COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

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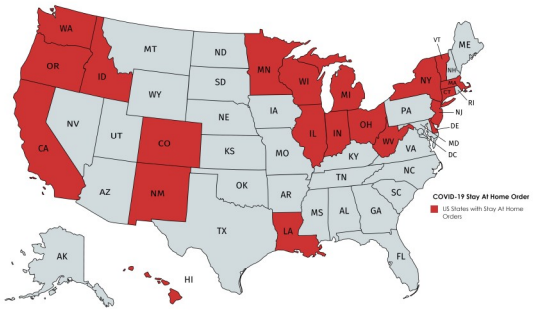
CDC Coronavirus Business Response Guidance

John Hopkins Coronavirus Global Case Map

FEMA's Business Emergency Operations Center



Map depicts 21 US states with Stay at Home

Key Takeaways

- There are currently 419,225 COVID-19 cases and 18,589 confirmed fatalities worldwide. In the US, there are 54,622 confirmed cases and 749 domestic fatalities.
- Twenty-one states have issued Stay at Home orders. Schools have closed in 46 states, affecting 55 million students.
- Congress is finalizing a $2 trillion assistance package that will provide aid to medical facilities, state governments, individuals, and businesses.
- Full details are still unknown, but the package is reported to include measures that will impact all areas of the nation's economy including payments to individuals, small business loans, unemployment insurance benefits and loans for distressed companies.
- Implementation of the measures in the bill, including payments and loans, may take several months.
- While some social distancing measures may be eased in the coming weeks, it is likely that business impacts will continue for an extended period.
- The President has issued Major Disaster Declarations for the states of CA, NY, NC, FL, TX, LA, IA, WA. FEMA is currently surging support to NY, CA, and WA.
- Congress is working on a stimulus package to boost the economy as adverse impacts across multiple sectors continue.

Considerations

It is likely that social distancing measures will be eased in phases, perhaps starting with manufacturing and other businesses that do not include customer contact, moving to low-volume retail, and then to high-volume retail.

Large public gatherings will likely be the last events to be resumed.

Businesses should be planning now for eventual recovery.

An excellent and cost-effective method of improving recovery planning is to conduct a discussion-based Tabletop Exercise (TTX).

TTXs can help train staff, raise their levels of awareness of the company's emergency response and recovery plans and ensure their capabilities to implement those plans.

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A Tabletop Exercise is a facilitator-led, discussion-based exercise that allows company personnel to talk through their responses to emergency and disaster situations. These discussions can identify weaknesses or gaps in plans and can engender effective recommendations for improving emergency response plans and procedures.

ARMADA Ltd. has developed a TTX Guide to assist company's in conducting a discussion-based Tabletop Exercise to assist in responding to and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Click here to view ARMADA's Tabletop Exercise Guidance.

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