# STOP **Corona**virus

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The United States has its first confirmed case of a new virus that appeared in Wuhan, China, last month, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced Tuesday. The **coronavirus** has already sickened hundreds and killed six people in Asia.

CDC officials said the United States will be more strict about **health screenings** **卫生局的健康筛选**of airplane passengers arriving from Wuhan. The patient, who is not being named/**anonymous**, is **in isolation/quarantine** at Providence Regional Medical Center. He had recently returned from Wuhan.

He arrived at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport on January 15, before any **health screenings 卫生局的健康筛选** for the Wuhan **coronavirus** began at US airports. He **sought medical care 就医**on January 19. The CDC and Washington state are now tracing the people he was in contact with to see if he might have spread the disease to someone else. The patient became ill four days after arriving in the United States and **sought medical care 就医**. Based on the patient's symptoms and travel history, doctors suspected the novel Wuhan coronavirus and sent **specimens** to the CDC in Atlanta, where tests Monday confirmed the virus.

The patient is faring well but is still being kept **in isolation/quarantine** out of **an abundance of** caution, health officials said.

## `**Health screenings**` at more US airports

Soon, passengers from Wuhan to the United States, whether on direct or indirect flights, will only be allowed to land at one of the five US airports doing **health screenings.** Screenings include a temperature check and observation for symptoms such as a cough and trouble breathing.

The Wuhan **coronavirus** /kəˈrəʊnə/ is in the same family as severe **acute respiratory** /ˈrɛs**pə**rətərɪ/ **syndrome [临床] 综合症状；并发症状**, or SARS, which killed more than 700 people in 2002 and 2003. To date, the Wuhan **coronavirus /kəˈrəʊnə/** has **infected** more than 300 people and killed six in an **outbreak** that has struck China.It's not known how many of the cases became **infected** from animals, esp. **poultry家禽**, and how many from another person, or just **airborne**.

On Tuesday, the CDC activated its emergency response system in response to the Wuhan **corona**virus. The CDC activates this system on a temporary basis to **centralize** how the agency monitors, prepares for and responds to public health threats.The **outbreak of this pandemic** started in late December at an animal market in Wuhan, about 700 miles south of Beijing. The virus can jump from animals to people. While there's much to learn about how easily the virus can be transmitted human-to-human, health officials said it appears that it's not spread as easily as some other viruses. "This isn't anywhere near in the same category as **measles** or the flu,"

The **death toll** from [the Wuhan **corona**virus](https://www.cnn.com/2020/01/21/asia/china-china-coronavirus-sars-intl-hnk/index.html)has risen to 17, as dozens more cases were [reported across China](https://www.cnn.com/asia/live-news/wuhan-coronavirus-china-intl-hnk/index.html) and as **far afield** as [the western United States](https://www.cnn.com/2020/01/21/health/wuhan-coronavirus-first-us-case-cdc-bn/index.html), sparking fears of a possible **pandemic**.

On Wednesday, the Chinese city of Wuhan -- where the virus was first identified -- said it would "temporarily" close its airport and railway stations for **departing passengers.** All public transport services will also be suspended, as authorities attempt to contain the virus.

The city **lockdown** begins at 10 am local time Thursday. Beyond China, officials in Washington state on Tuesday confirmed the first case on US soil. The patient is a male in his 30s who **is kept isolation/quarantine** at Providence Regional Medical Center Everett, said the Washington's secretary of health, at **a press conference** Wednesday.

Health officials have reviewed the travel history of the patient, said Dr. Chris, **the acting 代理的health officer** on the patient's contact investigation. "the risk to the general public remains low and the public health system and our health care partners are working **swiftly and collaboratively** to address this situation."

To date, worldwide, a total of 555 cases have been confirmed since **the outbreak of this pandemic** was detected in mid-December. However, the World Health Organization (WHO) has not yet declared the virus a "public health emergency of international concern," which might **merit/deserve** a coordinated global response. //（这件事情）应得/值得（全球的讨论后再决定）

China on Tuesday [announced](http://www.nhc.gov.cn/jkj/s7915/202001/e4e2d5e6f01147e0a8df3f6701d49f33.shtml) it was adopting Class A prevention and control measures, typically used for major **outbreaks** [**such as**](http://www.nhc.gov.cn/jkj/s7915/201912/1c872de08d834aa0b82d4b4b8cd78b8c.shtml) **plague 瘟疫and cholera 霍乱.** This means health officials will get **sweeping powers横扫一切的力量/庞大的权力**to lock down affected areas and **quarantine/isolate patients.**

The disease is mainly transmitted "through the respiratory / ˈrespərətri/ tract," said Li, adding that "there is possibility of viral **mutation（生物物种的）变异突变** and further spread of the disease."

With all indications that the virus has a relatively slow **incubation time**, however, these efforts may be insufficient to stop its spread. "You cannot absolutely prevent entry into the country of a disease like this. The **incubation period** is probably a week."

Raising concerns about how difficult it is to detect those with the virus, even if they have some symptoms, a patient in South Korea told doctors there she had developed a fever and muscle pains on Saturday and then **sought medical care 就医,** then **was prescribed cold medicine** by a doctor in Wuhan, before being sent on her way. She was later confirmed to have the coronavirus during a check in Seoul.

In the US, the National Institutes of Health is working on a vaccine for the new virus, though it will take at least a few months until the first phase of **clinical trials 临床试验** get underway and more than a year until a vaccine might be available.

UK health officials are trying to track down hundreds of passengers who recently arrived from Wuhan -- **the epicenter of the virus outbreak** -- in the UK.

