# COVID Tabulations: State-Level Analyses of Cases and Deaths Over the Course of the Pandemic 

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## Key Findings

- Nationally, the number of new cases and deaths decreased in September relative to August but have remained at concerningly high levels.
- Many states experienced their worst month in September -- 16 states reported their largest monthly volume of new cases and 13 states reported their largest number of new deaths.
- Confirmed cases represented just $2.2 \%$ of the US population as of September 30. This percentage tended to be highest in southern states across the entirety of the pandemic, led by Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, and Arizona. During the month of September, however, northern states tended to have higher rates of new confirmed cases -North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin experienced the nation's highest percentages.


## Monthly New Cases and Deaths per 100,000 Population, March through September, Alabama through Kansas

|  | Monthly New Cases per 100,000 Population |  |  |  |  |  |  | Monthly New Deaths per 100,000 Population |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| State | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | March | April | May | June | July | August | September |
| Alabama | 20 | 124 | 222 | 410 | 1,013 | 782 | 584 | 0.3 | 5.3 | 7.3 | 6.5 | 12.8 | 12.3 | 7.3 |
| Alaska | 18 | 30 | 16 | 91 | 348 | 328 | 360 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 2.5 |
| Arizona | 18 | 87 | 169 | 817 | 1,301 | 381 | 229 | 0.3 | 4.1 | 8.1 | 10.2 | 28.2 | 18.4 | 8.6 |
| Arkansas | 19 | 90 | 132 | 448 | 720 | 620 | 745 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 4.5 | 6.1 | 11.4 | 19.0 |
| California | 22 | 106 | 159 | 301 | 684 | 532 | 275 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 4.7 | 7.9 | 9.6 | 7.3 |
| Colorado | 52 | 212 | 194 | 110 | 247 | 188 | 231 | 1.2 | 12.3 | 11.6 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| Connecticut | 88 | 689 | 407 | 121 | 92 | 86 | 131 | 1.9 | 61.4 | 47.3 | 10.6 | 3.1 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| Delaware | 33 | 453 | 489 | 203 | 340 | 271 | 327 | 1.0 | 14.6 | 22.0 | 14.7 | 7.8 | 2.1 | 3.2 |
| District of Columbia | 70 | 542 | 635 | 216 | 255 | 264 | 189 | 1.3 | 30.5 | 34.3 | 12.0 | 4.8 | 3.1 | 2.8 |
| Florida | 31 | 125 | 105 | 448 | 1,480 | 713 | 387 | 0.4 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 4.9 | 15.5 | 20.2 | 14.6 |
| Georgia | 39 | 201 | 185 | 304 | 886 | 781 | 445 | 1.2 | 9.4 | 8.5 | 7.0 | 8.6 | 17.3 | 12.8 |
| Hawaii | 16 | 27 | 2 | 18 | 84 | 449 | 290 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 3.1 | 4.7 |
| Idaho | 29 | 83 | 47 | 183 | 824 | 638 | 576 | 0.5 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 5.7 | 9.6 | 5.9 |
| Illinois | 47 | 370 | 534 | 190 | 284 | 450 | 468 | 0.8 | 17.8 | 24.2 | 13.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 5.3 |
| Indiana | 32 | 237 | 257 | 168 | 313 | 423 | 386 | 0.9 | 15.6 | 15.2 | 7.5 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.0 |
| lowa | 16 | 211 | 395 | 302 | 494 | 650 | 761 | 0.2 | 4.9 | 11.9 | 5.7 | 4.9 | 7.9 | 7.5 |
| Kansas | 15 | 133 | 191 | 163 | 463 | 525 | 600 | 0.3 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 7.8 |

