

English

Español

[Safety and Health Topics](#) / [COVID-19](#)

COVID-19

Overview



This webpage provides information for workers and employers about the evolving coronavirus pandemic. The information includes links to interim guidance and other resources for preventing exposures to, and infection with, the novel coronavirus—officially named SARS-CoV-2, which causes the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

[More »](#)

News and Updates

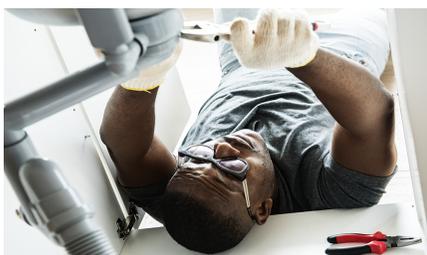


Find the latest OSHA resources related to COVID-19, including:

- [Seven Steps to Correctly Wear a Respirator at Work \(Spanish\)](#). (May 5, 2020).
- [COVID-19 Guidance for Restaurants & Beverage Vendors Offering Takeout or Curbside Pickup \(Spanish\)](#). (May 1, 2020).
- [Joint OSHA-CDC guidance: Meat and Poultry Processing Workers and Employers \(Spanish\)](#). (April 26, 2020).

[More »](#)

Hazard Recognition



- [Risk to workers in the United States](#)
- [Classifying risk of worker exposure to SARS-CoV-2](#)
- [How does COVID-19 spread?](#)
- [Identifying potential sources of exposure](#)

Standards



Understand how OSHA standards apply to protect workers from SARS-CoV-2.

- [Key OSHA standards for COVID-19](#)
- [Enforcement discretion guidance](#)
- [Enforcement directives](#)

[More »](#)

- Workers' rights and employers' responsibilities

[More »](#)

Medical Information



Take steps to prevent worker exposure to SARS-CoV-2.

- What is a coronavirus?
- How is SARS-CoV-2 different from other coronaviruses?
- What are the signs and symptoms of COVID-19?
- What should I do if I think I have been exposed to or infected with SARS-CoV-2?
- How is COVID-19 diagnosed?
- How is COVID-19 treated?
- Am I at high risk for complications from COVID-19?
- When can I return to work after having COVID-19?

[More »](#)

Control and Prevention

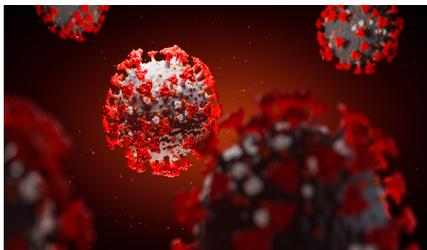


OSHA provides guidance and resources for employers and workers on the control and prevention of COVID-19. Some sections of this guidance apply to all workers and employers, while other sections focus on those at lower risk of exposure and those with increased risk of exposure, including workers involved in:

- Healthcare
- Dentistry
- Emergency response and public safety
- Postmortem care
- Meat and poultry processing (developed in partnership with CDC)
- Laboratories
- Airline operations
- Retail operations
- Border protection and transportation security
- Correctional facility operations
- Solid waste and wastewater management
- Environmental (i.e., janitorial) services
- In-home repair services
- Business travelers

[More »](#)

Background



Learn where COVID-19, and the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes it, came from and how the pandemic is thought to have started.

Additional Resources



Find additional resources and information for protecting workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, including from occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration
200 Constitution Ave NW
Washington, DC 20210
☎ 800-321-6742 (OSHA)
TTY
www.OSHA.gov

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

White House
Severe Storm and Flood Recovery Assistance
Disaster Recovery Assistance
DisasterAssistance.gov
USA.gov
No Fear Act Data
U.S. Office of Special Counsel

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

Frequently Asked Questions
A - Z Index
Freedom of Information Act
Read the OSHA Newsletter
Subscribe to the OSHA Newsletter
OSHA Publications
Office of Inspector General

ABOUT THE SITE

Freedom of Information Act
Privacy & Security Statement
Disclaimers
Important Website Notices
Plug-Ins Used by DOL
Accessibility Statement