## Words

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| ## whistleblower ['wisəl,bləuə]  (不好事件的)告发者；检举者: an informant who exposes wrongdoing within an organization in the hope of stopping it  <https://edition.cnn.com/asia/live-news/coronavirus-outbreak-02-07-20-intl-hnk/index.html>  e.g. The death of Chinese **whistleblower** Li Wenliang after he became **infected** with the novel highly **contagious** coronavirus has **sparked an unprecedented outpouring of national grief and anger** toward the government in China. He was targeted by police and labeled a "**rumor-monger/ mʌŋɡə /造谣者”** and later was diagnosed with the virus.  On social media, mourners have posted portraits and artwork of Li, vowing not to forget him. .. Li hadn't wanted to become a public figure -- he was first interviewed **anonymously** by the China Youth Daily newspaper, and initially refused to speak with foreign media.  China's National Supervisory Commission, the country's top anti-corruption agency, is sending a team to Wuhan to investigate the case of [doctor Li Wenliang](https://www.cnn.com/2020/02/07/asia/china-doctor-death-censorship-intl-hnk/index.html" \t "_blank) "in response to issues raised by the masses," the agency said today. The brief statement didn't **elaborate on** the "issues" -- but a glance on Weibo, China's Twitter-like platform, reveal what these may be. |
| ## adversity = disaster/calamity **[ədˈvɜːsəti]**  1. 逆境； 2. 不幸； 3. 灾难；灾祸 **[面对逆境: in the face of adversity ]**  Adversity is a very difficult or unfavourable situation.  e.g. He showed courage `in the face of adversity` 面对逆境的勇气 他在逆境中显示出了勇气  e.g. He overcame many `personal adversities`. 他克服了多次``个人不幸`` |
| ## **rumor-monger/ mʌŋɡə /造谣者**  e.g. The death of Chinese **whistleblower** Li Wenliang after he became **infected** with the novel highly **contagious** coronavirus has **sparked an unprecedented outpouring of national grief and anger** toward the government in China. He was targeted by police and labeled a "**rumor-monger****/ mʌŋɡə /造谣者”** and later was diagnosed with the virus.  e.g. Communist Party officials **downplayed** the severity of the virus, police targeted "**rumor-mongers**" like Li Wenliang, and **online censors** deleted anything that questioned the official line. |
| **## `sanitize sth =** **disinfect sth** **/ˌdɪsɪnˈfekt/ ` （用化学制剂）消毒，使清洁**   1. ( disapproving ) to remove the parts of sth that could be considered unpleasant 去除…中使人不快的内容；净化   e.g. This sanitized account of his life does not mention his time in prison. 这份生平记述对他的不光彩之处略而不表，没有提及他在监狱的日子。   1. to clean sth thoroughly using chemicals to remove bacteria （用化学制剂）消毒，使清洁   ## disinfect sth /ˌdɪsɪnˈfekt   1. V-T If you disinfect something, you clean it using a substance that kills germs. 给…消毒   e.g.Chlorine is used to disinfect water.  氯用来给水消毒。[disinfect a surface/room/wound 给表面╱房间╱伤口消毒]   1. to run a computer program to get rid of a computer virus 消除（计算机）病毒； 给（电脑）杀毒   e.g. Trains and train stations **are also sanitized and disinfected** /ˌdɪsɪnˈfekt/ regularly, and passengers have their temperatures checked before boarding.  ## N-UNCOUNT Sanitation is the process of keeping places clean and healthy, especially by providing a sewage system and a clean water supply. (尤指通过提供排污系统和洁净水源的) 公共卫生  例：  ...the hazards of contaminated water and poor sanitation.  …污水和不良公共卫生的危害。    [ U ] the equipment and systems that keep places clean, especially by removing human waste 卫生设备；卫生设施体系  例：  disease resulting from poor sanitation 卫生条件差导致的疾病  ## ˈhaɪdʒiːn/  美  n.  [ U ] the practice of keeping yourself and your living and working areas clean in order to prevent illness and disease 卫生; Hygiene is the practice of keeping yourself and your surroundings clean, especially in order to prevent illness or the spread of diseases. 卫生  [ food hygiene 食品卫生; personal hygiene 个人卫生]  e.g. Be extra careful about `personal hygiene`. 要特别注意个人卫生.  Take the same precautionary measures you would during flu season. Wash your hands often with soap bar, cover your nose and mouth when you sneeze or cough, avoid close contact with people or large gatherings, and wear a face mask. |
| `epidemic` v.s. `pandemic`  **## epidemic /ˌɛpɪˈdɛmɪk/**   * N-COUNT If there is an epidemic of a particular disease somewhere, it affects a very large number of people there and spreads quickly to other areas. (疾病的) 流行   e.g. **A flu epidemic** is sweeping through Moscow.  一**场流感**正席卷莫斯科。   * N-COUNT If an activity that you disapprove of is increasing or spreading rpadly, you can refer to this as **an epidemic of that activity. (坏事的) 盛行. ...an epidemic of serial killings. 连环谋杀的盛行**。   **## pandemic [pænˈdemɪk]**adj. （疾病）在全国（或世界）流行的 n. （全国或全球性）流行病，瘟疫  N-COUNT A pandemic is an occurrence of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area. 流行病  e.g. They feared **a new cholera /ˈkɒlərə/ pandemic**.  他们担心一种新的霍乱流行病。  **[瘟疫/流行病/病毒]爆发的中心地: the epicenter of the <plague/pandemic/virus> outbreak]**  **## plague /pleɪɡ/**   * plague is a very **infectious/contagious [kənˈteɪdʒəs] disease** that usually results in death. The patient has a severe fever and swellings on his or her body. 瘟疫 **[瘟疫的爆发: the outbreak of plague]**   **[瘟疫/流行病/病毒]爆发的中心地:the epicenter of the <plague/pandemic/virus> outbreak]**   * N-COUNT **A plague of unpleasant things** is a large number of them that arrive or happen at the same time. 泛滥.   **[老鼠的泛滥/鼠患a plague of rats; 蝗虫的泛滥: a plague of locusts; cockroach[ˈkɒkrəʊtʃ] 蟑螂 ]**  e.g. The city is under threat from **a plague of rats.** 这座城市面临着鼠患的威胁。  e.g. All farms and crops are seriously destroyed by **a plague of locusts.**   * V-T If you [**are plagued by unpleasant things**] they continually cause you lots of trouble or suffering. Xx困扰/折磨   e.g. She **was plagued by** weakness, fatigue, and dizziness.  她被<虚弱、疲劳和眩晕>折磨  **## cholera */ˈkɒlərə/***  Cholera is a serious disease that often kills people. It is caused by drinking infected water or by eating infected food. [**霍乱的爆发: outbreak of cholera]** |
| **`flora` v.s. `fauna` v.s. `poultry`**  **## /ˈfɔːnə/  fauna**  **[rare species of  flora and fauna  动植物的罕见物种; the local flora and fauna 当地的动植物群]**  ( technical 术语 ) [ U C ] fauna are all the animals living in an area or in a particular period of history （某地区或某时期的）动物群  ## flora /ˈflɔːrə/  [ U ] ( technical 术语 ) all the plants living in particular area, type of environment or period of time （某地区、环境或时期的）植物群 **[alpine flora 高山植物群]**  ## poultry /ˈpəʊltrɪ/   * N-PLURAL You can refer to chickens, ducks, and other birds that are kept for their eggs and meat as poultry. 家禽. **[一个家禽饲养场: a poultry farm]** * N-UNCOUNT `poultry` is the meat from these birds. 家禽肉   e.g. The menu **features** roasted meats and poultry.  菜单**以<*各种烤肉和家禽肉*>为特色**。 |
| 肺炎 pneumonia /njuːˈməʊ**nɪə**/  N-UNCOUNT Pneumonia is a serious disease that affects your lungs and makes it difficult for you to breathe.  e.g. “The recent **outbreak** of novel coronavirus **pneumonia** touches everyone's heart. IKEA China has been continuously and closely monitoring the **epidemic/pandemic** situation of Coronavirus 2019 n-CoV. |
| * respire /rɪˈsp**aɪə**/ V to inhale and exhale (air); breathe 吸入和呼出(空气); 呼吸 * /ˌres**pəˈreɪʃ**n/ respiration: ( formal ) the act of breathing 呼吸   E.g. Blood pressure and respiration are also recorded. 血压和呼吸也做了记录   * respiratory /ˈrɛs**pə**rətərɪ/  ADJ Respiratory means relating to breathing. 呼吸的 ...people with severe **respiratory problems**. …有严重呼吸问题的人们。   e.g. The coronaVirus is thought to spread from person to person through **respiratory** droplets that is **emitted 喷射**by coughing or sneezing. There's also a possibility the virus can exist in and spread through contaminated matter. There's currently no evidence that the virus is **airborne** -- meaning, for instance, it doesn't travel across a large room. |
