







COVID-19 Report

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Today's Highlights

- Starting with testing today some progress:
 - Testing volume picked up significantly on Thursday: testing yesterday
 was the highest volume since July 24
 - On a 7-day trend basis, testing is the highest in nine days
 - Other than Monday's results, test-positive % yesterday was the lowest since June 20; on a 7-day trend basis, yesterday's rate is the lowest since June 30
- New cases/infections a mixed story:
 - New cases have declined 2.3% on a week-over-week basis; the rate at which this is declining, however, has diminished for the past six days
 - These new cases have followed a consistent day-of-week pattern, with new cases lowest on weekends and increasing each day until Thursday or Friday. Yesterday's new cases were the lowest for a Thursday since late June
 - The new infection rate has plateaued over the past week
 - Reflecting the longer-term trend in infection rates, only four states
 have experienced their peak rate during the past 9 days; only eleven
 states are within 10% of their peak rate

- Healthcare resources a continuing positive story
 - COVID-19 census declined for the 15th consecutive day and the 19th in the last 21 days; California, Florida and Texas each are seeing more than 1,000 were patients than a week ago
 - ICU census declined for the 7th consecutive day; it is now 14% below its recent peak and 40% lower than its mid-April peak
 - ER visits for COVID-19 like illness declined again, continuing a pattern than began in early July; this rate is now lower than any point since June 14
- Deaths with the Coronavirus still too high
 - Deaths were slightly lower on consecutive days yet, remain >1,000
 - On a 7-day trend basis, the number of deaths per day has been fairly consistent for the past two weeks

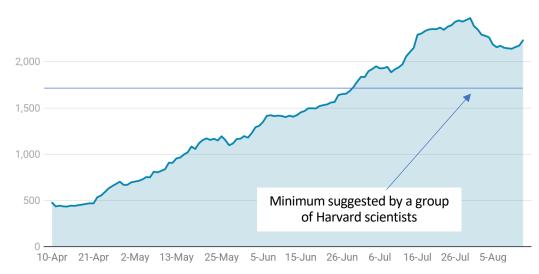


Test volume on Thursday was highest since July 24; week-over-week rate was highest in nine days

Test-positive rate was 2nd lowest since June 20 (August 10 was lowest); weekly rate was lowest since June 30

Daily Tests Per 1 Million - United States

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13



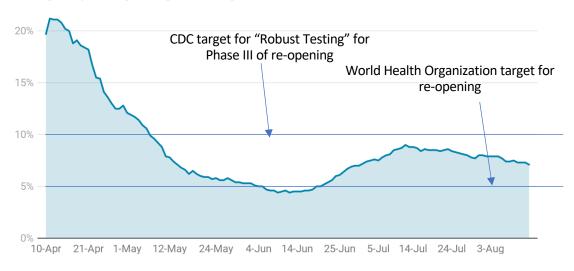
Health Industry Advisor LLC analysis

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Note: On August 11, North Carolina made a significant adjustment, removing 220,000 tests from their YTD totals. We manually removed this negative adjustment from the August 11 data to better reflect actual testing for that date

Test-Positive Rate - United States

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13



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Note: Due to a computer glitch, Washington has only reported positive results since August 1. Therefore, test-positive rates from that point forward are slightly overstated by $^{\circ}0.1\%$



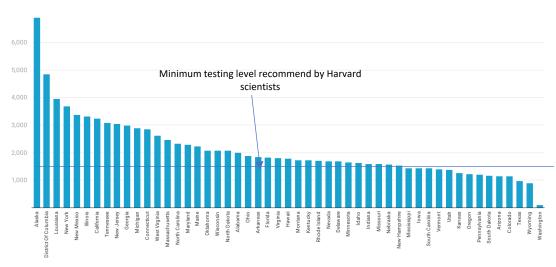
State-By-State

Fourteen states are testing below the level suggested by Harvard scientists Twelve states have test-positive rates above the CDC-target for Phase III reopening

