



LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER COVID-19 UPDATE

Information Line: 211

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SITUATION AS OF FEBRUARY 23, 2021

Incident Type: Public Health Emergency	First U.S. Case: January 21, 2020	First LA County Case: January 26, 2020
Total Cases	1,183,378	
New Cases Today	2,091	
Total Deaths	20,057	
Current Hospitalizations	2,146	

SUMMARY

The following public information is a summary of events managed by the Los Angeles County Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The County EOC is tasked with coordinating emergency response and Countywide resources to address the COVID-19 disaster. Please share this information with your family, fellow residents, municipal, state, and community partners.

- [Today's Public Health Update](#)
- [Cold Weather Alert](#)
- **Los Angeles County Health Services Expands Free Community-Based COVID-19 Testing in New Partnership with Black Churches.** [Click Here](#) to learn more.
- [L.A. County Department of Public Health Statement on Schools Reopening](#)
- Los Angeles County-Operated Vaccination Sites Remain Open for Healthcare Workers, 65+ Due For Second Dose at These Sites. [Click Here](#) to learn more.
- View the latest [Health Officer Order](#)
- Visit the [COVID-19 Dashboard](#) for updates on hospital beds, ventilators, and personal protective equipment.
- [Los Angeles County COVID-19 Hospital Demand Modeling Projections](#)
- [Public Health's COVID-19 Surveillance Dashboard](#)
- To receive regular updates, sign up for our **GovDelivery** distribution list here: <https://bit.ly/2QE6khO>

PRESS CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

LA County Officials will provide COVID-19 Updates. Watch the press conferences on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [YouTube](#).

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| • Monday, March 1, 2021 at 1:00 PM | • Monday, March 22, 2021 at 1:00 PM |
| • Monday, March 8, 2021 at 1:00 PM | • Monday, March 29, 2021 at 1:00 PM |
| • Monday, March 15, 2021 at 1:00 PM | |

TESTING

Available by Appointment Only

TO SCHEDULE

AN APPOINTMENT [CLICK HERE](#)

LA County residents should first call their healthcare provider for a COVID-19 test. If this is not an option, [click here](#) to schedule an appointment. If you need help finding a health care provider, call 2-1-1 or visit [211LA](#).

Additional Testing Resources:

- [LA County Home Test Collection Program](#)
- [Testing FAQs](#)
- COVID-19: [What You Need to Know](#)
- Learn about [Contact Tracing](#) to stop the spread.
- [Home Isolation Instructions for People with COVID-19](#)
- [Home Quarantine Instructions for Close Contacts to COVID-19](#)
- Department of Public Health Website: [COVID-19 Testing](#)

Testing highly recommended for:

- **People who have symptoms:** If you have symptoms of COVID-19, talk to a healthcare provider and get tested.
- **People who have been a close contact to someone with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 (a case) within the last 14 days.** Even if your test is negative, you will still need to complete your quarantine.
- **People with or without symptoms who are part of an outbreak response or contact investigation in high-risk settings,** such as nursing homes, congregate living facilities, correctional facilities, or persons experiencing homelessness.

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT [CLICK HERE](#)

VACCINE & DISTRIBUTION

The LA County COVID-19 vaccination call center is experiencing a surge of thousands of callers seeking to schedule appointments, causing wait times as long as several hours. While we are increasing staffing at the call center, we strongly urge residents who have computer access to go to [VaccinateLACounty.com](#) to check appointment availability. The call center should be used only by residents with disabilities or who do not have computer access and need assistance to check for available appointments.

- **Know Your Tier: Go to [VaccinateLACounty.com](#) to find out when it's your turn to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Information in Spanish: [Click Here](#).**
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Registration Open for LA County Residents Aged 65 and Older](#)
- For vaccination Distribution Prioritization and Phases [Click Here](#).
- **To learn how to secure your second dose appointment [Click Here](#).**
- [COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs](#)
- [Vaccine Distribution Dashboard](#)

PUBLIC HEALTH COVID-19 CASE COUNTS

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is actively monitoring the number of COVID-19 cases reported throughout the County. As of 2/23/2021, approximately 5,778,388 people in Los Angeles County have been tested for COVID-19, and 19% were positive.

Source	Number of Cases	Deaths
LA County (Excluding LB & Pas)	1,121,740	18,942
City of Long Beach	50,855	808

City of Pasadena	10,783	307
Los Angeles County Public Health (Total)	1,183,378	20,057

**Confirmed Cases
by Age Group**

Los Angeles County (Excluding LA & Pas)

0-4	22,082
5-11	53,524
12-17	67,070
18-29	265,248
30-49	372,857
50-64	216,411
65-79	86,410
Over 80	31,335
Under Investigation	6,803

Confirmed Cases – Public Safety

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department:

As of 2/23/2021: 2,892 LASD staff have tested positive for COVID-19, 946 are quarantined, 5,620 have returned to work. For more LASD Coronavirus updates [Click Here.](#)

Los Angeles County Fire Department

As of 2/23/2021: 1,026 LACoFD staff have tested positive for COVID-19, 38 are isolated and recovering, 988 have returned to work. For more LACoFD Coronavirus updates [Click Here.](#)

**COVID-19 RELATED MEDICAL
SHELTERING OPERATIONS**

As of July 1, 2020, DHS assumed the role of operational lead for the County's Medical Sheltering program. For more information on Medical Sheltering [Click Here.](#)

Current Medical Sheltering Locations:

Location	Date operational	Number of Clients*
Pomona Fairplex	3/25/20	79
Sherman Hotel	3/27/20	31
David L. Murphy	4/25/20	3
Willow Tree Inn	12/14/20	3
Vagabond Inn	12/22/20	24
Total		140

**Number of clients is reported as of 0800 today. This number will fluctuate daily as clients arrive/are discharged.*

**PERSONS EXPERIENCING
HOMELESSNESS**

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) is the designated lead coordinating agency for work relating to people experiencing homelessness in LA County. Visit the website for more information on [Homelessness & Housing](#). For more information on Project Roomkey [Click Here.](#)

Project Roomkey locations and occupancy numbers are updated weekly on Mondays. For the latest PRK update, see the [February 22, 2021 Incident Update](#). The next update will be Monday, March 1, 2021.

**COMBATTING
HUNGER**

The County of Los Angeles is committed to feeding our most vulnerable communities during the Coronavirus pandemic. We mobilized public agencies, nonprofits, and volunteers to provide meals to anyone in need. Visit <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/food/> for more information.

- The LA Regional Food Bank is leading efforts to make sure that food and product remain safe, and that distributions and volunteer activities can continue. For more information [Click Here](#). To find a food distribution event near you [Click Here](#).

Food Distribution Event Totals

Total: 89 events serving 145,884 households, representing an estimated 437,000 individuals have been provided with 4,504 tons of food (equivalent to 7.5 million meals).

REOPENING & RECOVERY RESOURCES

- [L.A. County Department of Public Health Statement on Schools Reopening](#)
- View the latest [Health Officer Order](#)
- For the latest sector openings [Click Here](#)
- [Department of Public Health Roadmap to Recovery](#)

PROCLAMATION AND EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

- Federal: National Emergency Declaration on March 13, 2020
- Federal: U.S. Small Business Administration Declaration on March 16, 2020
- Federal: Presidential Major Disaster Declaration, March 22, 2020
- Federal: President Trump signed the CARES Act into law on March 27, 2020
- State: California State of Emergency Proclaimed on March 4, 2020
- County: LA County Proclamation of Local Emergency on March 4, 2020
- Cities: 86 proclaimed Local Emergency; 2 declared Local Health Emergency