| * `**/əˈrəʊmə/** aroma of xxx food/coffee ` 强调食物/饮品的香味 * `fragrance **[ˈfreɪɡrəns]** = perfume = scent (esp for flowers or perfume)` 强调花/香水的香味 * `['**əʊd**ə]  odor = smell = scent`   **## aroma /əˈrəʊmə/**  N-COUNT An aroma is a strong, pleasant smell. 芳香 , 香味 **[the aroma of xxx food/coffee: 食物/咖啡的的香味]**  e.g. the attractive aroma of fresh coffee 新鲜咖啡的香味  e.g. the wonderful aroma of freshly baked bread.  …新烤面包的美妙香味。  **## fragrance = perfume [ˈfreɪɡrəns] fragrance n. 香味，芬芳**   * N-VAR A fragrance is a pleasant or sweet smell, esp. of flowers or perfume 香**perfume = fragrance = scent** * **[the heady perfume/fragrance of the roses 玫瑰 上头的/令人陶醉的 香味儿]**   e.g. ...a shrubby plant with a strong characteristic **fragrance**. 一种有独特浓郁香味的灌木。  e.g. The garden/air **is perfumed with** the wonderful fragrance/scent **[ˈfreɪɡrəns]** of roses. 花园里弥漫着玫瑰的芳香。   * N-MASS fragrance = perfume, is a pleasant-smelling liquid which people put on their bodies to make themselves smell nice. 香水 **[男士香水men's fragrance = men’s perfume]**   ## perfume [pərˈfjuːm] **perfume = fragrance [ˈfreɪɡrəns] = scent**   * **[男士香水men's fragrance [ˈfreɪɡrəns] = men’s perfume]**   the perfume counter/section of the store 商店的香水柜台   * `perfume` is a pleasant, often sweet, smell or scent, esp. of flowers or perfume芳香；香味**perfume = fragrance = scent**  **[the heady perfume/fragrance of the roses 玫瑰 上头的/令人陶醉的 香味儿]** * Verb) ( literary ) ( especially of flowers 尤指花 ) to make the air in a place smell pleasant 使香气弥漫SYN scent   e.g. The garden/air **is perfumed with** the wonderful fragrance/scent **[ˈfreɪɡrəns]** of roses. 花园里弥漫着玫瑰的芳香。  ## scent  /sent/  1. `scent` the pleasant smell that sth has, esp. for flowers or perfume 香味 **perfume = fragrance [ˈfreɪɡrəns] = scent**  e.g. The garden/air **is perfumed with** the wonderful fragrance/scent **[ˈfreɪɡrəns]** of roses. 花园里弥漫着玫瑰的芳香。  e.g. These flowers have no scent. 这些花不香。  2. [ U ] [ C usually sing. ] the smell that a person or an animal leaves behind and that other animals such as dogs can follow （人的）气味，气息；（动物留下的）臭迹，遗臭  SYN trail  e.g. The dogs must have lost her scent. 狗准是闻不到她的气味了。  3. [ U ] ( especially  BrE ) a liquid with a pleasant smell that you wear on your skin to make it smell nice 香水  [**a bottle of scent/perfume/fragrance 一瓶香水]**  4. ~ of sth [ sing. ] the feeling that sth is present or is going to happen very soon 察觉；预感  **`the scent of victory was in the air. 胜利在望`**  ## ['**əʊd**ə]  odor = smell n. 气味；名声  I could smell the horrible odor ['**əʊd**ə] |
| `thereof`  /ˌðeərˈ**ɒ**v/  /ˌðerˈ**ɑː**v/  adv. ( law 律 ) ( formal ) of the thing mentioned 指前面提到的事情  **🡺[`or lack thereof`: (或)缺乏/缺少前面所提到的xxx; ( 或)缺少前面所提到的<其中一些元素>]**  e.g. Is the property or any part **thereof** used for commercial activity? 这一房产或其中任何部分有用于商业活动吗？  e.g. Unfortunately, its applicability in hardware development–**or lack thereof** /ˌðeərˈ**ɒ**v/  /ˌðerˈ**ɑː**v/  –tends to be used to discredit agile altogether.  不幸地是，硬件研发中的适用性问题，或**缺乏/缺少前面所提到的<**适用性>，意图打破敏捷的这个特征。  e.g. The user interface (UI), business logic, and configuration, **or lack thereof** /ˌðeərˈ**ɒ**v/  /ˌðerˈ**ɑː**v/  **,** are mixed together with no thought to maintaining or extending the page with new features.  用户界面 (UI)、业务逻辑和配置，**或缺少前面所提到的<其中一些元素>**，将它们混合在一起，而不考虑维护或扩展具有新功能的页面 |
| **(疾病)要了（多少人的）姓名**  e.g. ….including seasonal influenza, which **claims the lives of thousands of people** every year…there are about 88,100 influenza-related deaths every year in China, with a **mortality rate** of between 1.6% and 2.6%. While the true extent of the new **coronavirus** is unclear, it appears to be more **deadly/lethal** than seasonal influenza. Of the 1,317 cases confirmed globally as of noon Saturday in China, there had been 41 deaths, a **mortality rate** of 3.1%. |
| `epicenter`  **[瘟疫/流行病/病毒]爆发的中心地:the epicenter of the <plague/pandemic/virus> outbreak]**   * **`the epicenter of the plague outbreak`** * **`the epicenter of the pandemic/epidemic outbreak`** * **`the epicenter of the virus outbreak`**   e.g. UK health officials are trying to track down hundreds of passengers who recently arrived from Wuhan -- **the epicenter of the coronavirus outbreak** -- in the UK. **(疾病爆发的)中心地** |
| repatriate /ˈriːˌpeɪtriːeɪt/, repatriation   * V-T If a country repatriates someone, it sends them back to their home country. 遣返   e.g. It was not the policy of the government to repatriate refugees. 遣返难民并不是政府的政策。   * N-VAR 遣返repatriation   e.g. Today they begin the forced **repatriation** of Vietnamese boat people. 开始强制遣返越南船民。   * V-T If someone **repatriates money that is invested in another country**, they change their investments so that the money is invested in their own country. 调资回国   e.g. Japan is sending its first **charter flight** 包机 to Wuhan to **repatriate its citizens (遣返(移民))** on Tuesday night local time, following successful negotiations with the Chinese government. Japan’s Foreign Minister told reporters at a press conference that **the charter plane** will then leave Wuhan on Wednesday morning and will arrive in Tokyo by midday local time. The plane will deliver masks and **medical protective gear 医用的防护服**on arrival and **repatriate about 200 people遣返(移民).** Japan is one of several countries, including the United States, attempting to evacuate and **repatriate their citizens** from Wuhan, which is **the epicenter of the coronavirus outbreak**. **// [瘟疫/流行病/病毒]爆发的中心地:the epicenter of the <plague/pandemic/virus> outbreak]**  e.g. Japan’s fourth **charter flight** 包机evacuating citizens from Wuhan has landed in Tokyo, all of whom will now be placed under mandatory **quarantine**. The previous three flights have already **repatriated** more than 550 Japanese evacuees from Wuhan |
| e.g. The patient is a 54-year-old South Korean man who **resides in** Wuhan, officials said in a statement. He arrived in South Korea on January 20 and reported his symptoms to local health authorities on Saturday. His test results came back positive today, the statement read. |
| e.g. The Chinese central government announced it would send more than 1,200 health workers — as well as 135 People's Liberation Army medical personnel -- to the cityin an **unprecedented** effort to [contain the spread](https://cnn.com/2020/01/24/china/wuhan-coronavirus-update-intl-hnk/index.html) of the virus. Four healthcare workers -- including doctors -- in the city have told CNN of the difficulties facing medical crews on the ground. They have asked to **remain anonymous** to avoid **repercussions/negative consequences (负面的不好的) 影响,反响.** |
| fortnight /ˈfɔːtˌnaɪt/ A fortnight is a period of two weeks. 两周  e.g. As an additional **precaution**, we are endeavouring to ensure that all passengers that have arrived from Wuhan in the last **fortnight** have the information they require to seek help if they begin to experience symptoms. |
| /wɔːd/  美 /wɔːrd/  ward   * a separate room or area in a hospital for people with the same type of medical condition 病房；病室[a  maternity/surgical/psychiatric/children's, etc. ward  产科、外科、精神科、儿科等病房   e.g. Chung said the woman was put in the wrong **ward**, which did not have negative room pressure -- a feature designed to stop the spread of germs. “We want to apologize for this incident and the imperfect handling,” he said.  e.g. Providing enough **isolation/quarantine wards 隔离病房** and stopping non-emergency services in hospitals   * ( law 律 **) ward: is** a person, especially a child, who is under the legal protection of a court or another person (called a guardian ) **受监护人**（受法院或监护人保护的人，尤指儿童）   V.S. **customdian /kʌˈstəʊdiən/监护人；**看守人；保管人 a person who takes responsibility for taking care of or protecting sth  e.g. The child was made a  ward of court  . 这个孩子由法院监护 |
| "It's really like **we're going into battle stripped to the waist**," one healthcare worker added, using a Chinese idiom that equates to "**going into battle without armor".** |
| 1. resort hotel 2. `**resort to sth` = to make use of sth,** especially sth bad, as a means of achieving sth, often because there is no other possible solution 诉诸；求助于；依靠 = SYN **have recourse to**   e.g. They felt obliged to **resort to violence**. 他们觉得有必要诉诸暴力。  e.g. We may have to **resort to using** untrained staff. 我们也许只能使用未受过训练的员工了    A different hospital staff member even claimed healthcare workers have had to **resort to** wearing **diapers** to work so as to avoid having to remove their hazmat suits, which they say are in short supply. |
| /**ˌriːpəˈkʌʃən/ repercussion = negative consequences (负面的不好的) 影响,反响，恶果**  If an action or event has repercussions, it causes unpleasant things to happen some time after the original action or event.  e.g. The collapse of the company will  have repercussions  for the whole industry. 这家公司的垮台将会给整个行业造成间接的负面影响  e.g. Four medical staff -- including doctors -- spoke to CNN of the situation and **vented their frustrations 发泄了他们的沮丧**amid exhaustion. They have asked to **remain anonymous**, fearing they could face **repercussions/ negative consequences (负面的不好的) 影响**for speaking to journalists without permission from their superiors.  **//for fear of retribution: 害怕报复** |
| /ˈmerɪt/  merit   * n.  ( formal ) the quality of being good and of deserving praise, reward or admiration 优点；美德；价值 eg.. a work of outstanding artistic merit 具有杰出艺术价值的作品   e.g. The plan is entirely **without merit 毫无价值 = valueless**   * [ C usually pl. ] a good feature that deserves praise, reward or admiration 值得赞扬（或奖励、钦佩）的特点；功绩；优点长处 SYN strength   e.g. We will consider each case on its (own) merits  (= without considering any other issues, feelings, etc.) . 我们将根据每件事情本身的情况来考虑。  e.g. I want to get the job **on (my) merits**  . 我要凭自己的`优点长处`，得到这份工作。  e.g. They weighed up the relative **merits** of the four candidates. 他们对四名候选人各自的**优点**作了比较。   * [ C ] ( BrE ) a mark/grade in an exam or for a piece of work at school or university which is excellent （学校或大学考试或作业的）良好 * [ C ] ( BrE ) a mark/grade given as a reward for good behaviour at school （在校操行好而获得的）良好 * Verb ( not used in the progressive tenses 不用于进行时 ) **( formal ) to do sth to deserve praise, attention, etc. 应得；值得** ( not used in the progressive tenses 不用于进行时 ) ( formal ) to do sth to **deserve** praise, attention, etc. 应得xxx；值得xxx   e.g. He claims that their success was not merited. 他声称他们不应该获得成功。  e.g. The case does not merit further investigation. 这个案子不值得进一步调查。 |
