Nevada Health Response

COVID-19 PANDEMIC
Weekly Situation Report

Friday, August 28, 2020

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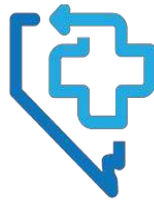
SMARTER. | STRONGER. | HEALTHIER.

COVID -19 Nevada Statistical Data

For additional statistics visit: Nevada Health Response

Total Tests (molecular)
837,057
+ 8,126

Confirmed Cases
67,852
+ 632

Deaths
1,287
+16

Tests per 1,000 per week*
13.8

Daily Positivity Rate*
13.8%

Cumulative Positivity Rate*
10.6%

Please reference technical notes page for updated methodology.

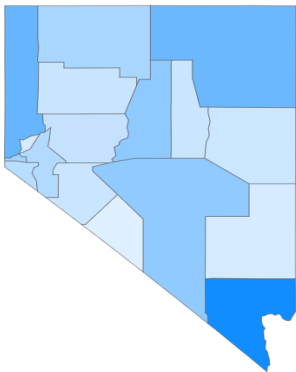## Current Hospitalizations

| Confirmed	Suspected
565	**142**
-34	+14

Intensive Care Unit (ICU)
197
-10

Hospitalization data are not updated on Sundays.

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	16,653	13,101	3.7%	419	741.0	8	14.1
Churchill	25,876	5,457	4,443	3.2%	84	324.6	1	3.9
Clark	2,318,174	650,950	446,911	11.7%	58,292	2,514.6	1,111	47.9
Douglas	49,695	5,313	4,511	3.7%	235	472.9	1	2.0
Elko	54,985	9,585	8,310	7.8%	777	1,413.1	4	7.3
Esmeralda	974	108	79	0.0%	0	0.0	0	0.0
Eureka	1,966	211	123	1.9%	5	254.3	0	0.0
Humboldt	17,062	2,631	2,191	9.5%	111	650.6	4	23.4
Lander	5,996	1,308	1,085	8.0%	59	984.0	1	16.7
Lincoln	5,200	415	331	2.4%	6	115.4	0	0.0
Lyon	57,987	5,100	4,002	4.6%	311	536.3	6	10.3
Mineral	4,561	1,538	1,030	1.8%	12	263.1	0	0.0
Nye	48,864	6,322	4,385	11.2%	467	955.7	14	28.7
Pershing	6,962	3,590	2,782	0.6%	19	272.9	0	0.0
Storey	4,465	116	105	1.7%	6	134.4	0	0.0
Washoe	478,155	108,774	84,224	7.4%	7,024	1,469.0	136	28.4
White Pine	10,586	5,412	3,006	1.0%	25	236.2	1	9.4

Test Positivity Rate (cumulative), 7–Day Moving Average and WHO Goal by Specimen Collection Date

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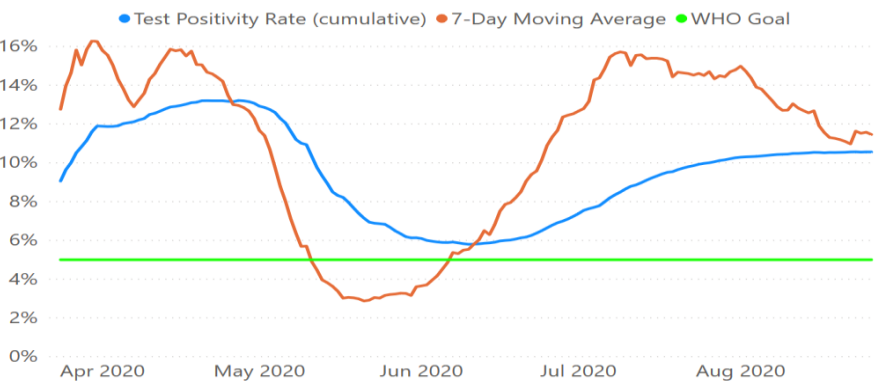
Percent Change