## Monthly New Cases and Deaths per 100,000 Population, March through September, Kentucky through North Carolina

|  | Monthly New Cases per 100,000 Population |  |  |  |  |  |  | Monthly New Deaths per 100,000 Population |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| State | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | March | April | May | June | July | August | September |
| Kentucky | 13 | 92 | 117 | 134 | 337 | 445 | 491 | 0.4 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 4.7 | 5.4 |
| Louisiana | 113 | 491 | 258 | 391 | 1,252 | 699 | 399 | 5.2 | 35.8 | 19.1 | 9.2 | 15.7 | 21.5 | 12.1 |
| Maine | 23 | 59 | 92 | 69 | 49 | 46 | 64 | 0.4 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Maryland | 27 | 334 | 523 | 243 | 343 | 328 | 273 | 0.3 | 18.5 | 23.0 | 10.9 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 3.2 |
| Massachusetts | 96 | 806 | 504 | 173 | 127 | 158 | 52 | 1.3 | 50.4 | 47.6 | 17.5 | 8.1 | 6.5 | 5.7 |
| Michigan | 76 | 338 | 160 | 135 | 199 | 224 | 249 | 2.6 | 35.3 | 17.1 | 7.1 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 3.3 |
| Minnesota | 11 | 80 | 350 | 204 | 322 | 380 | 413 | 0.2 | 5.9 | 12.5 | 7.6 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Mississippi | 31 | 198 | 292 | 395 | 1,058 | 813 | 512 | 0.7 | 8.1 | 15.9 | 11.4 | 19.8 | 27.2 | 16.7 |
| Missouri | 22 | 101 | 93 | 144 | 465 | 570 | 693 | 0.2 | 5.3 | 7.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 5.2 | 8.6 |
| Montana | 19 | 24 | 6 | 42 | 282 | 324 | 537 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 3.6 | 4.1 | 7.1 |
| Nebraska | 10 | 214 | 505 | 263 | 363 | 417 | 583 | 0.2 | 3.4 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 4.7 |
| Nevada | 36 | 128 | 116 | 323 | 960 | 687 | 350 | 0.8 | 7.0 | 5.7 | 2.9 | 10.5 | 15.4 | 9.6 |
| New Hampshire | 27 | 131 | 184 | 83 | 59 | 51 | 73 | 0.2 | 5.1 | 12.7 | 9.3 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 0.5 |
| New Jersey | 210 | 1,125 | 471 | 147 | 113 | 115 | 150 | 3.0 | 78.4 | 50.3 | 37.6 | 8.8 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
| New Mexico | 15 | 148 | 204 | 213 | 403 | 227 | 195 | 0.2 | 5.6 | 11.1 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 4.7 |
| New York | 383 | 1,167 | 342 | 115 | 110 | 98 | 119 | 8.0 | 108.2 | 38.2 | 11.6 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 1.1 |
| North Carolina | 15 | 86 | 173 | 347 | 546 | 435 | 410 | 0.1 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 7.5 | 7.9 |

# Monthly New Cases and Deaths per 100,000 Population, March through September, North Dakota through Wyoming, Including the United States 

