

Seattle King County NAACP Health Committee Coronavirus Watch - 12/05/20

CURRENT OVERVIEW		
↑ = increase compared to 11/24/2020 update		
Location	Confirmed Cases	Total Deaths
Global	66,250,018 ↑ 6,741,679	1,524,569 ↑ 99,056
US	14,454,727 ↑ 1,973,612	279,966 ↑ 21,301
Washington	174,290 ↑ 26,753	2,925 ↑ 270
King County	46,490 ↑ 6,856	914 ↑ 55

Data source: [Johns Hopkins University Coronavirus Resource Center](#) & [WA State DOH](#)
 Data reflects the most accurate figures available as of 7pm PST on Fridays

SUPPORT RESOURCES
<p>Testing Location Information COVID-19 Call Center: 206-477-3977 or visit www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/care/testing/locations</p>
<p>WA State COVID-19 Assistance Hotline Call 1-800-525-0127 or text "Coronavirus" to 211-211</p>

Important Information from the Office of the Governor (Washington State):

Face masks/coverings are required for common public settings and maintaining 6 feet of physical distance from others, in order to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

AstraZeneca's Coronavirus Vaccine, Easy and Cheap to Produce, Appears Effective. On 11/23/20 The New York Times published an article announcing encouraging results from the University of Oxford's AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine study. "On average, the vaccine was 70 percent effective, AstraZeneca said." Both Moderna and Pfizer also released trial results that showed vaccines to be both 95 percent effective.

[AstraZeneca and Oxford Say Vaccine Is Up to 90 Percent Effective - The New York Times \(nytimes.com\)](#)

Department of Health urges people to limit Thanksgiving gatherings, not seek screening tests. On 11/21/20 the Department of Health strongly encouraged people to limit holiday celebrations to only include members of your immediate household to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

[Department of Health urges people to limit Thanksgiving gatherings, not seek screening tests | Washington State Coronavirus Response \(COVID-19\)](#)

Inslee announces statewide restrictions for four-weeks. On 11/15/20 Gov. Inslee announced statewide restrictions that went into effect 11/16/20. Restrictions include: social gatherings with people from outside your household that have not quarantined for 7-14 days prior and tested negative 48 hours prior to the gathering; cease indoor services at restaurants and bars and restricted outdoor dining, limited capacity at in-store retail, grocery stores and personal services; limited capacity at religious services; and entertainment and fitness indoor services will be closed.

[Inslee announces statewide restrictions for four-weeks | by WA Governor's Office | Washington State Governor's Office | Nov, 2020 | Medium](#)

Inslee issues travel advisory for Washington. On 11/13/20 Gov. Inslee issues a travel advisory where he recommended a 14-day quarantine for interstate and international travel. Residents are being asked to stay close to home during that period.

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-issues-travel-advisory-washington>

Inslee extends 27 proclamations relating to COVID-19. On 11/10/20 Gov. Inslee announced 27 proclamations lasting until December 7th regarding various licensures, unemployment and more.

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-extends-27-proclamations-relating-covid-19>

Inslee appoints representatives to multi-state COVID vaccine workgroup. On 11/09/20 Gov. Inslee announced Dr. Ed Marcuse and Dr. John Dunn will represent WA in the multi-state COVID vaccine scientific safety review workgroup.

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-appoints-representatives-multi-state-covid-vaccine-workgroup>

Inslee extends eviction moratorium, public utilities proclamation. On 10/14/20 Gov. Inslee announced the eviction moratorium and public utility proclamations will continue through Dec. 31st.

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-extends-eviction-moratorium-public-utilities-proclamation>

Inslee announces updates to Safe Start reopening plan. On 10/06/20 Gov. Inslee announced that Washington State will begin reopening several industries following the guidance of safety regulations.

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-announces-updates-safe-start-reopening-plan>

State health experts: Flu vaccine should be considered “essential” this year. While the COVID-19 pandemic continues to affect our daily lives, autumn brings with it another unwanted visitor – the flu. The presence of both viruses could put more people in the hospital and strain Washington’s health care system. While we don’t yet have a vaccine to prevent COVID-19, we do have one to prevent flu.

The eviction moratorium for WA will be extended to 10/15/20, and Governor’s Office staff will work with landlords and tenants in workgroups to discuss additional support. [7/25/20]

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-extends-safe-start-proclamation-eviction-moratorium>

The DSHS Family Emergency Assistance Program (FEAP). DSHS is authorized to expand eligibility for the FEAP to include individuals and families without children. This proclamation is effective immediately and will expire at the end of the state of emergency. [effective 7/9/20]

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-issues-proclamation-related-family-emergency-assistance-program>

USDA extends waivers: WIC continues to provide remote services. The federal government has made it easier for people to participate in the WIC program during the pandemic.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has extended the waivers that allow the [Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children](#) (WIC) to offer remote services to participants. This, the third extension, will continue as long as there is a declared national public health emergency. Read the full news release [he](#)

Resources:

Need **internet access** to keep up with important updates? Use the **Washington State Department of Commerce's Drive-In WIFI hotspots Location Finder** for **FREE** emergency internet access, provided as a response to the impacts of COVID-19.

<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/building-infrastructure/washington-state-drive-in-wifi-hotspots-location-finder/>

Mental and emotional support – Washington Listens is offering FREE support specialists to help with managing stress due to COVID-19. **Call 1-833-681-0211** (TTY and language access services are available).

<https://coronavirus.wa.gov/information-for/you-and-your-family/mental-and-emotional-well-being>

For a full list of city, community, county, state, and federal resources call the **City of Seattle Customer Service Bureau** (Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm PST) at **206-684-CITY** (206-684-2489), or visit Mayor Durkan's COVID-19 Resources for Community webpage.

<https://www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19>