Date	Test Positivity Rate (cumulative)	Test Positivity Percent Change
08/26	10.6%	-0.0%
08/25	10.6%	0.1%
08/24	10.5%	-0.1%
08/23	10.6%	0.1%
08/22	10.6%	0.2%
08/21	10.5%	0.1%
08/20	10.5%	0.1%
08/19	10.5%	-0.0%
08/18	10.5%	0.1%
08/17	10.5%	-0.2%
08/16	10.5%	-0.0%
08/15	10.5%	0.2%
08/14	10.5%	0.1%
08/13	10.5%	0.1%
08/12	10.5%	0.0%
08/11	10.5%	0.4%
08/10	10.4%	0.1%
08/09	10.4%	0.1%
08/08	10.4%	0.2%
08/07	10.4%	0.3%
08/06	10.4%	0.2%

Confirmed and Suspected Hospitalizations by Date

- Confirmed
- Suspected
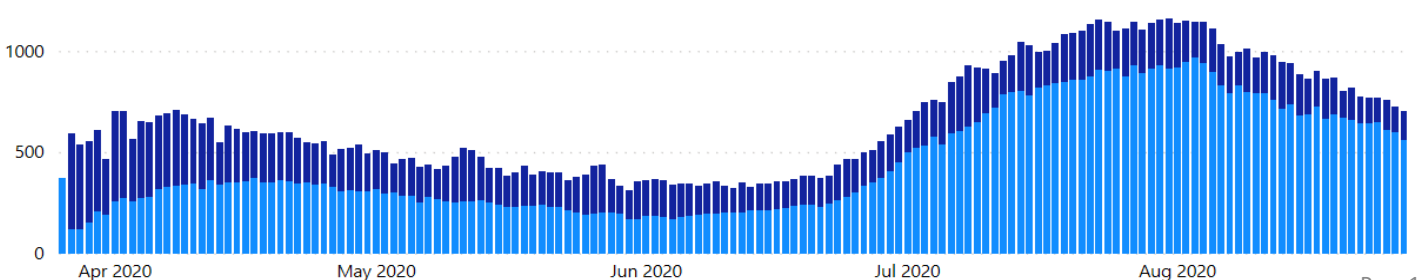
Governor's Directives and Declarations

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

- **Declaration of Emergency Directive 030**
  - ✓ **COVID-19 County Tracker**
- **Road to Recovery: Moving to a New Normal**
- **Declaration of Emergency Directive 029**
- **Declaration of Emergency Directive 028**
- **Declaration of Emergency Directive 027**
  - ✓ **Guidance on Directive 027: Elevated Disease Transmission Criteria**
  - ✓ **Nevada's County COVID-19 Elevated Disease Transmission Tracker**
  - ✓ **Food Establishments**
  - ✓ **Bars**
- **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**

COVID -19 Task Force

The Nevada COVID-19 Task Force has been established to support a new county-specific approach to the state's emergency response. The Task Force will ensure statewide adoption. At a minimum, it will be made up of heads of key state agencies, private sector representatives, and local representatives. This task force will be charged with ensuring accountability for state-level efforts, coordinating essential activities between departments, and providing a sustainable model for receiving and sharing data and vetting proposals and recommendations.

This new approach will ensure the state, in coordination with each county, can assess all available data, evaluate key metrics, and make timely decisions based on the disease burden and transmission risk in each region throughout Nevada.

Reviewing this critical data and metrics such as status of hospitalizations, disease investigation reports, and more will allow the State to better understand the capacity of each county to respond and then take targeted actions to help mitigate the spread.

The goal of this targeted approach is to address identified risk areas and take action, and to avoid broad-based closures or limitations that could harm businesses who may not be the cause of spread.

Nevada's Road to Recovery

In the case that there is not enough data or information needed to take a targeted approach in a county, or if a county is not collaborating with the State in a productive manner, the Task Force and/or the Governor maintain the right to take action and implement mitigation measures in accepted high risk settings. **COVID-19 Task Force Assessment Details**

To ensure the success of this approach, the task force shall perform the following duties:

1. Meet on at least a weekly basis.

2. Provide a current situation report on COVID-19 in Nevada, including weekly case numbers and county-level analysis.

3. Provide an overview of the COVID-19 response effort in Nevada, including enforcement numbers from throughout the state and other findings.

