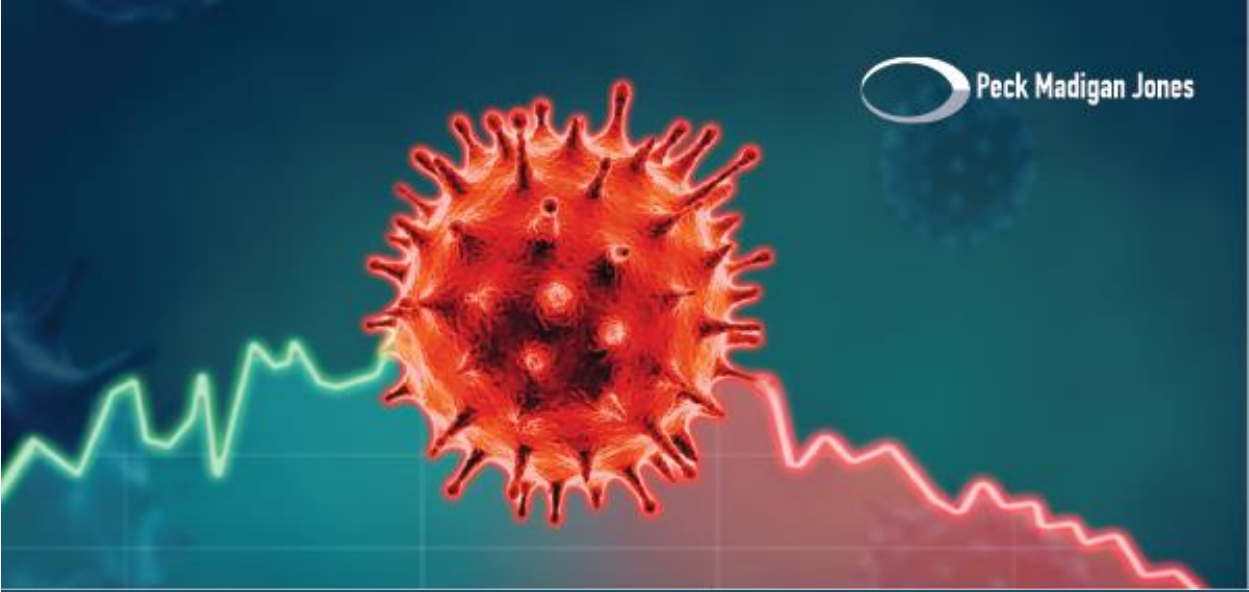




DAILY COVID-19 UPDATE

September 25, 2020

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY

As Secretary Mnuchin and Speaker Pelosi renew coronavirus stimulus negotiations, Democratic lawmakers announced a yet-to-be-drafted \$2.4 trillion bill that could be voted on as early as next week. The package reportedly will include stimulus checks; aid for airlines, small businesses, cities and states; rental assistance; unemployment insurance benefits; and funds for election security and the U.S. Postal Service.

The \$2.4 trillion package still far exceeds Senate Republicans price threshold. As such, Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Richard Shelby (R-AL) stated there is a "slim chance" a bipartisan deal will pass. The Trump Administration has previously supported a bill priced around \$1.5 trillion.

LATEST STATISTICS

There are a total of 32,365,450 confirmed cases worldwide, 984,906 deaths and 22,278,706 people have recovered.

There are 7,005,746 confirmed cases of the coronavirus in the U.S., 203,240 deaths and 2,710,183 people have recovered.

LATEST PMJ RESOURCES

Drug Shortage and Medical Supply Chain Tracker

We have updated our Drug Shortage and Medical Supply Chain Tracker. It is linked under Latest PMJ Resources.

[Coronavirus State Reopening Tracker](#)

[President Trump EO Tracker](#)

[COVID-19 Legislative Outlook](#)

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

[Healthcare Chart on COVID Legislation](#)

[Liability Reform State of Play](#)

[CARES Act State Funding](#)

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[Global COVID-19 Export Controls](#)

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ECONOMIC UPDATE

Congressional

SENATE:

- Senate Small Business Committee Ranking Member Ben Cardin (D-MD), Senator Chris Coons (D-DE), and Rep. Anthony Delgado (D-NY) **introduced** the *Small Business Debt Relief Extension Act*, which would extend debt relief for small business through at least February 2021.

Administration

TREASURY:

- Treasury **released** the G7 Finance Ministers' statement on the debt service suspension initiative and debt relief for vulnerable countries.

Articles of Interest

- 9/25 The Hill published an article titled, **"Half of states run out of funds for Trump's \$300 unemployment expansion."**

- 9/24 The Washington Post published an article titled, **“Pelosi abruptly shifts course, restarts relief push amid signs economy is straining.”**
- 9/24 The Wall Street Journal published an article titled, **“High Jobless Claims Suggest Slowing in Labor Market’s Recovery.”**

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

Administration

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

- CMS released new tools to reduce burdensome paperwork and authorization delays for laboratories seeking Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) certification to test for coronavirus.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

- CDC **published** a Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) titled, "Characteristics and Maternal and Birth Outcomes of Hospitalized Pregnant Women with Laboratory-Confirmed COVID-19 — COVID-NET, 13 States, March 1–August 22, 2020."

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

- FDA developed new **health education materials** that have been culturally and linguistically tailored for diverse consumers. These materials are intended for health care professionals to share with their patients to help stimulate dialogue and answer pressing questions about FDA’s response to COVID-19.
- As of yesterday, 254 tests are authorized by FDA under EUAs; these include 203 molecular tests, 47 antibody tests, and 4 antigen tests.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

- New **findings** by scientists at NIH and their collaborators help explain why some people with COVID-19 develop severe disease. The findings also may provide the first molecular explanation for why more men than women die from COVID-19.

Articles of Interest

- 9/24 Axios published an article titled, **“Where potential coronavirus vaccines stand in the U.S.”**
 - 9/24 NBC published an article titled, **“U.S. hits 7M Covid cases, 2 governors call response worst in world.”**
 - 9/24 The Hill published an article titled, **“Leaders of science academies sound alarm over political interference.”**
 - 9/25 Bloomberg published an article titled, **“Covid Doctors Find a Turning Point in Life-Threatening Cases.”**
 - 9/25 Politico published an article titled, **“Here’s How the Pandemic Finally Ends.”**
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