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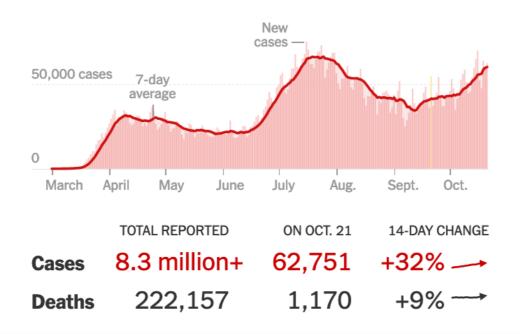
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Covid in the U.S.: Latest Map and Case Count

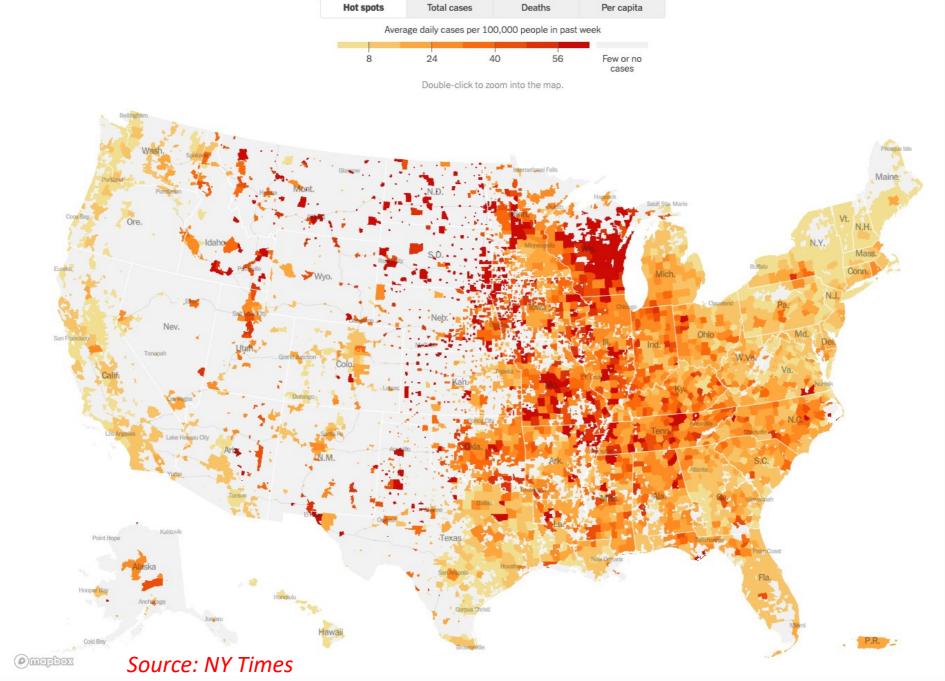
