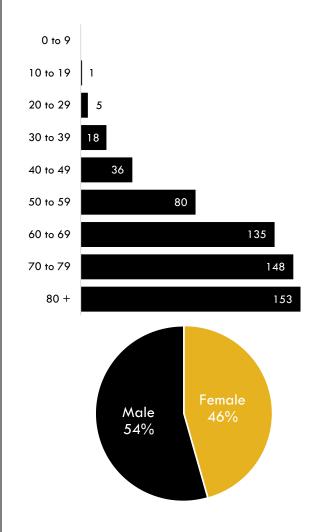


American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) data reported by California to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)



Male 48%





California Department of Public Health reports COVID-19 data on American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) people that only identify in one racial category. Below is a comparison using CDC's data on AIAN cases and deaths in California by racial classification, using a more restrictive definition (AIAN alone) versus a more comprehensive definition (AIAN in combination with other races/ethnicities).

	Cases	Deaths
AIAN alone	10,464	456
AIAN in combination	43,025	576

Two sources for tracking American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) vaccinations administered in California

Data from California Department of Public Health (CDPH) does not include vaccines administered by Federal entities such as **Indian Health Service**, Department of Defense, U.S. Federal Bureau of Prisons, and Veterans Affairs.

48,448,279

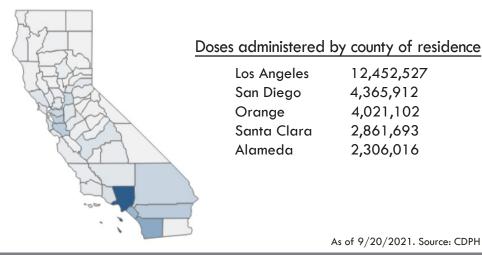
Doses administered

2,827,536

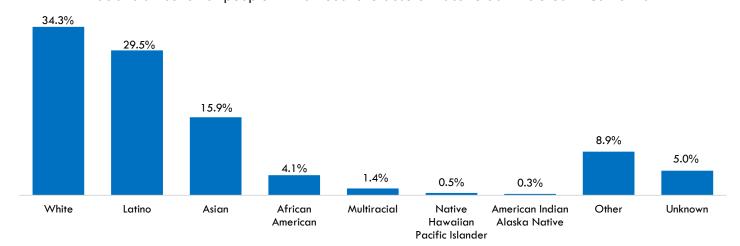
People partially vaccinated

23,461,596

People fully vaccinated



Racial distribution of people with at least one dose of vaccine administered in California



Note: "Other" means those who don't fall under any race or ethnicity. "Unknown" includes those who declined to state or whose race and ethnicity information is missing. As of 9/15/2021. Source: CDPH

Data from the Indian Health Service (IHS) shows the total number of vaccine doses (Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson/Janssen) distributed and administered by IHS Area to date

Area	Total Doses Distributed	Total Doses Administered
Albuquerque	137,405	139,686
Bemidji	173,365	130,481
Billings	78,425	53,625
California	245,485	167,724
Great Plains	152,180	106,883
Nashville	108,265	79,232
Navajo	286,555	260,689
Oklahoma City	528,530	412,989
Phoenix	210,990	172,613
Portland	109,525	81,449
Tucson	13,790	10,647

*As of 9/20/2021. Source: IHS

American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) COVID-19 cases reported by local public health departments in selected California counties

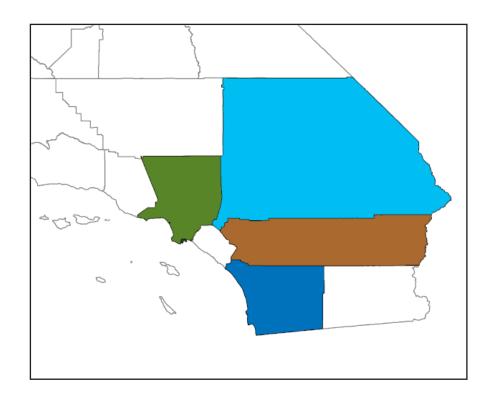
Los Angeles	County*
AIAN Cases	2,311
AIAN Deaths	53
AIAN Tested	11,643

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

San Bernardi	no County
AIAN Cases	3,040
AIAN Deaths	31

San Diego County		
AIAN Cases	1,144	
AIAN Deaths	13	
AIAN Tested	16,438	

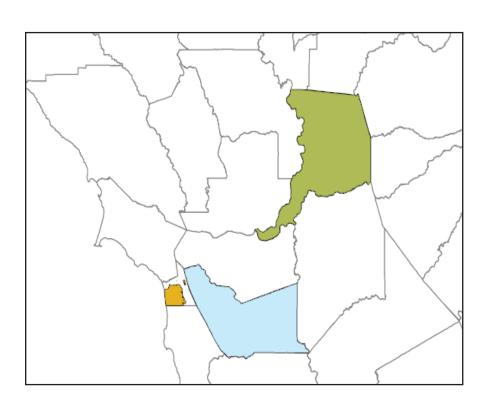
Riverside County		
AIAN Cases	1,316	
AIAN Deaths	25	



Sacramento County AIAN Cases 615 AIAN Deaths 13

San Francisco	County
AIAN Cases	162
AIAN Deaths	0

Alameda County	
AIAN Cases	277
AIAN Deaths	na



As of 9/20/2021. Source: County of Los Angeles Public Health, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health, San Diego County Communicable Disease Registry, Riverside University Health System-Public Health, Sacramento County Public Health, DataSF, and Alameda County Department of Public Health.