Nevada Health Response

COVID-19 PANDEMIC
Weekly Situation Report

Thursday, July 30, 2020

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COVID -19 Nevada Statistical Data

For additional statistics visit: Nevada Health Response

Total Tests (molecular)	Confirmed Cases	Deaths
607,288	46,824	801
+10,493	+1,018	+21

Total People Tested	Daily Positivity Rate	Current Hospitalizations
462,885	16.2%	Confirmed: 917 +22 — Suspected: 228 +13
+6,283		*Hospitalization data are not updated on Sundays.*

Tests per 1,000 per week	Cumulative Positivity Rate	Intensive Care Unit (ICU)
16.3	10.1%	327 +2
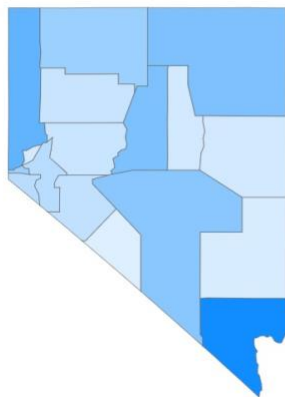
County	Population	Tests	People Tested	Cumulative Positivity Rate	Total Cases	Case Rate per 100,000	Deaths	Death Rate per 100,000
Carson City	56,546	12,098	10,519	2.9%	302	534.1	7	12.4
Churchill	25,876	4,137	3,517	1.3%	44	170.0	1	3.9
Clark	2,318,174	466,803	348,531	11.5%	40,193	1,733.8	664	28.6
Douglas	49,695	3,627	3,231	4.9%	158	317.9	0	0.0
Elko	54,985	7,587	6,832	6.5%	443	805.7	2	3.6
Esmeralda	974	82	65	0.0%	0	0.0	0	0.0
Eureka	1,966	154	93	2.2%	2	101.7	0	0.0
Humboldt	17,062	2,236	1,886	5.0%	95	556.8	4	23.4
Lander	5,996	1,140	964	5.1%	49	817.2	1	16.7
Lincoln	5,200	307	264	1.1%	3	57.7	0	0.0
Lyon	57,987	3,945	3,282	5.7%	188	324.2	3	5.2
Mineral	4,561	1,166	811	1.4%	11	241.2	0	0.0
Nye	48,864	4,708	3,387	10.1%	343	701.9	7	14.3
Pershing	6,962	3,027	2,665	0.5%	13	186.7	0	0.0
Storey	4,465	95	88	4.5%	4	89.6	0	0.0
Washoe	478,155	84,994	69,027	7.2%	4,965	1,038.4	111	23.2
White Pine	10,586	3,729	2,462	0.4%	11	103.9	1	9.4

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

● Test Positivity Rate (cumulative) ● 7-Day Moving Average ● WHO Goal
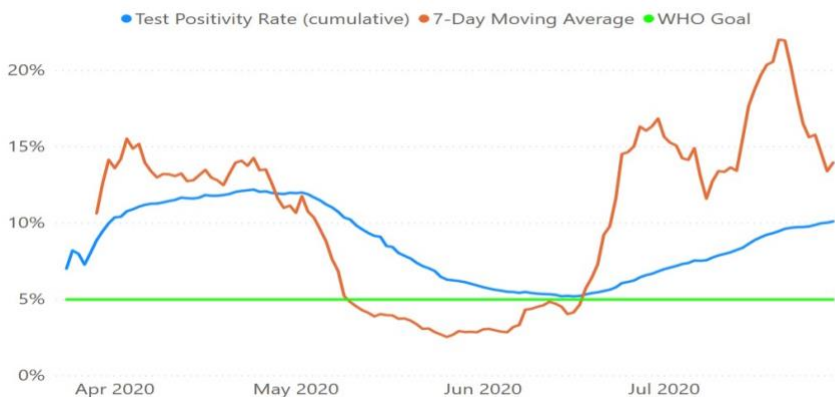
Percent Change

