

# Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Latest Updates  
May 5, 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](http://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**

(DATA AS OF MAY 4, 2020)

<b>Locality</b>	<b>Positive Cases</b>	<b>Locality</b>	<b>Positive Cases</b>
Albany County	1,294	Niagara County	508
Allegany County	35	Oneida County	574
Bronx County	39,476	Onondaga County	1,002
Broome County	338	Ontario County	97
Cattaraugus County	53	Orange County	9,144
Cayuga County	51	Orleans County	99
Chautauqua County	37	Oswego County	68
Chemung County	126	Otsego County	67
Chenango County	100	Putnam County	1,031
Clinton County	69	Queens County	54,448
Columbia County	229	Rensselaer County	339
Cortland County	28	Richmond County	12,317
Delaware County	62	Rockland County	12,144
Dutchess County	3,151	Saratoga County	368
Erie County	3,891	Schenectady County	537
Essex County	30	Schoharie County	45
Franklin County	16	Schuyler County	7
Fulton County	97	Seneca County	46
Genesee County	159	St. Lawrence County	178
Greene County	166	Steuben County	221
Hamilton County	3	Suffolk County	35,275
Herkimer County	67	Sullivan County	984
Jefferson County	63	Tioga County	92
Kings County	47,579	Tompkins County	129
Lewis County	9	Ulster County	1,357
Livingston County	86	Warren County	192
Madison County	223	Washington County	188
Manhattan	23,054	Wayne County	78
Monroe County	1,623	Westchester County	30,240
Montgomery County	61	Wyoming County	70
Nassau County	37,152	Yates County	19

**TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES STATEWIDE: 321,192**

SOURCE: [NYS DOH](#)

## State News Updates

May 5, 2020

- **Governor Cuomo held a press conference at 11:30 AM and announced the following:**
  - Total hospitalizations 9,600 as of May 4.
  - Deaths increased by 230 on May 4.
  - Test-trace-isolate remains the key to monitoring and controlling the infection rate.
  - Governor Cuomo's reopening plan defines steps and responsibilities to open.
  - Need a better public health system, telemedicine, and public transportation system as we reopen.
  - Reimagine education:
    - How can we use technology to provide more opportunities to students no matter where they are?
    - How can we provide shared education among schools and colleges using technology?
    - How can technology reduce educational inequality, including English as a new language?
    - How can we use technology to meet educational needs of students with disabilities?
    - How can we provided educators more tools to use technology?
    - How can technology break down barriers to K-12 and colleges/universities to provide greater access to high quality education no matter where a student lives?
    - Given ongoing social distancing rules, how can we deploy classroom technology like immersive cloud virtual classroom learning, to recreate larger class or lecture hall environments in different locations?
      - The State will work with the Gates Foundation to convene experts and develop a blueprint to reimagine education in the new normal.
  - Reopening question is, "How much is a human life worth?"
    - The cost of staying closed must be weighed against the cost of reopening quickly.
    - The faster we reopen, the lower the economic cost, but the more lives lost.
    - Projection models have doubled the number of expected deaths because of reopening acceleration.
      - New projection for deaths by August 4:
        - IHME model has gone from 60,415 deaths on April 7 to 134,475 deaths on May 4.
  - Governor Cuomo announced a new contest asking New Yorkers to create and share a video explaining why people should wear a mask in public.
    - Interested New Yorkers can learn more at [WearAMask.ny.gov](https://www.wearamask.ny.gov).