







COVID-19 Report

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Today's Highlights

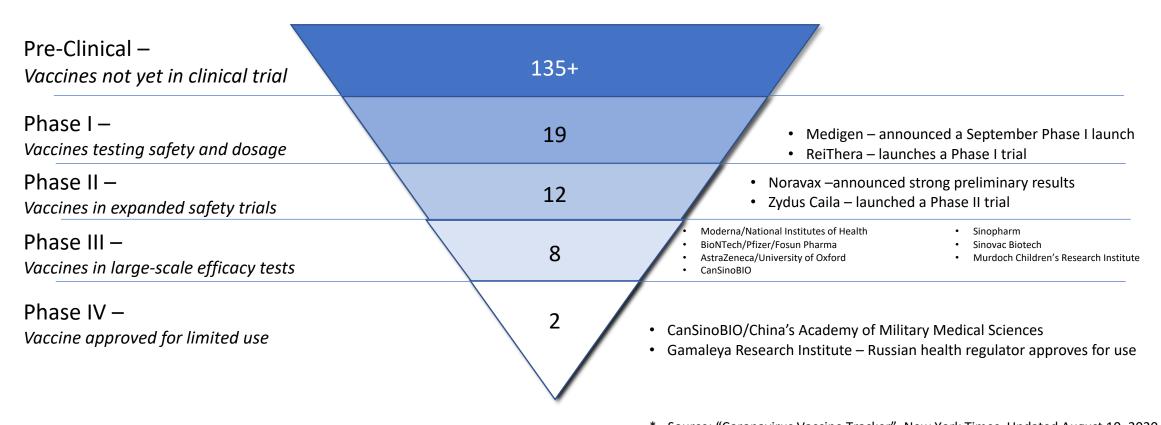
- Starting with vaccine development:
 - The United States government announced yesterday an agreement to purchase 100 million doses of Moderna's vaccine, with an option to purchase an additional 400 million
 - Through its Operation Warp Speed, the U.S. is now funding at least 8 separate vaccine development efforts: AstraZeneca/University of Oxford, BioNTech/Pfizer, GlaxoSmithKline/Sanofi, Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), Merck, Moderna, Noravox and Regeneron
 - AstraZeneca/Oxford, BioNTech/Pfizer and Moderna each expect to have Phase III clinical results in October
- New infection rates
 - The trailing 7-day moving average rate of new daily infections per million in the U.S. has hit a plateau over the past several days - at a level far higher than desired
 - New daily cases have declined 6.2% on a week-over-week basis; the rate by which these are declining, however, is diminishing
 - New cases seem to follow a consistent day-of-week pattern: lowest on the weekend then, rising until Thursday or Friday; Yesterday's new case count was the lowest for a Tuesday since June
 - Fourteen states saw the new infection rate increase week-over-week; Four of these states - California, Georgia, Idaho and North Dakota - have rates > 150
 - Twelve additional states have rates > 150; Each of these, however, saw their rates decline on a week-over-week basis. Arizona's rate declined by 43%; Louisiana's by 35%

- There are significant concentrations in the Southeast U.S. of Large Central and Large Fringe Metro areas with rates > 150
- There are similar concentrations in the Southeast for Medium and Small Metro Areas, along with scattered concentrations in the West
- Testing in the U.S.
 - After failing sharply from July 25-August 4, testing per capita has been relatively stable the past week
 - Test-positive % has trended down since July 11; the current 7-day rate is its lowest since July 1
- Healthcare resource use continues to ease
 - COVID-19 hospital census declined again on Tuesday; it is 20% lower than its mid-April peak (despite 8 more states reporting now than in April)
 - ICU census has similarly been declining since July 29; it is 40% lower than its mid-April peak (again, with 8 more states reporting now than in April)
 - ER visits for COVID-19-like illnesses (on a % basis) are also declining. The most-recent rate is 1/2 its July 8th rate, and is at its lowest since June 14
- Deaths with the Coronavirus
 - Deaths reported yesterday were up sharply and the most reported on a single day since May 16
 - On a 7-day average basis, however, daily deaths were lower yesterday than from July 28-August 6
 - Deaths per case are 3.16%



Vaccines

August 11 Update: Moderna agrees to sell 100 million doses to the U.S government; with an option for an additional 400 million; Phase III results expected by October