Thirty-two are above the more-stringent WHO recommended target

Daily Tests Per 1 Million Population

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13



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1 – source: (source: https://www.kff.org/coronavirus-policy-watch/what-testing-capacity-do-we-need/

2- Minnesota made an adjustment to tests counts this week, rendering this value meaningless

Test-Positive Rate

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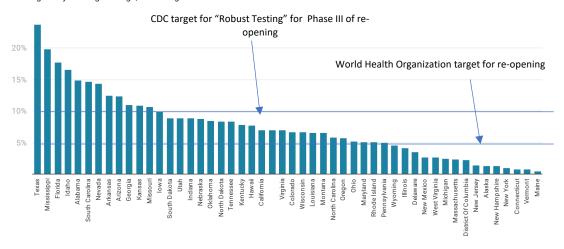
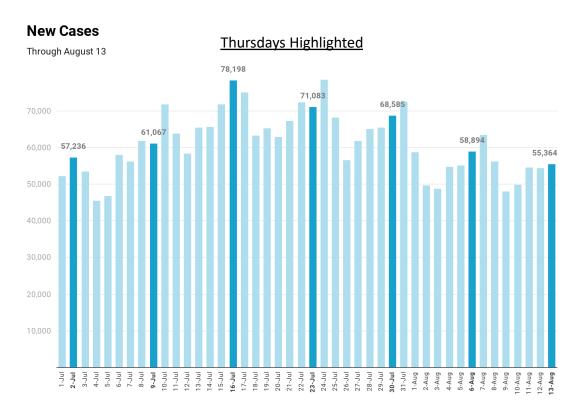


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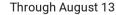
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New cases were up slightly yesterday; were the fewest new cases on a Thursday since June 25; Week-over-week, new cases are down 2.3%, although this rate of decline is diminishing



Week-Over-Week Change In New Cases





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

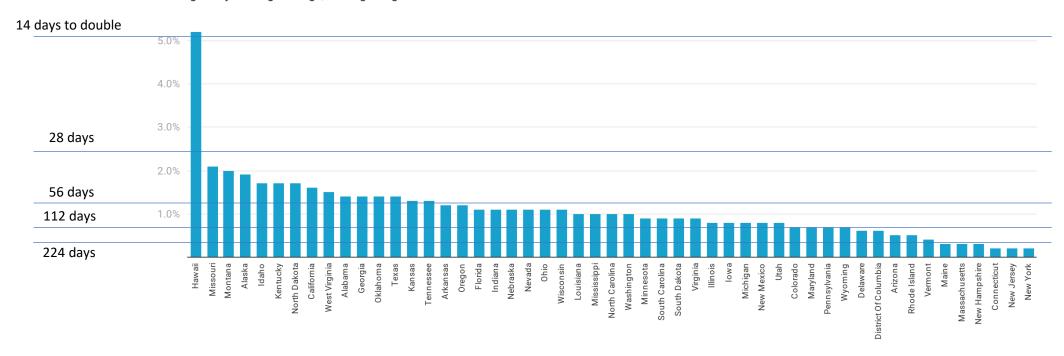


State-By-State

Case growth is slowing but, Hawaii remains the outlier. At current rates, cases are doubling every 13-14 days in Hawaii; every 446 days in New York; 69 days for the United States overall

Growth Rate in Total Cases

Trailing 5-Day Moving Average, Through August 13



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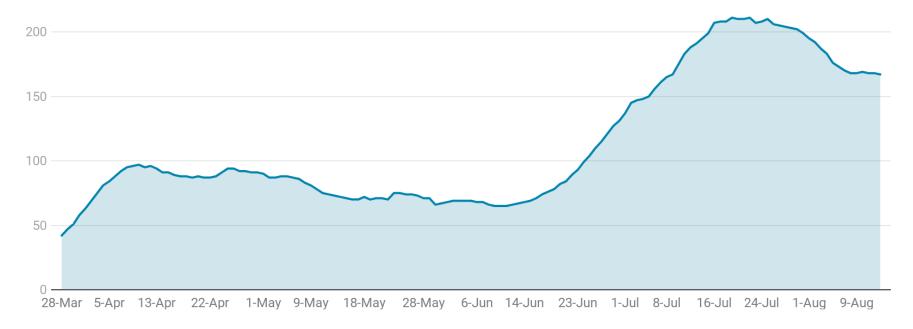
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Letting down our guard? New infections per capita* seems to be hitting a (too high) plateau

