

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

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This message includes updates on the [COVID-19](https://www.cdc.gov/COVID-19) response from CDC. The COVID-19 Outbreak is a rapidly evolving situation and information will be updated as it becomes available.



Tips for Trick or Treating and Other Halloween Activities

Traditional Halloween activities are fun, but some can increase the risk of getting or spreading COVID-19 or flu. CDC has a [new webpage](#) that features new ways of trick or treating and other Halloween activities. When trick or treating or participating in other Halloween activities with people outside your household, wear a mask. You can make it fun by making your mask part of your costume, but when it comes to slowing the spread of COVID-19, a costume mask is not a substitute for a cloth mask. Also, do not wear a costume mask over a cloth mask. It can make breathing more difficult.

Halloween Activity Tips



Steps to Take When Trick-or-Treating

If you're heading out to trick-or-treat this year, or planning to put candy out for trick-or-treaters, remember to avoid direct contact with trick-or-treaters and give treats away outdoors if possible. Set up a station with individually bagged treats for kids to take, wash hands before handling treats, and wear a mask.

Make Trick-Or-Treating Safer



Steps to Take for Other Halloween Activities

You can enjoy Halloween activities while taking steps to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. If you're planning to participate in activities like decorating and carving pumpkins; visiting an orchard, forest or corn maze; attending an outdoor scavenger hunt; or hosting an outdoor costume party, remember to wear a mask, stay at least 6 feet from others who do not live with you, and wash your hands frequently.

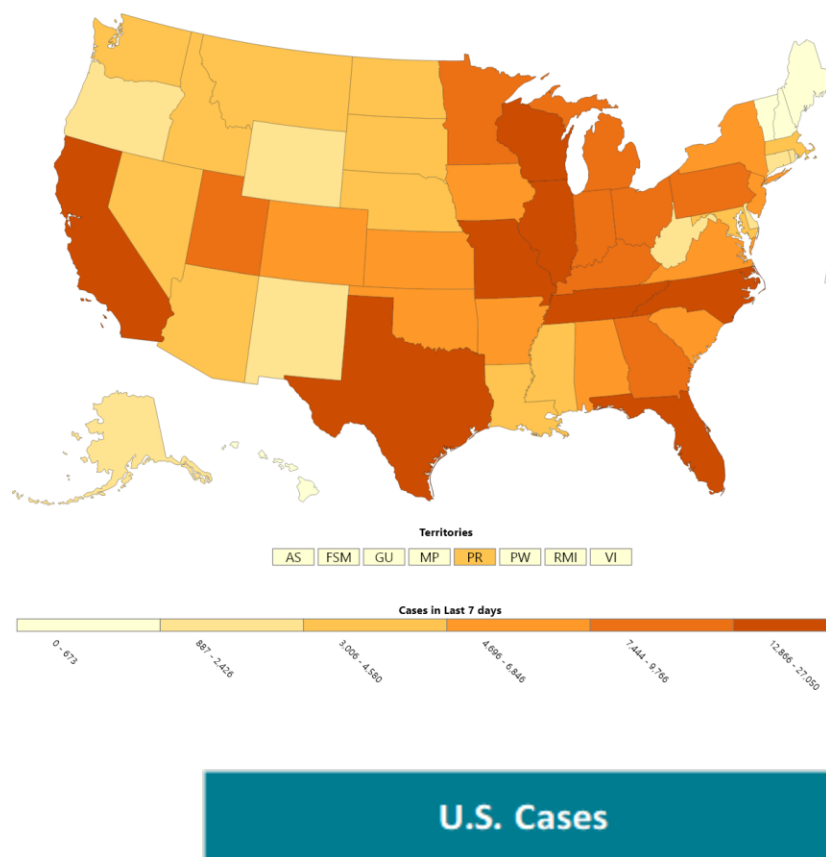
Enjoy Halloween Safely

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the U.S.

As of October 13, 2020

In the United States, there have been 7,787,548 confirmed cases of COVID-19 detected through U.S. public health surveillance systems in 50 states and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Marianas Islands, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

CDC provides updated U.S. case information online daily.



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