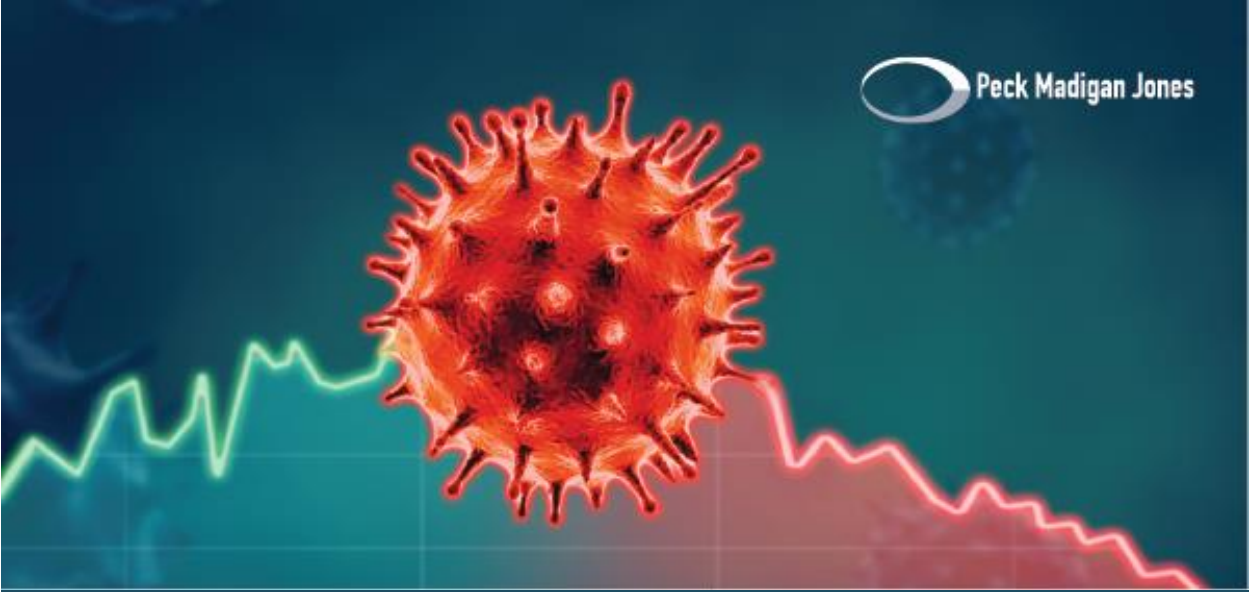




DAILY COVID-19 UPDATE

September 11, 2020

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY

After a failed vote on Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's (R-KY) targeted coronavirus relief bill, prospects that a stimulus deal will be reached prior to the election are **highly unlikely**. Sen. Pat Roberts (R-KS) stated, "It's sort of a dead-end-street." Meanwhile, Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) told House lawmakers, "We don't want to go home without a bill, but...When you are in a negotiation, the last place to get weak knees is at the end."

During a press conference yesterday, President Trump stated the U.S. is "**rounding the final turn** [on the pandemic] and we're going to have vaccines very soon..." NIAID Director Dr. Anthony Fauci indicated he disagrees with the president, noting, "we're plateauing at around 40,000 cases a day and deaths are around 1,000." He also expressed concern we could see a surge in cases following Labor Day weekend.

LATEST STATISTICS

There are a total of **28,287,928** confirmed cases worldwide, 911,591 deaths and 19,052,460 people have recovered.

There are **6,430,860** confirmed cases of the coronavirus in the U.S., 192,616 deaths and 2,403,511 people have recovered.

LATEST PMJ RESOURCES

Drug Shortage and Medical Supply Chain Tracker

Less than a month after President Trump's executive order to extend \$400 in enhanced unemployment benefits, [states are being informed](#) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that funding is running out. Texas, Tennessee, Montana, Iowa, and Arizona have all been notified that FEMA's Lost Wages Assistance Program will no longer supplement the additional unemployment benefits.