| * **临床试验 `clinical trials`** * **`就医: seek medical care`**   e.g. The patient became ill four days after arriving in the United States and `sought medical care` |
| ## incubate 🡺incubation 🡺 `incubation period`   1. **`incubate = hatch` ( of a bird 鸟 )** to sit on its eggs in order to keep them warm until they hatch 孵（卵）；孵化.   E.g. The birds returned to their nests and continued to **incubate the eggs 孵卵**   1. [ VN ] ( biology 生 ) to keep cells, bacteria, etc. at a suitable temperature so that they develop 培养（细胞、细菌等） 2. **[figurative meaning] 酝酿 incubate sth V.S. brew 泡茶/coffee；酝酿**   **[ 酝酿xxx蓝图: incubate the vision that xxx]**  e.g. Through **meditation**, you can **incubate the vision** that you are destined to accomplish. 通过**沉思**，你可以酝酿(那些你命中注定要完成的)宏伟蓝图。  V.S. **brew**: V-I If an unpleasant or difficult situation is brewing/brewing up, it is starting to develop. (不愉快的事, e.g. 危机、困境等) 即将来临,酝酿  Domestically, **a crisis is brewing. 一场危机正在酝酿着**   1. ( be incubating sth ) **[ VN ] ( medical 医 ) [`incubation period`]** to have **an infectious/contagious disease** developing inside you before symptoms  appear 有（传染病在体内）潜伏 |
| ## mortal   * adj. 凡人的；(凡人)终有一死的； * **`mortal`: only end with the death 你死我活的/不共戴天的**   **[`mortal enemies: 你死我活的/不共戴天的敌人; a mortal combat: 一场你死我活的争斗]**  e.g. They were locked in mortal combat (= a fight that will only end with the death of one of them) . 他们陷入了 一场你死我活的争斗中   * `mortal` = deadly = lethal , ( literary ) causing death or likely to cause death; very serious 导致死亡的；致命的；非常危急的 **[a mortal blow  致命的一击; a mortal wound伤口]**   e.g. ( figurative ) Her reputation suffered **a mortal blow** as a result of the scandal. 这一丑闻给了她的名声**致命的一击**  ## **mortality rate  [mɔːrˈtæləti] 死亡率**  e.g. SARS had **a mortality rate** of around 10%  ## mortal 🡺 immortal   * adj. that lives or lasts for ever 长生不老的；永世的；不朽的 e.g. The soul is immortal. 灵魂不灭。 * adj. famous and likely to be remembered for ever 流芳百世的；名垂千古的 **[流芳百世的/不朽名言: immortal words]** `the immortal Goethe 名垂千古的歌德`   e.g. In the immortal words of Henry Ford, xxx   * Noun) `an immortal`: is a person who is so famous that they will be remembered for ever 流芳百世/名垂千古的人物 e.g. She is one of the Hollywood immortals. 她是一位千古流芳的好莱坞名人 * a god or other being who is believed to live for ever 神；永生不灭者 |
| `mutation` **[genetic mutation基因突变变异]**/mjuːˈteɪʃn/   1. [ U C ] ( biology 生 ) a process in which the genetic material of a person, a plant or an animal changes in structure when it is passed on to children, etc., causing different physical characteristics to develop; a change of this kind （生物物种的）变异突变   e.g. The **genetic mutation 基因突变i**s only part of **the causation of illness**.  `**基因突变`**只是疾病的部分诱因。 // `**the causation /kɔːˈzeɪʃən/ of something`,** usually something bad, is the factors that have caused it. 诱因; 因果关系   1. ( linguistics 语言 ) [ U C ] a change in the form or structure of sth （形式或结构的）转变，改变 vowel mutation 元音变化 |
| health screening**健康检查；健康普查；卫生局的健康筛选** |
| `quarantine /ˈkwɒrənˌtiːn/`   * N-UNCOUNT If a person or animal is or is put**`in quarantine`,** they are being kept separate from other people or animals for a set period of time, usually because they have or may have a disease that could spread. (检疫)隔离 `**in quarantine = in isolation`**   e.g. She was sent home and put in quarantine.  她被送回家实施隔离。  e.g. The patient, who is **anonymous**, **is in isolation/quarantine** at Providence Regional Medical Center  e.g. CHINA this week announced the indefinite closure of all tourist attractions and a mandatory two-week **quarantine** for all travelers entering the region.  e.g. Providing enough **isolation/quarantine wards 隔离病房**and stopping non-emergency services in hospitals   * V-T If people or animals **are quarantined,** they are stopped from having contact with other people or animals, in other words, they are put in isolation. <人/动物>被(检疫)隔离   e.g. Dogs have to **be quarantined** for six months before they'll let them in.  狗必须 被(检疫)隔离 6个月后他们才会放它们进来  e.g. Japan’s fourth **charter flight** 包机evacuating citizens from Wuhan has landed in Tokyo, all of whom will now be placed under mandatory **quarantine**. The previous three flights have already **repatriated** more than 550 Japanese evacuees from Wuhan   * Verb) If a place is quarantined, people and animals are prevented from entering or leaving it. 对…进行隔离   **V.S. house arrest: 软禁** |
| `fend off`   * PHRASAL VERB If you **fend off unwanted questions, problems, or people**, you stop them from affecting you or defend yourself from them, but often only for a short time and without dealing with them completely. 避开   e.g. He looked relaxed and determined as he **fended off questions** from the world's Press. 回避世界媒体的问题  e.g. Chinese officials praised the country's response to the coronavirus crisis at a news conference today -- but **fended off questions** about the death of **whistleblower (不好事情的)举报者/告密者** doctor Li Wenliang.   * PHRASAL VERB If you fend off someone who is attacking you, you use your arms or something such as a stick to defend yourself from their blows. 挡住 (攻击)   e.g. He raised his hand to **fend off the blow. 挡住了那一击。** |
| **Fact check:** Communist Party officials **downplayed** the severity of the virus, police targeted "**rumor-mongers / mʌŋɡə /造谣者**" like Li Wenliang, and **online censors** deleted anything that questioned the official line.  **On Li Wenliang:** When asked whether the government should apologize for the death of Li Wenliang, Xie Feng didn't answer directly, but **fended off questions** about the death of **whistleblower (不好事情的)举报者/告密者** doctor Li Wenliang.  **On censorship:** Despite heavy anger from the Chinese public against the government and its censors, Xie Feng claimed there was freedom of speech in mainland China. |
| e.g. About two weeks ago, Wuhan medics began **appealing fo**r resources. "There's a shortage of medical supplies, help!" |
| ## `corona` /kəˈrəʊnə/  corona( astronomy 天 ) ( also informal halo ) a ring of light seen around the sun or moon, especially during an **eclipse日食.**  （尤指在日食或月食期间的）(冠状物) 日冕，日华，月华  ## `**corona**virus`**/***kəˈrəʊnəˌvaɪrəs/*  N a type of airborne virus **accounting for** 10-30% of all colds 冠状病毒  e.g. The United States has its first confirmed case of a new virus that appeared in Wuhan, China, last month, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced Tuesday. The **coronavirus** /kəˈrəʊnə/ has already **sickened hundreds and killed six people** in Asia. |
| ## `confront` 🡺 `**confrontational attitude**` /ˌk**ɒnfrʌn**ˈteɪʃnl/  tending to deal with people in an **aggressive** or even **provocative /prəˈvɒkətɪv/  挑衅的**way that is likely to cause arguments, rather than discussing things with them **对抗性的；挑起冲突的/挑衅的 [`confrontational attitude` : 对抗性/挑衅的态度 = provocative attitude ]**  ## provoke, provocation, provocative: /prəˈvɒkətɪv/   * ADJ If you describe something as provocative, you mean that it is intended to make people react angrily or argue against it. 挑衅的 provocative = confrontational   e.g. He has made a string of outspoken and sometimes **provocative speeches** in recent years. 带有挑衅的演说。  a provocative remark 煽动性的言论   * intended to make sb sexually excited; If you describe someone's clothing or behaviour as provocative, you mean that it is intended to make someone feel sexual desire. **撩人的/挑逗的/引诱的**；激起性欲的 **[ a provocative smile 撩人的/挑逗的一笑]**   e.g. Some adolescents might be more sexually mature and provocative than others. 更挑逗的。  e.g. On Saturday, Hong Kong Chief Executive **denounced/decried/slam/condemn/criticized** medical workers for threatening to strike, while also **ruling out** closing the border with China. "It is inappropriate and unrealistic for us to cut all the traffic with mainland China," she said. "I urge everyone not to use a fierce, **confrontational /ˌkɒnfrʌnˈteɪʃnl/ or provocative attitude /prəˈvɒkətɪv/** to fight for your demands." |
| `correlation` v.s. `causation`  **## relation 🡺 correlation /ˌkɒrəˈleɪʃn/**   * [ C U ] **~ (correlation between A and B)** | ~ (of A with B) a connection/link between two things in which one thing changes as the other does 相互关系；相关；关联 * **`be correlated to sth`**   e.g. There is a direct **correlation /ˌkɒrəˈleɪʃn/** between exposure to sun and skin cancer. 皮肤暴露在太阳下与皮肤癌直接相关。  e.g. **the correlation between smoking and** lung cancer 吸烟和肺癌之间的关联  **## causation /kɔːˈzeɪʃən/**诱因; 因果关系  **[xxx的诱因: the causation of sth; 疾病的诱因: the causation of illness ]**  N-UNCOUNT The causation of something, usually something bad, is the factors that have caused it.  e.g. The **genetic mutation 基因突变i**s only part of **the causation of illness**.  `**基因突变`**只是疾病的部分诱因。 |