|  | Monthly New Cases per 100,000 Population |  |  |  |  |  |  | Monthly New Deaths per 100,000 Population |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| State | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | March | April | May | June | July | August | September |
| North Dakota | 17 | 123 | 199 | 132 | 379 | 702 | 1,316 | 0.4 | 2.1 | 5.9 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 5.2 | 13.5 |
| Ohio | 19 | 135 | 150 | 139 | 337 | 274 | 264 | 0.5 | 7.9 | 10.1 | 6.1 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Oklahoma | 14 | 77 | 73 | 183 | 574 | 563 | 719 | 0.6 | 5.0 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 3.9 | 6.5 | 5.8 |
| Oregon | 16 | 43 | 41 | 106 | 233 | 195 | 162 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 2.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 39 | 338 | 219 | 117 | 200 | 172 | 198 | 0.6 | 19.6 | 23.2 | 8.9 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 3.7 |
| Rhode Island | 46 | 768 | 595 | 178 | 209 | 276 | 264 | 0.8 | 24.4 | 42.7 | 21.9 | 5.4 | 3.9 | 6.2 |
| South Carolina | 21 | 97 | 112 | 477 | 1,022 | 582 | 562 | 0.4 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 18.9 | 19.6 | 12.8 |
| South Dakota | 12 | 265 | 287 | 200 | 226 | 536 | 1,004 | 0.1 | 1.8 | 5.1 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 6.3 |
| Tennessee | 30 | 124 | 180 | 293 | 883 | 716 | 605 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 6.6 | 10.0 | 10.3 |
| Texas | 12 | 88 | 124 | 351 | 953 | 680 | 496 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 16.5 | 19.3 | 11.2 |
| Utah | 28 | 118 | 161 | 391 | 558 | 371 | 652 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 1.6 |
| Vermont | 47 | 92 | 18 | 36 | 33 | 34 | 21 | 2.1 | 5.6 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | - |
| Virginia | 15 | 171 | 337 | 213 | 318 | 360 | 324 | 0.1 | 6.3 | 9.6 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 7.4 |
| Washington | 69 | 125 | 105 | 154 | 318 | 249 | 182 | 3.0 | 7.8 | 4.0 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 2.9 |
| West Virginia | 9 | 54 | 49 | 50 | 209 | 201 | 312 | 0.1 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 5.5 | 7.6 |
| Wisconsin | 23 | 97 | 201 | 224 | 434 | 407 | 832 | 0.4 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 3.5 |
| Wyoming | 21 | 76 | 59 | 101 | 214 | 193 | 364 | - | 1.2 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 2.2 |
| United States | 56 | 264 | 217 | 256 | 574 | 438 | 361 | 1.2 | 17.5 | 12.8 | 7.0 | 7.9 | 8.9 | 7.0 |

Yellow highlighting denotes the month during which each state had its highest number of new COVID cases and deaths per 100,000 population.

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## State-Level Findings: Cases and Deaths as Percentage of Population Over the Course of the Pandemic

- Nationally through September 30, 2.2\% of the US population has a confirmed COVID diagnosis, with $2.9 \%$ of these confirmed cases resulting in death. The percentage of the population with a confirmed COVID diagnosis as of September 30 ranges from a high of $3.6 \%$ in Louisiana to a low of 0.3\% in Vermont.
- While we have been wary of focusing on confirmed cases given the uncertain (but clearly large) extent to which persons contracting COVID have not been classified as a "confirmed case," the above figures, as well as being above 200,000 COVID-related deaths, do not bode well in terms of overcoming the virus by way of herd immunity.


## Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis Over the Course of the Pandemic versus the Month of September, Alabama through Kansas

| State | Rank, Population per Square Mile | Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, Jan - Sept | Rank, Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, Jan - Sept | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} \hline \text { Percentage of Population } \\ \text { with Confirmed COVID } \\ \text { Diagnosis, September 1-30 } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Rank, Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, September 1-30 |
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| Alabama | 28 | 3.2\% | 4 | 0.58\% | 11 |
| Alaska | 51 | 1.2\% | 44 | 0.36\% | 27 |
| Arizona | 33 | 3.0\% | 5 | 0.23\% | 39 |
| Arkansas | 35 | 2.8\% | 11 | 0.74\% | 5 |
| California | 12 | 2.1\% | 28 | 0.27\% | 33 |
| Colorado | 38 | 1.2\% | 41 | 0.23\% | 38 |
| Connecticut | 5 | 1.6\% | 36 | 0.13\% | 46 |
| Delaware | 7 | 2.1\% | 25 | 0.33\% | 29 |
| District of Columbia | 1 | 2.2\% | 24 | 0.19\% | 42 |
| Florida | 9 | 3.3\% | 3 | 0.39\% | 24 |
| Georgia | 18 | 2.8\% | 8 | 0.44\% | 20 |
| Hawaii | 14 | 0.9\% | 46 | 0.29\% | 32 |
| Idaho | 45 | 2.4\% | 15 | 0.58\% | 13 |
| Illinois | 13 | 2.3\% | 17 | 0.47\% | 19 |
| Indiana | 17 | 1.8\% | 32 | 0.39\% | 25 |
| lowa | 37 | 2.8\% | 10 | 0.76\% | 4 |
| Kansas | 42 | 2.1\% | 26 | 0.60\% | 10 |

Yellow highlighting indicates a top ten ranking in each category.

