



COVID-19 OBSERVATION & PROTECTION SUMMARY (C.O.P.S.)

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NJ LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA & TRENDS

Total Arrests Statewide Reported by SBI (5/18-5/24 vs 5/25-5/31)

- Arrests decreased from 1,533 to 1,488 (-2.9%)

Pandemic-Related Crime Arrests Reported by SBI (5/18-5/24 vs 5/25-5/31)

- Burglaries decreased from 112 to 72 (-35.7%)
- Robberies increased from 16 to 24 (+50.0%)
- Shoplifting increased from 58 to 74 (+27.6%)
- Weapons possession increased from 39 to 52 (+33.3%)

Shooting Hit Environment (5/25-5/31 this year compared to same time last year)

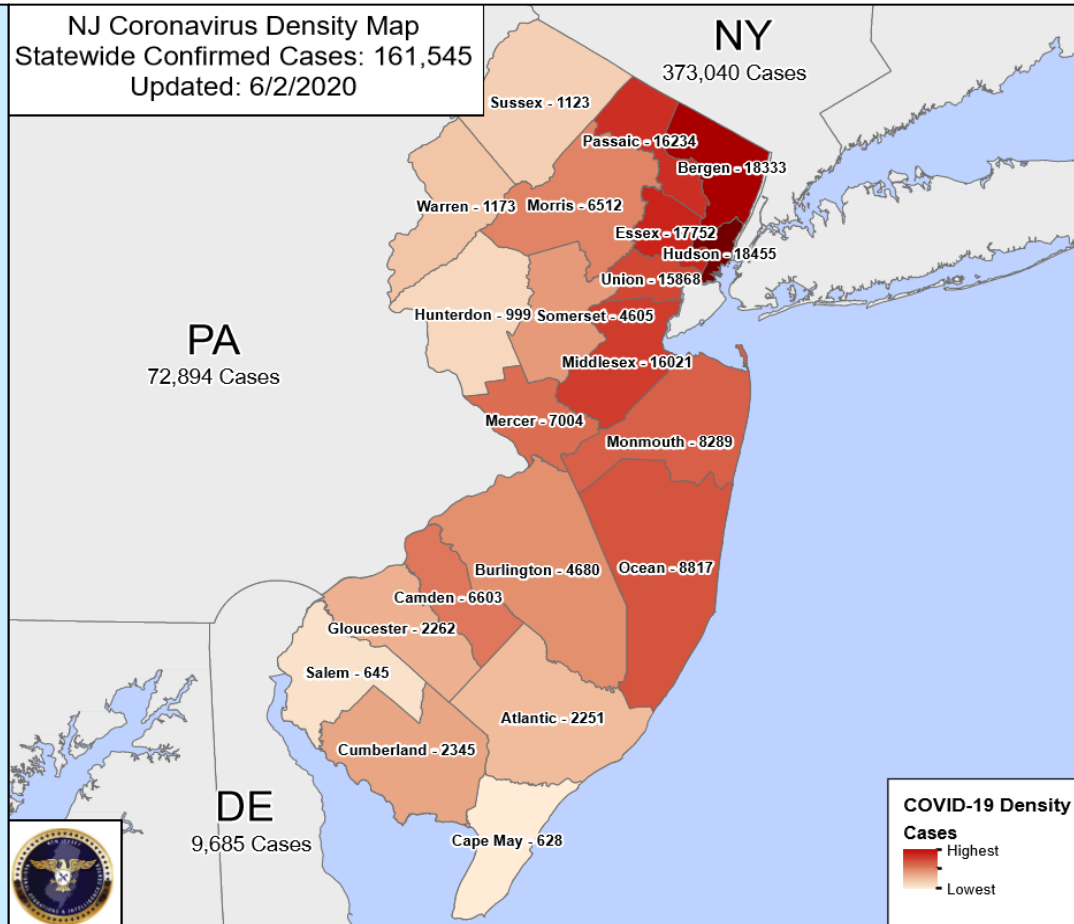
- Shooting hit victims decreased from 34 to 24 (-29%)
- Shooting homicide victims decreased from 7 to 3 (-57%)
- Total shooting victims decreased from 41 to 27 (-34%)
- Shooting hit incidents decreased from 14 to 13 (-7%)
- Shooting murder incidents decreased from 7 to 3 (-57%)
- Total shooting incidents decreased from 21 to 16 (-24%)

Crimes

- Statewide Bail Scam**
 - Reference 9:15am COVIDSTAT notes & PSA for additional information
- Compliance Violation Reports Reported by County (as of 5/31): 3,353**
- COVID-19 Crime Reports Reported by County (as of 5/31): 304**
 - Collected as incidents, not by arrests (ex. could be 4 arrested in 1 incident)
- NJ ROIC continues to monitor incidents involving subjects spitting/coughing on LE/citizens while claiming to be infected with COVID-19**

NJ Coronavirus Density Map

Statewide Confirmed Cases: 161,545
Updated: 6/2/2020



GHOST GUNS AKA PRIVATELY MADE FIREARMS (PMFs)

- (U//FOUO) A **Privately Made Firearm (PMF)**, sometimes referred to as a **"Ghost Gun,"** is a firearm made by a person not licensed to engage in the business of manufacturing firearms and without a serial number placed on the frame or receiver by a licensed manufacturer.
- (U//FOUO) PMFs can be made by individuals via **3D-printing, computer numerical control (CNC), cast-molding, and factory-produced parts.**
- (U) There are **two types of PMFs**: those made out of plastic with 3-D printers, and those made with kits. PMF kits include the necessary component parts to convert the unfinished frame or receiver into a fully operable weapon.
- (U//FOUO) **PMFs are an attractive option** for individuals barred from legally receiving or possessing a firearm or who seek to hide their activity from law enforcement.
- Source: DON NCIS: (U//FOUO) *Privately Made Firearms (PMFs) aka "Ghost Guns,"* dated 27 May 2020

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COMPROMISED LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNICATIONS DURING PROTESTS

- (U//FOUO) As of 30 May, law enforcement officials in Portland, OR, reported that they assessed that **well-coordinated groups had potentially compromised law enforcement radio communications**, according to DHS operational information.
- Police officers in Minneapolis, MN, earlier this week were **forced to switch to cell phones for tactical communications** after learning their communications were being monitored by individuals using **publicly available police scanner apps** to disrupt law enforcement operations, according to unverified press reporting.
- (U) Unidentified individuals reportedly were able to disrupt law enforcement communications in the Chicago, IL, area after police frequencies were publicly posted on the internet, allowing unidentified individuals to **saturate the channels with music**, according to media reporting.
- Source: DHS IN: (U//FOUO) *Potential for Illicit Actors Monitoring and Disrupting Law Enforcement Communications During Ongoing Violence, dated 31 May 2020*

(U//FOUO) Other Means of Avoiding Face Recognition Systems

(U//FOUO) Masks or face coverings remain a simple, readily available means to avoid detection by face recognition systems however, some states and localities have anti-mask laws that generally prohibit the wearing of face coverings under normal circumstances. The use of face covering by violent extremists or criminals to avoid identification is typically easily noticeable by security partners. Other means of evading face recognition are commercially available, with no acquisition barriers, and may be less noticeable than masks to security partners. As the use and capability of face recognition systems expand typically innocuous items such as laser pointers, accessories, and clothing capable of interrupting such systems may become a feature in violent activity. While the wearing or possession of these items may not be explicitly prohibited by federal, state or local statutes, such items could be misused by violent extremists or other criminals intending to cause disruption to critical infrastructure.

(U) Blue or green lasers pointed directly at security cameras. Blue and green lasers have very high bandwidth, project over a relatively long distance, and may be able to temporarily "blind" a video camera.



(U) Crowd using lasers during 2019 pro-democracy protest in Hong Kong.⁶ Note this example is offered only to illustrate how violent extremists might employ similar tactics.

(U) Clothing or accessories with images of faces, license plates, or pixelated images. Face recognition algorithms are unable to deconflict images resulting in a false positive or unresolved detection.



(U) Backpack with pixelated images of faces.⁷

(U) Specialized clothing, such as hats, which use visible infrared lights to obscure the face. The results may appear as a white blob on camera or cause shadows, which cannot be resolved by face recognition algorithms.



(U) Research version of hat with light emitting diodes (LEDs).⁸

Source: DHS IN: (U//FOUO) *Violent Adversaries Likely to Use Protective Masks to Evade Face Recognition Systems, dated 22 May 2020*

ANTIFA SYMBOLS/TERMS (NJ OHSP/NJROIC)



ACAB or
1312
= all cops are
bastards

F*ck 12 =
F*ck cops

ANTIFA PROTESTERS—HELMETS/SHIELDS



(BELOW) BOOGALOO SYMBOLS—MAY DESIGNATE MILITIA OR WHITE SUPREMACIST EXTREMISTS



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TRANSPORTATION

Travel by Rail (Ridership Stats)

- Amtrak:** Down 90% across country (modified schedule). Current measures include requiring all customers wear facial coverings, limiting bookings, cashless service, physical distancing, and flexible food/beverage service.
- NJ Transit:** Down 90% system-wide (modified schedule).
- PANYNJ:** Down 60-70%, but starting to trend upward (modified schedule with 10 min headway between trains).
- PATCO:** Down 85% (modified schedule with 20 min headway between trains).
- SEPTA:** Transit operating on regular schedule. Service returns on all Bus, Trolley, Market-Frankford, Broad Street, and Norristown High Speed Line Routes following the timetables in effect before the pandemic began. Regional rail will continue to operate on reduced schedules until further notice.

TRANSPORTATION

Travel by Air

- Nationwide passenger traffic** remains down –88% from previous year.
- COVID at TSA:** To date, a confirmed 621 employees, both screeners and non-screeners, tested positive for COVID-19.
 - 423 employees recovered, and 6 (2 employed at Newark) died as a result of the virus.
 - [TSA Travel Numbers 2019-2020](#)
- TSA is seeing a **continuing rise in passenger traffic**.
- Newark Airport** has experienced a total of 61 cases, including 52 TSA screeners and 9 non-screeners. Last confirmed screening officer case was 5/3/2020.
- All airlines now require facemasks on all passengers from the time they check in until they deplane.** [TSA Updated Security Procedures](#)
- As of 1 June, Frontier Airlines started temperature checks for all passengers and flight crew.

Newark Liberty International

Week	Average Daily Total Traveler Throughput 2020	Average Daily Total Traveler Throughput 2019	YOY% Change
Week 4/26/2020-5/2/2020	1,986.7	62,845.3	-96.84%
Week 5/3/2020-5/9/2020	2,471.0	65,562.6	-96.23%
Week 5/10/2020-5/16/2020	2,948.9	69,213.7	-95.74%
Week 5/17/2020-5/23/2020	3,950.0	73,391.3	-94.62%
Week 5/24/2020-5/30/2020	4,202.3	66,088.3	-93.64%

TSA Nationwide

Week	Average Daily Total Traveler Throughput 2020	Average Daily Total Traveler Throughput 2019	YOY% Change
Week 3/1/2020-3/7/2020	2,022,471.43	2,255,025.57	-10.31%
Week 3/8/2020-3/14/2020	1,762,502.43	2,369,585.14	-25.62%
Week 3/15/2020-3/21/2020	896,075.29	2,401,426.29	-62.69%
Week 3/22/2020-3/28/2020	270,246.86	2,371,600.43	-88.60%
Week 3/29/2020-4/4/2020	141,219.86	2,278,332.57	-93.80%
Week 4/5/2020-4/11/2020	104,158.86	2,329,198.71	-95.53%
Week 4/12/2020-4/18/2020	95,674.00	2,359,849.43	-95.95%
Week 4/19/2020-4/25/2020	106,586.14	2,353,139.86	-95.47%
Week 4/26/2020-5/2/2020	134,255.71	2,327,408.14	-94.23%
Week 5/3/2020-5/9/2020	168,691.86	2,357,820.14	-92.85%
Week 5/10/2020-5/16/2020	205,009.57	2,404,782.86	-91.47%
Week 5/17/2020-5/23/2020	262,734.14	2,515,992.43	-89.56%
Week 5/24/2020-5/30/2020	293,144.14	2,354,171.43	-87.55%

Month	Average Daily Throughput 2020	Average Daily Throughput 2019	YOY% Change
March	1,133,532.3	2,344,518.2	-51.65%
April	109,566.9	2,337,486.4	-95.31%
May	227,096.1	2,398,122.5	-90.53%
% change March to April	-90.33%	-0.30%	
% change April to May	107.27%	2.59%	

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DISASTER RESPONDERS GRAPPLE WITH PLANNING FOR EXTREME WEATHER IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

- The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration predicted an above-normal **2020 hurricane season**, with the possibility of **3-6 major hurricanes this summer** looming over millions of Americans.
- Any weather anomaly that happens during the outbreak will create a **compound extreme event**, defined as an event that occurs when one disaster is layered on another, requiring special preparation.
- **Examples:** A **power outage** after a windstorm will make it difficult for people to stay home for an extended period; **wildfire pollution** will hurt indoor air quality for those self-isolating; compound extreme events will put particular **stress on the medical system**.
- Many of FEMA's response plans rely on mass care, mass evacuations, and mass sheltering, and these options may not be possible or safe to do with the virus still spreading
- **Economic decline, COVID-19, and summer weather events** will create a **threefold threat** that could hit some especially hard. **Neighborhoods of color are most likely to be exposed** not only to the effects of climate change, such as heat and flooding, but also to COVID-19 and the widespread economic instability that has followed in its wake
- Planning for summer weather events during COVID-19 will require new thinking, but experts agree that **proper risk communication, early warning systems, and a focus on equity are key**.
- Source: (U) [Homeland Security News Wire](#)

(U//FOUO) CYBER THREATS RELATED TO PROTESTS WILL CONTINUE TO ESCALATE

- (U//FOUO) Currently, those incidents include confirmed **distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks** targeting government websites, **potential telephony denial-of-service attacks** against the Emergency Services Sector, and potential targeting of inadvertently internet-connected local government systems, although we are not aware of any confirmed compromises of state and local networks.
- (U//FOUO) **Anonymous, a collective of cyber actors that engages in criminal hacking activity**, claimed credit for a DDoS attack against Minnesota networks on 30 May; however, we cannot confirm they were responsible, and we have not attributed any of the recent cyber activity to nation-states.
- Source: DHS IN: (U//LES) *Mitigation Efforts to Combat Ongoing Violent Activities at Protests Continuing*, dated 31 May 2020

Cyber-enabled criminal and state actors continue to target US clinical trials data, personally identifiable information (PII), personal health information (PHI), trade secrets, means of producing critical HPH goods, and sensitive data and proprietary research of US universities and research facilities. Likely due to the current global public health crisis, the FBI has observed some nation-states shifting cyber resources to collect against the HPH sector, while criminals are targeting similar entities for financial gain. The FBI has observed malicious actors successfully compromising US victim networks through social engineering, hacking emails, and exploiting common vulnerabilities of connected devices and Internet of Things (IoT) equipment used in laboratories.

Source: FBI PIN: (TLP: WHITE) *Criminals & Nation-State Cyber Actors Conducting Widespread Pursuit of US Biological & COVID-19 Related Research*, dated 21 May 2020

OPEN SOURCE INTELLIGENCE

The ROIC recognizes that Americans have constitutionally protected rights to assemble, speak, and petition the government. The ROIC safeguards these First Amendment rights, noting that violent extremists could disrupt legal activities, interfering with otherwise peaceful events.

- The Cyber Threat Intelligence Unit (CTIU) provides key intelligence reporting of potential mass social distancing violations to its state, county, and municipal partners for heightened caution and situational awareness. CTIU is monitoring multiple planned protests and rallies throughout the state for executive order violations and for public/officer safety concerns (reference daily Potential Mass Gatherings OSIR).

NEW GOOGLE SCAM SPOTTER TOOL

- Google recently unveiled a new website to teach users how to spot and avoid some of the most common online scams as hoaxes and fake sites proliferate amid the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The website, called [Scamspotter.org](#), contains a variety of information about hoaxes and their standard patterns, as well as how to identify things like fake stimulus checks or even fake vaccine offers.
- Source: [Fox News](#)

COVID-19 & TELEWORKING CYBERSECURITY

- In response to the recent increase in teleworking during the COVID-19 pandemic, cyber criminals are **targeting teleworking employees with fraudulent termination phishing emails and VTC meeting invites**, citing COVID-19 as the reason.
- Employees who are alarmed by the message may not scrutinize the **spoofed email address** that looks similar to their company's legitimate one.
- The emails entice victims to click on **malicious links** purporting to provide more information or online conferences pertaining to the **victim's termination or severance packages**.
- Companies should alert their employees to look for emails coming from Human Resources or management with spoofed email domains.
- Source: FBI PIN: (TLP: WHITE) *Cyber Criminals Take Advantage of COVID-19 Pandemic to Target Teleworking Employees through Fake Termination Phishing Emails and Meeting Invites*, dated 21 May 2020

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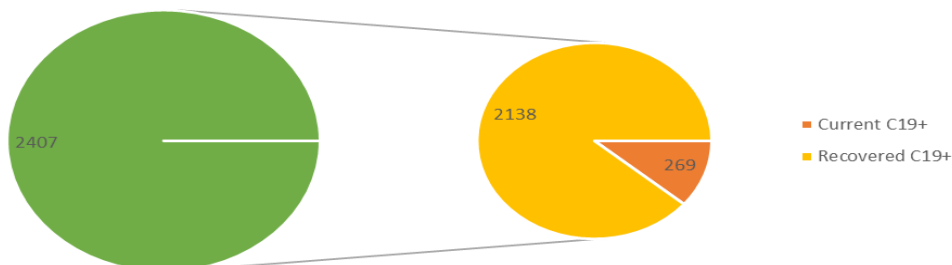
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NEW JERSEY LAW ENFORCEMENT STRENGTH SURVEY—5/29 UPDATE

BREAKDOWN OF COVID19+ SINCE APRIL 4, 2020

LAW ENFORCEMENT (LE)



NEW JERSEY FIRE DEPARTMENT STRENGTH SURVEY— 5/27 UPDATE

Key Findings

93% of reporting New Jersey fire departments indicate a working capacity of 90-100%.

- 55% of reporting departments indicate PPE is, or may become, critical.
- 13% of reporting departments indicate rapid C19 testing/antibody testing may become critical

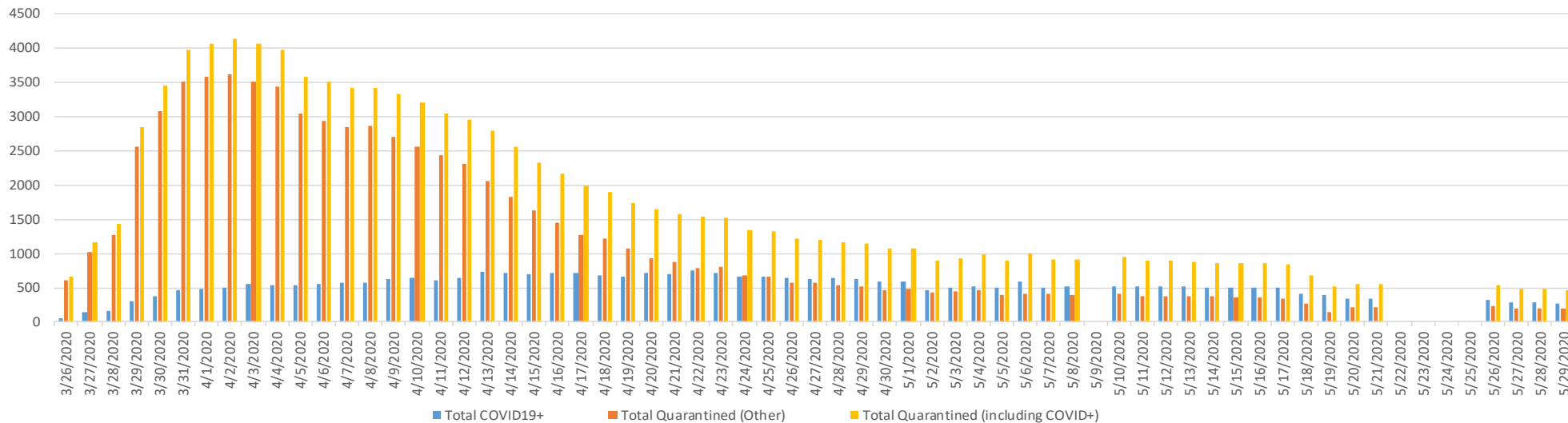
Survey Results

350 fire departments reported their fire personnel (FP) availability for May 19-26, 2020. This is no change from last week's response numbers and 49% of all departments statewide.

- **16,304** total FP reported via survey
- × **836** FP out statewide
- ✓ **15,468** FP available for duty

- 67 FP tested positive for COVID-19 (33% decrease from last week)
 - 1 FP hospitalized due to COVID-19 (50% decrease from last week)
 - **3 line of duty deaths **needs verification****
- 76 FP self-quarantined (15.5% decrease from last week)
- 739 FP out for other reasons (18% decrease from last week)
- 810 FP returned to duty after quarantine (26% decrease from last week)
- 93% of reporting departments at working capacity of 90-100%
 - 55% of departments indicate PPE supply is, or may become, critical

Total LE Affected Per Day



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Page Source: UNODC Research Brief: COVID-19 and the Drug Supply Chain: from Production and Trafficking to Use

OVERALL DRUG MARKET

1. Mobility restrictions of individuals
2. Reduction in global trade in commodities
3. Varying levels of law enforcement activity and the risk of interception of drugs
4. Economic downturn may lead to a long-term increase in illicit drug trafficking and consumption

DRUG MARKET

- Restrictions resulting from the lockdown could hinder the production and sale of opiates in major producing countries
- Measures are impeding cocaine production in the short term but a resurgence is likely in the event of economic crisis
- Reduced trade is limiting the availability of precursors for synthetic drugs in some regions
- **Latin America:** Long-term increases in illicit crop cultivation are expected due to an increase in household vulnerability
- **Afghanistan:** Increases in food prices and overwhelmed coping mechanisms are expected to trigger illicit crop cultivation

DRUG TRAFFICKING

- **Drug trafficking by air** is likely to be completely disrupted by the restrictions imposed on air travel
- Signs of increased use of maritime routes to Europe to traffic heroin
- Border measures appear to be **hindering trafficking in opiates**
- **Large shipments of cocaine** are still being trafficked but by alternative means
- Indications of a **reduction in the flow of cocaine** is not yet affecting seizures in destination markets
- COVID-19 measures are likely to lead to **stockpiling of drugs**
- Indications the lockdown is **increasing demand for cannabis**
- Local nature of cannabis implies trafficking will remain unaffected
- Enforcement of COVID-19 measures may play into the hands of drug traffickers
- It is expected that groups will also **adapt their drug trafficking strategies** to overcome the measures implemented to counter the spread of COVID-19. **The following strategies may vary depending on the severity of the restrictions imposed during the crisis:**
 1. **Changing modes of transportation and trafficking routes** to less risky (still open) routes, or to exploit weaknesses in border controls
 2. **Increasingly using alternative trafficking modes**, such as the darknet and postal services for actual drug shipments
 3. **Stockpiling drugs and waiting for restrictions to be lifted** if drugs cannot be moved or sold, in which case, the market will be over-supplied once the COVID-19 measures are suspended

IMPORTANT LINKS

[NJ Department of Health: Current COVID-19 Cases](#)
[Johns Hopkins University Coronavirus Dashboard](#)
[Police Foundation COVID-19 Resources for LE](#)
[CDC COVID-19 Guidance for Law Enforcement](#)
[NJOHSP Rumor Control/Disinformation Updates](#)
[Executive Order 107 Violation Reporting Form](#)
[PPE Donations Intake](#)
[New Jersey Executive Orders](#)
[New Jersey Administrative Orders](#)
[NJCCIC Telework Tips](#)
[NJ State Association of Chiefs of Police - COVID-19 Resources](#)
[International Association of Chiefs of Police](#)

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DRUG CONSUMPTION

- **Drug shortages** have been reported and could have negative health consequences for people with drug use disorders
- **Economic difficulties** caused by COVID-19 could change drug consumption for the worse

POST-COVID DOWNTURNS

- **Reduced drug budgets** available for measures aimed at reducing demand and supply of drugs.
- **Reduced economic opportunities** for the population and increasing unemployment rates, which may increase participation in illegal activities such as drug trafficking.
- **Increased corruption** facilitated by the expected budgetary difficulties of countries and decreasing opportunities for licit employment.
- **Increased substance use and aggravated harmful drug use** due to the deterioration in the socioeconomic situation. People with drug use disorders may increase their involvement in criminal activities to pay for drugs unless sufficient treatment for such groups can be provided.
- **Increased drug production and drug trafficking** may be affecting terrorist organizations that benefit financially from facilitating trafficking in drugs and other illicit materials.
- Reports have indicated that some **non-state actors are already trying to seize opportunities** to bolster their legitimacy by exploiting the COVID-19 crisis.

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