^{* -} Source: "Coronavirus Vaccine Tracker", New York Times, Updated August 10, 2020 https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/science/coronavirus-vaccine-tracker.html

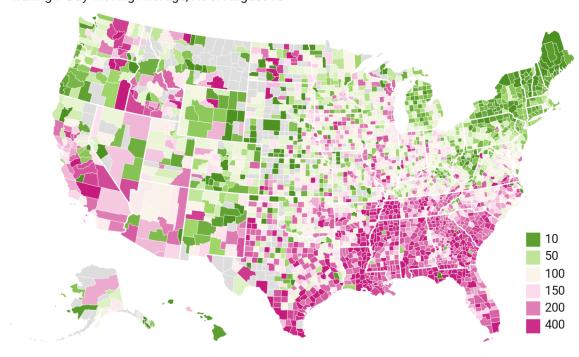


Metro-By-Metro

New Infection rates remain highest in the Southeast, southern Texas, central California and southern Arizona

New Daily Infections Per Million Population

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 10



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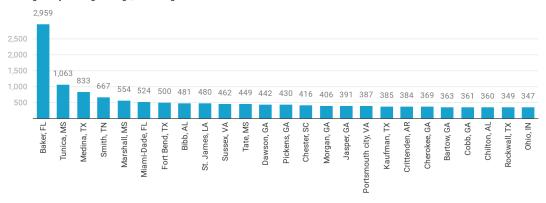
Large Central and Fringe Metro Areas

Highest rates of new infections are concentrated in a few southeastern states

Large Central & Fringe Metro Areas
Top 25 by New Infection Rate

New Daily Infections / Million Population

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 10

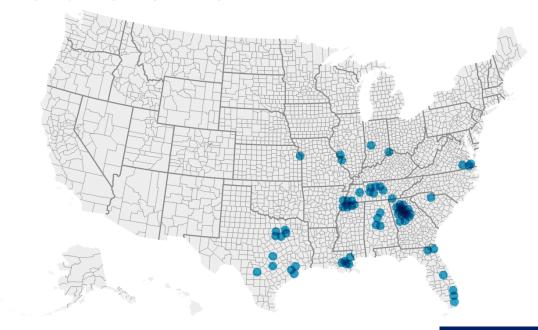


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Large Central & Fringe Metro Areas, >250 infections / million / day
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Rate > 250



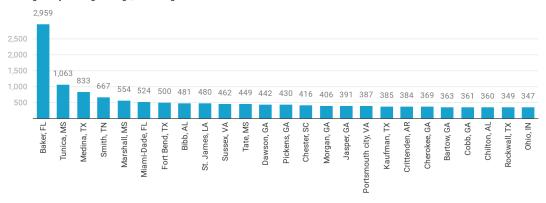
Medium and Small Metro Areas

Highest rates of new infections are concentrated in the Southeast and in California

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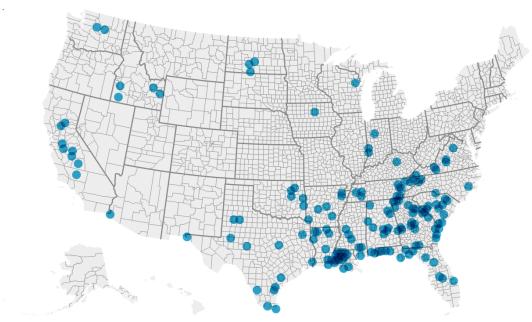


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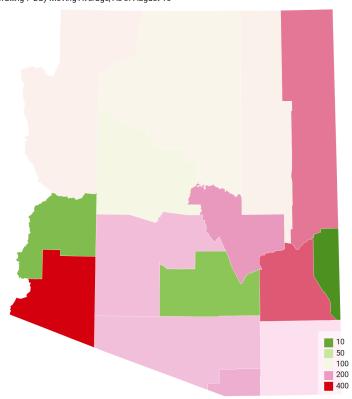


Arizona and California

Highest rates of new infections in Arizona are concentrated in the south and east; In California, in the central part of the state

