COVID-19
(coronavirus disease 2019)
PRESS CONFERENCE

March 4, 2021
Imperial County Tier Assignment & Metrics

Current tier assignments as of March 2, 2021

Tier assignments may occur any day of the week and may occur more than once a week. Select a county to see what region it's in.

Imperial County
Southern California Region
Eligible to exit Regional Order effective 1/25/2021
Was placed on Regional Stay Home Order 12/6/20

Regional ICU Capacity

Imperial County

County risk level
Widespread
Many non-essential indoor business operations are closed
Substantial
Some non-essential indoor business operations are closed
Moderate
Some indoor business operations are open with modifications
Minimal
Most indoor business operations are open with modifications

County metrics
5.7 New COVID-19 cases per day per 100K
5.7 Adjusted case rate for tier assignment
3.3% Positivity rate (7-day average)
5.2% Health equity quartile positivity rate

3 weeks prior
2/9
Widespread

2 weeks prior
2/16
Widespread

1 week prior
2/23
Widespread

Current
3/2
Widespread

*See California Blueprint Data Chart for tier determination

https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/#county-status
COVID-19 – Tier Movement

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/COVID19CountyMonitoringOverview.aspx

To advance to a less restrictive tier:
1A. County must have been in the current tier for a minimum of three weeks.
2A. **County must meet criteria for movement to the next less restrictive for the prior two consecutive weeks in order to progress to the next tier**; which can be achieved by either or combination of criteria described below:
   1. Meeting the Adjusted Case Rate, Test Positivity, and Health Equity metric criteria for a less restrictive tier.
   2. Meeting the criteria for movement to the next less restrictive tier through health equity accelerated progression.

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**Week 1:**
Imperial County met prior week metrics

**Week 2:**
Currently in week 2

**Movement on Wednesday after state metrics are announced**

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**Must Meet Metrics for 2 Consecutive Weeks**
County Remains in Purple Tier

**If Metrics are Met for 2 Weeks, Move to Red**
Blueprint for a Safer Economy
Activity and Business Tier Matrix
# Blueprint for a Safer Economy

Specific tier based on risk-based criteria

## Activity and Business Tiers

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<td><strong>Critical Infrastructure</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Gatherings</strong></td>
<td>Outdoor gatherings only with modifications</td>
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<td><strong>Outdoor Playgrounds &amp; Outdoor Recreational Facilities</strong></td>
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<td>All Retail</td>
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<td>Shopping Centers (Malls, Destination Centers, Swap Meets)</td>
<td>Open Indoors with modifications • Max 25% capacity • Closed common areas • Closed food courts</td>
<td>Open indoors with modifications • Max 50% capacity • Closed common areas • Reduced capacity food courts (see restaurants)</td>
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<td>Museums, Zoos, and Aquariums</td>
<td>Outdoor Only with modifications</td>
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<td><strong>Movie Theaters</strong></td>
<td>Outdoor Only with modifications</td>
<td>Open Indoors with modifications • Max 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer</td>
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<td><strong>Hotels and Lodging</strong></td>
<td>Open with modifications • +Fitness centers (+10%)</td>
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<td>Open with modifications • +Fitness centers (+25%) • +Indoor pools</td>
<td>Open with modifications • +Fitness Centers (50%) • +Spa facilities etc.</td>
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<td><strong>Gyms and Fitness Centers</strong></td>
<td>Outdoor Only with modifications</td>
<td>Open indoors with modifications • Max 10% capacity • +Climbing walls</td>
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| Restaurants                        | Outdoor Only with modifications | Open indoors with modifications  
  - Max 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer | Open indoors with modifications  
  - Max 50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer | Open indoors with modifications  
  - Max 50% capacity |
| Wineries                           | Outdoor Only with modifications | Outdoor Only with modifications | Open indoors with modifications  
  - Max 25% capacity indoors, or 100 people, whichever is fewer | Open indoors with modifications  
  - Max 50% capacity or 200 people indoors, whichever is fewer |
| Bars, Breweries, and Distilleries  | Closed            | Closed             | Open Outdoors with modifications          | Open indoors with modifications  
  - Max 50% capacity |
| (where no meal provided)           |                   |                    |                                           |                                                    |
|                                    | (follow restaurant guidance where meal is provided) |                    |                                           |                                                    |
| Family Entertainment Centers       | Outdoor Only with modifications  
  e.g., Kart Racing, Mini Golf, Batting Cages | Outdoor Only with modifications  
  e.g., Kart Racing, Mini Golf, Batting Cages | Open Indoors for naturally distanced activities  
  with modifications  
  - Max 25% capacity  
  - Bowling Alleys | Open indoors for activities with increased risk of proximity and mixing  
  with modifications  
  - Max 50% capacity  
  - Arcade Games  
  - Ice and roller skating  
  - Indoor playgrounds |
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<td>Offices</td>
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<td>Open indoors with modifications • Encourage telework</td>
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<td>Professional Sports</td>
<td>Open • Without live audiences • With modifications</td>
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<td>Live Audience Sports***</td>
<td>Closed</td>
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<td>Outdoors Only • Max 20% • Regional visitors (120 miles) • Advanced reservations only • Assigned seating only • In-seat concessions only (No concourse sales)</td>
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<td>Amusement Parks***</td>
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*Gatherings updated November 13, 2020
**Outdoor playgrounds and outdoor recreational facilities updated September 28, 2020
***Personal care services, live audience professional sports and amusement parks updated October 20, 2020
****Places of worship updated February 6, 2021

Specific tier based on risk-based criteria
California has a blueprint for reducing COVID-19 in the state with revised criteria for loosening and tightening restrictions on activities.

