



Weekday
Edition

Weekly Update



DATE: 8/14/2020
TIME: 2:00 PM

Positive Cases for Neighboring Counties:

California:	
Modoc	5
Sierra	8
Trinity	6
Plumas	39
Tehama	312
Siskiyou	110
Shasta	479
Butte	1321
California	593,141

Other:	
Washoe	6,117
US	5,176,018

Incident Commanders:

Dean Growdon,
Lassen County
Sheriff

Barbara Longo,
Director of Health
and Social Services

Public Information Officer:

Richard Egan, CAO



State's Issues with Routing Electronic Laboratory Reporting:

In a letter dated August 4th, 2020, by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to "Laboratories Performing SARS-CoV-2 Testing", James Watt, the Chief of the Division of Communicable Disease Control, reported that the state is having an issue with the system for reporting COVID-19 test results. Specifically, the letter stated CDPH is having issues with "routing electronic laboratory reporting (ELR) submissions to our disease surveillance system (CalREDIE)."

How does this impact our community?

CDPH believes the issues began around July 25th and could impact local health departments' ability to investigate cases and conduct contact tracing. These are two activities vital to slowing the spread of COVID-19. **This is not impacting the clients ability to receive their results.** It does impact the information getting to the local public health departments.

What is being done to correct the issue:

CDPH working in partnership with the California Department of Technology (CDT) cleared the CalREDIE backlog.

Lassen County COVID-19 Counts:

Community Cases	76
Recovered	63
Active	13
Total Tests	5049
Negative Tests	4911
Pending Tests	138
Total CDCR	619
CCC	612
HDSP	5
FCI	2

CDPH and CDT will work to fine tune the system and add additional capacity for intake and processing of records. Some solutions include: running simultaneous systems to provide a cross check on data validation, reviewing various input mechanisms to ensure there are no issues, and adding quality assurance measures across the system to include notification procedures for escalating issues.

The Lassen County Public Health Department (LCPHD) has the unique ability to manually calculate the case numbers locally. Once the information is verified, it is released on Lassencares.org.

Department staff are requesting that if a resident has received a positive test but have not been contacted by a public health nurse, please call the COVID-19 Call Center at 251-8100.

The States County Monitoring List:

Lassencares.org has received a lot of questions about the difference between the state *Watchlist* and the *County Monitoring List*. We are going to answer some of those questions and provide a status update for Lassen County.

What is the difference between the Watchlist and the Monitoring List?

The State places counties on the *Watchlist* if they are experiencing an influx of new cases. Once a county is placed on the list, they are monitored for three (3) days. If the rate of new cases slows down or the county is able to contain the spread of the virus, they will be removed from the list.

If a county remains on the *Watchlist* for longer than three (3) days, the State moves them to the *County Monitoring List*.

How does it impact our community to be put on the Monitoring List?

A county added to the *County Monitoring List* for three (3) consecutive days will be required to shut down the following industries and activities unless they can be modified to operate outside or by pick-up:

- Gyms and fitness centers
- Places of worship and cultural ceremonies, like weddings and funerals
- Offices for non-critical infrastructure sectors
- Personal care services, like nail salons and body waxing
- Hair salons and barber shops
- Shopping malls
- Shops that offer tattoos, piercings and electrolysis may not be operated outdoors and must close

How does the state determine who is on the Monitoring List?

The State monitors county case rates in the past 14 days and the test positivity rate to determine whether a county will be placed on the monitoring list.

Counties on the monitoring list need to impose more restrictive community measures which are negotiated with the state based on the spread and transmission of the virus in that specific area/county.

1) Case rate (per 100,000) >100 . Case rate is calculated as follows: The total number of cases (less inmate population) diagnosed and reported over a 14-day period divided by the number of people living in the county x 100,000

(OR)

2) Case rate (per 100,000) >25 AND testing positivity >8.0% Test

positivity is calculated as follows: 7-day testing positivity: The total number of positive tests over a 7-day period, divided by the total number of PCR tests conducted x 100.

The state will also look at hospitalization and ICU bed capacity as well.

What is Lassen County's status currently with the state?

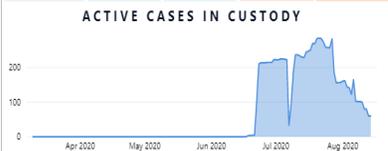
To date, **Lassen County has not been placed on the Watchlist or the County Monitoring List.** To view the list of counties placed on the list, please visit: <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties/>

CDCR PATIENTS: COVID-19 BY INSTITUTION

INSTITUTION:
CA Correctional Center

CONFIRMED CASES: Cumulative Count

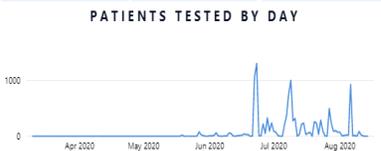
NEW IN LAST 14 DAYS	ACTIVE		RESOLVED	DEATHS
	CUSTODY	RELEASED		
57	60	32	552	0



*Patients who resolved, died, or released before they resolved are not included in graph above. Active case count by date may be delayed 2-3 days while awaiting test results.

TESTING: Institution Count

CURRENT POPULATION	PATIENTS TESTED IN LAST 14 DAYS	% OF POPULATION TESTED IN LAST 14 DAYS
3,058	1,039	34%



*Released or transferred patients are in the 'Tested By Day' graph but not included in the 'Last 14 Days' count if no longer at the selected institution. Counts may be delayed 2-3 days while awaiting results.