| * `**pimples**` V.S. ` people` 注意发音  Pimples are small raised **spots**, especially on the face. **(皮肤上的)**丘疹; 粉刺 * `f**re**ckles`  /ˈfrekl/  [ usually **pl**. ] a small, pale brown spot on a person's skin, especially on their face, caused by the sun 雀斑；小斑点 * `spots`:  1. Spots are small, round, coloured areas on a surface. (圆)斑点 e.g. The leaves have yellow areas on the top and underneath are powdery orange spots. 橙色斑点 2. **Spots on a person's skin are small lumps (肿) or marks. (皮肤上的) 小疙瘩; 斑** e.g. My brother's face was covered with **spots and pimples**  我弟弟曾满脸疙瘩and粉刺  * `flecks`: flecks are small marks on a surface, or objects (物件/衣服表面的) 斑点; (像斑点的) 微粒 e.g. He went to the men's room to wash **flecks of blood** from his shirt. 洗衬衫上的斑斑血迹 * `stain`:污点 |
| [“杀无赦”: shoot-to-kill]e.g. The army **is now empowered to** operate on a shoot-to-kill basis.  军队现在被授权依据“杀无赦”原则行动 // V-T If **someone is empowered to do someth**ing, they have the authority, power, or legal right to do it. **Sb.有被授权/有权利做xxx** |
| * **（商品）保修单;质保单/保修期: [为期12个月的保修单: a 12-month warranty; 在保修期内: under warranty]** * **保险单/保险合同/保单: an insurance policy**   A warranty is a written promise by a company that, if you find a fault in something they have sold you within a certain time, they will repair it or replace it free of charge or you can even get refund. **[为期12个月的保修单: a 12-month warranty; 在保修期内: under warranty]**  e.g. The television comes with **a full two-year warranty**. 这台电视机有整两年的保修期/**质保单:**。  e.g. Is the car still **under warranty**? 这辆汽车仍**在保修期内**吗？  **V.S. [an insurance policy: 保险单/保险合同/保单]** |
| **# rational/rationality/rationalize your attitude/action V.S. ration**  ## `rationalize sth (your attitude/action/behavior)` /ˈræʃ**ənə**ˌlaɪz/  V-T If you try to **rationalize sth, like your attitudes or actions** that are difficult to accept, you think of acceptable **compelling reasons or justifications** to **justify or explain them**, in order to let others to accept it. 为(你的态度/行为) 作出合理解释; 使(你的态度/行为)合理化 **// `compelling reasons/arguments/evidences`: strong persuasive**  e.g. He still tried an attempt to **rationalize his violent behaviour** **对(他的暴力)行为作出合理解释**  ## adj) **rational adj. == SYN: reasonable 🡺 rationally** /ˈræʃ**nə**li/  美  adv   1. ( of behaviour, attitude, ideas, etc. 行为、思想等 ) based on **objective reason** rather than **subjective emotions** (行为,态度，思想等 ) 合理的；理性的 **`a rational argument/choice/decision合理的/理性的 论点╱选择╱决定` `rational analysis/thought合理/理性的分析╱思考`** e.g. There is no rational explanation for his actions. 对他的所作所为无法作出**合理的**解释 2. ( of a person ) able to think clearly and make decisions based on **objective reason** rather than **subjective emotions (**人**)**理智的；头脑清醒的.  e.g. Please talk to me when you return **rational 等你理智/头脑清醒的**时候再跟我聊吧 e.g. No rational person would ever behave like that. 头脑清醒的人都不会这样做。   **🡺OPP irrational**  **## rationally** /ˈræʃ**nə**li/  美  adv  to act/behave/think rationally 行动╱举止╱思考合情合理  e.g. She argued her case calmly and **rationally** by providing strongly **compelling arguments and compelling evidences**. 她冷静而又理智地为她的情况辩解 **// `compelling reasons/arguments/evidences`: strong persuasive**  ## DERIVATIVES 派生词 rationality /ˌræ**ʃə**ˈnæləti/   n.  **`the rationality of his argument 他的论点的合理性`**  ## ration /ˈræʃn/  美  n. v.   1. n. [ C ] **a fixed amount of food, fuel, or other resources etc**. that you are officially allowed to have when there is not enough for everyone to have as much as they want, for example during a war, or natural disaster （食品、燃料等短缺时的）配给量，定量   例： the weekly butter **ration** 每周的黄油配给量 e.g. The meat **ration** was down to one pound per person per week.  肉类的配给量降到了每人每周一磅。   1. ( rations ) [ pl. ] a fixed amount of food given regularly to a soldier or to sb who is in a place where there is not much food available （给战士或食品短缺地区的人提供的）定量口粮   e.g. We're  on short **rations**  (= allowed less than usual) until fresh supplies arrive. 在新的补给到达之前，我们的口粮定量不足。  e.g. Once these latest **rations** run out, the country will again face hunger and starvation. 最后这批口粮一旦用完，国家又要面临饥荒。  e.g. Aid officials said that the first emergency food **rations** of wheat and oil were handed out here last month.  援助官员们说第一批面粉和食用油等紧急救援食品配给已于上月在此发放。   1. [ sing. ] ~ (**a ration of xxx food)** an amount of sth that is thought to be normal or fair 正常量；合理的量   e.g. As part of the diet, allow yourself to **ingest** a small daily ration of sugar. 每天要摄入少量的糖。   //**ingest** xxx: When animals or plants ingest a substance, they take it into themselves, by eating or absorbing it. 摄取; 吸收   1. v. [ VN ] [ often passive ] ~ sb/sth (to sth) to limit the amount of sth that sb is allowed to have, especially because there is not enough of it available 限定…的量；定量供应；配给 When something is rationed by a person or government, you are only allowed to have a limited amount of it, usually because there is not enough of it. (常指因紧缺) 定量配给例：   e.g. Eggs were rationed during the war. 战争期间，鸡蛋限量供应。  e.g. Staples such as bread, rice, and tea are already being rationed.  面包、米、茶等主要食品已经是定量配给  e.g. The villagers are rationed to two litres of water a day. 村民每天的用水量限定为两升 |
| `head 🡺 heady /ˈhedi/` ( head·ier headi·est )  adj.   1. [ usually before noun ] having a strong effect on your senses; making you feel excited and confident 强烈作用于感官的；使兴奋的；使有信心的   the heady days of youth 令人陶醉的年轻时代  the heady scent/smell of hot spices 辣味调料的刺鼻气味  a heady mixture of desire and fear 既期待又害怕的复杂心情  ——note at exciting   1. ADJ **A heady drink/atmosphere/experience** strongly affects your senses, for example, by making you feel drunk or excited. **上头的/令人陶醉的**   ...in the heady days just after their marriage.  …在他们婚后令人陶醉的日子里.**[the heady perfume/fragrance of the roses 玫瑰 上头的/令人陶醉的 香味儿]**   1. [ not before noun ] ( of a person 人 ) excited in a way that makes you do things without worrying about the possible results (**上头**)冲动；冒失   V.S. `impulsive`: If you describe someone as **impulsive**, you mean that they do things suddenly without thinking/ worrying about them carefully first. 易冲动的 |
| `infect sb./infection/infectious` v.s. `contagious` a contagious disease /kənˈ**teɪdʒə**s/  ## infect /ɪnˈfɛkt/   * V-T To infect people, animals, or plants means to cause them to have a disease or illness. 传染   A single mosquito can infect a large number of people.  一只蚊子就能传染很多人。  ...objects used by an infected person.  …一名感染者使用过的物品。   * N-UNCOUNT 传染 ...plants that are resistant to infection.  …抗感染的植物。 * V-T To infect a substance or area means to cause it to contain harmful germs or bacteria. 使感染有害菌   The birds infect the milk.  鸟使牛奶受污染。   * V-T [figurative meaning] When people, places, or things are infected by a feeling or influence, it spreads to them. 使受影响   e.g. For an instant I was infected by her fear.  一瞬间，我被她的恐惧所感染。  e.g. He thought they might infect others with their bourgeois ideas.  他认为他们可能用中产阶级思想去影响别人。   * ADJ) E.g. /ˈmiːzlz/ **measles** is  **an infectious/contagious disease**, especially of children, that causes fever and small red spots that cover the whole body 麻疹   ## contagious /kənˈt**eɪdʒəs**/  adj.[ `**a contagious laugh 有感染力的笑声; a contagious acting 有感染力的表演`]**   1. `a contagious disease` spreads by people touching each other （疾病）接触传染的   e.g. Scarlet fever is highly contagious. 猩红热的接触传染性很强。  美  E.g. /ˈmiːzlz/ **measles** is **an infectious/contagious disease**, especially of children, that causes fever and small red spots that cover the whole body 麻疹   1. ( figurative ) His enthusiasm was contagious (= spread quickly to other people) . 他的热情富有感染力。  `**a contagious laugh 有感染力的笑声; a contagious acting 有感染力的表演`** 2. [ not usually before noun ] if a person is contagious , they have a disease that can be spread to other people by touch 患接触性传染病. ——compare infectious   e.g. People of all ages can be **infected** with this highly **contagious** /kənˈt**eɪdʒəs**/ virus, but older people and those with pre-existing medical conditions are especially **vulnerable** to severe complications. //**weak and easily hurt physically or emotionally （身体上或感情上）脆弱的，易受…伤害的** |
| /ˈsɪndrəʊm/  syndrome   1. a set of physical conditions that show you have a particular disease or medical problem 综合征；综合症状   e.g. This syndrome is associated with frequent coughing. 这种综合征与经常咳嗽有关。 美  ——see also AIDS , Down's syndrome , economy class syndrome , sick building syndrome , Tourette's syndrome   1. a set of opinions or a way of behaving that is typical of a particular type of person, attitude or social problem 典型意见；典型表现   例：  With teenagers, be prepared for the ‘Me, me, me!’ syndrome (= they think of themselves first) . 跟青少年在一起，对他们那种凡事只想到“我、我、我！”的典型心理不要大惊小怪 |
| /ˈmiːzlz/  measles  [ U ] **an infectious/contagious disease**, especially of children, that causes fever and small red spots that cover the whole body 麻疹 |
| # vulnerable: **weak and easily hurt physically or emotionally （身体上或感情上）脆弱的，易受…伤害的; weak and easy to get hurt or attacked.**  e.g. People of all ages can be **infected** with this highly **contagious** /kənˈt**eɪdʒəs**/  virus, but older people and those with pre-existing medical conditions are especially **vulnerable** to severe complications. // |