Find the status for activities in your county

- Enter county
- Enter a business or activity

GET LATEST RISK LEVELS

Understand your county’s status

Every county in California is assigned to a tier based on its test positivity and adjusted case rate. In light of the recent, unprecedented surge in rate of increase of cases, the following changes are effective...
What is the eligibility window for school reopening once a county has met the criteria of being in the Red Tier or with a case rate of less than 25?

Schools in counties that have met the relevant criteria for school reopening per the K-12 Guidance have a three-week period to open, starting the day the county meets the criterion for reopening, even if the county stops meeting the criterion during that window (i.e., case rate is ≥25 in a subsequent calculation or the county assignment goes back to the Purple Tier during the window). The window will be determined as follows: **The first day a county is considered in the Red Tier is the Wednesday following the weekly county tier assignments are announced and posted on the Blueprint website (Tuesdays).** Similarly, the first day that elementary schools in a county are eligible for the elementary reopening process is the Wednesday after a weekly case rate of less than 25 is posted. For example, if a county is assigned to the Red Tier on Tuesday, March 9, the first full day the county is in the Red Tier is Wednesday, March 10. The window of eligibility for reopening would continue until the end of the day on March 30 regardless of any change to Purple tier assignment during that time. On March 31, schools in that county would not be able to open if the county had gone back to the Purple tier. If the county is in the Red Tier on March 31, then the schools remain eligible to reopen. The goal of the three-week window is to facilitate calm and safe school reopenings.

K-12 schools reopening framework and guidance and questions and answers
Don’t let your guard down

• Stay home if you are sick
• Wear a mask in public
• Wash your hands regularly
• Avoid crowds
• Stay six feet away from others
• Limit mixing with people you don’t live with
• Get vaccinated
COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization Overview

Updated Guidance: https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/VaccineAllocationGuidelines.aspx

Revisions February 4, 2021 to align with updated CA guidance
Vaccinating as supplies allow

Phase 1a
STARTED 12/18/20

- Tiers 1-3 Healthcare
- Long-term Care Residents

Phase 1b, Tier 1
STARTED 1/18/21, VACCINATING AS SUPPLIES ALLOW

- Seniors 65+
- Emergency Services
- Education & Childcare
- Food & Agriculture
March 8th: Enrolled vaccine providers vaccinate 65+ and all in eligible sectors

March 15th: MyTurn goes ‘live’ at ICPHD. Other providers start onboarding process.

Phase 1A, Tiers 1-3
Phase 1B, 65+, Tier 1

Phase 1A, Tiers 1-3 & 1B, 65+ Tier 1
16-64 yrs. w/severe health conditions

COVID-19 Vaccine Imperial County Transition Phase

https://covid19.ca.gov/vaccines/
**COVID-19 Vaccine Received/Administered**

[Link to California's vaccine website](https://covid19.ca.gov/vaccines/)

**Received**

1st & 2nd DOSES

35,350

Dec 17, 2020 – Mar 4, 2021

**Administered**

1st & 2nd DOSES

29,171
COVID-19 Vaccine Pending to Receive

Pending THIS Week
None

Pending NEXT Week
8,510 1\textsuperscript{st} dose allocation
(3,510 Pfizer, 2,600 Moderna, 2,400 J&J)
Get vaccinated—it’s safe, effective, and free

Vaccinations are in high demand. But you can find out when it’s your turn to get one. Sign up at myturn.ca.gov or call (833) 422-4255 and schedule your appointment, or get notified when appointments are available in your area.

Sign up for the vaccine

COVID-19 vaccination is one of the most important tools to end the COVID-19 pandemic. The State will equitably distribute a safe and effective vaccine to everyone in California who wants it. We expect to have enough supplies to vaccinate most Californians by summer 2021.

On this page you will find:

- When you can get vaccinated
- How to get vaccinated
- How vaccines work
- What to expect after vaccination
- Spread the news about the vaccines
- Vaccination progress dashboards
- Questions and answers

https://covid19.ca.gov/vaccines/
COVID-19 Vaccine
Vaccinate Imperial County

Health Information and Resources

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COVID-19

Vaccinate Imperial County
Find out more about COVID-19 Vaccines

COVID-19 Data
Track COVID-19 in Imperial County
Thank you