Date	Test Positivity Rate (cumulative)	Test Positivity Percent Change
07/29	10.1%	0.8%
07/28	10.0%	0.4%
07/27	10.0%	1.1%
07/26	9.9%	1.0%
07/25	9.8%	0.4%
07/24	9.7%	0.1%
07/23	9.7%	0.4%
07/22	9.7%	0.7%
07/21	9.6%	1.6%
07/20	9.5%	1.4%
07/19	9.3%	1.1%
07/18	9.2%	1.8%
07/17	9.1%	2.1%
07/16	8.9%	2.8%
07/15	8.6%	3.1%
07/14	8.4%	1.8%
07/13	8.2%	1.9%
07/12	8.1%	1.4%
07/11	8.0%	1.2%
07/10	7.9%	1.8%
07/09	7.7%	2.3%
07/08	7.6%	0.4%
07/07	7.5%	-0.2%

Confirmed and Suspected Hospitalizations by Date

● Confirmed ● Suspected
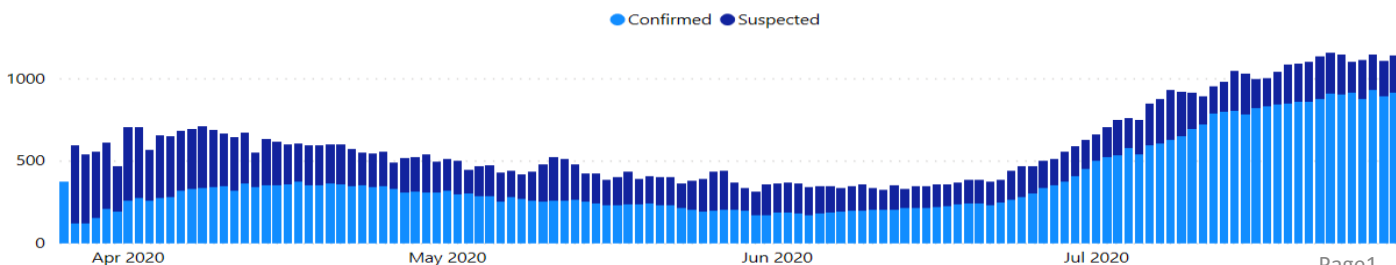
Governor's Directives and Declarations

The guidance for businesses reopening in Phases 1 and 2 was developed in consultation with Nevada's Local Empowerment Advisory Panel (LEAP) created under the Nevada United Plan for reopening Nevada.

- **Declaration of Emergency 028**
- **Declaration of Emergency 027**
    - ✓ **Guidance on Directive 027: Elevated Disease Transmission Criteria**
    - ✓ **Nevada's County COVID-19 Elevated Disease Transmission Tracker**
- **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**
- **Declaration of Emergency Directive 021**
    - ✓ **Phase Two Reopening: General Guidance**
    - ✓ **Phase Two Reopening: Industry-Specific Guidance**
- **Declaration of Emergency Directive 022 - K-12 School Re-opening for Summer Learning and Activities**
    - ✓ **Nevada's Path Forward: A Framework for a Safe, Efficient, and Equitable Return to School Buildings**
    - ✓ **Nevada Summer Learning & Activity Guidance**

✓ **[Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association Re-Opening Guidance](#)**

COVID Testing in Nevada

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 will provide a better understanding of the virus's impacts on the community. 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.

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

Individuals who need help accessing this content are encouraged to call Nevada 2-1-1 for more information. While testing criteria for coronavirus disease have been expanded in Nevada, 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 locations here.**

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

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 including Medicaid, go to **accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov**

CONTACT TRACING

Contact tracing gives us the information needed to draw a road map of how coronavirus is traveling throughout Nevada. But we can't draw that map without help.

If you get a phone call from a contact tracer, they will identify themselves and ask you for specific information. Your information will not be shared. With your help, we can collect the information needed to get a handle on COVID-19 and stop the spread.

Contact tracing involves:

➢ Interviewing people with COVID-19 to identify everyone with whom they had close contact during the time they may have been infectious.

➢ Contact information is obtained 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.

➢ Notifying contacts of their potential exposure.

➢ Referring contacts for testing.

➢ Monitoring contacts for signs and symptoms of COVID-19.

➢ Connecting contacts with services they might need during the self-quarantine period.

➢ Monitor smartphone usage to determine whether somebody has been in contact with an infected person.

To prevent the further spread of disease, COVID-19 contacts are encouraged to stay home and maintain social distance (at least 6 feet) from others until 14 days after their last exposure to a person with COVID-19. Contacts should monitor themselves by checking their temperature twice daily and watching for symptoms of COVID-19.

Contact Tracing: Four Key Steps

Case Reporting Labs report positive cases immediately to contact tracers on a daily basis.