New Infections Per 1 Million Population - United States

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, Through August 13



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

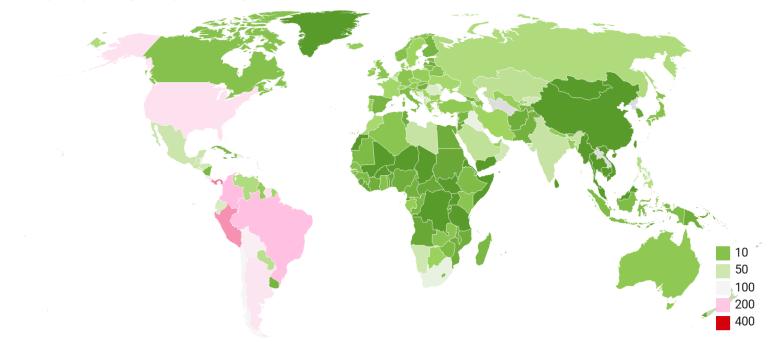


Worldwide

New infection rates continue to be highest in South America and the United States

New Daily Infections / 1 Million Population

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13



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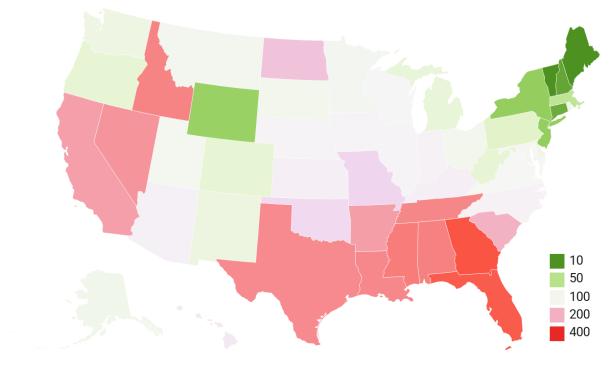


State-By-State

New daily infection rates, although easing, remain high in the Southeast and parts of the West

New Daily Infections Per 1 Million Population

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13



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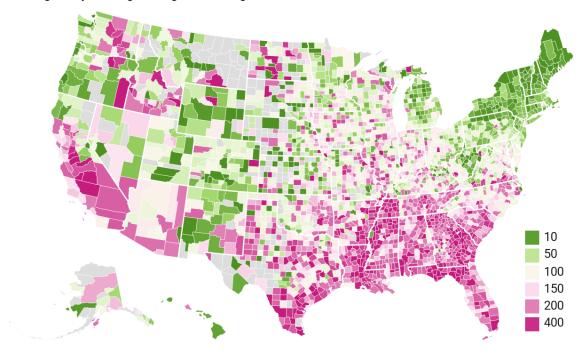


Metro-By-Metro

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

New Daily Infections Per Million Population





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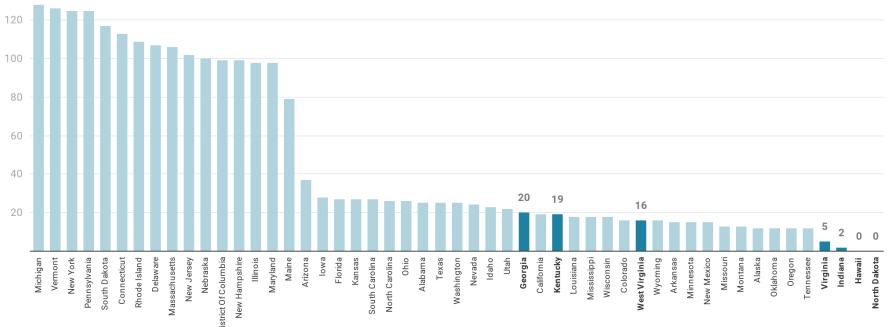
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Only four states have experienced their highest infection rate within the past eleven days; Those four, plus West Virginia, Kentucky and Georgia are the only states with current rates within 10% of peak

