



DAILY COVID-19 UPDATE

April 6, 2021

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY

Today, President Joe Biden delivered remarks on the state of coronavirus vaccinations. He announced that all American adults will be eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine by April 19. Every state is set to meet this new goal, with the exception of Oregon and Hawaii, who are scheduled to meet the previous target of May 1. President Biden also praised the administration of 150 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine within his first 75 days in office. He noted that by his 100th day in office, the U.S. will have administered "somewhere in excess of 200 million shots."

Additionally, White House Press Secretary Jen Psaki told reporters at a briefing earlier in the day that the Biden Administration is not supportive of a vaccine passport system. She stated, "There will be no federal vaccinations database and no federal mandate requiring everyone to obtain a single vaccination credential."

Notably, NIAID Director Dr. Anthony Fauci stated, "As long as we keep vaccinating people efficiently and effectively," we may be able to [prevent a fourth](#)

LATEST STATISTICS

219,194,215 COVID-19 vaccines have been distributed in the U.S and **108,301,234** Americans have received the first dose.

There are a total of **132,119,304** confirmed cases worldwide, **2,865,667** deaths and **75,065,178** people have recovered.

There are **30,831,464** confirmed cases of the coronavirus in the U.S. and **556,307** deaths.

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[Coronavirus State Reopening Tracker](#)

surge in coronavirus cases in the U.S. However, Dr. Fauci clarified that we will still see an increase in cases as more states reopen and relax public health measures.

Additionally, the Small Business Administration (SBA) **has warned** Congress that Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) funds are likely to run out this month, weeks before the program's extended May 31 deadline. As of last week, the PPP had \$66 billion remaining out of \$292 billion appropriated by Congress in December 2020.

Since our last update, the Food and Drug Administration and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have released guidance related to the coronavirus pandemic. Please see below for more details.

[Biden Administration Transition Tracker](#)

[President Biden EO Tracker](#)

ECONOMIC UPDATE

Administration

TREASURY

- **Readout** of Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen's meeting with the African Leaders Dialogue on the COVID-Climate emergency.
- **Remarks** by Secretary Yellen at the 2021 spring meetings titled, "Economic Recovery: Toward a Green, Resilient, and Inclusive Future."

Articles of Interest

- 4/6 Bloomberg published an article titled, "[U.S. jobs come roaring back, surprising employers and economists.](#)"
- 4/5 CNBC published an article titled, "[The Fed could come under fire for easy policy while the economy soars and inflation rises.](#)"

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

Administration

THE WHITE HOUSE

- The White House released a transcript of yesterday's **press briefing** by the COVID-19 response team and public health officials.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

- NIH Director Dr. Francis Collins penned a blog post titled, "[New Initiative Puts At-Home Testing to Work in the Fight Against COVID-19.](#)"

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

- FDA issued an [emergency use authorization](#) to Symbiotica, Inc. for the COVID-19 Self-Collected Antibody Test System, making it the first serology test authorized for use with a blood sample self-collected at-home.
- FDA issued and immediately implemented new [guidance](#) for prospective generic drug applicants on the development of abbreviated new drug applications during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

- CDC issued new [guidance](#) on cleaning and disinfecting surfaces to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection.

Articles of Interest

- 4/6 The Hill published an article titled, "[Fauci Tamps Down Fears of Another Coronavirus Wave.](#)"
- 4/6 The New Yorker published an article titled, "[How Can We Continue to Keep Our Schools Relatively Safe From the Coronavirus.](#)"
- 4/5 U.S. News published an article titled, "['Double Mutant' Coronavirus Variant Detected in San Francisco.](#)"
- 4/5 The New York Times published an article titled, "[Researchers Are Hatching a Low-Cost Coronavirus Vaccine.](#)"