New Daily Infections / Million Population - Arizona

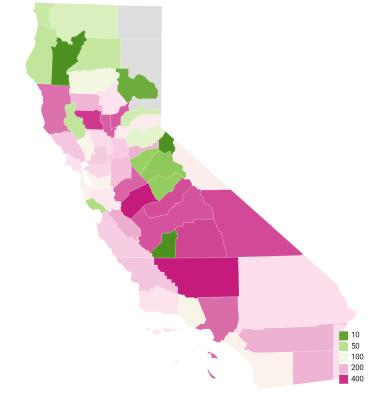




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New Daily Infections / Million Population - California

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 10



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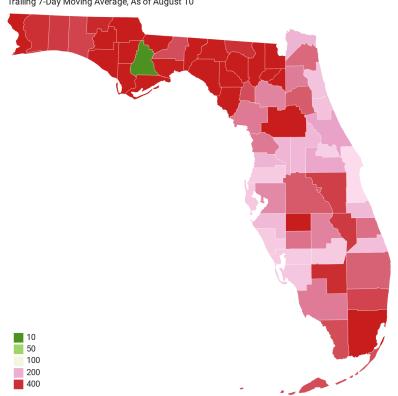


Florida and Georgia

High rates of new infections in throughout each state

New Daily Infections / Million Population - Florida

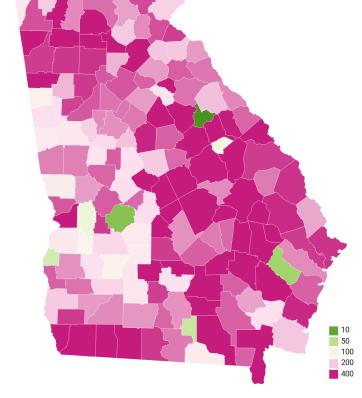
Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 10



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New Daily Infections / Million Population - Georgia

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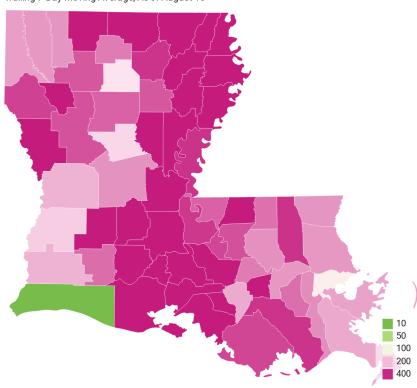


Louisiana and Texas

High rates of new infections in throughout Louisiana; Scattered throughout Texas, with a concentration in the south

New Daily Infections / Million Population - Louisiana

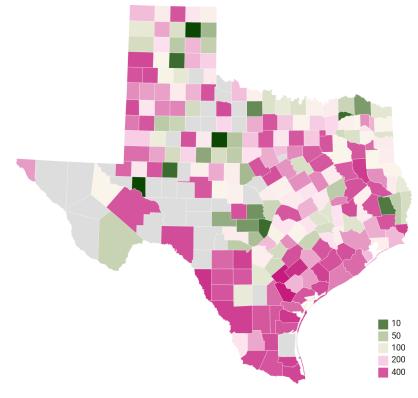
Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 10



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New Daily Infections / Million Population - Texas

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 10



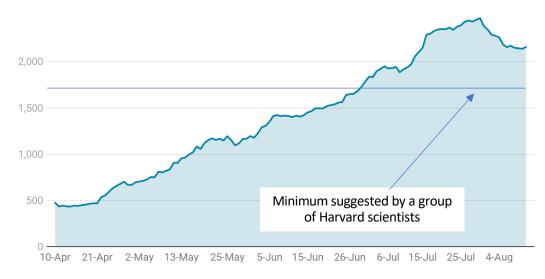
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Test volume stable for the past week Test-positive rate on a downward trend since July 11; current rate is lowest since July 1

Daily Tests Per 1 Million - United States

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 11



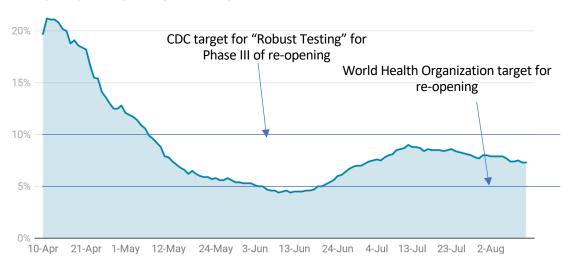
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Test-Positive Rate - United States