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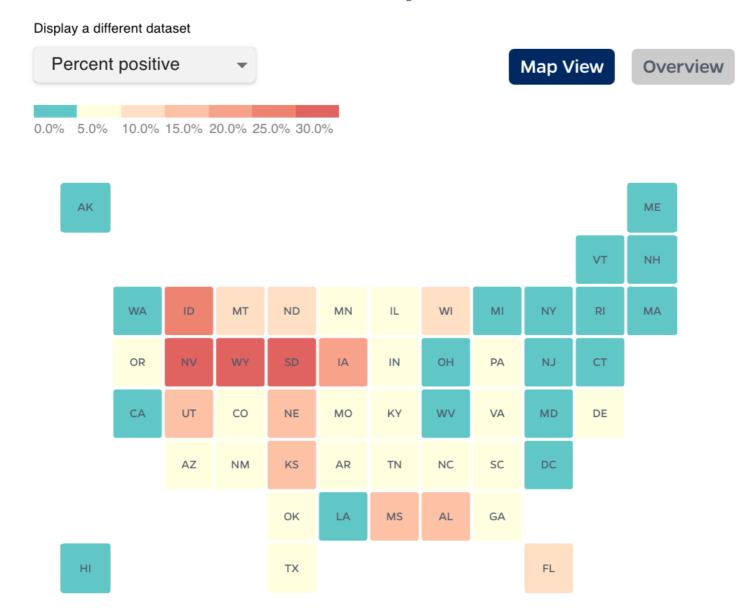
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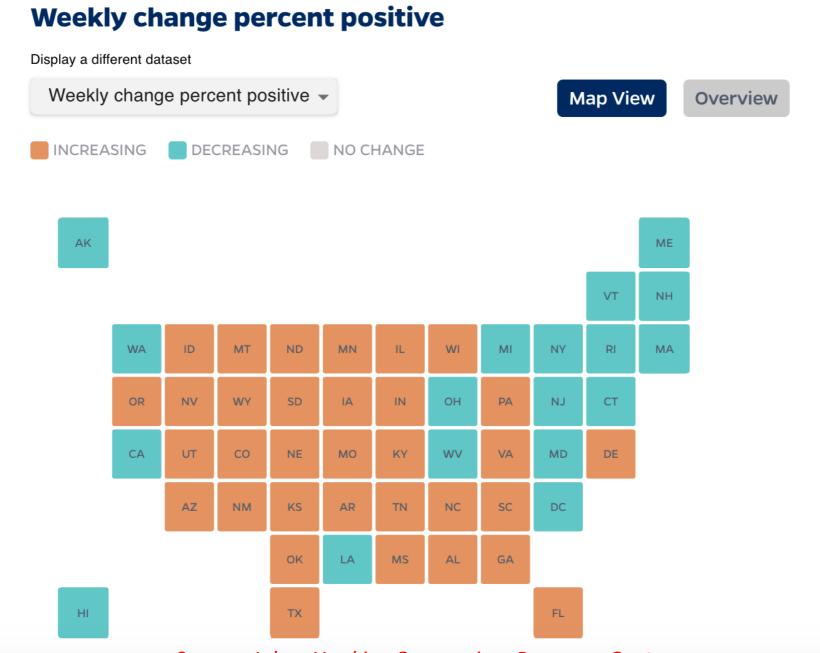
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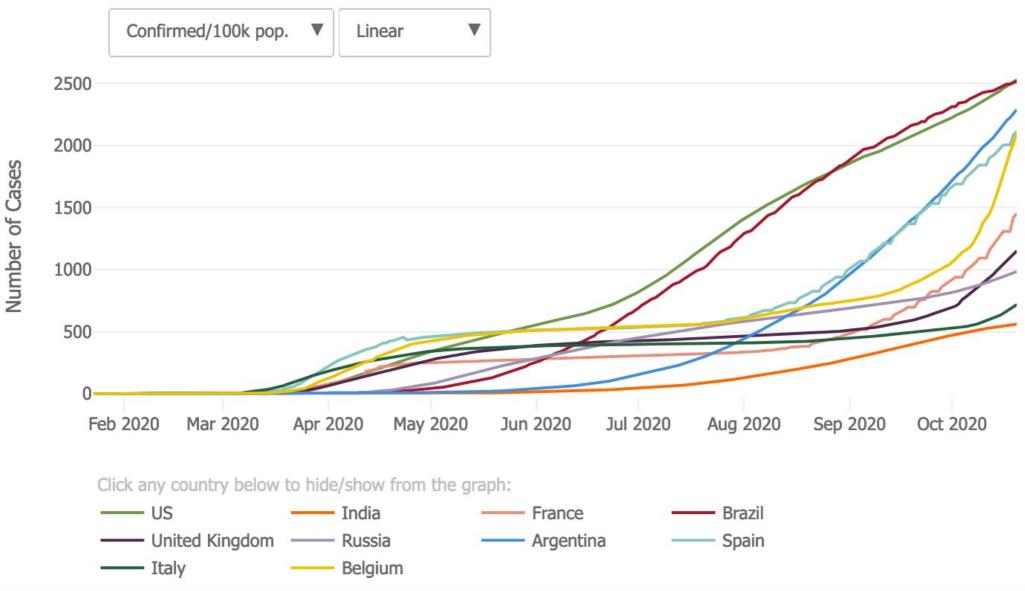


