COVID-19 Pandemic Summary for Tohono O’odham Nation
Arizona, Pima County and the Tohono O’odham Nation continue with a surge in cases.

Recommendations
1. Everyone should wear a mask/cloth face covering in public when physical distancing of 6 feet is not possible (except children ages 2 years and older and persons with a medical contraindication).
2. Limit direct physical contact to persons who live in the same household.
3. Avoid all group activities/gatherings, even relatives if they do not live with you until further notice.
4. Maintain “stay at home” behavior except for essential needs.
5. Report illnesses and possible COVID-19 exposures immediately to your provider.

Case Counts and Deaths, July 7, 2020

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Arizona and Pima County Daily Case Counts* (cases in the last 4-7 day may not yet be reported)

June 25, Arizona: 4488* new cases/day
June 25, Pima County: 358* new cases/day
Arizona Hospitals’ adult bed capacity=84%

Arizona Hospitals’ ICU bed capacity=89%

Tohono O’odham Nation Case Counts and Laboratory Testing

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Tohono O’odham Nation COVID-19 Cases by Age Distribution, 2020

- 65 years and older: 29 cases
- 55 to 64 years: 29 cases
- 45 to 54 years: 41 cases
- 20 to 44 years: 111 cases
- Less than 20 years: 52 cases

Epidemic Curve

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Date among Enrolled Tohono O’odham Nation Members, 2020

- Deaths
- Cases

June 19: Face coverings required in Pima County

May 15: Arizona lifted Stay at home order
Laboratory Testing

COVID Test Results by date, TONHC, 2020
(includes all TON employees, first responders, O'odham and non-O'odham patients)

Region of Residence for COVID-19 cases among members of the Tohono O'odham Nation
Updates:

1. **July 2, 2020: Tohono O’odham Nation re-issued Executive Order 2020-08**
   a. Stay at Home order.
   b. Medical masks/cloth face coverings required for all persons in public areas (children under 2 years and medical exemptions allowed).
   c. Curfew ordered 9pm-6am except for essential activities.
   d. All social gatherings are prohibited. Emphasis placed on limiting attendance at funerals.

2. **June 29, 2020: Governor Ducey issued Executive Order 2020-43 [Pausing of Arizona’s Reopening]**
   a. Prohibiting public organized events of 50 or more people.
   b. Ceasing the issuance of series 15 special event liquor licenses through July 27th.
   c. Pausing the operations of high-risk environments including bars, indoor gyms, indoor movie theaters, water parks, and tubing operators until at least July 27th.
   d. Preventing groups of 10 or more from congregating at pools.
   e. COVID-19 Arizona Department of Health Services activated crisis standards.
      i. Permits hospitals more flexibility to allocate resources based on which patients are most in need using state-driven scoring systems.

3. **June 24, 2020: TONHC Drive-Through Testing**
   a. Due to increasing cases, on TONHC successfully practiced drive-through testing to increase testing outreach.
   b. Drive through community testing planned July 8 in collaboration with EOC and National Guard.
   c. Weekly Drive-through testing planned during surge.
**TONHC COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing, July 8, 2020**

Please get Drive-Through tested for COVID-19 if:

• You attended the funeral services in Santa Rosa on either day (June 24th or 25th), in person  
• You have had direct contact with a person with known or suspected COVID-19  
• You do NOT have symptoms at this time

**Date:**  Wednesday, July 8, 2020  
**Time:**  Testing by Appointment: 8 am-11am  
            Unscheduled Walk-Ins are welcome: 11am-2pm  
**Location:**  Sells: Eugene P. Tashquinth Sr. Livestock Complex 3 miles west of Sells, Arizona along State Route 86.

This Drive-thru can test a maximum of 300 people. To be tested, please:

1. Call 520-383-7209 or 520-383-7519 on Monday, July 6th or Tuesday, July 7th between the hours of 8AM and 4PM to schedule a testing spot on Wednesday, July 8, 2020.  
2. Arrive 15 minutes before your appointment for registration.  
3. Plan to stay in your vehicle while you wait to be tested.  
4. Bring drinking water.  
5. Follow directions from traffic controllers and staff.  
6. Stay in quarantine until you have your test results.  
7. If you feel sick (ex: fever, breathing difficulty, heavy cough, vomiting, or diarrhea), make an appointment at one of the clinics to get seen by a provider.