CONFIRMED CASES: Rate Comparison

Institution: CCC	CDCR	California	United States
210.6	90.5	15.0	15.8

TESTING: Rate Comparison

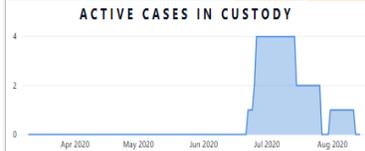
Institution: CCC	CDCR	California	United States
918.9	638.1	235.5	193.0

CDCR PATIENTS: COVID-19 BY INSTITUTION

INSTITUTION:
High Desert State Prison

CONFIRMED CASES: Cumulative Count

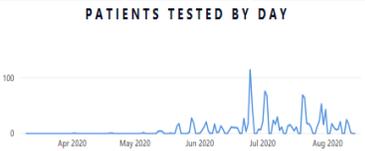
NEW IN LAST 14 DAYS	ACTIVE		RESOLVED	DEATHS
	CUSTODY	RELEASED		
1	0	0	5	0



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TESTING: Institution Count

CURRENT POPULATION	PATIENTS TESTED IN LAST 14 DAYS	% OF POPULATION TESTED IN LAST 14 DAYS
3,413	102	3%



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CONFIRMED CASES: Rate Comparison

Institution: HDSP	CDCR	California	United States
1.5	90.5	15.0	15.8

Institution: HDSP	CDCR	California	United States
215.1	638.1	235.5	193.0

California COVID-19 By The Numbers

August 13, 2020
Numbers as of August 12, 2020

CALIFORNIA COVID-19 SPREAD

593,141 (+7,085)

TOTAL CASES

Ages of Confirmed Cases

- 0-17: 57,230
- 18-49: 357,676
- 50-64: 113,099
- 65+: 64,298
- Unknown/Missing: 838

Gender of Confirmed Cases

- Female: 297,645
- Male: 288,921
- Unknown/Missing: 6,575

10,808 (+160)

Fatalities

Hospitalizations

Confirmed COVID-19
5,236/1,672
Hospitalized/in ICU

Suspected COVID-19
1,188/154
Hospitalized/in ICU

For county-level
hospital data:
bit.ly/hospitalsca

Your actions **save lives.**

For county-level data:
data.chhs.ca.gov

covid19.ca.gov



Local Resources:

LassenCares.org:

- Guidance and Fact Sheets under "Roadmap to Recovery"
- Child Care
- Close Contact
- Restaurants
- Dine-in Restaurants
- Fitness Center
- Retail
- Business Checklist

State Resources:

Industry Guidance

- covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/
- Agriculture and livestock
- Auto dealerships
- Communications infrastructure
- Construction
- Delivery services
- Energy and utilities
- Food packing
- Hotels and lodging
- Etc.

Local Plans:

LassenCares.org:

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Lassen County Incident
Action Plan

Lassen County Roadmap
to Recovery



Survey Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/lcreopening>

Incident Action Plan:

The Lassen County Incident Command released the Incident Action Plan to the public. This document is updated based upon the evolving circumstances. To review the plan, please visit:

https://m.box.com/shared_item/https%3A%2F%2Fcalfire.box.com%2Fs%2Fwj6bjiyarc7b3owctz1drwlnewtkwkkq/browse/107933501748



Frequently Asked Questions to the Call Center:

Q: What if I have not received my COVID-19 tests results?

A: For patients who received testing through Project Baseline and Verily, please contact Verily at Projectbaseline.com/covid-support and click on the purple phone in the bottom right corner or email:

Covid19@pwnhealth.com

If you have been tested at Public Health through UCSF, you will receive a text message if your results are negative or a phone call if the results are positive.

Q: Will flu shots be available and should I get one?

A: The Public Health Department will hold their annual flu shot clinic. More information will be released on Lassencares.org. In light of COVID-19, it is recommended for residents to get a flu shot. Flu symptoms could present and mimic the symptoms of COVID-19 making it hard to determine which illness you have.

COVID-19 TESTING SCHEDULE FOR TESTING AT PUBLIC HEALTH

REGISTER ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://WWW.PROJECTBASELINE.COM/STUDY/COVID-19/](https://www.projectbaseline.com/study/covid-19/)

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE PLEASE CALL THE COVID-19 CALL CENTER AT (530) 251-8100

TUES
AUG
18TH

DRIVE THRU
9:00 AM - NOON
Public Health Department

WED
AUG
19TH

DRIVE THRU
9:00 AM - NOON
Public Health Department



Health Informed

SAFETY HEALTH RECOVERY

Lassen County
Public Health
1445 Paul Bunyan
Susanville, CA 96130

HOW DO YOU HELP SLOW THE SPREAD?

Choose the right answer:

- Wash your hands
- Cover your cough
- Keep your distance
- Wear your face covering
- All of the above

covid19.ca.gov

Message about Schooling in Lassen County:

The Public Health Department is working together with each individual school district to develop a plan specific to their district.

A majority of schools have submitted their plans to their board of trustees. A few are still pending board approval. All of them offer some form of in-person and distance learning.

The guidance, released from the state regarding education, is everchanging and school administrators are working tirelessly to make sure their plans meet the state requirements. As school plans are approved, they will be released to the public. Please reach out to your school district for a copy or an update on the planning process. Lassencares is working to get the school start dates to publish on the website.

DROPLETS SPREAD COVID-19



Face Covering Significantly Reduces Spread.