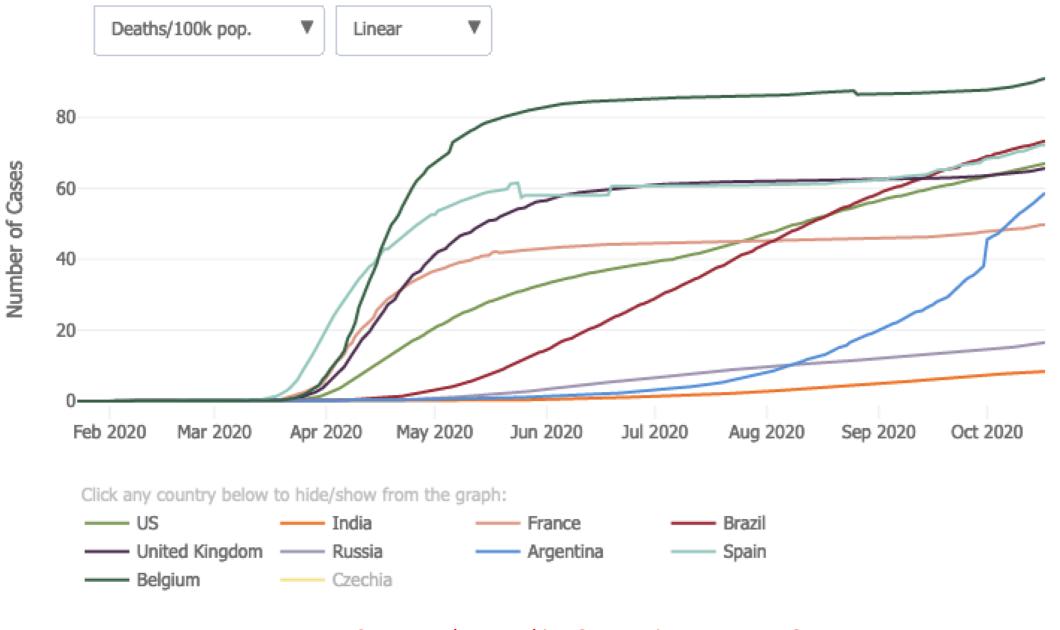
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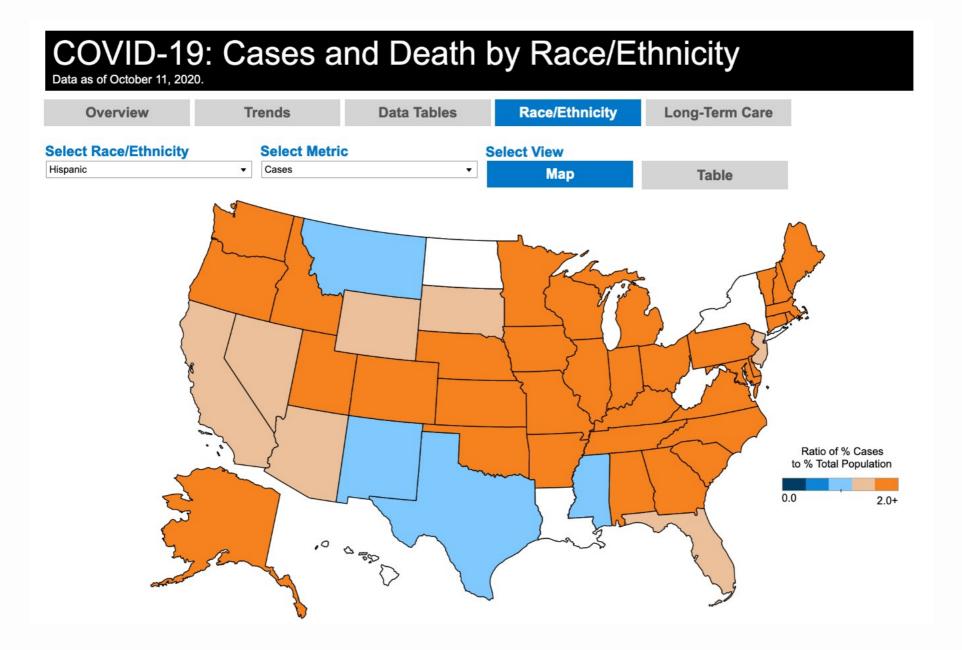
Percent of new tests that are positive











Source: Kaiser Family Foundation

https://www.kff.org/health-costs/issue-brief/state-data-and-policy-actions-to-address-coronavirus/#long-term-care-cases-deaths



Elmhurst Hospital – NY City, March 23, 2020

CDC COVID Data Tracker

Maps, charts, and data provided by the CDC



Cases & Deaths among Healthcare Personnel

Data were collected from 6,022,292 people, but healthcare personnel status was only available for 1,451,776 (24.11%) people. For the 182,936 cases of COVID-19 among healthcare personnel, death status was only available for 134,039 (73.27%).

