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

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**Current Records – Note – California is #2**

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### International Coverage/Federal Government/National Coverage

- Texas Gov. Greg Abbott on Thursday halted elective surgeries in Texas’ biggest counties and said the state would “pause” its aggressive reopening as it deals with a surge in coronavirus cases and hospitalizations that has made it one of the nation’s virus hotspots.
- The “pause” will also slow down any planned expansion of occupancy levels at places like bars, restaurants and amusement parks and other venues throughout Texas.
- The CDC has been looking at antibody tests done across the country to see how many people had past infections that were not diagnosed at the time, said director Dr. Robert Redfield. It is seeing many more cases than have been reported officially.
- Only 1 in 10 cases are likely to have been identified. The number of Americans who have been infected is likely 10 times higher than the 2.3 million reported cases (about 20 million) Redfield told a media briefing.
- Between 5 percent and 8 percent of Americans have been infected to date.
- The C.D.C. is basing those estimates on antibody test results from across the country. The tests detect whether an individual has ever had Covid-19, the disease caused by the coronavirus, as opposed to diagnostic tests, which detect current infections. Both types of tests have been plagued by accuracy
problems, although the antibody tests, which are based on blood samples rather than nasal swabs, have had a higher rate of failures.

- This is partly because testing had been limited to people who were seriously ill and showing up in hospitals or nursing homes. But now, as more people are being tested, it is becoming clear that a large percentage of people did not have any symptoms, or mild symptoms, Redfield said.
- Arizona is also seeing the highest number of new cases per capita of any state in the country. It’s had more new cases per capita than any state has had besides New York or New Jersey, according to a CNN analysis of data from Johns Hopkins University.
- The state has added about 2,700 new cases per day over the seven days that ended Tuesday. Adjusted for population, that’s about 38 new cases per 100,000 people per day.
- Gov. Ron DeSantis of Florida said Thursday that he did not intend to move to the next phase of reopening.
- Over the past two days, Florida has reported more than 10,000 new cases, bringing its total to more than 114,000. Orange County, home to Orlando, is averaging 353 new cases a day, compared with 73 two weeks ago.

State of California/Governor Gavin Newsom/State Coverage

- The number of COVID-19 patients entering the ICU is up by 19%.
- As of today, Newsom said patients hospitalized because of COVID-19 jumped 32% in the last two weeks to 4,240, double the two-week increase of 16% that he had reported on Monday.
- There is a shift in who is getting infected. It’s younger people, particularly in Los Angeles County, where 18- to 40-year-olds account for 40% of new infections (a month ago they accounted for 33%). In California, more than 44% of new diagnoses are in the 34 or younger age group, up from 29% a month ago.
- The state has a 5.6% coronavirus positivity rate over the last weekdays, 5.1% over the last two weeks. He also noted that it’s below the 8% threshold required for counties to stay off the state's watchlist. (L.A.’s positivity rate is currently 8.5%, according to the county's public health director, Barbara Ferrer.)
- The number of people testing positive for COVID-19 dropped today from 7,149, an all-time high, to 5,349. A record number of people were tested yesterday — more than 101,000.
- Now roughly 3.7 million Californians have been tested over the course of this pandemic, with an average of 88,000 tests per day over the past week. But Gov. Newsom said that testing still needs to be increased as part of community COVID-19 surveillance. There have been about 56,000 new cases over the past two weeks.
- Newsom announced that California wants to build a model of models — he announced a California COVID Assessment Tool site to help inform both state and local response to the disease. According to the state, it will allow for better models and more actionable intelligence, as well as enable people to come together across sectors to work on COVID-19.
- California Health and Human Services Secretary Mark Ghaly said “the forecast is essentially like a 10-day weather forecast letting you know what to expect over the next few weeks. There is also another part of the tool that shows scenarios, and what the potential consequences of today's actions are — such as lifting stay-at-home orders, or reopening bars and restaurants.”
- Newsom praised Disney for announcing yesterday the decision not to reopen Disneyland on July 19. He noted that, based upon data and local conditions, the state decided not to issue guidelines yet on how to reopen theme parks. According to Disney, the state won't be releasing those guidelines until after July 4.
Newsom was also asked a question about school reopenings. He indicated that “the state is still in discussion with state education leaders on how schools will reopen.” He described it as a “more complicated question than you can imagine, based on the thousand-plus school districts and the myriad of opinions that are coming back.” He discussed specific concern over children being required to wear masks, a question that remains open.

AICCU has been informed that Governor Gavin Newsom's COVID-19 guidance for higher education is set to be released next week. The governor's statewide order on universal face coverings required that all guidance—both issued and in queue—be updated. We have been told that the higher education guidance documents are “next in line” after the issued guidance has been revised.

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

- 42 new deaths and 2,012 new cases reported today.
- There are 1,633 people who are currently hospitalized, 25% of these people are in the ICU and 18% are on ventilators.
- Latinos/Latinx now have the highest mortality rate at 38 deaths per 100,000 people and African Americans/Blacks continue to have a high mortality rate at 37 deaths per 100,000 people. The mortality rate for Asians is 25 deaths per 100,000 people and for Whites is 19 per 100,000 people.
- People who live in communities with the highest rates of poverty have a mortality rate of 64 per 100,000 people, four times higher than people living in communities with the lowest rate of poverty (16%).
- The County also has attained the capacity to test more than 15,000 people each day.

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