
Carson City, NV — Today, Caleb Cage, Nevada COVID-19 Response Director and Julia Peek, Deputy Administrator of Community Health Services, provided updates on the ongoing COVID-19 response in Nevada during a daily teleconference with members of the media.

This bulletin provides facts, figures, and informational items from the call. As a reminder, data is provided in a dashboard on the home page of the Nevada Health Response website and can be accessed 24 hours a day.

SUMMARY:

• As of today, Nevada has logged 56,972 cases, an increase of 742 cases since yesterday. Of these new cases, 685 or 92.3% were in Clark County, with 36 or 4.9% in Washoe County. The remaining 21 or 2.8% were spread throughout the State.

• Nevada has now completed a total of 708,461 molecular tests since the beginning of COVID-19, an increase of 8,249 since yesterday.

• The cumulative test positivity rate is 10.5%. The daily positivity rate is at 11.7%.

• For the most recent 7-day period, cases are growing at a rate of 1.5%, or 945 new cases per day. For comparison, the growth rate for the 7-day period ending July 31 was 2.3%, or 1,037 new cases per day. The
growth rate for the 7-day period ending June 30 was 3.9%, or 644 new cases per day. The growth rate for the 7-day period ending May 31 was 1.4%, or 116 new cases per day.

- Data continues to suggest a slowing of growth rates related to both new cases and hospitalizations.

- Nevada recorded an additional 6 deaths today. Please keep in mind that the death rates we are seeing correspond to cases diagnosed up to 5 weeks ago.

- Nevada has 1,014 hospitalized COVID-19 patients as of yesterday, August 9, 2020. Statewide hospital occupancy rates are 72% while intensive care units (ICU) are at an occupancy rate of 63%. About 40% of the ventilators statewide are in use right now for all patients.

- Since our first case of COVID through yesterday, we have identified a total of 8,726 cases statewide as a result of contact tracing. This represents 15.3% of the cases reported to date.

- Related to volume through our contact tracing surge center staffing:
  - From 8/3 to 8/9, Deloitte agents logged a total of 6,009 calls as of 8 PM PST on August 9. Of these calls, there were 604 inbound calls received and 5,405 outbound calls made.
  
  - Deloitte’s SMS (text) campaign resulted in 10,105 total SMS messages sent, with 4,093 unique outbound communications and an average response rate of 82% from unique.

  - Total Calls Logged To-Date: 41,665 (starting 6/18)

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