CASES AMONG HCP

DEATHS AMONG HCP

182,936

758

Source: CDC

https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#health-care-personnel

| Healthcare Worker Information | |
|--|--|
| Is the patient a health care worker in the United States? Yes No Unknown If yes, what is their occupation (type of job)? | wn If yes, what is their job setting? |
| ☐ Physician ☐ Respiratory therapist ☐ Other, specify: ☐ Nurse ☐ Environmental services ☐ Unknown | ☐ Hospital ☐ Rehabilitation facility ☐ Other, specify: ☐ Long-term care facility ☐ Nursing home/assisted living facility ☐ Unknown |
| Exposure Information | |
| In the 14 days prior to illness onset, did the patient have any of the following exposures | (check all that apply): |
| □ Domestic travel (outside state of normal residence). Specify state(s): □ International travel. Specify country(s): □ Cruise ship or vessel travel as passenger or crew member. Specify name of ship: □ Workplace If yes, is the workplace critical infrastructure (e.g., healthcare setting, grocery store) □ Yes, specify workplace setting: □ No □ Unknown □ Airport/airplane | If the patient had contact with a known COVID-19 case: What type of contact? |
| Adult congregate living facility (nursing, assisted living, or long-term care facility) School/university/childcare center Correctional facility Community event/mass gathering Animal with confirmed or suspected COVID-19. Specify animal: | Was this person a U.S. case? Yes, nCoV ID(s),,,, No, this person was an international case and contact occurred abroad Unknown if U.S. or international case |
| Other exposures, specify: Unknown exposures in the 14 days prior to illness onset | Is this case part of an outbreak? Yes, specify outbreak name: No Unknown |

Hughes et al: MMWR September 25, 2020

February 12 – July 16 2,633,585 U.S. COVID-19 cases HCP status on 571,708 (22%) 100,481 (18%) identified as HCP 641 deaths

Lost on the frontline

Hundreds of US healthcare workers have died fighting Covid-19. We count them and investigate why.



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US healthcare worker deaths are under investigation by the Guardian and KHN.

Did they have to die?

















Source: The Guardian

https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/ng-interactive/2020/aug/11/lost-on-the-frontline-covid-19-coronavirus-us-healthcare-workers-deaths-database