**What to Expect:**

• Staff will ask if you have symptoms, your name, birthdate, “MRN” (medical record number) and phone number.  
• You will get a nose swab for testing.  
• A TONHC nurse will call you with results in 4-6 days.  
• If you test positive, we will ask to test your close contacts.

Remember, getting tested today only gives you today’s result.  
A negative result does not protect you or your family tomorrow. Stay in quarantine if directed. Always wear a mask in public. Stay 6 feet away from others.  
Avoid all gatherings, even with close relatives who do not live with you.

Together as a Nation, we can protect ourselves and our communities from getting and spreading COVID-19. Everyone has a role to play in getting ready and staying healthy. If we all do our part, we can limit the spread of COVID-19 on the Tohono O’odham Nation.
COVID-19 Response Summary

Unified Command

Current and Planned Objectives:

- Identify, assign, implement, and monitor task forces/workgroups to perform gap analysis, resource assessment, contingency planning, partner outreach, and other tasks as required
- Maintain oversight of PPE resource management by acquiring, monitoring, tracking, distributing resource assets, and storing for future needs
- In partnership with key stakeholders, develop, implement, and update plans/processes/protocols for gradually and strategically returning the workforce and reopening of businesses while protecting public health and slowing the spread of COVID-19.
- Maintain global, national, and state situational awareness of COVID-19 outbreak impacts and any surge in cases that might come from the border environment.
- Develop, implement, update plans for Alternate Care Sites (ACS) non-congregate and congregate facilities to increase the capacity for housing potential COVID-19 positive patients. Low level medical needs.
- Develop, implement, update processes, procedures, and policies to support decision making authority for the Unified Command, stakeholders, Policy Group
- Maintain continuous coordination with TON-HC Hospital and Clinic locations for operational support thru the Unified Command
- Maintain operational communications with internal and external stakeholders
- Integrate best practices and up-to-date safety guidance for the first responder community, healthcare/medical community, supporting personnel, and stakeholders
- Establish consistent community messaging and education to internal/external stakeholders
- Maintain an up-to-date financial and cost analysis of incident-related expenditures and provide updates to senior leadership

Command Emphasis:

- The Unified Command must acknowledge and recognize sensitive political, legal, and security issues and develop strategies and procedures to help establish: lines of authority, accountability procedures, personnel relief and rehabilitation, situational awareness, environmental conditions
- Avoid “tunnel vision”; stress causes people to focus narrowly on the things they consider most important and it may be the wrong thing for the given time.
- Maintain Unified Command between DPS, TON-HC, and TODHHS
- Ensure the accountability of deployed personnel/equipment that receive work assignments thru the EOC
- Keep the Policy Group and senior leadership adequately informed
- Sustain an operational battle rhythm, to include Planning P methodologies, Incident Action/Coordination/Support Planning
- Ensure timely processing and documentation of resource requests using the EOC resource ordering on a 213-RR and submitted via eoc@tonation-nsn.gov for review/approval
- Acknowledge that in addition to the COVID-19 pandemic public safety will still need to coordinate response to day-to-day (LE, Fire, EMS)
- Develop COVID-19 situational awareness of impacts, response actions, and gap analysis for effective support
- Build response organization common operating picture for support and coordination being provided throughout the EOC
- Coordinate unified public messaging with all partner agencies
Strategic Actions:

- On Thursday, July 2, 2020, TON-HC and Unified Command conducted a Drive-Thru Mask Distribution at the BUSD Primary Campus.
- TON-HC and Unified Command continue to coordinate information for supporting the COVID-19 cases they are tracking. UC Task Force Leader communicates with TON-HC if patient(s) need to be housed in an Alternate Care Site (ACS).
- Unified Command Distribution Team continues in filling resource requests from approved 213-RR's.
- Unified Command Compliance Team continues to monitor the department’s compliance with all required safety precautions and assist departments with implementing safety measures.
- Unified Command and TON-HC will be conducting a COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2020.

