COVID-19
NEVADA UPDATE
GOVERNOR STEVE SISOLAK

April 14, 2020
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PPE UPDATE
As of April 14, 2020

TOTAL PPE DISTRIBUTED TO DATE: 1,909,328
FATALITIES

As of April 14, 2020

Note: Statewide, we are reporting 130 deaths. This chart shows confirmed dates of death only.
HOSPITALIZATION DATA

As of April 14, 2020

340
Confirmed COVID-19 patients in hospitals, statewide

59%
Percent occupied beds, statewide

69%
Percent occupied ICU beds, statewide

37%
Percent ventilators in use, statewide

10%
Percent occupied beds, statewide for COVID-19

33%
Percent occupied ICU beds, statewide for COVID-19

39%
Percent ventilators in use, statewide for COVID-19
UPDATES

I. Nevada National Guard

II. Unemployment Insurance

III. Nevada Hero of the Day
• We received additional federal funding to activate members of the Nevada National Guard.

• This funding allows us to bring on more Nevadans to help us by providing:
  • medical support,
  • food bank and warehouse logistics,
  • Supply transportation
  • Alternate care facility set up
II. Unemployment Insurance
• **300,000** of our fellow Nevadans have applied for unemployment benefits in the last 30 days.
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In the weeks between March 14th and April 4th, Nevada saw the three highest numbers of initial weekly unemployment insurance claims on record for our state.
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 2020:
79,000 claims filed

JAN 2009:
8,900 claims in highest week

Weekly initial claims from December 2008 to now
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Coronavirus job losses

Here are the latest week's initial claims for unemployment, adjusted for the size of each state's workforce. (Claims in the week ended Apr. 4, 2020, per 1,000 workers in state labor force, not seasonally adjusted.)

SOURCE: BLS. Initial UI claims for week ended Apr. 4. Labor force data as of Jan. 2020
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

• We hear your concerns:
  • Busy phone lines
  • Difficulty resetting passwords
  • Slow website
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

• In the good times, no one can ever imagine it being bad again -- certainly not as bad as this.

• As a result, attempts to upgrade the unemployment insurance system or increase staffing or even maintain staffing levels were not approved in the past.
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• DETR will backdate all unemployment claims to the earliest date of eligibility, up to March 15, 2020.
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• These payments will be backdated as well. Some of you may begin to see this payment as early as tomorrow, and staggered payments will continue to go throughout the week.
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Kimberly Gaa,
Administrator for the Employment Security Division
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Currently Approved for UI Benefits?

NO

Exhausted UI Benefits after 07/1/2019?

NO

Do you have W2 wages in Nevada between January 2019 and December 2019?

NO

Monitor website for announcement of PUA availability**

YES

Apply for PUA**

YES

APPLY FOR UI BENEFITS ONLINE AT: ui.nv.gov

PEUC adds 13 additional weeks of benefits**

Eligible

Continue filing weekly claims for UI Benefits and receive UI benefits for up to 39 weeks

FYI: An additional $600 per week will be available for FPUC. First eligible week for FPUC will be week ending 04/04/2020 until 07/25/2020**

Continue filing weekly claims for PUA and receive PUA benefits for up to 39 weeks

NOT ELIGIBLE

Continue filing weekly claims

**NOT YET AVAILABLE, PLEASE MONITOR THE WEBSITE HERE: https://detr.nv.gov/Page/COVID19 (Coronavirus) Information for Claimants and Employers**
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• Gov. Sisolak directed DETR to waive the work search requirement and the 7-day wait period to access benefits once
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SELF-EMPLOYED & GIG WORKERS:

• The State has identified a vendor for standing up a separate PUA system. We are working with this vendor to incorporate the CARES Act requirements now.

• This will allow workers who will receive benefits through PUA to file simultaneously as those workers covered by UI.

• DETR expects to announce more details in early May.
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: NEW ANNOUNCEMENT

LAST NAME ONLINE FILING SYSTEM

Filing initial or weekly claims online through http://ui.nv.gov/css.html:

A-K: Sunday

L-R: Monday

S-Z: Tuesday

ALL: Wednesday - Saturday
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: FAQs

Q: Can you walk through what happens from the moment you pick up the phone to make a claim and when you get your money?

Q: Of the Nevadans who have filed claims, what percentage of those have successfully filed online?

Q: How much has already been paid out in unemployment insurance claims to Nevadans during this crisis?

Q: If you receive a card, does it already have the money on it?
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

The easiest and fastest way to file an unemployment claim is online at http://ui.nv.gov/css.html

For those unable to file online, you can reach the Call Centers at:

North: (775) 684-0350 | South: (702) 486-0350
Rural: (888) 890-8211

Due to the high volume of calls, we encourage Nevadans to file online!
**NEVADA HERO OF THE DAY**

• Desiree Irons works as a training supervisor for Clark County School District food services. Recently, Desiree put together food bags for children in need.

• Desiree represents one of many stories highlighting how our state’s educators are going above and beyond during the COVID-19 pandemic.

• Again, if you know of a fellow Nevadan to nominate, please email NevadaHero@gmail.com