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 11



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New cases were up on yesterday, following the typical pattern for Tuesdays (fewest new cases on a Tuesday since June); Week-over-week, new cases are down 6.2%, although this rate of decline is diminishing

New Cases

Through August 11

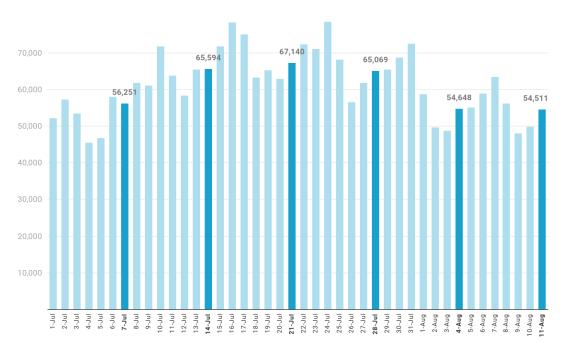


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Note the daily pattern: new cases are typically low on Sunday, then increase each day through the week

Week-Over-Week Change In New Cases





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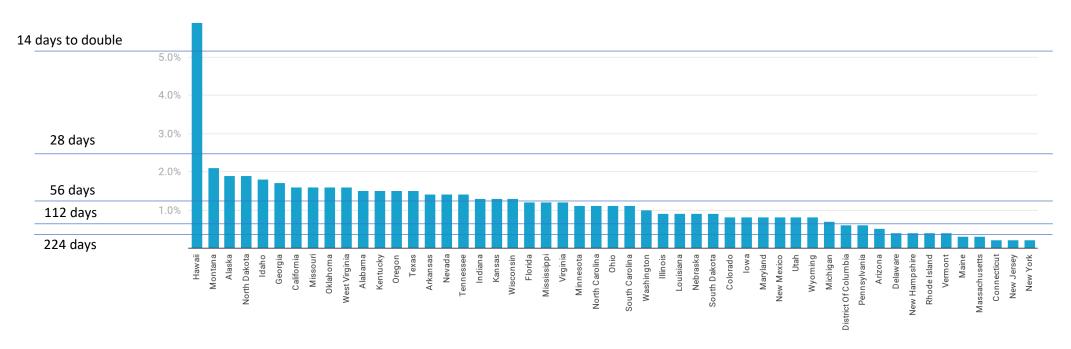


State-By-State

Case growth is slowing but, Hawaii remains the outlier. At current rates, cases are doubling every 12 days in Hawaii; every 437 days in New York; 65-66 days for the United States overall

Growth Rate in Total Cases

Trailing 5-Day Moving Average, Through August 11



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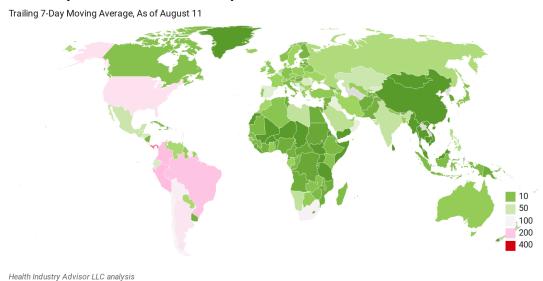


Worldwide

New infection rates generally declining worldwide; Remain highest in US, Panama and South America; Concentration in Southeast and West in US

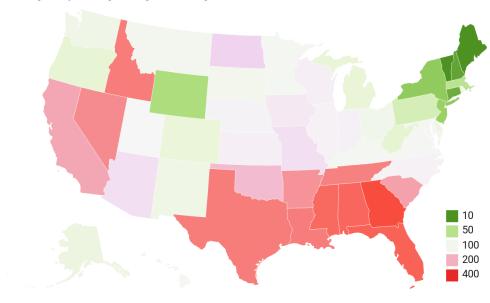
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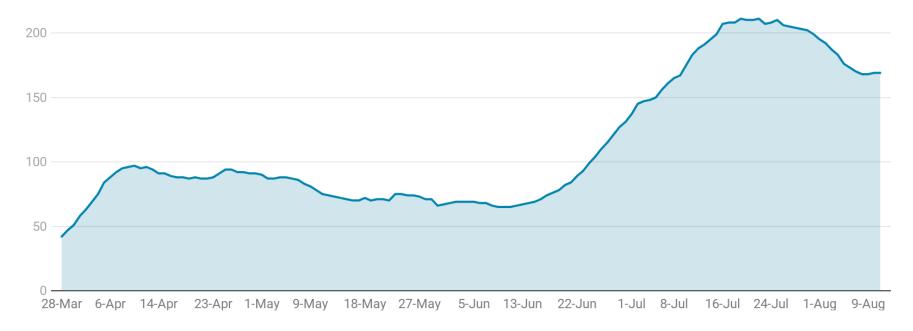
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Letting down our guard? New infections per capita* seems to be hitting a (too high) plateau

New Infections Per 1 Million Population - United States

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, Through August 11



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* - per million per day, trailing 7-day moving average

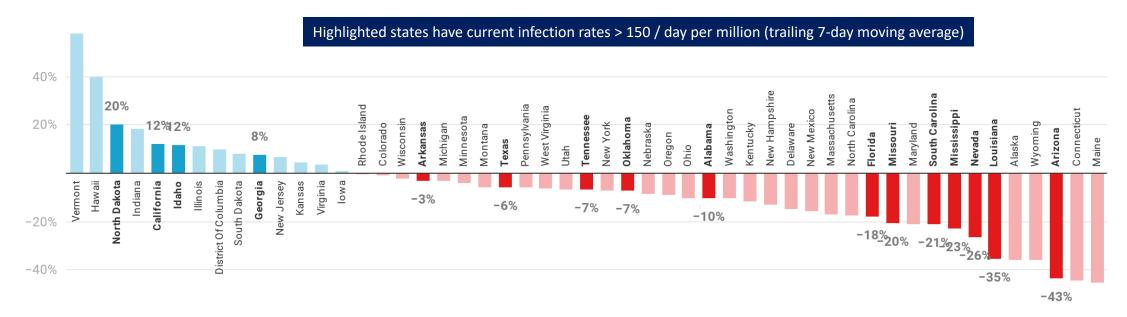


State-By-State

New daily infection rates declined in most states during the past week; Concerns are North Dakota, California, Idaho and Georgia, which saw increases to relatively high rates

Week-Over-Week Change in New Infection Rate

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, August 11 v. August 3



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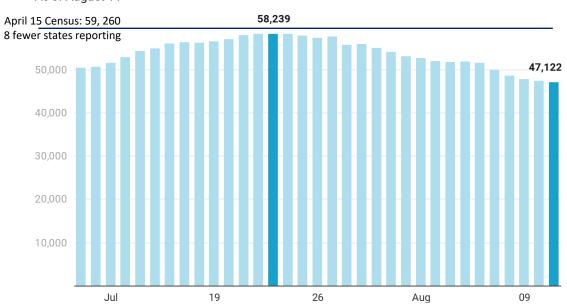
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COVID-19 census continues to decline; Now, down 20% from April peak; Twenty states, however, led by Idaho, South Dakota and Wisconsin, are seeing far more patients

Hospital Census: COVID-19 Patients

As of August 11



Florida data first available on July 10

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Week-Over-Week Change in COVID-19 Hospital Census

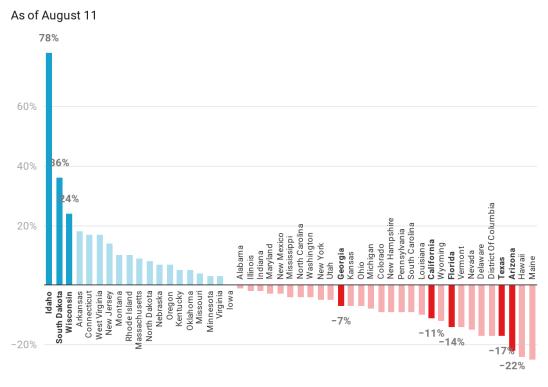


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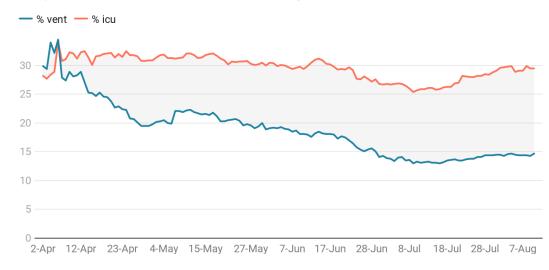


Stress on ICU beds and ventilators is also easing; Notably, with eight fewer states reporting, ICU census was ~40% higher in mid-April

ER Visits for COVID-19 are Declining

Severity of Hospitalized Patients

% of patients on ventilators and in the ICU, As of August 11



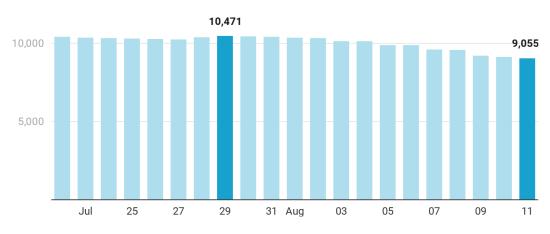
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ICU COVID-19 Census Also Down

COVID-19 ICU Census

April 22 Census: 15,013
000 8 fewer states reporting



For states reporting these data: AZ, CA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, NV, NJ, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA, WI & WY

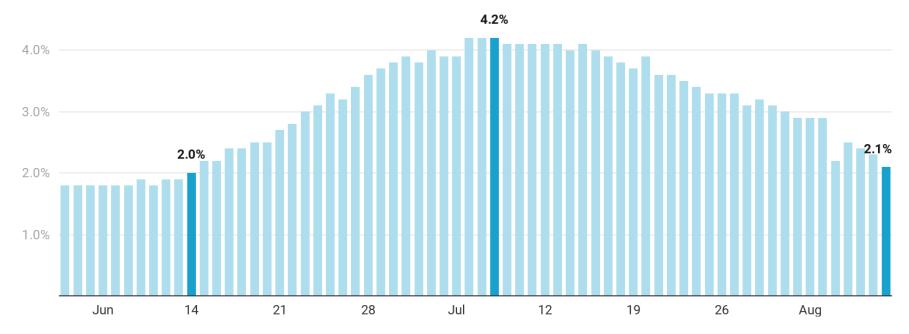
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ER visits for COVID-19-like illnesses continue to decline; Now, at ½ of peak rate and lowest since June 14

% of Emergency Department Visits for COVID-Like Illness

As of August 8



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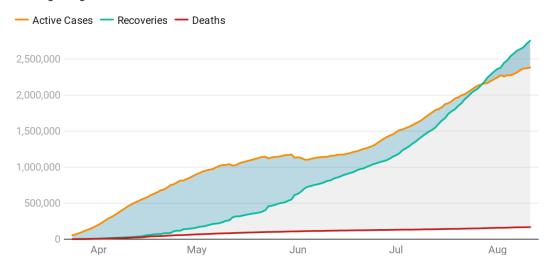
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Recoveries accelerating, now exceed active cases in the United States by 16%; More than sixteen recovered persons for each death

Active Cases v. Recoveries & Deaths

Through August 11

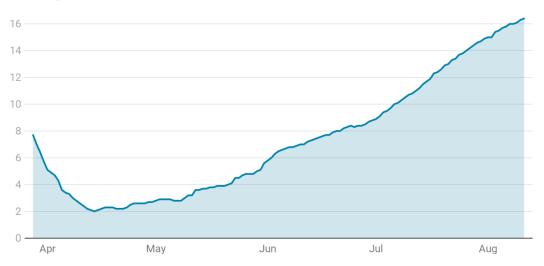


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Recoveries: Deaths - United States

As of August 11



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Deaths up sharply on Tuesday Deaths per case down to 3.16%

Deaths Recorded With Coronavirus in the U.S.

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 11



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Deaths Per Case

As of August 10



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Data Sources

The following data sources are accessed on a daily or weekly basis:

- The Atlantic's Covid Tracking Project: https://covidtracking.com
- Worldometers.info: https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/
- Centers for Disease Control, National, Regional, and State Level Outpatient Illness and Viral Surveillance https://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/fluview/fluportaldashboard.html
- Centers for Disease Control, COVID-19 Laboratory-Confirmed Hospitalizations https://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/COVIDNet/COVID19 5.html
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- COVID-19 Data Repository by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering (CSSE) at Johns Hopkins University https://github.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19