Days Since Peak New Infection Rate





Highlighted states have a new daily infection rate >= 90% of their peak level (trailing 7-day moving average)

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



Thirteen states are experiencing new infection rates less than ½ their peak; Connecticut, New Jersey and New York are under 10%

New Daily Infections / Million

% of YTD Peak, Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13

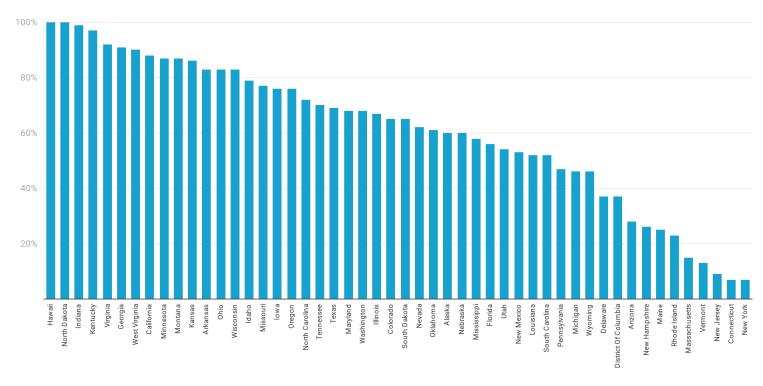


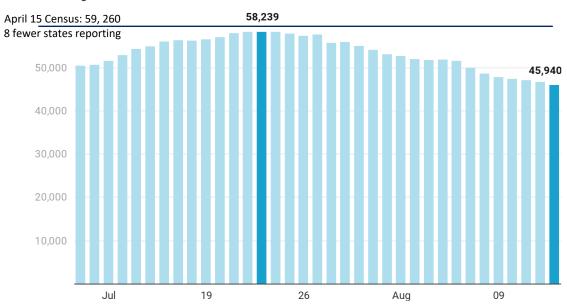
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COVID-19 census declined for 15th consecutive day and 19th in past 3 weeks; Now, down 20% in three weeks; Decline led by easing in California, Florida and Texas

Hospital Census: COVID-19 Patients

As of August 13



Florida data first available on July 10

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

As of August 13

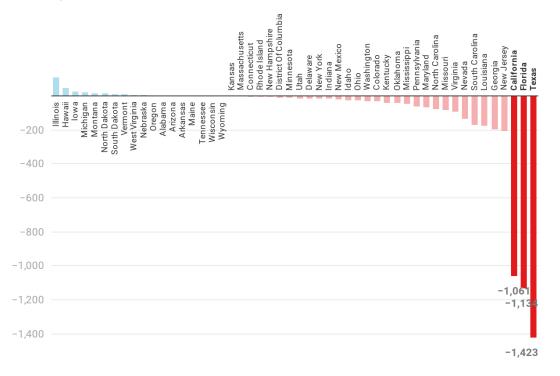


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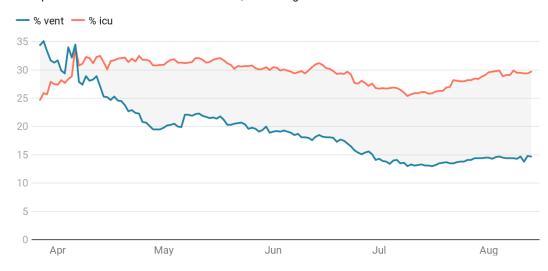