Resident Cases and Deaths

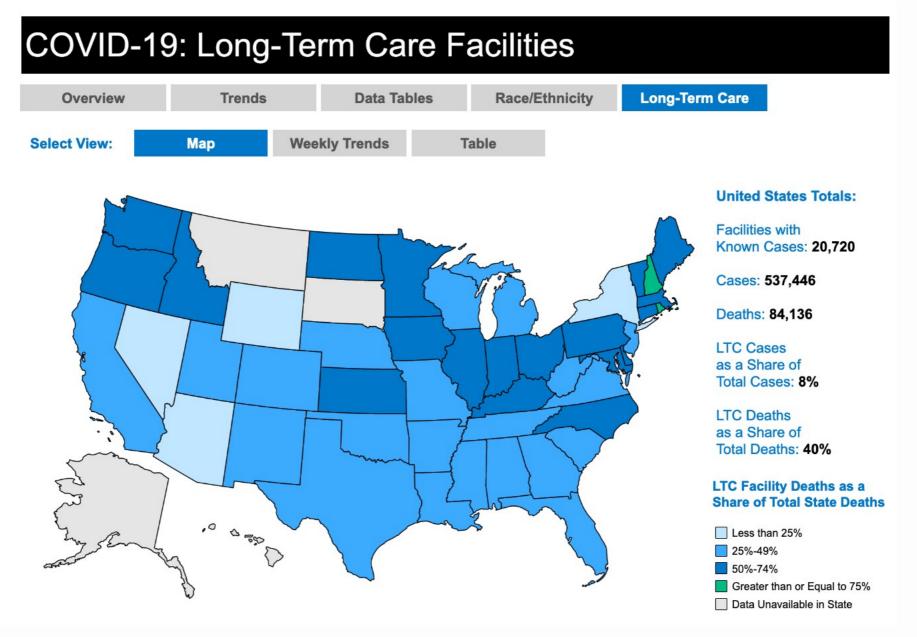
TOTAL COVID-19 CONFIRMED CASES 252,939

TOTAL COVID-19 SUSPECTED CASES 143,848

TOTAL COVID-19 DEATHS
59,626

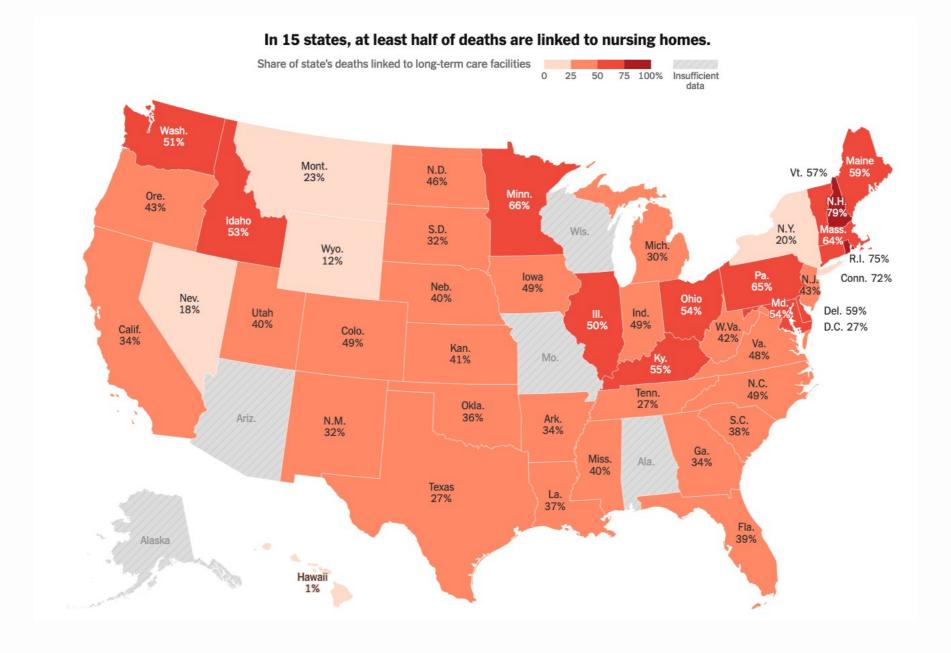
Source: CMS data through 10/4/20

https://data.cms.gov/stories/s/COVID-19-Nursing-Home-Data/bkwz-xpvg/



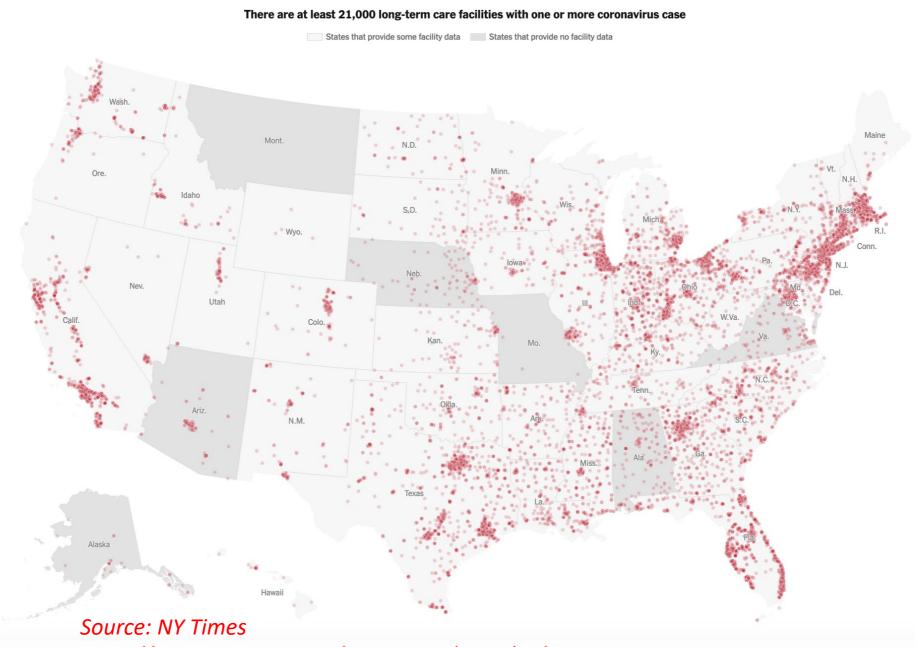
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Source: NY Times

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Exclusive: Nearly Half of U.S. Nursing Homes Have Staff Infected With COVID-19