Case Interview Interview positive patient about contacts over past 14 days.

Contact Notification Notify and interview contacts. Quarantine/isolate for 14 days.

Contact Follow-Up Monitor contacts by text. Test if showing symptoms.

It's all about teamwork and communication. Craig and Rena Cole say that's what it takes to operate a restaurant during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Coles run The Restaurant inside the historical Boulder Dam Hotel in Boulder City. When they reopened the business on May 15, they made sure staff understood how the virus could spread and how employees could help each other to prevent those points of transmission. That communication, as well as such safety measures as mask wearing and disposable menus, have been noticed by customers.

"They've gone above and beyond," Peggy Caspar, who visits The Restaurant about twice a week with her husband, Philip Esser, said. "Everyone feels safe eating there. The masks never come off. They're just being so careful to keep us safe."

BATTLE BORN BUSINESS
Boulder Dam Hotel

Since reopening the restaurant at the Boulder Dam Hotel in Boulder City, Craig and Rena Cole have clearly communicated extra safety procedures to staff, ensuring correct execution of health care policies designed to keep staff and customers safe.

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BATTLE BORN BUSINESS
Village Ace Hardware

Village Ace Hardware in Incline Village is taking steps to keep customers and staff healthy! From offering customers disposable masks to curbside delivery options, Village Ace Hardware is working to stop the spread of COVID-19.

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Village Ace Hardware in Incline Village has taken multiple steps to keep customers and staff safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, but one simple action has been especially effective.

The box of disposable masks by the door.

The expense, says General Manager Bill Lassaline, is worth it. For people who don't have masks with them, this courtesy helps them to follow the store's rule – and the state's directive – to wear a mask in public.

Besides masks, the store installed plastic dividers to separate customers and staff; put in signage encouraging people to maintain six feet of distance from each other; and enhanced cleaning procedures. Village Ace Hardware continues to offer curbside delivery for customers in vulnerable populations.

"More often than not," Lassaline said, "people thank us."

Send nominations with a photo and brief explanation to BattleBornBizNV@gmail.com.

COVID-19 RECOVERY

Ronald Pipkins, a Marine veteran and Las Vegas resident, was the first diagnosed case of COVID-19 in Nevada. Pipkins was admitted to the VA Medical Center in North Las Vegas on March 2. He received a COVID-19 test after his fever peaked at 107 degrees. Medical staff diagnosed him with the infectious disease on March 5. Pipkins' road to recovery included weeks spent in a coma and many more to regain his energy.

Did you or someone you know recover from COVID-19? The State Joint Information Center is looking to better explain the virus through anecdotes and stories of COVID-19 survivors in Nevada. We know this virus affects everyone differently – mentally and physically. We want to tell their stories. Email us at: NVcovidStory@gmail.com

I RECOVERED FROM COVID-19

"After being diagnosed as the first positive case in Nevada, I spent three weeks in a coma and two more recovering. It was like a nightmare repeating itself over and over again, and when it was over, I woke up."

Tell us your story:
NVcovidStory@gmail.com

NEVADA HEALTH RESPONSE

Ronald Pipkins, Marine veteran and resident of Las Vegas

Division of Public and Behavioral Health

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) helps low-income families buy nutritious food from authorized retailers.

You may be able to get SNAP benefits if you:
- work for low wages;
- are unemployed or work part time;
- receive welfare or other public assistance payments;
- are elderly or disabled and live on a small income; or
- are homeless.
- Generally, state public assistance agencies operate the program through local offices. Rules apply in most states; but some have different rules.

The amount of benefits received is based on the US Department of Agriculture Thrifty Food Plan, which estimates how much it costs to buy nutritious food, to prepare low-cost meals for a household. For more information call Nevada 2-1-1 or apply here **ONLINE.**

1. **Crisis Support Services:** Call 1-800-273-8255; text CARE to 839863 for 24/7/365 crisis services.

2. **Crisis Text Line:** Text HOME to 741741 from anywhere in the U.S., for 24/7/365 crisis services.

3. **Disaster Distress Hotline:** Call 1-800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs to 66746. The helpline is available 24/7/365 and provides immediate crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster. People with deafness or hearing loss can use their preferred relay service to call 1-800-985-5990.

