

## NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – March 23, 2020

### NATIONAL:

- Total cases: 33,404
- Total deaths: 400
- Jurisdictions reporting cases: 54 (50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and US Virgin Islands)

Data include both confirmed and presumptive positive cases of COVID-19 reported to CDC or tested at CDC since January 21, 2020, with the exception of testing results for persons repatriated to the United States from Wuhan, China and Japan. State and local public health departments are now testing and publicly reporting their cases. In the event of a discrepancy between CDC cases and cases reported by state and local public health officials, data reported by states should be considered the most up to date.

### STATE:

**CALIFORNIA: 1,733 positive cases (increase of 667); 27 deaths: 26 CA residents, 1 non-CA**

As of 2 p.m. PDT on March 22, approximately 26,400 tests had been conducted in California. This includes the latest numbers California has received from commercial and private labs. At least 14,317 results have been received and another 12,100 are pending.

Ages of all confirmed positive cases:

- Age 0-17: 25 cases
- Age 18-49: 837 cases
- Age 50-64: 442 cases
- Age 65+: 415 cases
- Unknown: 14 cases

1,709 – Cases not related to repatriation flights

- 120– Travel-related
- 165 – Person to person
- 474– Community transmission
- 950 – Under investigation

24 – Cases of positive tests related to federal repatriation flights

## 22 – [State and county health labs](#) currently testing

In order to better focus public health resources on the changing needs of California communities, on March 18, the state is no longer collecting information about California travelers returning from countries that have confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks. Community transmission of COVID-19 has been identified in California since late February, and since early March, most of the confirmed cases in the state were not related to travel outside of the United States.

### Governor Updates:

- Governor Gavin Newsom and state health officials provided an update today on the state's response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Listen to it [here](#).
- The state has launched a new website for COVID-19 information and resources: <https://covid19.ca.gov/>
- They also have a [toolkit](#) available.
- Most all State Park parking lots will now be closed due to concerns over Social Distancing: [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov) for up to date info on which

### LOCAL:

- People tested before the Public Health Laboratory came online March 7:
- 6 tested by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention or California Department of Public Health
- People whose tests were run by the Public Health Laboratory: 103
- Results Summary to date:
  - 109 total patients tested
  - 1 positive
  - 1 positive, cleared
  - 1 inconclusive, cleared
  - 106 negative
- Current test capacity: After receiving additional supplies, the Public Health Laboratory has a total capacity of 400 tests and can process approximately 20 samples a day with an approximate turnaround time of 48 hours.