An AARP analysis also finds a quarter of facilities are short on workers and PPE

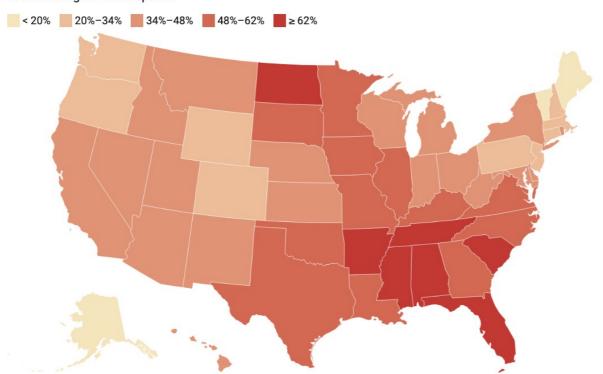
by Emily Paulin, **AARP**, October 14, 2020



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Nursing Homes With COVID-19 Infections Among Staff

Percentage of nursing homes reporting one or more confirmed COVID-19 infections among staff between Aug. 24 and Sept. 20.



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Source: American Association of Retired Persons

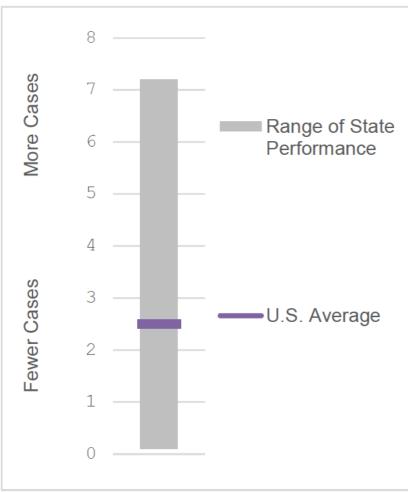
https://www.aarp.org/caregiving/health/info-2020/nursing-home-covid-ppe-staff-shortages.html

| Staff COVID Cases & Deaths | | | | |
|---|---------|-------|-----------|------------|
| | YES | NO | Low State | High State |
| Nursing homes with confirmed staff cases (4 weeks ending 9/20/20) | 48.3% | 51.7% | 5.7% | 75.6% |
| | | | | |
| Confirmed staff cases (4 weeks ending 9/20/20) | 26,945 | | | |
| Rate per 100 residents | 2.5 | | 0.1 | 7.2 |
| | | | | |
| Confirmed staff cases (total since 6/1/20) | 132,303 | | | |
| % of all Covid cases in state * | 2.7% | | 0.3% | 9.8% |
| Nursing home staff Covid deaths (4 weeks ending 9/20/20) | 107 | | | |
| Rate per 10,000 residents | 1.0 | | 0.0 | 6.3 |
| % of all Covid deaths in state * | 0.5% | | 0.0% | 3.3% |
| Nursing home staff Covid deaths (total since 6/1/20) | 541 | | | |
| % of all Covid deaths in state * | 0.6% | | 0.0% | 2.3% |

Source: AARP Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard

https://www.aarp.org/ppi/issues/caregiving/info-2020/nursing-home-covid-dashboard.html

Staff COVID-19 Cases (COVID-19 cases per 100 residents)



In the last month (4 weeks ending 9/20/20) in the United States there were 2.5 nursing home staff cases per 100 residents

Nursing Home Resident Cases

(COVID-19 cases per 100 residents)



In the last month (4 weeks ending 9/20/20) in the United States there were 2.6 COVID-19 cases per 100 nursing home residents

Source: AARP Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard https://www.aarp.org/ppi/issues/caregiving/info-2020/nursing-home-covid-dashboard.html

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Deaths in US Correctional and Detention Facilities By State