4. **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** If you feel you or someone you know may need emotional support, please visit the Lifeline's website at **suicidepreventionlifeline.org** for helpful resources or call 1-800-273-TALK (8255). The Lifeline is free, confidential, and available to everyone in the U.S. You do not have to be suicidal to call the Lifeline.

5. **Warmline for Health Care Workers:** Call 1-833-434-0385 This line serves as a confidential mental health resource for health care professionals to seek support before they have reached a crisis point. Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

6. **SafeVoice:** Call 1-833-216-SAFE (7233) This program provides students a safe place to submit tips concerning their own safety or that of others and is available 24/7/365. Tips always stay anonymous.

Nevada Department of
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Unemployment Resources

In response to COVID-19, the Nevada Division of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) has implemented and launched a NEW 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. **More information on Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)**

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 COVID-19 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.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) provides eligible individuals will receive an additional $600 per week in addition to their weekly benefit amount from another unemployment compensation program.

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

Individuals who believe that someone is fraudulently using their identity to apply for unemployment benefits should file a complaint through the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at www.ic3.gov and to DETR's Fraud Report. Nevada's COVID-19 Task Force is working with DETR to assess the problem. **Click here to file Unemployment Insurance Fraud Report**

Unemployment Quick Links:
- ➢ **DETR website**
- ➢ **Backdate Frequently Asked Questions for Claimants**
- ➢ **Claimants Frequently Asked Questions and COVID-19**
- ➢ **Unemployment Insurance Benefits Tutorials**
- ➢ **Rapid Response Resource Packet for Laid Off Workers**
- ➢ **Relief for Workers Affected by COVID 19 CARES Act**

DETR
Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation

We All Play a Role Keeping Nevada Safe

Wearing is Caring!
Who do wear your face covering for?

- ➢ Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth to help protect others in case you're infected with COVID-19 but don't have symptoms.

- ➢ Wear a face covering in public settings when around people who don't live in your household, especially when it may be difficult for you to stay six feet apart.

- ➢ Wear a face covering correctly for maximum protection.

- ➢ Don't put the face covering around your neck or up on your forehead.

- ➢ Don't touch the face covering, and, if you do, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer to disinfect.

- ➢ Maintain 6 feet distance between you and other people

- ➢ Stay home when sick

When and Where are you required to wear a face covering in public spaces?

- ➢ 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.

Coronavirus Scams Fraud Alert

Contact Tracers
Don't pay a contact tracer, give out your social security number or financial information. It's a scam. **File a complaint.**

Unemployment Insurance Fraud
If someone uses your personal information to file an insurance claim. Report it and get help **IdentityTheft.gov.**

Work-at-Home
Visit the FTC to learn more about **protecting** yourself from work-at-home scams during the pandemic, and how to **avoid job scams.**

Fake Grants
Scammers ask you to complete a grant application and request your bank account information to transfer funds. **File a complaint.**
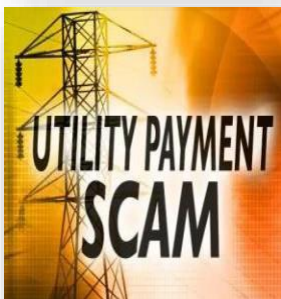
Utility Imposter
Utility companies don't make demands. Legitimate reps will explain how to make a payment using their established payment options/programs.

Cryptocurrency
Crypto scams can appear as emails trying to **blackmail** someone, **online chain referral schemes**, or **bogus investment and business opportunities.**

Rate Schemes
It is illegal for a company to charge a fee before preforming a debt relief service. Report credit card interest rate schemes to **ftc.gov/complaint.**

College 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.**

USA COVID -19

Increase in total cases since last week

- 🟩 Less than 5% increase
- 🟩 More than 5% increase
- 🟨 More than 15% increase
- 🟥 More than 30% increase

Confirmed Cases:
4,484,732

Deaths:
151,751

U.S. State Department – Level 2 Travel

STEP March 22, 2020	**Enroll in STEP (Smart Traveler Enrollment Program)**
Global Health Advisory March 31, 2020	**Level 4: Do Not Travel**
COVID-19 Travel April 7, 2020	**For COVID-19 Travel Information click here**
COVID-19 Alert June 18, 2020	**Update on U.S. Passport Operations**

Worldwide COVID-19 Data

Total Confirmed Cases
17,219,767

Total Deaths
671,042

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*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention