

## NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – July 16, 2020

### NATIONAL:

- **Total cases 3,483,832 (+67,404)**
- **Total deaths: 136,938 (+947)**

### STATE:

- **Positive cases: 356,178 (+8,544: 2.5%)**
- **Deaths: 7,345 (+118: 1.6%)**

**\*5,915,508 tests have been conducted.**

### **New Statewide & County Closures**

Effective immediately, California closes some indoor business operations statewide and additional indoor operations in counties on Monitoring List for 3 consecutive days.

Statewide indoor closures include restaurants, bars and breweries, wineries & tasting rooms, movie theaters, family entertainment centers, zoos and museums, and cardrooms. County indoor closures include fitness centers, places of worship, indoor protests, offices for non-critical infrastructure sectors, personal care services, hair salons and barbershops, and malls. County closures apply to counties that have been on the County Monitoring List for 3 consecutive days. [Learn more](#).

### **GOVERNOR NEWSOM UPDATES**

- **FRIDAY: Governor Newsom to Provide Update on COVID-19 Guidance for Schools.** The update will be streamed at the @CAGovernor Twitter page and California Governor [Facebook page](#).
  - **Friday, July 17, at 12:00 p.m.**
- Governor Newsom Announces \$600 Million in Home Key Funds Now Immediately Available for Local Governments to Purchase Housing for Homeless Californians. [Full Release](#)
- Governor Newsom Announces Appointments. [Full Release](#)
- "When we all do our part, we can all keep California healthy."

California Surgeon General, Dr. Nadine Burke Harris, shares the easy and simple steps we can take to protect each other from COVID19. [Watch PSA](#)

### **CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

- State Superintendent Tony Thurmond Applauds Schools for Making Student and Educator Safety Center of Reopening Decisions. [Full Release](#)
- Tomorrow at 10 a.m., California State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond, Oregon Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction Colt Gill, and Dr. Lynne Holden, President & CEO of Mentoring in Medicine, Inc., as well as Associate Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, will join The Hunt Institute to discuss how schools might reopen safely and provide support to students and staff – especially those at greater risk.
  - Register for the webinar here: <http://bit.ly/2DfVpam>

- ICYMI: State Superintendent Tony Thurmond joined California State Senator Steve Glazer this morning for a COVID-19 Virtual Town Hall with local teachers and education leaders. [Listen here](#)

- State Superintendent Tony Thurmond on Wednesday commended school districts across California for making student, teacher, and staff health and safety the foremost priority as they formalize plans for resuming learning this fall.

During his latest virtual news media briefing Wednesday, the State Superintendent encouraged schools to continue designing plans for in-person instruction this fall but urged educators to prepare for the possibility of resuming distance learning based on current health and safety conditions. COVID-19 infections continue to rise, and some of the state's largest school districts have announced plans to resume learning virtually this fall.

Read more: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/nr/ne/yr20/yr20rel58.asp>

Watch the full news briefing here:

<https://www.facebook.com/CAEducation/videos/742725556484289/>

## LOCAL:

### **July 16, 2020 – Three New Cases Reported Today**

Humboldt County's total case count now stands at 178 after three additional cases of COVID-19 were reported today.

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

[Humboldt County Dashboard for today](#)

**Daily COVID-19 case report for July 16**

- Total number of positive cases: 178 (+3)
- Total number of recovered cases: 146 (+2)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 16 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 4 (no chg)

Total tests conducted: 13,142

**Overall Alert Level: 2**

Follow local and state health orders and guidance.

- Level 1 New Normal - Cases are somewhat sporadic, and contact tracing can be used to control the virus. Take everyday enhanced precautions.
- Level 2 Moderate Risk - Moderate number of cases with majority of cases from a known source. Increase efforts to limit personal exposure.
- Level 3 High Risk - Many cases with conditions for community spread, with many undetected cases likely. Limit everyday activities to increase safety.
- Level 4 Very High Risk - Widespread outbreak that is growing with many undetected cases. Take strong measures to limit all contact.

**Public Health Laboratory testing Information**

- Supply capacity: Approximately 2,000 tests
- Testing capacity: 75 samples per day
  - 24-72 hours
- Positivity Rate: 2.9%\* (+0.7%)  
\*over past week

**COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT:**

July 16, 2020 - Data Dashboard Now Includes Alert Level Assessment Tool. [Full Release](#)

**VIDEOS FROM HUMBOLDT JOINT INFORMATION CENTER**

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Deputy Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Josh Ennis talks about the new COVID-19 Alert Assessment Tool viewable at [www.humboldt.gov.org/dashboard](http://www.humboldt.gov.org/dashboard).

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

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