183,847 Total Cases

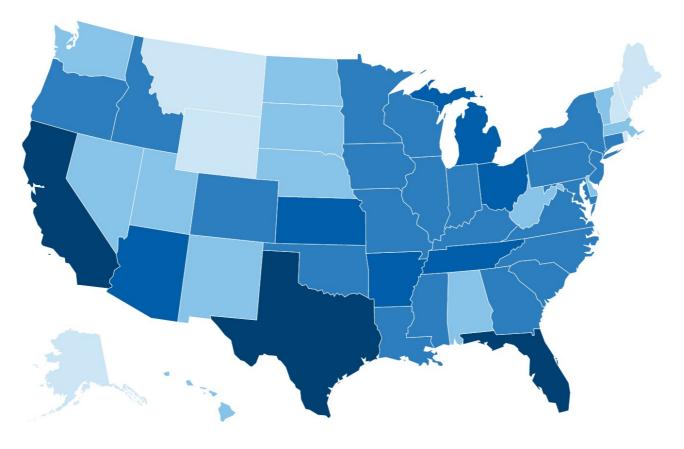
151,345 Total Resident Cases

32,502 Total Staff Cases

1,202
Total Deaths

1,144Total Resident Deaths

58
Total Staff Deaths



| Jurisdiction | ▼ Cases | Deaths | racilities |
|----------------|---------|--------|------------|
| Texas | 29,473 | 198 | 166 |
| California* | 26,643 | 93 | 81 |
| Florida | 21,081 | 136 | 79 |
| Ohio | 7,777 | 115 | 31 |
| Arkansas | 7,326 | 5 | 4 |
| Tennessee | 6,655 | 25 | 20 |
| Michigan | 6,575 | 82 | 41 |
| Kansas | 5,993 | 14 | 23 |
| Arizona | 5,168 | 29 | 23 |
| Illinois | 4,608 | 31 | 44 |
| Oklahoma | 4,420 | 22 | 32 |
| North Carolina | 4,354 | 44 | 54 |
| New Jersey | 4,218 | 52 | 30 |
| Virginia | 4,076 | 34 | 34 |
| New York* | 4,060 | 35 | 39 |
| Louisiana* | 3,530 | 45 | 13 |
| Wisconsin | 3,267 | 0 | 35 |
| K At a count | 2 222 | ^ | 25 |

Cases Deaths Facilities

Jurisdiction

Total Number of Cases ■ A: 0-100 ■ B: 101-1,000 ■ C: 1,001-5,000 ■ D: 5,001-9,999 ■ E: 10,000+

31-Mar-20 12-Oct-20
Reported data from Data Through

Source: CDC

Last updated 18-Oct-20

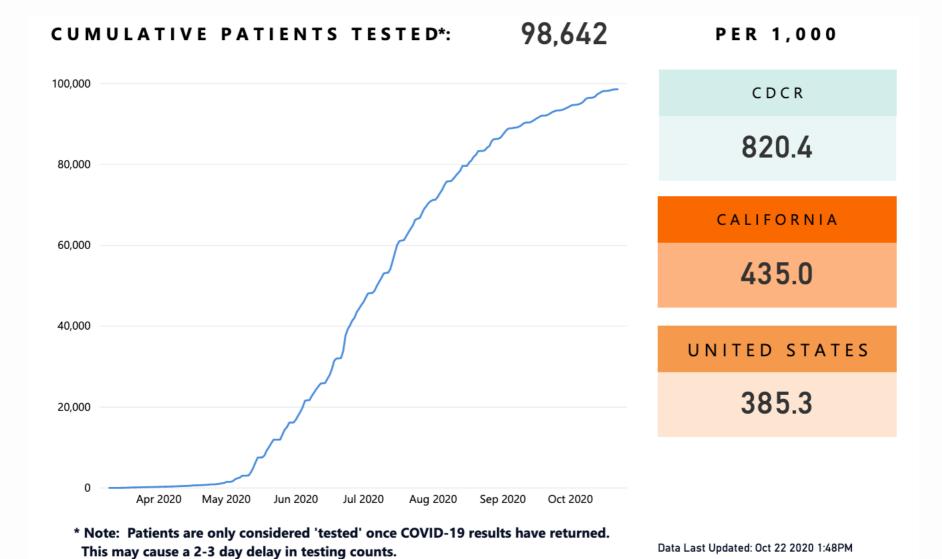
https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#correctional-facilities

| | CASES LOCATION |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Avenal State Prison | 3,246 Avenal, Calif. |
| San Quentin State Prison | 2,539 San Quentin, Calif. |
| Marion Correctional Institution | 2,453 Marion, Ohio |
| Pickaway Correctional Institution | 1,796 Scioto Township, Ohio |
| California Rehabilitation Center prison | 1,787 Norco, Calif. |
| California Institution for Men | 1,653 Chino, Calif. |
| Chuckawalla Valley State Prison | 1,508 Blythe, Calif. |
| Columbia Correctional Institution | 1,460 Lake City, Fla. |
| North County jail | 1,435 Castaic, Calif. |
| Folsom prison | 1,424 Represa, Calif. |

