



New York reports most coronavirus cases in the world: Reuters

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New York state has 149,316 reported coronavirus cases compared with Spain at 146,690, according to a Reuters tally, as top U.S. officials say social distancing and stay-at-home orders are helping to control the spread.



NEW YORK GOVERNOR, ANDREW CUOMO, SAYING:

“We have had a record number of deaths. I mean I went through 9/11, I thought in my lifetime I wouldn’t have to see anything like that again. Nothing that bad. Nothing that tragic.”

1-1. Those somber words _____

1-2. come as the state on Wednesday _____

2. New York state has reported over 149,000 cases, _____

3. To put that number in perspective - _____

NEW YORK GOVERNOR, ANDREW CUOMO, SAYING:

“I’m going to direct all flags to be flown at half-mast in honor of those who we have lost.”

4-1. Despite reporting the state’s _____

4-2. Cuomo said social distancing efforts are working to get the outbreak under control.

NEW YORK GOVERNOR, ANDREW CUOMO, SAYING:

“If anything, we double-down now on our diligence.”

5-1. The governor also said it was likely that deaths in New York _____

5-2. as _____

6-1. New York City mayor Bill de Blasio _____

6-2. who _____

NEW YORK CITY MAYOR BILL DE BLASIO, SAYING:

“Home deaths are again, a painful, awful reality for those families.

7-1. As a way _____

7-2. 94% of the U.S. population _____

8-1. Dr. Anthony Fauci, _____

8-2. said social distancing and other measures must continue but _____

9. And U.S. health officials are planning for the country _____

DR. ANTHONY FAUCI, SAYING:

"I fully expect, though, I'm humble enough to know that I can't accurately predict that by the time we get to the fall that we will have this under control enough that it certainly will not be the way it is now."

COMMANDER OF THE WHITE HOUSE CORONAVIRUS TASK FORCE, Deborah Birx, SAYING:

"...that no one has done that kind of mitigation before..."

10-1. Coordinator of the White House coronavirus task force, Deborah Birx, _____

10-2. warning _____

10-3. the country _____

[Vocabulary]

go through: If you go through an experience or a period of time, especially an unpleasant or difficult one, you experience it.

- *He was going through a very difficult time.*
- *The damage to the environment is likely to be irreversible.*

somber: serious or sad

- *a somber tone in her voice*
- *Spencer cried as she described the somber mood of her co-workers.*

- **tally**: a record of the number of things that someone has done, won, or achieved
 - *keep a daily tally of accidents*
 - *The final tally was 817 votes for her and 731 for him.*
- **perspective**: a sensible way of judging how good, bad, important, etc. something is in comparison with other things
 - *It's important to keep things in perspective and not dwell on one incident.*
- **at half-mast**: Partially raised or lowered. The phrase most often describes a flag that has been lowered to honor a recently-deceased person.
 - *After our former president died, flags were at half-mast all across the country.*
 - *The flags at Buckingham Palace were all flying at half-mast.*
- **work**: to succeed
 - *We have every reason to believe that this will work.*
 - *If this plan doesn't work, we'll think of something else.*
- **under control**: manageable; restrained and controlled; not out of control.
 - *The doctor felt she had the disease under control and that I would get well soon.*
- **if anything**: Used to suggest or state **tentatively** that something may be the case (often the opposite of something previously implied).
 - *The situation is, if anything, worsening rather than improving.*
 - *"Do you think she's tall?" / "Oh, no. If anything, she's short."*
- **double-down**: to continue to do something in an even more determined way than before
 - *Expect to see Fox double down on its marketing efforts to give the movie a big boost.*
 - *Instead of learning from his mistakes, he's doubling down.*
- **diligence**: the attitude or behavior of someone who works very hard and very carefully; steady, earnest, and energetic effort
 - *She hoped that her diligence would be noticed at work.*
 - *They carry out their duty with diligence and care.*
- **undercount**: (v.t.) to get a total by counting that is smaller than the actual total of; a count or total that is less than the actual number or amount.; (n.) a count or figure that is inaccurately low
 - *Limited testing in both states means the number of COVID-19 cases is drastically undercounted.*
 - *'an undercount would thwart this progress'*
- **estimate**: to say what you think an amount or value will be, either by guessing or by using available information to calculate it
 - *The Antarctic ice cap is estimated to contain 90% of the world's fresh water.*
 - *We estimate that 20 percent of the harvest has been lost.*

□ **social distancing**: a set of non-pharmaceutical interventions or measures taken to prevent the spread of a contagious disease by maintaining a physical distance between people and reducing the number of times people come into close contact with each other. It involves keeping a distance of six feet or two meters from others and avoiding gathering together in large groups. By reducing the probability that a given uninfected person will come into physical contact with an infected person, the disease transmission can be suppressed, resulting in fewer deaths.

- *San Francisco issued recommendations for social distancing on Friday, advising residents to stay home as much as possible and avoid congregating in large groups.*
- *Under a new "social distancing" strategy, handshaking could be discouraged, with other, less tactile forms of greeting taking its place.*

□ **mitigation**: a reduction in the harmful effects of something

- *a project involving pollution mitigation*
- *...the mitigation or cure of a physical or mental condition.*

□ **coordinator**: someone whose job is to organize the various parts of an activity and make sure that all the people involved work well together

- *a campaign/project coordinator*

□ **task force**: a semipermanent unit created to carry out a continuing task

- *The ages of the task force members are listed below.*
- *You can't have a wide range of military options with the task force in wild and stormy weather.*

□ **Deborah Birx**: (born April 4, 1956) is an American physician and diplomat who specializes in HIV/AIDS immunology, vaccine research, and global health. As of March 2020, Birx serves as the Coronavirus Response Coordinator for the Trump Administration's White House Coronavirus Task Force.

□ **vigilant**: watching a person or situation very carefully so that you will notice any problems or signs of danger immediately

- *He warned the public to be vigilant and report anything suspicious.*
- *At a manageable level, coronavirus anxiety reminds us to stay vigilant and stick to best infection-prevention practices.*

□ **jump the gun**: to start something before it is permissible, appropriate, or advisable. The phrase alludes to starting to run in a foot race before the starting gun goes off

- *Henry jumped the gun and sent the proofs to the printer before the boss approved them, and she was not happy.*
- *I probably jumped the gun with announcing our engagement before everyone was there, but I was just too excited.*

□ **social interaction**: The process through which individuals act in relation to one another; a **social relation** or **social interaction** is any relationship between two or more individuals

- *Iran's strict Islamic laws forbid social interaction between unmarried men and women.*
- *But what struck him most about America was the social interaction among people.*

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