

Timeline of COVID-19 Policy Actions in the United States

Time code	dates	All during time	policy	link
A01	19-25/1	New York State Department of Health issues clinical guidance for Healthcare Providers across the state	New York State Department of Health issues clinical guidance for Healthcare Providers across the state	https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-outlines-state-response-first-two-confirmed-cases-novel-coronavirus-united
A02	26/1-1/2	President forms a coronavirus task force, headed by Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar; Azar declares the coronavirus a public health emergency; Federal restriction on travel from China into the United States;	President forms a coronavirus task force, headed by Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar	https://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/480627-white-house-announces-task-force-to-monitor-coronavirus
			Azar declares the coronavirus a public health emergency	https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2020/01/31/801686524/trump-declares-coronavirus-a-public-health-emergency-and-restricts-travel-from-c
			Federal restriction on travel from China into the United States	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/31/business/china-travel-coronavirus.html
A03	2-8/2			
A04	9-16/2			
A05	16-22/2			
A06	23-29/2	Federal travel ban from Iran and a "do not travel" warning for areas in Italy and South Korea Vice President Pence is tasked with leading the federal response to the coronavirus Washington State Governor Declares State of Emergency.	Federal travel ban from Iran and a "do not travel" warning for areas in Italy and South Korea	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/02/29/world/coronavirus-news.html#link-63f783d3
			Vice President Pence is tasked with leading the federal response to the coronavirus	https://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/484858-trump-names-pence-to-lead-coronavirus-response
			Washington State Governor Declares State of Emergency.	https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-issues-covid-19-emergency-proclamation
A07	1-3/3	The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lifted restrictions on testing for the coronavirus	The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lifted restrictions on testing for the coronavirus	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/03/world/coronavirus-live-news-updates.html#link-79b1dbc8
A08	4-6/3	California declares State of Emergency; Los Angeles County declares a public state of emergency; an \$8.3 billion coronavirus package is passed by Congress and signed by President	California declares State of Emergency	https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/03/04/governor-newsom-declares-state-of-emergency-to-help-state-prepare-for-broader-spread-of-covid-19/
			An \$8.3 billion coronavirus package is passed by Congress and signed by President	https://www.cnn.com/2020/03/06/trump-signs-8point3-billion-emergency-coronavirus-spending-package.html
			Los Angeles County declared a public state of emergency.	http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2248
A09	7-9/3	New York State - Declares State of Emergency in Order to Expedite Procurement of Cleaning Supplies and Testing Equipment	New York State - Declares State of Emergency in Order to Expedite Procurement of Cleaning Supplies and Testing Equipment	https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-confirms-13-additional-coronaviruses-cases-new-york-state-bringing-statewide
A10	10-12/3	New York State closes schools, houses of worship and large gathering facilities in New Rochelle, NY; NY State deploys National Guard to State Health Department Command Post in New Rochelle, NY for community support efforts; NY State partners with Northwell health to set up Satellite Testing Facility in New Rochelle, NY	New York State closes schools, houses of worship and large gathering facilities in New Rochelle, NY; NY State deploys National Guard to State Health Department Command Post in New Rochelle, NY for community support efforts; NY State partners with Northwell health to set up Satellite Testing Facility in New Rochelle, NY	https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-accepts-recommendation-state-health-commissioner-new-emergency-measures-contain
			New York City declares a state of emergency.	https://www1.nyc.gov/office-of-the-mayor/news/138-20/mayor-de-blasio-issues-state-emergency

