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CORONAVIRUS MEDIA RECAP - DAILY UPDATE

Friday, June 5, 2020

This is a summary of today's events based on various media briefings by federal, state, county and city officials.

Cases – Reported as of Summary Time

Location	Confirmed/Reported Cases	Deaths
United States	1,952,404	111,334
California	125,984	4,553
Los Angeles County	61,045 2.33% increase over 6/4	2,565
Claremont	58	1
Hotspots (Top 2) – Note – California is #3		
New York	384,920	30,343
New Jersey	165,162	12,078

Federal Government/White House/National Coverage

- The daily average for new coronavirus cases has been increasing slightly in recent days, with counts rising in the South and West.
- In a CDC report released today, a survey found that 39% of 502 respondents reported engaging in “non-recommend, high-risk practices,” including using bleach on food, applying household cleaning or disinfectant products to their skin and inhaling or ingesting such products.
- A vaccine against the coronavirus may not be as simple as one shot; there's a high likelihood an eventual vaccine will require a two-dose series, a month or so apart, with the possibility of a booster several years later, adding to the complexity and cost of administration and distribution.
- The first shot would prime the immune system, helping it recognize the virus. The second shot would strengthen the immune response.
- Public health experts said it will take two to three weeks to figure out if the George Floyd demonstrations happening across the U.S. will mean a bump in coronavirus cases. And, they note it would be hard to definitely tie them an increase. (Not only are many states loosening restrictions, many places saw large Memorial Day weekend crowds.)
- The College Board (company) administers the SAT college entrance exam is eliminating plans to provide a home version of the test this year, saying it can't guarantee all students would have access to the needed technology.
- There's a trial underway to see if Ibuprofen could be an effective part of [treating breathing difficulties in COVID patients](#). – BBC
- Dr. Anthony Fauci said in an interview with JAMA that he worries that a potential coronavirus vaccine may not provide long-term immunity. – CNBC

- Wuhan, where the global pandemic originated, says it has succeeded in carrying out tests for COVID-19 on virtually all of its 11 million people – excluding children under age 6. – Associated Press
- U.S. unemployment fell to 13.3% in May as 2.5 million jobs were added, which is a surprising upswing.

State of California/Governor Gavin Newsom/State Coverage

1:00 p.m.

- The State will allow schools, day camps, bars, gyms, campgrounds and professional sports to begin reopening with modifications starting next Friday.
- The state will release guidance later Friday for counties to follow to reopen a broad range of businesses that have been closed since mid-March because of concerns about spreading the coronavirus, said Mark Ghaly, secretary of the California Health and Human Services agency.
- The rules on schools and day camps will apply statewide. But only counties that have met certain thresholds on the number of cases, testing and preparedness will be allowed to start reopening the other sectors. Almost all of the state's 58 counties have met those metrics. The state's guidance will also include rules on hotels, casinos, museums, zoos and aquariums and the resumption of music, film and television production.
- When students return to classrooms, things could look vastly different. In addition to requirements for physical distancing, the state plans to supply every school and childcare center with no-touch thermometers, hand sanitizer, face shields for every teacher, cloth face coverings for staff and students and tight-fitting N-95 masks for health care professionals in schools.

L.A. Department of Public Health/County of Los Angeles

1:00 p.m.

- 36 new deaths and 1,445 new cases reported today.
- More than 672,000 people have been tested for COVID-19 and had the results reported to county health officials. Of those tests, 8% have been positive.
- As of today, 6,833 people who tested positive for COVID-19 (11% of positive cases) have been hospitalized at some point during their illness. There are 1,488 people who are currently hospitalized, 29% of these people are in the ICU and 20% are on ventilators.
- Dr. Ferrer provided a racial breakdown of the confirmed deaths, based on information for 2,373 of the victims. The data was presented both as an overall percentage and by rates per 100,000 residents in each ethnic group. The latter highlights the disproportionate number of deaths experienced in communities of color.
 - 31 (per 100,000) - African American
 - 30 - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 - 29 - Latino/Latina
 - 21 - Asian
 - 15 - White
- There has been a slight uptick in cases over the past few days.