4. Assess county status per these guidelines and make decisions for actions to be taken over the next week.

5. Collaborate with county representatives to determine best methods for reducing the community burden of COVID-19.

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 provides information on how the virus impacts the communities in Nevada.

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.

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

Individuals who need help accessing this content are encouraged to call Nevada 2-1-1. 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 sites here.](#)

Nevada National Guard in Dyer and Silver Peak, Nevada working with the Esmeralda County Sheriff's Office and emergency management conducting a community based collection site.

Nevada Medicaid covers COVID-19 testing and related services for most uninsured Nevadans, available under the Families First Coronavirus Relief Act. 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 go to accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov

Need a COVID-19 Test? Just *Stop, Swab & Go!*

Clark County, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the state of Nevada have partnered for this special event to make up to 60,000 drive-thru coronavirus tests available in our community to anyone who wants to be tested whether you have symptoms of the virus or not.

Get TESTEDTODAY!

STOP SWAB & GO!

- Sam Boyd Stadium
- Texas Station
- Fiesta Henderson

Register @ DoINeedaCOVID19Test.com

**Testing is free
August 31 through Sept. 18,
Monday through Friday,
6 a.m. to 2 p.m.
three locations:**

**Fiesta Henderson Hotel and Casino,
777 W. Lake Mead Parkway
Henderson**

**Texas Station Hotel and Casino,
2101 Texas Star Lane
North Las Vegas**

**Sam Boyd Stadium,
7000 E. Russell Road
Las Vegas**

(All location will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, in observation of Labor Day.)

Appointments are not required, but are encouraged. No health insurance is required. Testing at the hotel sites will take place in the parking garages. Testing at Sam Boyd will be drive-thru in the stadium parking lot and an area will be set up for walk-up testing inside the stadium's concourse. Free face coverings also will be offered to everyone who gets tested. Test results are expected to be available within 3 to 5 business days.

If you have general COVID-19 questions, you may call the Southern Nevada Health District information line at (702) 759-INFO (4636) from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

You may also visit
https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/ to access a continuously updated calendar of testing events across the Las Vegas Valley. Information is available in Spanish through the "Esta En Tus Manos" campaign website at
https://estaentusmanosnevada.com/.

STOP SWAB & GO!

Contact tracing gives health officials the information needed to draw a road map of how coronavirus is traveling throughout Nevada. This procedure aims to identify and alert people who have come into contact with a person infected. With your help, we can collect the data needed to stop the spread.

The process begins at the point one of the health departments receives a positive lab report. 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.

Contact tracing involves:

➢ Interview people with COVID-19 to identify everyone they had close contact while infectious

➢ 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.

➢ Notify contacts of their potential exposure and refer contacts for testing.

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

➢ Connect 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.

Contract tracers will not ask for:

➢ Social Security Number
➢ Bank, credit card or insurance information
➢ Ask about your citizenship
➢ Offer to sell you a COVID test kit

New COVID Trace App

Help Speed Up Nevada's Recovery

COVID Trace is a free, easy-to-use mobile phone app that gives health officials the information needed to fight COVID-19, without compromising your privacy.

COVID Trace is a contact tracing mobile app developed by the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services that uses a technology called the Exposure Notifications System from Google and Apple. The app exchanges anonymous information with other phones in your vicinity and can notify you if you've come in contact with someone who has tested positive. Empowering Nevadans to quarantine effectively, seek medical attention, and reduce risk for your loved ones.

- ✓ The app uses Bluetooth to exchange random codes with nearby phones.
- ✓ Every day, it checks a list of random codes from people who tell the app they tested positive.
- ✓ If it finds codes that match, the app notifies you that you've been exposed and explains what to do next.

How it works:

- ✓ Download the free COVID Trace app from the Apple or Android app store.

