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NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – April 16, 2020

NATIONAL:

- Total cases: 632,548 (632,220 confirmed; 348 probable)
- Total deaths: 31,071 (26,930 confirmed; 4,141 probable)

Jurisdictions reporting cases: 55 (50 states, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands)

*As of April 14, 2020, CDC case counts and death counts include both confirmed and probable cases and deaths. This change was made to reflect an interim COVID-19 position statement issued by the Council for State and Territorial Epidemiologists on April 5, 2020. The position statement included a case definition and made COVID-19 a nationally notifiable disease.

A confirmed case or death is defined by meeting confirmatory laboratory evidence for COVID-19. A probable case or death is defined by i) meeting clinical criteria AND epidemiologic evidence with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID-19; or ii) meeting presumptive laboratory evidence AND either clinical criteria OR epidemiologic evidence; or iii) meeting vital records criteria with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID19.

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.

Cases of COVID-19 Reported in the US, by Source of Exposure

- Travel Related 6,814 (no chg.)
- Close Contact 14,728 (no chg.)
- Under Investigation 611,006 (+27,158)
- Total cases 632,548

STATE:

As of April 15:

- 26,182 positive cases (+1,758)
- 890 deaths (+69)

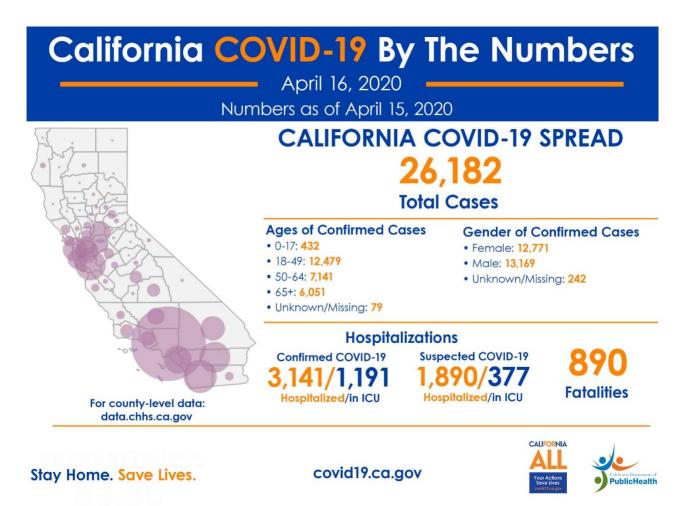
Approximately **246,400 tests** have been conducted. At least 202,208 results have been received and 13,200 are pending.



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California Health and Human Services Agency is releasing this information as an <u>open</u> <u>dataset</u>. This includes dashboards for <u>hospital data</u> and statewide <u>case statistics</u>.



GOVERNOR NEWSOM UPDATES:

Governor Newsom Announces Paid Sick Leave Benefits for Food Sector Workers Impacted by COVID-19, Additional Protections for Consumers. <u>Full PR</u>

Daily Press Conference: Governor Gavin Newsom provides and update to the State's response to COVID-19. <u>Watch here</u>

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond Announces Task Force to Close Digital Divide

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond announced today the creation of a new task force to close the digital divide for California students who lack access to resources such as internet connectivity and devices. The Closing the Digital Divide Task Force will be co-



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chaired by Thurmond and California State Senator Connie M. Leyva, who is also Chair of the Senate Education Committee. <u>Full PR</u>

LOCAL:

April 16, 2020 – Case Count Remains at 52

No additional cases of COVID-19 were confirmed today keeping the local count at 52 for the second day in a row.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich said while the confirmation of no new cases is always a good thing, we continue to expect more positive cases. "We are continuing to focus on getting all of the pieces in place as identified by the Governor's recent address, such as testing capacity and all aspects of preparedness."

- Total number of positive cases: 52
- Total number of hospitalizations: 3
- Total number of deaths: 0

Total number of tests run: 1,553

- Total number of people tested by Public Health Laboratory: 931
- Total number of people tested by all other sources: 622

The Public Health Laboratory currently has a capacity of approximately 550 tests and can process about 55 samples a day with an approximate turnaround time of 48 to 72 hours.

FEATURED VIDEOS FROM HUMBOLDT COUNTY JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

• COVID Minute: April 16: <u>Homeless Services</u>

In today's COVID Minute, DHHS Sr. Program Manager Raul Torres talks about how county staff are working to assist homeless individuals in light of COVID-19.

April 16, 2020 | Media Availability - <u>Sheriff William Honsal</u> Sheriff William Honsal talks about citation statistics, jail operations, National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week and jobs at the HCSO.

 April 15, 2020 | Media Availability - <u>Dr. Teresa Frankovich</u> Dr. Teresa Frankovich discusses COVID-19 testing, access to a rapid test, and isolation of positive COVID-19 patients.

HCOE COVID RESOURCES