Notably, the federal budget deficit surpassed \$3 trillion through August [according to data](#) released by the Treasury. The federal government spent over \$6 trillion so far this year, a figure that increased largely due to emergency COVID-19 related spending.

COVID-19 Legislative Outlook

[State Responses to EO on Unemployment Insurance](#)

[Coronavirus State Reopening Tracker](#)

[Healthcare Chart on COVID Legislation](#)

[Liability Reform State of Play](#)

[CARES Act State Funding](#)

[State and Local Funding Bills](#)

[COVID Legislative Tracker](#)

[Global COVID-19 Export Controls](#)

[Memo - Federal Reserve COVID-19 Announcements](#)

[Federal Reserve Lending Facilities Deck](#)

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

Congressional

SENATE

- Sen. Blunt (R-MO) sent a [letter](#) to CDC Director Redfield asking whether \$6 billion proposed by Republicans in their next phase of COVID-19 relief would be adequate for its vaccine distribution effort.
- Sens. Booker (D-NJ) and Durbin (D-IL) [introduced](#) the *Abiding by U.S. Commitments Act*, which would ensure the United States fulfills its commitments to the World Health Organization by providing \$118.9M and strengthen global efforts to develop a vaccine for COVID-19.
- Sen. Baldwin (D-WI) [introduced](#) the *COVID Enrollment Response (COVER) Act* would invest in outreach and enrollment assistance to help more Americans find quality, affordable health insurance.

Administration

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- Dr. Jerome Adams, Surgeon General of the United States and Lance Robertson, Administrator, Administration for Community Living published a [blog post](#) titled, "Harnessing Technology to Address Loneliness and Social Isolation."

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

- NIH has [launched](#) two of three adaptive Phase 3 clinical trials evaluating the safety and effectiveness of varying types of blood thinners to treat adults diagnosed with COVID-19.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

- As part of the FDA's effort to protect consumers, the agency issued a [warning letter](#) jointly with the Federal Trade Commission to [Pharmacy Plus, Inc. dba Vital Care Compounder](#) for selling unapproved products with fraudulent COVID-19 claims.
- As of today, 247 tests are authorized by FDA under EUAs; these include 197 molecular tests, 46 antibody tests, and 4 antigen tests.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

- CDC released a [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report](#) titled, "Delay or Avoidance of Medical Care Because of COVID-19–Related Concerns — United States, June 2020."
- CDC released a [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report](#) titled, "Community and Close Contact Exposures Associated with COVID-19 Among Symptomatic Adults ≥18 Years in 11 Outpatient Health Care Facilities — United States, July 2020."

Articles of Interest

- 9/10 Bloomberg published an article titled, ["FDA Setting Higher Bar for Emergency Covid Vaccine Clearance."](#)
- 9/10 UMN's Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP) published an article titled, ["Another possible COVID complication: 'Punctured lung.'"](#)
- 9/10 The Hill published an article titled, ["CDC report: Dining out increases risk of contracting coronavirus more than other activities."](#)
- 9/11 Axios published an article titled, ["We're numb to the coronavirus."](#)
- 9/11 New York Times published an article titled, ["Coronavirus Can Be Deadly for Young Adults, Too, Study Finds."](#)

ECONOMIC UPDATE

Congressional

HOUSE:

- House Small Business Committee Republicans [released a statement](#) on the unique challenges small businesses in rural communities face during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Administration

TREASURY

- Treasury [released its](#) "Monthly Treasury Statement of Receipts and Outlays of the United States Government (MTS)."

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS)

- The IRS **announced** it is mailing letters to millions of Americans who have not determined whether they're eligible for a stimulus payment under the CARES Act.

Articles of Interest

- 9/11 Politico published an article titled, **"Trump's payroll tax deferral nixed for House employees."**
 - 9/11 The Wall Street Journal published an article titled, **"Global Economic Recovery Shows Signs of Slowing."**
 - 9/11 The Wall Street Journal published an article titled, **"Hopes Fade for Second Round of Stimulus Checks, Federal Jobless Aid."**
 - 9/11 Politico published an article titled, **"House Democrats probing \$250M coronavirus messaging contract."**
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