Stress on ICU beds and ventilators is also easing; ICU census has declined 7 consecutive days

ER Visits for COVID-19 are Declining

Severity of Hospitalized Patients

% of patients on ventilators and in the ICU, As of August 13

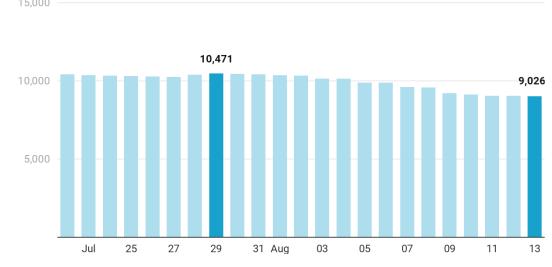


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ICU COVID-19 Census Also Down

COVID-19 ICU Census



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

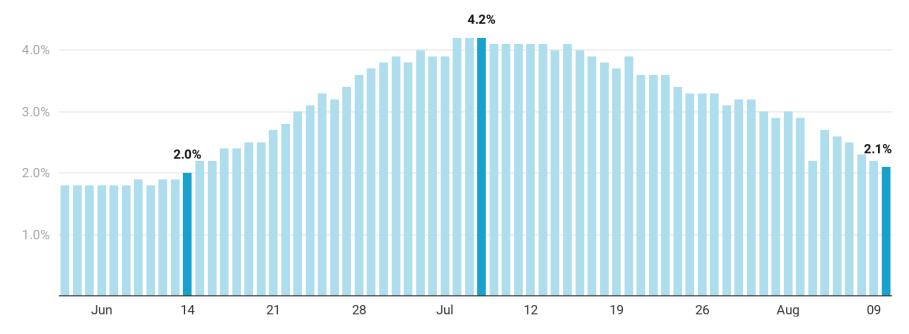
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ER visits for COVID-19-like illnesses continue to decline; Now, at ½ of peak rate and lowest since June 14

% of Emergency Department Visits for COVID-Like Illness

As of August 10



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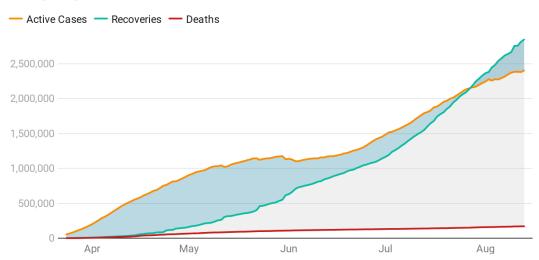
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Recoveries accelerating, now exceed active cases in the United States by 18%; Nearly 17 recovered persons for each death

Active Cases v. Recoveries & Deaths

Through August 13

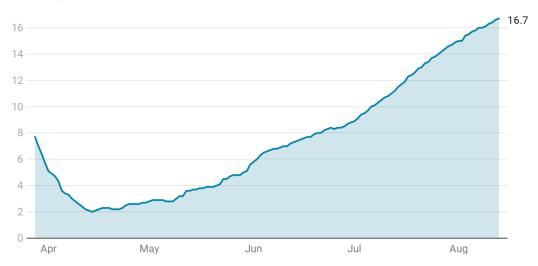


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Recoveries: Deaths - United States

As of August 13



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Deaths down slightly on consecutive days yet remained high on Thursday; Week-over-week rate consistent with range during past two weeks Deaths per case down to 3.15%

Deaths Recorded With Coronavirus in the U.S.

Trailing 7-Day Moving Average, As of August 13



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Deaths Per Case

As of August 13



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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
- Centers for Disease Control, COVID Data Tracker https://www.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/index.html#mobility
- Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, COVID-19 estimate downloads http://www.healthdata.org/covid/data-downloads
- New York Times, Covid-19 data https://github.com/nytimes/covid-19-data
- COVID-19 Data Repository by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering (CSSE) at Johns Hopkins University https://github.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19