# Red-cross in Wuhan

<https://edition.cnn.com/2020/02/06/asia/red-cross-china-donations-intl-hnk/index.html>

On a gray afternoon in the Chinese city of [Wuhan](https://www.cnn.com/specials/asia/wuhan-coronavirus-intl-hnk), a suited man lifts a box of 3M masks into the trunk of a black vehicle next to a Red Cross warehouse. White characters on the side of his car read: "Vehicle for government officials." His actions **were livestreamed** by a state media outlet Saturday and immediately **sparked national outrage** online. "We didn't donate stuff for government officials to use, they were for those on the front lines," … So the problems with the Red Cross **undermine/destroy** the trust, the confidence in the government."

One volunteer was Tracy Liu, a native of China's coastal Jiangsu province who lives in the United States. She set up groups on the social media platform WeChat to connect donors with doctors, who could request specific supplies, such as **respirator face masks**, the type [recommended](https://edition.cnn.com/2020/01/28/health/coronavirus-us-masks-prevention-trnd/index.html) for healthcare workers by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. n January 26, a doctor in Wuhan told her the first shipment had arrived, she said.

But on that day, the Ministry of Civil Affairs [announced](http://www.xinhuanet.com/politics/2020-01/26/c_1125503600.htm) that all donations should go through one of five government-backed charities: Hubei Provincial Red Cross, Wuhan Municipal Red Cross, Hubei Charity General Association, Hubei Teenagers Development Foundation, and the Wuhan Charity General Association.

Since then, Liu said none of her packages have reached the recipient doctors. Shunfeng -- the delivery company she used -- said in a statement that it was prioritizing deliveries to charities and government departments. "I'm p\*\*\*ed off," she told CNN. "I paid for masks and they just got stuck there."

…Another worker at a different hospital in Huanggang described the situation as "grim," adding that her facility was lacking in N95 **masks, protective suits and goggles**. In a [video](http://n.miaopai.com/media/04H7G5a89AUwaPVl0s~5Tqama9APYioB) shared by the state media outlet Global Times last weekend, a doctor says he waited for over an hour at a Red Cross distribution center, only to get a box of 500 masks.

## Dealing with the **fallout of the coronavirus**

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"Because of the last two days, the **reputation** of the Red Cross really **stinks**," This isn't the first time China's Red Cross has come **under fire** during a national crisis. After the Sichuan earthquake of 2008, which killed almost [90,000 people](https://edition.cnn.com/2018/05/11/asia/sichuan-earthquake-anniversary-intl/index.html), questions were asked about where money raised for disaster relief went, including funds donated to the Red Cross. **That lack of accountability cast a shadow over the credibility of the organization；** and it subsequently formed a committee dedicated to improving its transparency over donation spending. 缺乏责任心给**（这个组织的信用）蒙上一层阴影**

For **the Red Cross's reputation to be called into question** again could be damning not only for the organization but for the government. "When (the public are) criticizing the China Red Cross for real here, they're criticizing the government," said a **sociologist  [ˌsoʊsiˈɑːlədʒɪst]**

at Colgate University who studies NGOs in China. "When people are making these **accusations**, they know it's a powerful accusation." To Hsu, this criticism illustrates that citizens feel more empowered than in the past to push back against the government.

"It's a **scary** situation, people are obviously really upset and afraid," she said. "In a place where people are really upset that the people who need them don't have the supplies that they need, I think this is not an abnormal response."

## words

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| **##** **给xxx蒙上一层阴影: cast a shadow over sth**  e.g. 缺乏责任心给**（这个组织的信用）蒙上一层阴影**  "Because of the last two days, the **reputation** of the Red Cross really **stinks**," This isn't the first time China's Red Cross has come **under fire** during a national crisis. …**That lack of accountability cast a shadow over the credibility of the organization；** and it subsequently formed a committee dedicated to improving its transparency over donation spending. 缺乏责任心给**（这个组织的信用）蒙上一层阴影**  e.g. The Air France crash over the Atlantic Ocean has also **cast a shadow over** the air show.  发生在大西洋上空的法航客机坠毁事件也**给（本届航展）蒙上一层阴影**。 |
| ## **appeal to sb. for sth:**  an urgent and deeply felt request for money, help or information, especially one made by a charity or by the police （尤指慈善机构或警方的）呼吁，吁请，恳求  e.g. to launch a TV **appeal for donations** to the charity 通过电视呼吁为该慈善事业捐赠  e.g. The police made an appeal to the public to remain calm. 警方吁请公众保持镇静  e.g. About two weeks ago, Wuhan medics began **appealing for** medical resources. "There's a shortage of medical supplies, help. We’re in desperate situation ! |
| **## `the fallout of the coronavirus/financial crisis/the earthquake/Brexit` (不好事情)带来的糟糕/消极的结果**  The bad or negative consequence of sth that is unpleasant  **## repercussion /ˌriːpəˈkʌʃən/  = bad consequences**  N-COUNT If an action or event has repercussions, it causes unpleasant things to happen some time after the original action or event. 后果; an indirect and usually bad result of an action or event that may happen some timeafterwards （间接的）(负面的) 影响，反响  e.g. The collapse of the company will  **have repercussions**  for the whole industry. 这家公司的垮台将会给整个行业造成间接的负面影响。  e.g. It was an effort which was to have painful repercussions.  那是一个将产生沉痛后果的尝试 |
| **sociologist  [ˌsoʊsiˈɑːlədʒɪst]** |

# Tariffs down for Coronavirus outbreak

<https://edition.cnn.com/2020/02/06/economy/china-tariffs-coronavirus/index.html>

China announced on Thursday that it will halveadditional tariffs on $75 billion worth of US imports, as the world's two largest economies continue to step back from a years-long trade war that has [hurt both countries](https://www.cnn.com/2020/02/05/politics/trade-deficit-falls-2019-trump/index.html) and dented global growth.

