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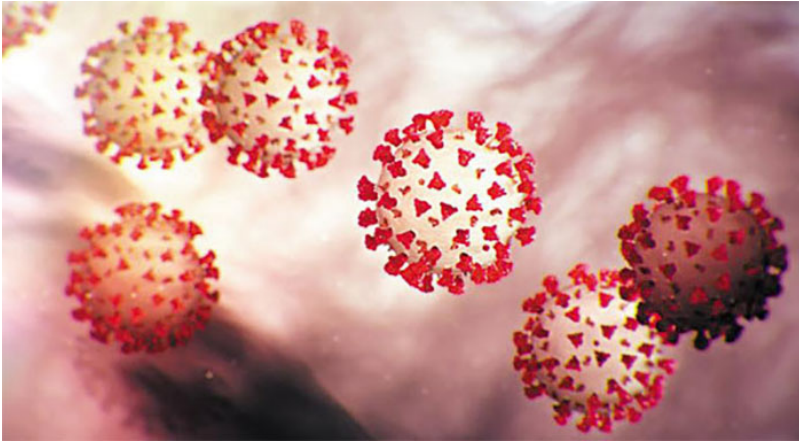
## Coronavirus Can Cause Loss of Smell or Taste

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Some 60 percent of young coronavirus patients in Daegu complained about losing their sense of smell or taste, sparking calls for young people with such symptoms for the disease.

Min Bok-gi at the Daegu Medical Association said Tuesday, "A study of 3,191 confirmed coronavirus patients in Daegu reported between March 8 and 23 showed that they lost their sense of smell and/or taste." Patients under 30 accounted for 55.1 percent of them.

A majority of confirmed cases in their teens to 30s have displayed no symptoms, so lost taste or smell could serve as a key piece of evidence.



Doctors warn that young people need to be wary of infection as schools across Korea are scheduled to open in April. "Young people who show no symptoms need to be vigilant about any loss of taste or smell and get themselves checked if this occurs."

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