- ✓ Once you opt-in, the Exposure Notifications System will generate a random ID for your device. To help ensure these random IDs can't be used to identify you or your location, they change every 10-20 minutes.

- ✓ Your phone and the phones around you will work in the background to exchange these privacy-preserving random IDs via Bluetooth. This is a passive process that begins once you opt-in and functions without the app open.

- ✓ Your phone periodically checks all the random IDs associated with positive COVID-19 cases against its own list.

- ✓ If there's a match, the app will notify you with further instructions from the Department of Health and Human Services on how to keep you and the people around you safe.

Protecting your community. And your privacy.

With the COVID Trace app, you don't have to choose between your privacy and the health and safety of your community. The app was designed to protect and preserve your privacy. It doesn't use GPS and can't share your location or information.

No one will know:
- ✓ Your location, name or address
- ✓ Your health information
- ✓ Who you met
- ✓ Who tested positive

Download now for free.

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GET IT ON Google Play

Learn more about how the COVID Trace works

Home

Battle Born Business
Nominations

Recognizing Nevada businesses that enhance directive guidelines to stop the spread of COVID-19.

It isn't grandstanding and it doesn't take a ringmaster to explain how @TrapezeLasVegas took appropriate precautions to keep the greatest show in Las Vegas dedicated to circus training and entertainment safe and open. Trapeze Las Vegas offered more than 100 classes per week for youth and adults before the COVID-19 pandemic. After the shutdown in March, the team launched an interactive online program to keep kids and adults safe at home yet still connected to their community. They capped class sizes, mandated physical contact to siblings only and limited use of its indoor facility with classes and shows held in the expanded outdoor lot. "They invested in new aerial equipment and brought in new apparatus that would allow for even more social distancing," said Wendy, the mother of two "Aerial Angels," who nominated Trapeze Las Vegas as a Battle Born Business. "Not only did (these precautions) address the immediate need to keep my children safe, but also tapped the concerns of isolation, physical activity withdrawals and so many more potential emotional and mental pitfalls that I feared for my girls."

Mining company Round Mountain Gold digs deep when it comes to employee safety and community service. The Kinross Gold-owned mine, located in the center of the state, enacted worker safety protocols in March, after Gov. Sisolak declared a state emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic. "It was almost immediately – they were really on it," Emily Hendrickson, Round Mountain corporate responsibility specialist, said. The mining company, deemed an essential business, didn't close, so management moved all meetings to virtual platforms, adjusted schedules to reduce contact between crews (a major overhaul for a company with more than 900 employees), provided all employees with masks, implemented daily temperature checks, and more.

Round Mountain also proved a good neighbor, implementing a program to donate and deliver groceries to elderly residents as well as donating to various community causes. Among those: Round Mountain contributed $100,000 to the Southwest Central Regional Economic Development Authority to provide $5,000 grants to local business impacted by closures. "This is just how we do business," Hendrickson said. "We take being an essential business very seriously. We're working alongside the community, and listening to what they are saying, and helping out where we can."

Send nominations with a photo and description to: BattleBornBizNV@gmail.com.

My Coronavirus Story

COVID-19 symptoms come in waves. That's how Shawn Saladen described her experience with the virus. Shawn worked as a nutritionist in the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program in Las Vegas supporting low-income families with health assessments.

A day into a weekend trip to Reno to see her parents, Shawn began feeling ill. "I chalked it up to lack of sleep and a super busy day," she said. "When I went to lay down I immediately felt achy. Then the chills came and an overwhelming feeling of malaise. I took my temp and it was 100.4." She rested and by the morning, Shawn's temperature reading dropped to 98.6. She returned to Las Vegas on a Sunday night. That's when symptoms returned. Her temperature again topped over 100. "That night I felt terrible. I set my alarm for 5 a.m. I woke up and texted my boss that I was not feeling well." Her boss convinced her to stay home from work the following day, and she visited urgent care that morning.