The move comes as China is grappling with the [escalating coronavirus outbreak](https://www.cnn.com/asia/live-news/coronavirus-outbreak-02-06-20-intl-hnk/index.html). [The disease](https://www.cnn.com/2020/01/20/health/what-is-coronavirus-explained/index.html) has killed 565 people, mostly in China, and infected more than 28,000 people in over 25 countries and territories.

The reduction affects US goods that China [imposed tariffs on](https://www.cnn.com/2019/08/23/business/china-tariffs-trade-war/index.html) last September. Starting next week, China will cut the additional 10% tariff rate it enacted back then on some goods to 5%. Other goods that were taxed an extra 5% will now be levied 2.5%, according to a statement from China's State Council Tariff Commission.

The commission added that other tariffs on US goods will be maintained while it continues to work on exemptions.

"China hopes that both sides will abide by bilateral agreements and make an effort to implement relevant provisions so that we can boost market confidence, promote bilateral trade relations and global economic growth," the statement said.

These tariff rollbacks had been widely expected and were a gesture in response to the United States [cutting its September round of tariffs by half in the "phase one" trade deal](https://www.cnn.com/2020/01/15/politics/us-china-trade-deal-phase-one-signed/index.html), according Tommy Wu, an economist with Oxford Economics.

"Nevertheless, the announcement may help boost market sentiment, especially at a time when China is battling with the economic impact of the coronavirus outbreak," he said.

Wu and other experts have warned that the coronavirus outbreak could [dent China's economic growth](http://www.cnn.com/2020/01/23/economy/wuhan-coronavirus-china-economy/index.html) this year and have knock-on effects for the global economy.

When the outbreak hit, Beijing took the extraordinary step of placing major cities on lockdown in order to contain it. The government also extended the Lunar New Year holiday, effectively bringing factories around the country to a standstill as workers have been ordered to stay home. Millions of people have pulled back on consumption, as they hunker down indoors and avoid public spaces.

Washington officials earlier this week said the outbreak could delay exports of US goods to China. Last month, Beijing had agreed to buy an additional $200 billion worth of products from the United States as part of a "phase one" trade deal.

"It is true the 'phase one' trade deal, the export boom from that trade deal, will take longer because of the Chinese virus," Larry Kudlow, US President Donald Trump's chief economic adviser, [said](https://www.foxbusiness.com/money/coronavirus-us-economy-larry-kudlow) in an interview with Fox Business on Tuesday.

Agricultural goods such as soybeans, pork, cotton and wheat had accounted for a big chunk of the new purchases.

On Wednesday, US Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue said the United States should be patient with China's ability to meet those trade pledges, given the coronavirus outbreak.

"If they're really trying and it really just blows the economy out of the water, then we would have to be understanding of that," Perdue said, [according](https://uk.reuters.com/article/uk-china-health-usa-trade/u-s-must-be-understanding-if-china-virus-impacts-trade-pledges-agriculture-secretary-idUKKBN200020?il=0) to Reuters.

Oxford Economics earlier this week cut its GDP forecast for China, saying that even with a rebound in the second quarter of this year, "we now forecast 5.4% growth for 2020, compared with 6% previously."

# Kobe Bryant died in helicopter crash

<https://edition.cnn.com/2020/01/27/us/calabasas-helicopter-crash-kobe-bryant-monday/index.html>

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| # `**be devastated by sth`: extremely upset and shocked 感到（极度）不安的/震惊的**  e.g. [Kobe Bryant's](http://www.cnn.com/2020/01/29/entertainment/kobe-bryant-gianna-girldad/index.html) **widow**, Vanessa Bryant, made her first public statement Wednesday, posting a long message on Instagram. “We **are completely devastated** by the sudden loss of my adoring husband, Kobe”. Vanessa Bryant continued by sending her deep **condolences** to the families of the other seven victims from Sunday. She wrote: "We share in their grief **intimately 亲密的；私人的.** There aren't enough words to describe our pain right now." "I'm not sure what our lives hold beyond today, and it's impossible to imagine life without them. But we wake up each day, trying to keep pushing because Kobe, and our baby girl, Gigi, are shining on us to **light the way**,"  e.g. "We **are devastated by** today's tragic news. We extend our deepest sympathies and **condolences** to those closest to Kobe, especially his family and friends. He was one of the greatest athletes of his generation and has had an **immeasurable** impact on the world of sport and the community of basketball. |
| /dɪˈvəʊt/  美 /dɪˈvoʊt/  v. devotion  PHRASAL VERBS 动词短语   1. `devote yourself to sb/sth`: to give most of your time, energy, attention, etc. to sb/sth 献身；致力；专心/倾注于xxxx   e.g. She devoted herself to her career. 她全力倾注于自己的事业。  e,g, "For 20 seasons, Kobe showed us what is possible when remarkable talent blends with an absolute **devotion** to winning," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said in a [statement](https://twitter.com/NBA/status/1221559562974781442) Sunday. "He was generous with the wisdom he acquired and saw it as his mission to share with future generations of players."   1. devote sth to sth: to give an amount of time, attention, etc. to sth 把…用于   e.g. I could only devote two hours a day to the work. 我一天只能在这个工作上花两个小时 |
| sizable /ˈsaɪzəbəl/ ADJ Sizable means fairly large. 相当大的 [`sizable business`]  e.g. Harry inherited the house and a sizable piece of land that surrounds it.  哈里继承了那座房子和房子周围一块相当大的土地  e.g. he [founded](https://www.cnn.com/2013/06/20/us/magic-johnson-fast-facts/index.html) investment firm Magic Johnson Enterprises, which [invested](https://money.cnn.com/2017/08/08/news/companies/magic-johnson-laguardia-airport/index.html) in a number of **sizable businesse**s, including Starbucks and New York's LaGuardia airport. |
| ## on top of that 除此以外  **On top of that,** Bryant also made [millions of dollars](https://www.espn.com/nba/story/_/id/24384862/kobe-bryant-6m-investment-sports-drink-now-worth-200m) on his investment in sports drink Body Armor, which in 2018 [boosted its valuation](https://money.cnn.com/2018/08/14/news/companies/coca-cola-body-armor/index.html) by selling a stake to Coca Cola. Bryant's **reputation** as a star athlete and brand builder has been one of the portfolio'skeys to success. |
| uphold /ʌpˈhəʊld/   * V-T If you uphold something such as a law, a principle, or a decision, you support and maintain it. (向上托举)维护/力挺   e.g. Our policy has been to **uphold the law. 力挺/维护法律**。  e.g. It is the responsibility of every government to **uphold certain basic principles 力挺/**维护某些基本原则。   * V-T If a court of law upholds a legal decision that has already been made, it decides that it was the correct decision**. 维持 (原判); ( especially of a court of law 尤指法庭 ) to agree that a previous decision was correct or that a request is reasonable 维持，确认（原判、裁决等）**   **[to uphold a conviction/an appeal/a complaint 维持原判；受理上诉╱申诉]**  e.g. The State Supreme Court upheld the Superior Court judge's decision. 国家最高法院维持了高级法院法官的判决。  e.g. Federal agents have discovered a drug smuggling/drug trafficking tunnel that **stretches** about three-quarters of a mile -- the longest ever discovered along the Southwest border. It **is equipped with** air ventilation, electricity, an extensive rail and cart system, and even an elevator at the each entrance, according to US Customs and Border Protection. "The **sophistication** of this tunnel demonstrates the determination and monetary resources of the **cartels企业联合；垄断联盟** ” The discovery has not yet led to any arrests or **seizures**. "I am confident that our hard work and dedication to **uphold the law 力挺/维护**  **（法律）**will lead to future arrests and seizures," |
| ## /ˈpɪnəkl/  pinnacle = peak, summit   * [ usually sing. ] ~ of sth the most important or successful part of sth 顶点；顶峰；鼎盛时期   **the summit/ pinnacle of his career 他事业的顶峰**   * a small pointed stone decoration built on the roof of a building, like the spire of the church （建筑物）小尖顶 => **pinnacle = the spire of the building/church** * a high pointed piece of rock, especially at the top of a mountain （尤指山顶的）尖岩，兀立岩石   e.g. We've had the privilege and the opportunity in our sports to be successful and **reach the pinnacle/summit of our careers,**  and we know what it takes to get to that top level. So now, it's always the challenge for the athletes to find that drive outside of the sport  V.S.  ## summit:   * (literal) the highest point of sth, especially the top of a mountain 最高点；顶点；山顶   e.g. We reached the summit at noon. 中午时分我们抵达峰顶。  e.g. This path leads to the summit. 这条路通往山顶。   * ( figurative ) **the summit/ pinnacle of his career 他事业的顶峰**   ## spire /spaɪə/   * N-COUNT **The spire of a building** such as a church is the tall pointed structure on the top. (教堂等建筑物的) 尖顶 * N any of the coils or turns in a spiral structure (螺旋形结构的)盘管或拐角 |
| Through this company, the basketball star wrote and **narrated**  [ˈnæreɪt a short film called "Dear Basketball," which won the Academy Award for best animated short film in 2018. Granity has also released a set of books for young adults, along with Bryant's **autobiography**, "The Mamba Mentality: How I Play." |
| **[endorse a product: 代言某个产品**  **a product endorser (产品的)代言人 ]**  e.g. Bryant, known in basketball as "Black Mamba," began to build his brand as an athlete early in his career as a Nike ([NKE](https://money.cnn.com/quote/quote.html?symb=NKE&source=story_quote_link)) **endorser (产品的)代言人**. Bryant first [signed a deal](https://money.cnn.com/2003/08/18/news/companies/nike_endorsements/) with Nike in 2003. Bryant also had **endorsement deals** with a number of other brands throughout his career, including McDonald's ([MCD](https://money.cnn.com/quote/quote.html?symb=MCD&source=story_quote_link)), Sprite, Nintendo ([NTDOF](https://money.cnn.com/quote/quote.html?symb=NTDOF&source=story_quote_link)) and Turkish Airlines. |

