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Governor Cuomo Announces Travel Advisory Requiring 14-Day Quarantine

California Added to NY's COVID-19 Travel Advisory; No Areas Are Removed

Non-Essential Interstate Travel To And From Massachusetts Discouraged

Positive Testing Rate in All Focus Zone Areas is 3.65 Percent; New York State Positivity Outside All Focus Zone Areas is 1.53 Percent

Statewide Positivity Rate is 1.78 Percent

15 COVID-19 Deaths in New York State Yesterday

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that California has been added to New York State's COVID-19 travel advisory. No areas have been removed. The advisory requires individuals who have traveled to New York from areas with significant community spread to quarantine for 14 days. The quarantine applies to any person arriving from an area with a positive test rate higher than 10 per 100,000 residents over a 7-day rolling average or an area with a 10 percent or higher positivity rate over a 7-day rolling average.

Neighboring state Massachusetts now meets the criteria for the travel advisory, in addition to Connecticut, New Jersey and Pennsylvania - however, given the interconnected nature of the region and mode of transport between the states, a quarantine on these states is not practically viable. That said, New York State highly discourages, to the extent practical, non-essential travel between Connecticut, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania while they meet the travel advisory criteria.

"We know COVID is spreading at increased rates in other states and New York State is not in a hermetically sealed bubble. The numbers are a reminder that COVID is still here and continues to spread in communities across the state, particularly when people choose not to follow the safety protocols in place to control the virus. We continue to see outbreaks linked to mass gatherings at houses of worship, at weddings and funerals, and other events where the virus can quickly spread," Governor Cuomo said. "Now, 45 states and territories meet the requirements for our travel advisory. We cannot let our guard down and risk going backwards in New York. It's going to take the work of all of us to remain vigilant. Stay NY Smart - wear a mask, socially distance and follow the public health guidance. It's there to save lives."

The full, updated travel advisory list is available below:

- Alaska
- Alabama
- Arkansas
- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Delaware
- Florida
- Georgia
- Guam

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- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maryland
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Missouri
- Mississippi
- Montana
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Nebraska
- New Mexico
- Nevada
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Puerto Rico
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah

- Virginia
- Wisconsin
- West Virginia
- Wyoming

The Governor noted that the positive testing rate in all focus areas under the state's Micro-Cluster strategy is 3.65 percent, and outside the focus zone areas is 1.53 percent. Within the focus areas, 13,205 test results were reported yesterday, yielding 482 positives. In the remainder of the state, not counting these focus areas, 98,413 test results were reported, yielding 1,509 positives. Full results for tests reported yesterday, the day prior, the current 7-day rolling average, and last two weeks is below:

FOCUS ZONE	10/4- 10/10 % Positive	10/11- 10/17 % Positive	10/18- 10/24 % Positive	Current 7-day rolling average	Day Prior (10/25)% Positive	Yesterday (10/26)% Positive
Brooklyn red-zone focus area % positive	5.86%	5.29%	4.44%	4.23%	2.88%	3.59%
Brooklyn yellow-zone focus area % positive	1.36%	1.93%	2.38%	2.45%	3.10%	2.76%

Queens Kew Garden Hills/Forest Hills yellow-zone focus area % positive	2.27%	2.03%	2.40%	2.48%	2.21%	3.06%
Queens Far Rockaway yellow-zone focus area % positive	2.71%	2.70%	2.00%	1.80%	2.02%	0.34%
Rockland red-zone focus area % positive	9.77%	4.54%	3.65%	4.21%	8.53%	2.36%
Orange red-zone focus area % positive	12.41%	4.62%	2.64%	2.30%	1.54%	1.88%
Broome yellow-zone focus area % positive	3.63%	4.05%	6.39%	8.04%	7.77%	15.12%
Steuben yellow-zone focus area % positive	7.82%	7.52%	4.42%	4.44%	2.94%	5.11%

Chemung orange-zone focus area % positive	6.49%	7.12%	8.36%	7.80%	9.85%	8.98%
All focus area statewide % positive	3.18%	3.00%	3.27%	3.32%	3.25%	3.65%
Statewide % positive <u>with</u> all focus areas included	1.18%	1.16%	1.31%	1.39%	1.45%	1.78%
Statewide % positive <u>without</u> <u>all</u> focus areas included	1.01%	1.06%	1.06%	1.15%	1.18%	1.53%

Today's data is summarized briefly below:

- Patient Hospitalization 1,083 (+24)
- Patients Newly Admitted 110
- Hospital Counties 47
- Number ICU 233 (-4)
- Number ICU with Intubation 120 (+2)
- Total Discharges 79,230 (+68)
- **Deaths** 15

• Total Deaths - 25,758

Each region's percentage of positive test results reported over the last three days is as follows:

REGION	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Capital Region	0.8%	1.5%	1.3%
Central New York	1.2%	1.4%	2.2%
Finger Lakes	1.7%	2.3%	1.7%
Long Island	1.3%	1.2%	1.6%
Mid-Hudson	1.9%	2.4%	2.2%
Mohawk Valley	0.6%	0.7%	1.1%

New York City	1.4%	1.4%	1.7%
North Country	1.5%	1.4%	0.9%
Southern Tier	1.3%	1.0%	2.0%
Western New York	1.3%	1.3%	2.6%

Each New York City borough's percentage of positive test results reported over the last three days is as follows:

BOROUGH	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Bronx	1.8%	1.6%	1.7%
Brooklyn	1.5%	1.6%	1.7%
Manhattan	0.9%	0.9%	1.1%

Queens	1.4%	1.2%	2.1%
Staten Island	1.5%	2.0%	2.1%

Of the 498,646 total individuals who tested positive for the virus, the geographic breakdown is as follows:

County	Total Positive	New Positive
Albany	3,613	23
Allegany	289	2
Broome	3,516	101
Cattaraugus	470	8

Cayuga	389	16
Chautauqua	905	18
Chemung	1,710	48
Chenango	388	2
Clinton	244	2
Columbia	699	7
Cortland	542	18
Delaware	173	4

Dutchess	5,465	15
Erie	12,971	116
Essex	197	0
Franklin	80	0
Fulton	362	1
Genesee	384	3
Greene	501	6
Hamilton	16	O
Herkimer	390	1

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Jefferson	206	3
Lewis	120	5
Livingston	303	5
Madison	563	4
Monroe	7,256	82
Montgomery	266	4
Nassau	49,496	119
Niagara	2,065	15

NYC	259,710	731
Oneida	2,709	23
Onondaga	5,399	62
Ontario	663	13
Orange	13,548	73
Orleans	401	2
Oswego	623	3
Otsego	398	5
Putnam	1,805	5

Rensselaer	1,094	6
Rockland	17,832	72
Saratoga	1,334	15
Schenectady	1,564	15
Schoharie	110	1
Schuyler	124	5
Seneca	142	2
St. Lawrence	396	6

Steuben	984	14
Suffolk	48,829	112
Sullivan	1,765	15
Tioga	610	21
Tompkins	609	3
Ulster	2,515	15
Warren	457	5
Washington	335	1
Wayne	482	11

Westchester	40,322	120
Wyoming	186	1
Yates	121	6

Yesterday, 15 New Yorkers died due to COVID-19 in New York State, bringing the total to 25,758. A geographic breakdown is as follows, by county of residence:

Deaths by County of Residence		
County	New Deaths	
Bronx	1	
Delaware	1	

Kings	2
Manhattan	2
Nassau	4
Oneida	1
Steuben	1
Tioga	1
Ulster	1
Westchester	1

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