She was diagnosed with an upper respiratory infection and received a COVID test. She did her best to isolate at a friend's house, given she lived in a home with five roommates. Shawn said she spent 72 hours in bed as her symptoms—body aches, chills, nausea and diarrhea—increased, and her COVID test returned positive. She lost her sense of smell. While in bed, her mother informed her that she also had symptoms. Shawn felt better after day six and seven, but the symptoms returned yet again on day eight. By that time, her mother received word that she tested positive for COVID. "I felt terrible that I had infected her. My dad also got really sick. I was very worried."

Originally a resident of Northern Nevada, Shawn has since decided to move back to live closer to her family near Reno. Her parents recovered as well, but Shawn still feels symptoms of what she described as lingering effects of the virus. "I get headaches often and get tired really easily. I could take a three-hour nap everyday if it were possible. I still do on my days off."

Division of Public and Behavioral Health

Schools have opened in Nevada with a lot of variation and nuance by school district. With these changes, children may have questions or may have anxiety with the new guidelines. Tips from the CDC to help parents talk to their kids about COVID-19.

Resources for Parents and Children

Helpful tip: Pay attention to what children see or hear on television, radio, or online. Consider reducing the amount of screen time focused on COVID-19. Listen to what your children are talking about. Too much information on one topic can lead to anxiety.

✓ Nevada Children's Mobile Crisis – Mobile Crisis Response Team supports youth and families of youth in crisis over the phone so that the proper care is given, and emergency room visits are reduced. MCRT offers Telephone triage, Crisis response, Crisis stabilization, and After care.

✓ Boys & Girls Clubs - Visit the website of your local facility. Fills the gap between school and home, providing safe, fun environments, with a variety of programs.

✓ The Children's Cabinet – Keeping children safe and families together with a variety of services and resources. Call 800-536-4588 or text "SAFE" and current location to 4HELP (44357)

✓ Healthy Children - Information on kids returning to school during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

✓ CDC back-to-school decision making tool - Questions that address how your school is preparing for school year 2020-2021.

✓ The Solace Tree - Peer-to-Peer Grief Support availability for remote areas such as rural, mountain or military base communities.

✓ Mental Health America – Visit for a "back to school" kit. Community-based nonprofit, dedicated to addressing the needs of those living with mental illness and promoting the overall mental health of all.

✓ Safe Voice - 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.

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Unemployment Resources

The Division of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) has launched a new COVID-19 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. Learn more: COVID-19 Unemployment Insurance Information

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.

You MAY BE ELIGIBLE for unemployment if:

➤ Not receiving pay from your employer through no fault of your own – extended furlough, shutdowns, layoffs, etc. are eligible.
➤ Hours have been reduced, receiving less than $469 gross earnings per week.
➤ Self-employed and unable to work during the pandemic

How to apply for unemployment:

➤ File online at ui.nv.gov (fastest way)
➤ File claim before 8 a.m. and after 8 p.m. (best times to file)
➤ Phone lines reserved for people unable to file online
➤ No in-person claims – offices are closed
➤ File a claim every week until you return to work, weeks begin on Sunday.
➤ Keep filing weekly claims, even if you are paid that week
➤ Be cautious of scams

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

Quick Links:

➤ DETR website
➤ Unemployment Insurance Benefits Tutorials
➤ Claimants Frequently Asked Questions - COVID-19
➤ 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

Scams and Fraud Alerts

WhatsApp/Facebook - Messages all offer money to people who need it — through grants, coupons for food support, or other giveaways. They're all fake, and not from those companies at all.

COVID-19 Treatment – Nationwide marketers making unsubstantiated claims that their products and therapies can prevent or treat COVID-19. FTC Details.

Contact Tracers - Don't pay, give out your social security number or financial info to a contact tracer. File a complaint.

Stimulus Packages - Don't give out your social security number, bank account, or credit card number to receive your payment. File a complaint.

Mortgage - It's illegal for companies to charge you before they help you with your mortgage. Talk with a legal services organization first.

PPE Supplies - Before you order from a supply company; research the company, know the terms of the sale, and pay by credit card. File a Complaint.

