

CDC website

Total Cases: 1,152,372

Total Deaths: 67,456

See breakdown here:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>

CDC Guidance documents are updated routinely; see all updates on various topics here:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/guidance-list.html?Sort=Date%3A%3Adesc>

CT DPH website

Website not updated at time of writing. Below taken from Gov. Lamont's press conference as reported in the press:

Total Cases: 30,173 (+886)

New deaths: 61

Total Hospitalized: 1,464 (-24)

See breakdown here: (click on test data)

<https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus>

May 1, 2020: Gov. Lamont issued: [**Executive Order No. 7HH**](#)

- Mandatory suspension of annual town meeting or referendum to adopt budget
- Authorization for common-interest communities to hold meetings remotely

Press release:

Governor Lamont today announced the statewide expansion of a program that will make free online learning licenses available to recipients of unemployment insurance, including those who have been impacted by the economic fallout of the

COVID-19 public health crisis. The [SkillUp CT program](#) will significantly expand access to comprehensive online course work from a leading global provider for thousands of Connecticut residents. Originally launched in eastern Connecticut, a sustained rollout of the program across the state over the coming weeks will enable recently laid-off workers to upgrade their skills and earn industry-recognized certifications even while the doors to most brick-and mortar education and training providers remain closed.

Eligible Connecticut residents will receive email instructions on obtaining a Metrix Learning license that provides them access to about 5,000 online Skillsoft courses in areas such as information technology, business analysis, customer service, project management, and digital literacy, among others. Anyone with an internet connection and a computer can access courses. *SkillUp CT* also offers training tracks leading to over 100 industry certifications and will provide career coaching through the workforce boards

Press reports

- Faced with shortages in protective gear and hospital equipment, Connecticut will join with New York and five other northeast states to form a buying group, state leaders announced Sunday. “New York and Gov. Andrew Cuomo have been a very good neighbor for us,” Conn. Gov. Ned Lamont said during Cuomo’s teleconference at noon. “I wouldn’t mind having some of that New York buying power, thanks for sharing it with us,” said Lamont, who joined the press conference remotely.
- Connecticut Secretary of State Denise Merrill announced a plan this afternoon to send absentee ballot applications to every registered voter in the state. The state will pay the postage for the ballots, too.
- Add “skin” to the ever-longer list of parts of a person’s body that could be affected by the contagious respiratory illness COVID-19. Though it hasn’t made the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s list of COVID-19 symptoms](#), dermatologists and infectious disease experts said some people infected with the coronavirus might develop a skin rash — which can

resemble the measles or chicken pox — or a discoloration to the feet, which appears like a bad case of frostbite.

- Entering the job market for the first time is never simple, and the coronavirus pandemic and its devastating effects on the economy are not making it any easier for college seniors.
- NBC reported on March 29 that this year could be the worst job market since the 2007-2008 financial crisis, and some Connecticut students are already feeling the strain.
- The New Haven chapter of Frontline Foods has delivered more than 10,000 meals to feed staffers at Yale New Haven Hospital in recent days, according to the organization.
- The coronavirus outbreak at meat plants nationwide has limited their capacity and has prompted Costco to now impose limits on the amount customers can buy, the [company announced Monday](#). Fresh meat purchases are now temporarily limited to three items among beef, poultry and pork products, [their web site says](#).
- The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities today called on state leaders and CT's Congressional delegation to work with CCM and municipal and school leaders - and the Partnership for CT -- to help ensure that adequate summer employment and summer school programs are available to CT public school students this summer -- and especially for at-risk youth -- as safe education programs and employment opportunities need to be reimagined in the world of coronavirus pandemic.