		<p>NY State moves State Universities to distance learning</p> <p>A federal travel ban from European Union countries;</p> <p>Houston, TX declares a local health emergency</p> <p>New York City) declares a state of emergency;</p> <p>Dallas County, TX declares a local disaster for public health emergency;</p>	<p>Houston, TX declares a local health emergency</p> <p>NY State moves State Universities to distance learning</p> <p>A federal travel ban from European Union countries</p> <p>Dallas County, TX declares a local disaster for public health emergency</p>	<p>https://houstontx.gov/mayor/press/2020/public-health-emergency-declared-covid-19.html</p> <p>https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/during-novel-coronavirus-briefing-governor-cuomo-announces-new-york-state-will-contract-28</p> <p>https://www.cnn.com/2020/03/12/politics/donald-trump-coronavirus-europe-travel/index.html</p> <p>https://www.dallasnews.com/news/public-health/2020/03/13/dallas-county-declares-state-of-emergency-after-confirming-5-more-cases-of-coronavirus/</p>
A11	13-15/3	<p>President declares a national emergency freeing up nearly \$50 billion in disaster funds to address the virus</p> <p>Federal emergency order to waive applicable rules and regulations for healthcare providers</p> <p>NY State bans events with over 500 people</p> <p>A federal travel ban from the UK and Ireland;</p> <p>Washington State closes all schools, bans gatherings of over 250;</p> <p>CDC issues guidance recommending no events of 50 or more;</p> <p>NY City closes schools;</p> <p>Los Angeles closes dining and recreational venues</p>	<p>President declares a national emergency freeing up nearly \$50 billion in disaster funds to address the virus</p> <p>Los Angeles closes dining and recreational venues</p> <p>NY City closes schools</p> <p>CDC issues guidance recommending no events of 50 or more</p> <p>Washington State closes all schools, bans gatherings of over 250</p> <p>Federal emergency order to waive applicable rules and regulations for healthcare providers</p> <p>NY State bans events with over 500 people</p> <p>A federal travel ban from the UK and Ireland</p>	<p>https://www.npr.org/2020/03/13/815420295/trump-to-discuss-coronavirus-amid-growing-crisis-scrutiny-of-his-response</p> <p>https://ktla.com/news/local-news/l-a-county-officials-provide-update-on-coronavirus/</p> <p>https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/15/nyregion/nyc-schools-closed.html</p> <p>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/mass-gatherings-ready-for-covid-19.html</p> <p>https://www.seattletimes.com/education/lab/inslee-announces-all-washington-k-12-schools-to-close-in-an-effort-to-slow-the-spread-of-coronavirus/</p> <p>https://www.phe.gov/emergency/news/healthactions/section1135/Pages/covid19-13March20.aspx</p> <p>https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-usa-new-york/new-york-state-bans-gatherings-exceeding-500-people-on-coronavirus-fears-idUSKBN20Z37G</p> <p>https://www.politico.com/news/2020/03/14/white-house-adds-uk-ireland-to-travel-ban-129470</p>
A12	16-18/3	<p>National guidelines to avoid restaurants and bars, limit gatherings to 10 or fewer people, and work and engage in schooling from home when possible</p> <p>NY State closes schools</p> <p>NY, NJ, CT, AS close dining, drinking, and entertainment business for on-premises</p> <p>US and Canada close the border</p> <p>California enacts emergency legislation to fight COVID-19</p> <p>Congress passes President signs a coronavirus relief bill which includes free COVID-19 testing and paid medical and family leave</p>	<p>National guidelines to avoid restaurants and bars, limit gatherings to 10 or fewer people, and work and engage in schooling from home when possible</p> <p>NY State closes schools</p> <p>NY, NJ, CT, AS close dining, drinking, and entertainment business for on-premises</p> <p>US and Canada close the border</p> <p>California enacts emergency legislation to fight COVID-19</p> <p>Congress passes President signs a coronavirus relief bill which includes free COVID-19 testing and paid medical and family leave</p>	<p>https://www.counton2.com/health/coronavirus/president-trump-issues-new-recommendations-including-limiting-gatherings-to-less-than-10-people/</p> <p>https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-signs-executive-order-closing-schools-statewide-two-weeks</p> <p>https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/audio-rush-transcript-amid-lack-federal-direction-governor-cuomo-governor-murphy-and-governor</p> <p>https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2020/03/18/coronavirus-latest-news/?utm_campaign=wp_the_daily_202&utm_medium=email&utm_source=newsletter&wpisrc=nl_daily202#link-J6GAMON3JZFZNIJ3MQNIPUTY24</p> <p>https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/03/17/governor-newsom-signs-emergency-legislation-to-fight-covid-19/</p> <p>https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/6201</p>
A13	19-21/3	<p>NY State closes non-essential businesses except for work-from-home</p>	<p>NY State closes non-essential businesses except for work-from-home</p>	<p>https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-issues-guidance-essential-services-under-new-york-state-pause-executive-order</p>

		US and Mexico close the border	US and Mexico close the border	https://www.politico.com/news/2020/03/20/us-mexico-ready-to-partially-close-border-138946
A14	22-24/3	FEMA authorized to fund the activation of U.S. National Guard units in California, New York, and Washington FEMA invokes the Defense Production Act to acquire coronavirus testing kits Federal major disaster declaration for California. Washington State issues self-isolation requirement	FEMA authorized to fund the activation of U.S. National Guard units in California, New York, and Washington	https://www.cnn.com/2020/03/22/politics/trump-coronavirus-task-force-briefing/index.html
			FEMA invokes the Defense Production Act to acquire coronavirus testing kits	https://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/489200-fema-chief-says-defense-production-act-will-be-used-for-coronavirus-test-kits
			Federal major disaster declaration for California.	https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-donald-j-trump-approves-california-disaster-declaration-7/
			Washington State issues self-isolation requirement	https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/stay-home-stay-healthy-address-transcript
A15	25-27/3	The Defense Production Act invoked to produce ventilators; Stay at home orders (or similar policies) in States: Minnesota, Washington State, Oregon, California, New Mexico, Wisconsin, Illinois, Louisiana, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, New York, West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont Federal major disaster declarations for Florida, Iowa, Louisiana, New York, and Texas.	the Defense Production Act invoked to produce ventilators	https://thehill.com/homenews/administration/489909-trump-uses-defense-production-act-to-require-gm-to-make-ventilators
			Stay at home orders (or similar policies) in States: Minnesota, Washington State, Oregon, California, New Mexico, Wisconsin, Illinois, Louisiana, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, New York, West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island,	https://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/here-are-stay-home-orders-across-country-n1168736
			Federal major disaster declarations for Florida, Iowa, Louisiana, New York, and Texas.	https://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/blog/2020-03-25-coronavirus-news-n1168156/ncrd1169071#blogHeader
A16	28-30/3	Federal major disaster declaration for Colorado CDC Strong Travel Advisory, to be administered by the Governors, for NY, CT, and NJ	Federal major disaster declaration for Colorado	https://www.denverpost.com/2020/03/28/coronavirus-colorado-trump-disaster-congress/
			CDC Strong Travel Advisory, to be administered by the Governors, for NY, CT, and NJ	
A17	31/3-2/4	30 Days to Slow the Spread - President issues guidelines for America		https://www.npr.org/2020/03/30/822448199/how-15-days-became-45-trump-extends-guidelines-to-slow-coronavirus