Government Grants - Scammers ask you to complete a grant application and request your bank account information to transfer funds. File a complaint.

Job Opportunities - Scammers pay for online ads, promising you ways to earn money online. But do your research before you sign up — and certainly before you pay. Avoid job scams

Unemployment Insurance – UI fraud is a crime in Nevada. You may even be prosecuted for felony theft. Collecting benefits based on false, misreported, or unreported information is fraud. If you are filing or reopening a claim, or certifying for benefits, you are legally responsible to follow the requirements set by State law. File an UI claim File an UI Fraud Report

Utility Imposter – Utility companies don't make demands for cash. Legitimate reps will explain how to make a payment using their established payment options/programs.

Rate Schemes - It is illegal for a company to charge a fee before performing a debt relief service. Report credit card interest 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.

We All Play a Role Keeping Nevada Safe.

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

➢ Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth to help protect others in case you're infected 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

Do you know when & where it's required to wear a face covering in public?

➢ 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.

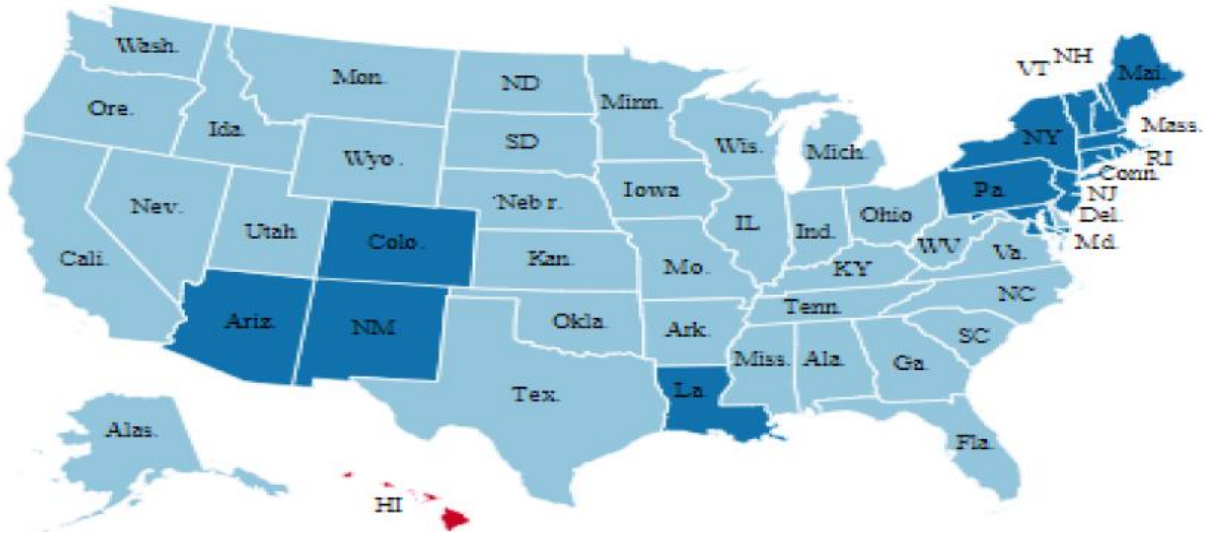➢ In any room or enclosed area where other people are present.

USA COVID -19 Data

Increase in total cases since last week

- ■ Less than 5% increase
- ■ More than 5% increase
- ■ More than 15% increase
- ■ More than 30% increase

Confirmed 5,526,976 173,115

Confirmed Cases: 5,889,652   Deaths: 181,186

U.S. State Department – Travel Advisory

STEP March 22, 2020	Enroll in STEP (Smart Traveler Enrollment Program)
COVID-19 Travel August 6, 2020	For COVID-19 Travel Information click here
COVID-19 Alert August 27, 2020	Update on U.S. Passport Operations **U.S. Department of State - Travel Advisories**

Worldwide COVID-19 Data

Total Confirmed Cases
24,551,207

Total Deaths
833,239

*U.S. State Department

*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention