

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Latest Updates
May 6, 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

(DATA AS OF MAY 5, 2020)

Locality	Positive Cases	Locality	Positive Cases
Albany County	1,321	Niagara County	549
Allegany County	35	Oneida County	579
Broome County	345	Onondaga County	1,056
Cattaraugus County	54	Ontario County	99
Cayuga County	51	Orange County	9,215
Chautauqua County	38	Orleans County	103
Chemung County	128	Oswego County	70
Chenango County	102	Otsego County	67
Clinton County	69	Putnam County	1,040
Columbia County	291	Rensselaer County	347
Cortland County	28	Rockland County	12,204
Delaware County	62	Saratoga County	371
Dutchess County	3,192	Schenectady County	551
Erie County	4,008	Schoharie County	45
Essex County	30	Schuyler County	7
Franklin County	16	Seneca County	46
Fulton County	100	St. Lawrence County	180
Genesee County	162	Steuben County	223
Greene County	188	Suffolk County	35,543
Hamilton County	5	Sullivan County	996
Herkimer County	68	Tioga County	96
Jefferson County	63	Tompkins County	129
Lewis County	9	Ulster County	1,383
Livingston County	89	Warren County	193
Madison County	231	Washington County	189
Monroe County	1,655	Wayne County	78
Montgomery County	63	Westchester County	30,426
Nassau County	37,350	Wyoming County	70
New York City	178,351	Yates County	19

TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES STATEWIDE: 323,978

SOURCE: [GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE](#)

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- Governor Cuomo held a press conference at 11:30 AM and announced the following:
 - Total hospitalizations below 9,500 on May 5.
 - Total deaths increased by 232 on May 5.
 - When looking at the number of deaths, it is important to consider it is unclear when COVID-19 came to New York State.
 - It may have come to the United States in late 2019.
 - The Governor asserted Reopening New York will be based on facts/data instead of emotion/politics.
 - Calibrate by number of hospitalizations, infection rate, number of deaths, percent hospital capacity, percent antibody test, percent diagnostic tests, percent tracing data.
 - New York is reducing the hospitalization rate, number of deaths, and number of new cases.
 - Where are the new cases in New York coming from?
 - Asked hospitals to provide data on who was coming into hospitals, and preliminary results are in (113 hospitals, 1,269 survey responses, completed over 3 days):

Residency of Patients in Hospitals	
Bronx	9%
Kings	13%
New York	21%
Queens	13%
Richmond	1%
Long Island	19%
Rockland/Westchester	11%
All Other	14%

- In New York City, more people of color are being hospitalized.
- Higher percentage of males being hospitalized.
- 96% of those hospitalized have comorbidities.
- Overwhelmingly, those hospitalized are from home (66%) and nursing homes (18%).
- 73% of those hospitalized are ages 51 and older.
 - **Initial findings:** people not working, not traveling, predominantly downstate, predominantly minority, predominantly older, predominantly non-essential employees, predominantly at home.
 - Reaffirms need to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer, and keep the vulnerable home.
- Another issue is to look at “hotspot” clusters:
 - It is about density and large gatherings.
- For “Reimagining New York,” need to reorganize hospitals to operate as one system in a public health emergency. This effort will be led by Michael Dowling.
 - How can we ensure tele-medicine available to all?
 - How do we better allocate resources statewide?
How do we harden the healthcare system against future challenges?
- Will establish a 15-member Blue Ribbon commission to be chaired by former CEO and Executive Chairman of Google Eric Schmidt, to study how to use new technologies in the “economy of tomorrow.”
 - According to Mr. Schmidt, first priority will be to look at telehealth, remote learning, and broadband.
- JetBlue is donating 100,000 round-trip flights to medical personnel, beginning with 10,000 New York medical professionals.

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- [Governor Cuomo issued Executive Order 202.27 to extend the authority for out-of-state health care professionals to practice in New York State through June 4, 2020](#)