Tohono O’odham Nation

July 2, 2020 - Chairman Norris and Vice-Chairwoman Saunders issued E.O. 2020 – 08 restates the following orders, as amended:

1. The Human Resources Return to Work – Standard Operating Procedures, and any subsequent revisions, adopted by Executive Order No. 2020-05, remain in effect; all Executive Branch departments and programs must adhere to the minimum requirements set forth therein. Employees who fail to report to work when assigned are subject to disciplinary action under the Executive Branch Personnel Policies Manual; and

2. The Tohono O’odham Nation Unified Command Guidelines: Wakes/Funerals, and any subsequent revisions, adopted by Executive Order No. 2020-05, remain the minimum standards for all wakes and funeral held on the Nation until further notice. In addition:

   a. Individuals in charge of/hosting wakes/funerals, or their designees, are responsible for ensuring all attendees comply with all social distancing and face covering requirements within this order, and as recommended by CDC.
   b. All wakes and funerals held on the Nation shall be limited to one-day services only.
   c. If necessary, district leadership is to implement additional standards; and

3. The Curfew for all Nation’s residents, reinstated by Executive Order No. 2020-06, remains in effect until further notice. During the Curfew hours (9pm and 6am) residents shall remain home unless one of the following exceptions applies:

   a. Individuals working at a business in operation during the curfew hours, or traveling to or from work;
   b. Individuals patronizing or operating a business;
   c. Individuals seeking medical care, or traveling to or from those services;
   d. Individuals traveling to provide necessary care for another who cannot care for themselves; or
   e. Individuals seeking safe harbor from a dangerous situation.

4. All playgrounds and sports areas, such as football fields, basketball courts, etc., shall remain closed until further notice, as order by Executive Order No. 2020-06; and

5. The following social distancing requirements, as order by Executive Order No. 2020-07, shall remain in effect, as amended here:

   a. When leaving the home, physically distance yourself from others who do not reside in your household by maintaining a 6ft distance from others, when possible.
   b. With the exception of persons residing in the same household, all social gatherings are hereby prohibited until further notice. “Social gatherings” shall include all events and activities held for
social and/or community purposes. Religious services and traditional ceremonies are not considered social gatherings, however, any activities held in association with a religious services or ceremony for social purposes (i.e. gathering before/after for eating, drinking, dancing, socializing, etc.) are prohibited.

c. Individuals are required to wear face coverings in all public spaces where physical distancing is not possible.

i. “Public Spaces” means any place that is accessible by the general public (indoor and outdoor), including but not limited to: all governmental facilities, grocery stores, gas stations, convenience stores, post offices, establishments serving food or beverages, establishments offering recreational activities or entertainment and places that offer medical or health services or transportation to the general public.

ii. “Face masks or coverings” means cloth, fabric or other soft material that covers the nose and mouth. Coverings may be homemade or factory-made, or may be improvised from ordinary materials such as a scarf or bandana.

iii. Limited Exceptions. Face coverings are not required for children under the age of two (2), in accordance with CDC guidelines; individuals who should not wear face coverings due to medical conditions, mental health conditions, or developmental disabilities; or first responders where face covering would interfere with their duties.

d. Individuals should wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer regularly, avoid touching their face, and disinfect frequently touched surfaces regularly.

e. Individuals are discouraged from unnecessary travel.

f. Individuals who become ill and demonstrate signs and symptoms related to COVID-19 should remain out of the public, however, are encouraged to seek treatment and testing.

6. Tribal enterprises and businesses, operating within the exterior boundaries of the Nation, are required to implement guidelines consistent with CDC Guidelines to protect the health and safety of employees and the general public, including requiring face coverings for employees and customers/visitors at all times in public spaces, (as amended by Executive Order No. 2020-06).

The Chairman of the Nation, the Chairman hereby reinstates Stay At Home orders within the exterior boundaries of the Nation, effective immediately:

Individuals residing on the Nation:

1. All individuals who reside on the Nation are ordered to stay at home or at their place of residence, except as needed for employment, medical, health, safety, and food for themselves or their family members.

2. This section does not apply to employees or volunteers for essential services and businesses in operation that have been determined by the Nation, Districts, and entities on the Nation.

Entering the Tohono O’odham Nation:

1. Individuals and businesses are not allowed to enter the exterior boundaries of the Tohono O’odham Nation, except for:
   a. Employees and volunteers of essential services on the Nation
   b. Medical and healthcare providers
   c. Deliveries of medicine, food, and other essential items
   d. Public and private transportation services necessary for the health and safety needs of the individuals on the Nation
   e. Mail services
   f. Financial services
   g. To patronize a business in operation
h. Businesses that provide maintenance services that are necessary to maintain the health and safety of the households or buildings on the Nation
i. Other necessary professional services as needed

2. Businesses and others entering districts for the purpose of providing services or delivering supplies must provide notice to Districts before entering.

Public Information:

- Video/Audio: General Information
- Video/Audio: How do you know if you were exposed to someone with COVID-19?
- PSA: TONHC COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing
- Video/Audio: What should I do if I think I was exposed?
- Video/Audio: What symptoms do I need to monitor for?
- Project: Every Door Direct Mail
- Project: Banner design and print
- Handouts for testing

Statewide Outlook:

June 29, 2020 – Governor Ducey issued the following Executive Orders. Gov. Ducey said enforcement will be led by local authorities and public health officials.

https://azgovernor.gov/executive-orders


E.O. 2020 – 43, Pausing of Arizona’s Reopening – Slowing the Spread of COVID-19:
- Closure of bars, gyms, movie theaters, water parks, and tubing rentals effective at 8 p.m. Monday (June 29)
- The order also prohibits gatherings of 50 or more people, even if there is social distancing
- Groups of more of than 10 will also be prohibited at community, apartment and private pools
- Starting immediately, the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control will cease issuing special event licenses between June 29 and July 27

E.O. 2020 – 44, Protecting Public Health for Students and Teachers
- This order will delay in-person school until at least Aug. 17, 2020 (Gov. Ducey said the target day for opening schools will continue to be monitored and is still subject to change based on COVID-19 trends)

Dr. Cara Christ, the Director for the Arizona Department of Health Services, said ‘Crisis Standards of Care’ would also be activated at Arizona hospitals.

This activates tactics to address space, staff and resource constraints as necessary for the hospital's current situation. It will also prepare hospitals for surges and anticipate fully staffing hospitals. All surgeries will cease except for non-emergent, essential surgeries and procedures that do not impair the care of other patients.
Community Lifelines:

On Thursday, July 2, 2020 the Unified Command conducted the fifteenth food distribution for Districts. OIM (O’odham in Mexico) received an eighth distribution. The distribution included the following contents:

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Wildfires:

**Bighorn**, Pima County – Size: 118,804 acres / Containment: 58%
- Minimal backing, creeping, smoldering, and burning conditions have been moderated due to favorable weather conditions. While upslope runs are still possible, shorter burn windows exist. In areas where fire is still established, they are filling in instead of actively advancing.
- Forward spread has been dramatically slowed and activity is confined to unburned islands. Fire in the heavier fuels south of Summerhaven continue to back down the mountain but are not moving very quickly. Acreage gained is estimated at between 300-500 acres.
- Percent of containment is lower due to multiple firing operations to secure values at risk in the Mt. Lemmon area and to the north near Oracle.
- Closures: View the closure orders and maps at inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/6741/. Catalina Highway is closed to the public at milepost zero. Only residents and business owners may pass. Oracle Control Road is closed.

**Wood Springs 2**, Navajo Nation – Size: 11,857 acres / Containment: 17%
- Additional resources are being ordered to assist with firefighting operations.
- Road Closures remain in place around the fire area. All of Navajo Route 26 is closed. Navajo Route 7 is closed from Fluted Rock north to BIA Route 8015.
- Temporary flight restrictions are in place over the fire area. An area closure is being planned for implementation on 7/3/2020.
- Fire behavior remained active today, but the majority of activity was isolated to the northwest portion of the fire. The fire is burning in steep inaccessible terrain where fuels and topography are driving the majority of the fire behavior.
- Active surface fire is going to continue moving through the drainages on the northwest side of the fire. Torching and spotting from thicker pockets of pine regeneration, along with drainage runs are expected as fire gets aligned with slopes. The potential for strong and erratic outflow winds from nearby thunderstorms pose risks to all holding lines.
- Continued active fire is expected along the northwest side of the fire along the drainages. Overall fire behavior is expected to be moderated some due to the increased relative humidity values. The 20% chance of thunderstorms could generate strong, gusty, and erratic outflow winds that could increase fire behavior and pose risks to all holding lines.