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| State | Rank, Population per Square Mile | Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, Jan - Sept | Rank, Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, Jan - Sept | Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, September 1-30 | Rank, Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, September 1-30 |
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| Kentucky | 24 | 1.6\% | 35 | 0.49\% | 18 |
| Louisiana | 26 | 3.6\% | 1 | 0.40\% | 23 |
| Maine | 40 | 0.4\% | 50 | 0.06\% | 49 |
| Maryland | 6 | 2.1\% | 29 | 0.27\% | 34 |
| Massachusetts | 4 | 1.9\% | 31 | 0.05\% | 50 |
| Michigan | 19 | 1.4\% | 38 | 0.25\% | 37 |
| Minnesota | 31 | 1.8\% | 33 | 0.41\% | 21 |
| Mississippi | 34 | 3.3\% | 2 | 0.51\% | 16 |
| Missouri | 29 | 2.1\% | 27 | 0.69\% | 7 |
| Montana | 49 | 1.2\% | 42 | 0.54\% | 15 |
| Nebraska | 44 | 2.4\% | 16 | 0.58\% | 12 |
| Nevada | 43 | 2.6\% | 13 | 0.35\% | 28 |
| New Hampshire | 22 | 0.6\% | 49 | 0.07\% | 48 |
| New Jersey | 2 | 2.3\% | 20 | 0.15\% | 45 |
| New Mexico | 46 | 1.4\% | 37 | 0.19\% | 41 |
| New York | 8 | 2.3\% | 19 | 0.12\% | 47 |
| North Carolina | 15 | 2.0\% | 30 | 0.41\% | 22 |

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## Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis Over the Course of the Pandemic versus the Month of September, North Dakota through Wyoming, Including US Totals

| State | Rank, Population per Square Mile | Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, Jan - Sept | Rank, Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, Jan - Sept | Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID <br> Diagnosis, September 1-30 | Rank, Percentage of Population with Confirmed COVID Diagnosis, September 1-30 |
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| North Dakota | 48 | 2.9\% | 7 | 1.32\% | 1 |
| Ohio | 11 | 1.3\% | 39 | 0.26\% | 36 |
| Oklahoma | 36 | 2.2\% | 23 | 0.72\% | 6 |
| Oregon | 39 | 0.8\% | 48 | 0.16\% | 44 |
| Pennsylvania | 10 | 1.3\% | 40 | 0.20\% | 40 |
| Rhode Island | 3 | 2.3\% | 18 | 0.26\% | 35 |
| South Carolina | 20 | 2.9\% | 6 | 0.56\% | 14 |
| South Dakota | 47 | 2.5\% | 14 | 1.00\% | 2 |
| Tennessee | 21 | 2.8\% | 9 | 0.61\% | 9 |
| Texas | 25 | 2.7\% | 12 | 0.50\% | 17 |
| Utah | 41 | 2.3\% | 21 | 0.65\% | 8 |
| Vermont | 32 | 0.3\% | 51 | 0.02\% | 51 |
| Virginia | 16 | 1.7\% | 34 | 0.32\% | 30 |
| Washington | 23 | 1.2\% | 43 | 0.18\% | 43 |
| West Virginia | 30 | 0.9\% | 47 | 0.31\% | 31 |
| Wisconsin | 27 | 2.2\% | 22 | 0.83\% | 3 |
| Wyoming | 50 | 1.0\% | 45 | 0.36\% | 26 |
| United States |  | 0.9\% |  | 0.36\% |  |

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