In his final transmission, the pilot of a helicopter that crashed, killing nine people including NBA legend Kobe Bryant, told air traffic control he was climbing to avoid a cloud layer, the National Transportation Safety Board said Monday.

When air traffic control asked the pilot what he planned to do, there was no reply, NTSB board member [Jennifer Homendy](https://www.ntsb.gov/news/speeches/JHomendy/Pages/bio_homendy.aspx) told reporters. The last radar contact was around 9:45 a.m. (12:45 p.m. ET) Sunday, she said.

Radar data indicated the helicopter climbed 2,300 feet and began a left descending turn, she said.

The NTSB, which is investigating the cause of the crash, detailed the helicopter's final moments before it [crashed into a hillside](http://www.cnn.com/2020/01/26/us/calabasas-helicopter-crash-trnd/index.html) in Calabasas, California, under foggy conditions. Visibility was so low Sunday morning that the Los Angeles Police Department grounded its helicopters, department spokesman Josh Rubenstein said.

The crash impact broke the helicopter into pieces, creating a debris field stretching about 500 to 600 feet, according to Homendy.

"There is (an) impact area on one of the hills and a piece of the tail is down the hill, on the left side of the hill," she said. "The fuselage is over on the other side of that hill, and then the main rotor is about 100 yards beyond that."

When asked about any chance for survival, Homendy said: "It was a pretty devastating accident scene."

Bryant, 41, and the other passengers were headed to Thousand Oaks for a basketball game, where Bryant's [13-year-old daughter, Gianna](http://www.cnn.com/2020/01/26/us/gianna-bryant-kobe-relationship-trnd/index.html), was expected to play and Bryant was expected to coach. Gianna and two other girls were among the victims.

Homendy said initial information indicates the helicopter was flying under visual flight rules from John Wayne Airport, in Orange County, to just southeast of Burbank Airport.

Around Burbank, the pilot requested to fly under special visual flight rules, Homendy said. An SVFR clearance allows a pilot to fly in weather conditions worse than those allowed for regular visual flight rules (VFR).

Pilots can request SVFR clearance before takeoff or during the flight, especially if conditions suddenly change, CNN transportation analyst Peter Goelz said.

While SVFR clearance is "pretty normal," he said, "it's not something that's often recommended."

If granted SVFR clearance, the pilot will typically keep tighter communication with air traffic control.

During the pilot's conversation with air traffic control, they advised the pilot there was a delay due to traffic, Homendy said.

She said the helicopter circled for 12 minutes until air traffic control approved the special visual visual flight rules.

Homendy said the helicopter flew in the Burbank and Van Nuys airspace at 1,400 feet, heading south and then west.

The pilot requested flight following, which is radar assistance for a flight that helps the pilot avoid traffic, to continue to Camarillo, she said, But air traffic control said the helicopter was too low to provide flight following assistance, she said.

About four minutes later, the pilot said he was climbing to avoid the cloud layer, she said.

Homendy said the crash created a crater at 1,085 feet above sea level.

Los Angeles County Sheriff Alex Villanueva said there has been a lot of interest from the public trying to get to the crash site. An emergency ordinance was issued, making it a misdemeanor to unlawfully access the site, the sheriff said.

Deputies are patrolling the rugged terrain on horseback, Villanueva said. The terrain is so difficult to access that authorities bulldozed the road to get a car to the location.

### NBA postpones Lakers game after crash

A day after the crash, the National Basketball Association said Tuesday night's Los Angeles Lakers game versus the Los Angeles Clippers would be postponed. The decision "was made out of respect for the Lakers organization," which is mourning the deaths of the nine victims, the league said

The game was scheduled to take place at the Staples Center in Los Angeles and will be rescheduled, the league said.

The [Los Angeles County coroner's office](https://mec.lacounty.gov/2020/press-releases/sort-recover-bodies-helicopter-crash-calabasas/) said Monday a team of investigators recovered three bodies Sunday night, before darkness and safety concerns suspended the search. It's unclear which victims have been recovered.

### Children and parents were on board

Bryant and Gianna were joined on the flight by Orange Coast College (OCC) baseball coach John Altobelli, his wife Keri and his daughter Alyssa, Altobelli's brother told CNN.

Alyssa was Gianna's teammate, OCC assistant coach Ron La Ruffa said. And Altobelli would routinely travel with his daughter for her basketball games.

OCC President Angelica Suarez said she was devastated by the loss of "a member of our OCC family."

"Coach Altobelli was a giant on our campus -- a beloved teacher, coach, colleague and friend," Suarez said in a statement. "This is a tremendous loss for our campus community."

Another parent, Christina Mauser, was also killed in the crash. Mauser was an assistant girls basketball coach for a private school in Corona del Mar, California.

"My kids and I are devastated. We lost our beautiful wife and mom today in a helicopter crash," her husband Matt Mauser wrote on Facebook.

Payton Chester and her mother Sarah Chester were also passengers on the helicopter and killed in the crash, Payton's grandmother, Cathy Chester, wrote on Facebook. She said they were on their way to the same basketball game.

The pilot of the helicopter was Ara Zobayan, according a former colleague at the Island Express helicopter company and a neighbor.

Kurt Deetz, a pilot who worked at Island Express with Zobayan, said he would trust Zobayan to fly him.

Zobayan's neighbor, Robert Sapia, said Zobayan loved his job and would show him photos of the celebrities he would fly around, including Bryant.

Zobayan was an instrument-certified pilot who earned his commercial pilot's license in 2007, according to the Federal Aviation Administration's pilot certification database.

He was also a certified flight instructor for instrument instruction for helicopter pilots, the records show. The database also shows Zobayan was up to date on FAA-required annual medical exams.

Homendy said Zobayan had a commercial certificate and was a certified flight instructor who had 8,200 hours of flight time as of July 2019, she said.

Sikorsky, the helicopter manufacturer, tweeted its condolences.

"We have been in contact with the NTSB and stand ready to provide assistance and support to the investigative authorities. ... Safety is our top priority; if there are any actionable findings from the investigation, we will inform our S-76 customers."

The helicopter was built in 1991 and was most recently registered to Island Express Holding Corp., according to the FAA.

In a statement, Island Express Helicopters, owner and operator of the helicopter, said it was "deeply saddened" by the crash.

SVFR clearance allows a pilot to fly in weather conditions worse than those allowed for regular visual flight rules. Sunday morning, the Los Angeles Police Department had **grounded its helicopters** because of low visibility from fog.