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Governor Cuomo Announces New York City Enters Phase III of Reopening Without Indoor Dining and Subject to State Guidance Today

Announces Mid-Hudson Region to Enter Phase IV of Reopening Tomorrow; Long Island on Track to Enter Phase IV of Reopening Wednesday

Announces DOH Finalizing Guidance on Possible School Reopening in September

Announces Casinos and Movie Theaters to Remain Closed as Government Reviews the Facts

Cancels New York State Fair This Summer Out of An Abundance of Caution

Announces New York State to Make Industry Recommendations on Air Conditioning Systems

Calls on President Trump to Acknowledge That COVID-19 Exists and is a Problem

0.95 Percent of Yesterday's COVID-19 Tests were Positive

9 COVID-19 Deaths in New York State Yesterday

Confirms 518 Additional Coronavirus Cases in New York State - Bringing Statewide Total to 397,649; New Cases in 45 Counties

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that New York City enters Phase III of reopening, without indoor dining and subject to comprehensive state guidance, today. The Mid-Hudson region will enter Phase IV of reopening tomorrow, July 7. Long Island is on track to enter Phase IV on Wednesday, July 8.

The governor also announced that the New York State Department of Health, in consultation with the Reimagine Education Advisory Council and others, is finalizing guidance on the possible reopening of schools in September. New York State previously directed all school districts to develop reopening plans. A decision on whether to reopen schools in September has not been made yet.

Governor Cuomo also announced that casinos and movie theaters will currently remain closed as the state government continues to review the science and facts on their safe reopening.

The governor also announced that the New York State Fair will be cancelled this summer out of an abundance of caution.

The governor also announced that New York State will make industry recommendations on the use of air filtration technology to potentially eliminate the spread of COVID-19 through air conditioning systems. As evidence emerges that

COVID-19 spread is linked more to airborne transmission than to surface area transmission, New York State is studying filters, their compatibility with existing air systems, the expense of modifications to air conditioning systems and other factors.

Governor Cuomo also called on President Trump to acknowledge to the American people that COVID-19 exists, is increasing and a serious problem, and that each American is part of the solution. The governor also reiterated his call for President Trump to wear a mask.

Governor Cuomo also updated New Yorkers on the state's progress during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The number of new cases, percentage of tests that were positive and many other helpful data points are always available at <u>forward.ny.gov</u>.

"We are closely monitoring the gauges on the reopening valve to see if the infection or hospitalization rate is going up, and we will tighten or loosen the valve as necessary depending on the data. If we see spikes in data or lack of compliance, we will slow down the reopening valve and adjust as necessary," **Governor Cuomo said.** "New York City goes into Phase III but with no indoor dining. The numbers show we are right where we want to be, but what's happening around the country is a cold reminder that we need to continue being cautious and smart and disciplined - no one wants to go back to the hell that we went through."

Today's data is summarized briefly below:

- Patient Hospitalization 817 (-15)
- Patients Newly Admitted 45 (-9)
- Hospital Counties 28
- Number ICU 170 (-8)
- Number ICU with Intubation 103 (-13)
- Total Discharges 71,040 (+72)
- Deaths 9

• Total Deaths - 24,913

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Of the 54,328 tests conducted in New York State yesterday, 518, or 0.95 percent, were positive. Each region's percentage of positive tests over the last three days is as follows:

REGION	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Capital Region	0.90%	0.60%	1.00%
Central New York	1.40%	1.50%	1.70%
Finger Lakes	0.70%	0.90%	1.10%

Long Island	1.00%	0.80%	0.90%
Mid-Hudson	1.10%	0.80%	0.90%
Mohawk Valley	1.20%	1.10%	1.10%
New York City	1.40%	0.90%	0.90%
North Country	0.30%	0.60%	0.40%
Southern Tier	0.90%	0.30%	0.70%
Western New York	1.40%	0.70%	1.20%



The Governor also confirmed 518 additional cases of novel coronavirus, bringing the statewide total to 397,649 confirmed cases in New York State. Of the 397,649 total individuals who tested positive for the virus, the geographic breakdown is as follows:

County	Total Positive	New Positive
Albany	2,160	8

Allegany	63	0
Broome	757	4
Cattaraugus	128	1
Cayuga	122	2
Chautauqua	134	2
Chemung	146	0
Chenango	156	6
Clinton	103	0

Columbia	477	2
Cortland	52	1
Delaware	91	0
Dutchess	4,246	3
Erie	7,500	25
Essex	49	1
Franklin	33	0
Fulton	262	1
Genesee	242	3

Greene	263	0
Hamilton	6	O
Herkimer	179	6
Jefferson	94	0
Lewis	31	0
Livingston	133	1
Madison	364	1
Monroe	3,974	21

Montgomery	120	1
Nassau	42,053	22
Niagara	1,290	6
NYC	217,216	247
Oneida	1,749	7
Onondaga	2,963	14
Ontario	282	2
Orange	10,781	6
Orleans	284	2

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Oswego	206	0
Otsego	86	0
Putnam	1,337	1
Rensselaer	568	3
Rockland	13,656	8
Saratoga	572	6
Schenectady	838	4
Schoharie	59	0

Schuyler	13	0
Seneca	71	0
St. Lawrence	226	2
Steuben	271	1
Suffolk	41,685	43
Sullivan	1,457	1
Tioga	148	2
Tompkins	179	0
Ulster	1,840	6

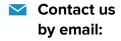
Warren	272	3
Washington	247	1
Wayne	186	1
Westchester	35,084	41
Wyoming	97	0
Yates	48	0

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