7 of 10 top US prison outbreaks have been in California 15,334 inmate positives, 71 deaths 4,089 staff positives, 10 deaths

Source: NY Times, CDCR tracking

https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/coronavirus-us-cases.html https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/covid19/population-status-tracking/



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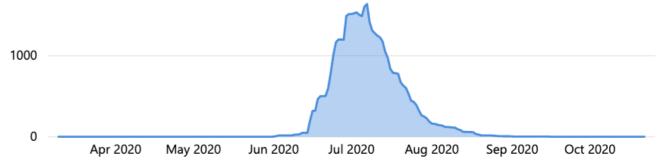




CONFIRMED CASES: Cumulative Count

| NEWIN | ACTIVE | | D. F. G. G. L. W. F. D. | 5545116 |
|-----------------|---------|----------|-------------------------|---------|
| LAST 14 DAYS | CUSTODY | RELEASED | RESOLVED | DEATHS |
| 1 | 1 | 58 | 2,152 | 28 |

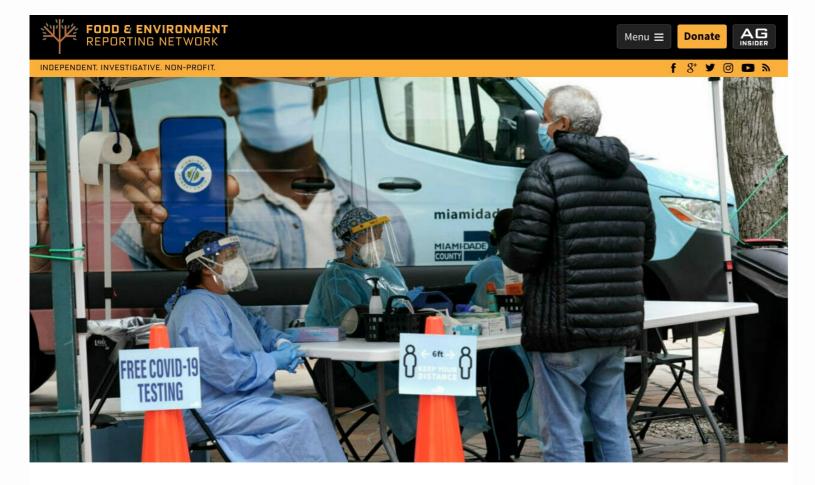
ACTIVE CASES IN CUSTODY



^{*}Patients who resolved, died, or released before they resolved are not included in graph above. Active case count by date may be delayed 2-3 days while awaiting test results.

Source: CDCR tracking

https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/covid19/population-status-tracking/



Could the food system face a new Covid-19 wave?

By Leah Douglas, October 21, 2020

At least 71,000 worker cases and 321 deaths linked to nearly 1,400 Covid-19 outbreaks at meatpacking facilities, food plants and farms.

Source: Food and Environment Reporting Network

https://thefern.org/





A California Chicken Plant Just Had the Deadliest Meatpacking Outbreak Yet

Following months of warnings, a Foster Farms plant closed after at least 392 workers tested positive and 8 died.



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On Sept. 3, 2020, people gathered for a candlelight vigil to honor the eight lives lost and hundreds of families impacted by a COVID-19 outbreak at Foster Farms' plant in Livingston, Calif. **Andrew Kuhn/The Merced Sun-Star via AP**



Source: Mother Jones

https://www.motherjones.com/food/2020/09/foster-farms-covid-livingston-death-outbreak-osha-safety-masks-infection-poultry-workers/

National occupational COVID data surveillance using other systems

- Behavioral Risk Factor Survey: High prevalence of underlying medical conditions among essential workers (Silver et al https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6938a3.htm
- Current Population Survey: increases in absenteeism in essential worker groups (Groenewold et al https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6927a1.htm?s_cid=mm6927a1 w

COVID-19 worker surveillance – recommendations for a comprehensive system

- Require reporting of occupation and industry on case report forms
- Increase State and local capacity for contact tracing and investigation
- Mandate workplace outbreak reporting by employers
- Perform targeted surveillance testing of essential workers
- Enact national OSHA regulation for COVID-19
- Expand national fatality census program to include COVID-19



