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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<td>LA County Hospitalizations</td>
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### Current Case Leaders by State

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### International Coverage/Federal Government/National Coverage

- President Trump blame a summer surge in coronavirus cases across country on holiday gatherings such as Memorial Day, nationwide protests over the death of George Floyd, a substantial increase in travel as well as the country’s border with Mexico.
- There are likely a number of causes for the spike in infections. Cases started to rise among young Americans shortly after demonstrations, which you know very well about, which presumably triggered a broader relaxation of mitigation efforts nationwide," he told reporters.
- Texas on Wednesday set one-day records for increases in COVID-19 deaths and hospitalizations in the state, forcing one county to store bodies in refrigerated trucks and prompting a top health official there to call for new stay-at-home orders.
- Texas, which reported 197 deaths and 10,893 hospitalizations, has been one of the states hardest hit by the resurgent coronavirus. Hidalgo County, at the southern tip of the state on the U.S. border with Mexico, has seen cases rise 60 percent in the last week, according to a Reuters tally, with deaths doubling to more than 360.
As coronavirus cases have surged in recent weeks, President Trump has repeatedly said the growing case count is a result of increased testing, not a worsening outbreak. An analysis by The New York Times, however, shows the rise in cases far outpaces the growth in testing.

About 21,000 cases were reported per day in early June, when the positive test rate was 4.8 percent. As testing expanded, the positive test rate should have fallen. Even if it had stayed the same, there would have been about 38,000 cases reported each day. Instead, the positive test rate has nearly doubled, and more than 66,000 cases are now reported each day.

The average number of tests conducted nationwide has grown by 80 percent since early June, to 780,000 per day. Daily case counts have grown by 215 percent in the same period.

Florida, the state with the largest discrepancy, is reporting more than 11,000 new cases per day, on average, while only about 2,400 cases each day would be expected because of increased testing. California and Texas numbers are also far above what would be expected.

Dr. Birx encouraged states with lower positive test rates to use more pool testing, a method in which samples from many people are tested at once in an effort to quickly find and isolate the infected. That form of screening, she said, would free up more tests for states in the South and West, where surges in cases have led to long waits for test results.

The Trump administration on Wednesday announced a nearly $2 billion contract with the pharmaceutical giant Pfizer and a smaller German biotechnology company for up to 600 million doses of a potential coronavirus vaccine. If the vaccine proves to be safe and effective in clinical trials, the companies say, they could manufacture the first 100 million doses by December.

The administration’s decision to strike a deal for millions of doses of a not-yet-finished vaccine is unusual in two ways. The private sector purchases most vaccines in the United States, not the government. And when the government does buy vaccines — typically on behalf of low-income children — it almost always pursues contracts with pharmaceutical companies who have already gotten safety and efficacy approval from the Food and Drug Administration.

State of California/Governor Gavin Newsom/State Coverage

It appears that California is or about to surpass New York for most COVID cases in the nation.

Today Gov. Newsom said that 12,807 people tested positive the day before, “the highest reported number in our state."

Newsom said he is extending a contract with Chinese firm BYD to buy 300 million more surgical masks and 120 million additional N95 face masks to protect medical workers and others, while he also seeks bids from companies that can provide protective gear in future months. The so-called bridge contract is worth $315 million.

The governor said the step is necessary because California is sending out 46 million masks per month and has an inventory of 111 million N95 masks.

35 of the 58 counties are on the watchlist.

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

64 new deaths and 3,266 new cases reported today.

COVID-19 is on track to become the second leading cause of death in L.A. County.
• To date, Public Health has identified 164,870 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of LA County, and a total of 4,213 deaths.
• On June 22, the 7-day average of new cases was 1,763, not the County is averaging 2,952 new cases a day – almost twice as many cases reported just over a month ago. This is higher than any point in this entire pandemic.
• There are 2,207 confirmed cases of COVID-19 currently hospitalized, 27% of these people are confirmed cases in the ICU and 19% are confirmed cases on ventilators. This is the fourth consecutive day of over 2,200 hospitalization.
• Testing results are available for over 1,579,000 individuals with 10% of all people testing positive.
• Dr. Ferrer noted “we've seen that nearly 60% of the cases we're now seeing are among our young adults, and that hospitalizations are also increasing among young adults,” she said, “but 75% of those who are dying right now are older adults.”
• Ferrer mentioned Governor Gavin Newsom’s recent announcement that local health officials will be able to issue waivers to school districts and private schools, allowing for reopening classrooms for in-person learning.
• The county health department will consult with state health officials to assess each request, she said. An application system is in the works and should be available "by the end of this week or early next week," she added.

Higher Education

• Harvard, along with dozens of other universities and 20 states, bitterly fought an effort by the Trump administration to make international students go back to their home countries or to deny them re-entry if they were studying online only. That fight ended in an agreement last week that the students could stay. But Harvard said on Tuesday that the agreement did not cover about 200 new international students Harvard had accepted for the fall.