

NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – May 21, 2020

NATIONAL:

- **Total cases 1,551,095 (+22,860)**
- **Total deaths: 93,061 (+1,397)**

**Compared to yesterday's data. Total jurisdictions includes 50 states, District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S Virgin Islands.

STATE:

- **86,197 positive cases (+2,140)**
- **3,542 deaths (+106)**

Approximately 1,421,128 tests have been conducted.

California Health and Human Services Agency is releasing this information as an [open dataset](#). This includes dashboards for [hospital data](#) and statewide case statistics. See the [county level data](#).

GOVERNOR NEWSOM UPDATES

Today: Governor Newsom to Host Roundtable with Californians who Work in Film & Television Industry. [Full Release](#)

Memorial Day weekend is here and if you're going outside, California State Parks show you how to do it safely and responsibly. [Watch PSA](#) and follow these tips:

- Plan Ahead -- Before leaving home, visit the webpage of your local destination to find out if it is open, if parking is available and to learn about the new visitor guidelines.
- Stay Local -- Stay close to home. Do not take road trips to parks and beaches.
- Stay Safer at 6 ft. – Always maintain a physical distance from others. Visitors are being asked to leave if there are too many people to allow for the required physical distance.

- Keep Clean – Be prepared. Not all restrooms are open to the public. Bring soap/sanitizer and pack out all trash.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

Join State Superintendent Tony Thurmond and the **Closing the Digital Divide Task Force** at the group's next hearing tomorrow, Friday, May 22, at 2:30 p.m., here on [Facebook Live](#).

California students are trying to continue their education in a distance learning environment, yet there are equity issues due to lack of access to devices and internet connectivity. The Closing the Digital Divide Task Force meets to discuss solutions to closing persistent technology gaps impacting the state's most vulnerable students.

Fall 2020: A Discussion on the Safe Re-opening of California Schools Webinar, hosted by State Superintendent Tony Thurmond. In case you missed it, [watch here](#).

Virtual Student Support Circle, hosted by State Superintendent Tony Thurmond

In case you missed it, [watch here](#). California Surgeon General's Playbook: [Stress Relief during COVID-19](#)

LOCAL:

No New Cases Confirmed Today

No new cases of COVID-19 were confirmed today. Humboldt County's total case count remains at 88.

The following information is based on the most recent data available for all confirmed cases:

- Contact to a Known Case: 46 (no chg)
- Travel-Acquired: 24 (no chg)
- Community Transmission: 14 (no chg)
- Under Investigation: 4 (no chg)

Daily COVID-19 case report for May 21

- Total number of positive cases: 88 (no chg)
- Total number of recovered cases: 66 (+1)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 11 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 2

- Total number of people tested by Public Health Laboratory: 2,624
- Total number of people tested by all other sources: 2,335
(Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, California Department of Public Health and commercial labs)

The Public Health Laboratory currently has a capacity of approximately 2,200 tests and can process about 65 samples a day with an approximate turnaround time of 48 to 72 hours.

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT NEWS

May 21, 2020 - Customers Possibly Exposed to COVID-19 at McKinleyville Aztec Grill

Anyone who was inside the facility located at 1693 Central Ave. in McKinleyville between the hours of 4:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. any day between May 15 to May 20 should contact the Humboldt County Joint Information Center at 707-441-5000, whether or not you are experiencing symptoms. A Public Health nurse will evaluate your possible exposure and provide information. There is no increased exposure risk for people who used gas pumps without entering the building. The Joint Information Center will be available to take your call until 8 p.m. tonight and tomorrow between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. [More info](#)

FEATURED VIDEOS FROM HUMBOLDT COUNTY JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

May 21, 2020 | Media Availability - [Sheriff William Honsal](#)

May 21, 2020 | [Humboldt OES PPE Distribution](#)

Our Emergency Operations Center continues to distribute Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to medical facilities and first responder agencies across the county. Here's a behind the scenes look at how that PPE is prepared for distribution.

May 21, 2020 | The COVID Minute - [City of Arcata](#)

Arcata City Manager Karen Diemer talks about what the city is doing in response to COVID-19 and the resources you can find at their website, [visitarcata.com](#).

HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Check out our [COVID webpages](#) for latest information