**Mangum**, Coconino County – Size: 71,450 acres / Containment: 67%
- NICC has placed a 48 hour hold on SEC 1s and 2s due to 4th of July, Rainbow Gathering, and other functions/events; unlikely that the incident will have adequate night security for fire area. Unlikely this order will be filled prior to 07/04/20.
- Fire behavior was primarily limited to creeping and smoldering, with isolated torching in unburned interior islands.
- Anticipate evening fire activity to be primarily limited to smoldering. Minimal smoke production expected.

**Bringham**, Greenlee County – Size: 23,142 acres / Containment: 40%
- The Bringham fire has decreased in complexity and has moderated to the point that command of the fire will transition from the White Mountain Zone Type 3 IMT, led by IC Matt Bullmore, to a Type 4 Organization, led by IC Joe Names, on July 2, 2020.
Weather:

The big story this week will be the continued hot temperatures with even hotter temperatures by the weekend with near record to record heat expected.

Monsoonal moisture is rather meager with only slight chances for thunderstorms near the International border with dry conditions elsewhere.

A hot week in Phoenix with high temperatures at least 110 degrees each day, it’s going to get even hotter over the weekend. Unseasonably strong high pressure aloft will cause highs in Phoenix to reach or exceed 115 Saturday and Sunday and heat risk will become high over the central deserts.
Today: Sunny and hot, with a high near 107. South wind 8 to 10 mph becoming west in the afternoon.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 75. West wind 7 to 13 mph becoming south after midnight.

Tuesday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 106. South wind 9 to 13 mph becoming west southwest in the afternoon.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 76. West southwest wind 9 to 15 mph becoming south after midnight.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 104. South wind 11 to 15 mph becoming west southwest in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 76.

Thursday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 105.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 75.

Friday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 106.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 76.

Saturday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 108.

Saturday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Mostly clear, with a low around 77. Chance of precipitation is 10%.

Sunday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 110.
Community members need to take additional precautions to keep one another safe and healthy. **We need to do our part and need to continue to practice social distancing, frequent hand hygiene & wear a mask.**

**Anyone Can Get COVID-19**

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**Anyone Can Get It.**

**Anyone Can Spread It.**

*Stay Home. Keep Distance. Mask Up.*
What’s Happening Elsewhere

ARIZONA

- Arizonans urged to take prevention steps to protect themselves and their communities as cases exceed 100,000.
  - The first day of school for in-person learning is delayed until August 17, 2020.
  - Mass gatherings and organized events of more than 50 people are prohibited, even if appropriate physical distancing is possible.
  - The Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control has ceased issuing special event licenses from June 29 through July 27, 2020.
  - The following establishments have paused operations until July 27, 2020:
    - Bars with a series 6 or 7 liquor license from the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control;
    - Indoor gyms and fitness centers;
    - Indoor movie theaters;
    - Water parks and tubing operations.
- Arizona Poison Control Number for Provider and Public Calls for COVID-19: 1-844-542-8201
- For Food, Housing & Employer Resources, dial 2 –1 – 1

Useful Links

- Coronavirus - TONHC
- CDC Website
- AZ Department of Health Services
- Pima County Health Department
- Maricopa County Resources
- Use Cloth Face Coverings to Help Slow Spread | CDC
- COVID-19 Projections for Arizona
- Tips for Health and Wellness for Elders
- Caring for Elders During COVID-19
- Considerations for Shopping & Running Errands
- Stress and Coping during COVID-19
- Households Living in Close Quarters
- Cleaning and Disinfecting your Facility

Local Hotline available
Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
1-888-852-7022

State Hotline available 24 hours, 7 days a week
1-844-524-8201