

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Latest Updates
March 28, 2020

Federal Resources

For important updates and statistics on what is happening nationally, you may visit the following:

- CDC:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>
- USA.GOV:
<https://www.usa.gov/coronavirus>
- White House:
www.whitehouse.gov
- Food and Drug Administration:
<https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/mcm-issues/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>

State Resources

For updates on what is happening in New York, you may visit the following:

- State Department of Health:
<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home>
- State Department of Education:
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/schoolhealth/schoolhealthservices/coronavirus.html>
- Governor:
<https://www.governor.ny.gov/>

Overview

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), a new Coronavirus (2019 Novel Coronavirus or COVID-19) was first detected in China and is now spreading across the world, including New York State. This document is intended to provide the latest information that is available from **government sources only** in order to allow you to answer questions related to the latest developments regarding COVID-19.

For more information call the New York State Coronavirus Hotline at 1-888-364-3065.

Local Impact

Everyone is encouraged to stay in regular contact with State and local officials for the most up-to-date protocols and announcements on Coronavirus.

Telehealth Services

Telehealth services may be beneficial to individuals experiencing Coronavirus symptoms and are unsure what to do. Individuals are advised to check with their health insurance providers to see if telehealth services are available. Utilizing telehealth services can reduce ER visits and allow individuals to access the advice of health care professionals from the safety of their own home.

CDC Important Information (Click on Title)

[How it Spreads](#)

[Symptoms](#)

[Steps to Prevent Illness](#)

[What to Do if You are Sick](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Number of Nationwide Cases](#)

LATEST POSITIVE CASES IN NEW YORK STATE

(AS OF MARCH 28, 2020 AT 2:55PM)

Locality	Positive Cases	Locality	Positive Cases
Albany County	195	Niagara County	33
Allegany County	2	New York City	29,766
Broome County	23	Oneida County	23
Cattaraugus County	1	Onondaga County	129
Cayuga County	2	Ontario County	16
Chautauqua County	5	Orange County	1,101
Chemung County	12	Orleans County	3
Chenango County	8	Oswego County	7
Clinton County	12	Otsego County	7
Columbia County	22	Putnam County	131
Cortland County	5	Rensselaer County	38
Delaware County	8	Rockland County	1,896
Dutchess County	262	Saratoga County	96
Erie County	318	Schenectady County	72
Essex County	4	Schoharie County	5
Franklin County	4	Schuyler County	1
Fulton County	1	St. Lawrence County	8
Genesee County	7	Steuben County	13
Greene County	7	Suffolk County	4,138
Hamilton County	2	Sullivan County	72
Herkimer County	9	Tioga County	4
Jefferson County	6	Tompkins County	45
Livingston County	10*	Ulster County	128
Madison County	19	Warren County	13
Monroe County	192	Washington County	6
Montgomery County	5	Wayne County	12
Nassau County	5,537	Westchester County	7,875
		Wyoming County	7

TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES STATEWIDE: 52,318

SOURCE: [NYS DOH](#)

*REPORTED BY COUNTY NOT NYS DOH

State News Updates

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- **Governor Cuomo held a press conference at 12:00 PM and provided the following information:**
 - Number of deaths is up to 728 from 519 yesterday.
 - 4,000 ventilators have been sent to New York by the federal government, and they are ready to be used if we get to a point where they are necessary.
 - Still forecast the apex to be 14 to 21 days.
 - Working to get capacity to 140,000 beds.
 - Have enough personal protective equipment for the short-term, but not enough to meet long-term expectations.
 - CDC has put crisis guidelines in place, and the Governor believes this is causing concern among health care professionals.
 - 72,000 volunteers for reserve staff.
 - The Governor believes local hospital systems need to think more holistically, and change their orientation so hospitals work more collaboratively to operate and plan as one complete system instead of as one single hospital.
 - There may come a point where the State comes in and allocates among the health care system.
 - Some patients downstate may be moved upstate.
 - Asking pharmacies to deliver at no charge.
 - Discussions are happening today.
 - Department of Health (DOH) is monitoring density and activity in NYC parks.
 - If no compliance, we will close all playgrounds.
 - Hydroxychloroquine and Zithromax:
 - 1,100 tests being administered.
 - Javits Center will open on Monday.
 - USNS Comfort leaving today to come to New York and should arrive Monday:
 - 1,000 beds.
 - 1,200 medical personnel.
 - 12 operating rooms, a pharmacy, and a laboratory.
 - President Trump has approved four new sites for temporary emergency medical facilities:
 - Brooklyn: Brooklyn Cruise Terminal.
 - Queens: Aqueduct Racetrack.
 - Staten Island: CUNY Staten Island.
 - Bronx: New York Expo Center.
 - Three other sites have increased capacity by 695, including South Beach Psychiatric Center in Staten Island (260 beds), Westchester Square in the Bronx (200 beds), and the Health Alliance in Ulster County (235 beds).
 - COVID-only Sites have also been created (600 + beds):
 - 260 beds at the South Beach Psychiatric Center in Staten Island.
 - 200 beds at Westchester Square in the Bronx.
 - 250 beds at SUNY Downstate in Brooklyn.
 - NYS DOH has received FDA approval for an antibody test, to see if individuals have immunity to the virus.
 - New York State's Presidential Primary will be moved to July 23, the same date as legislative races.
 - Tax filing deadline for filing Personal and Corporate Income Taxes moved to July 15.
 - Empire State Development Board of Directors approved \$7.5 million in COVID-19 counseling support to 70 non-profit organizations to provide guidance to small businesses.

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- [President Trump made remarks at the send-off ceremony for the USNS Comfort as it departs for Pier 90 in Manhattan](#)

March 27, 2020

- [President Trump signed a Presidential Memorandum directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to use any and all authority under the Defense Production Act to require General Motors to prioritize federal contracts for ventilators](#)