



## STATE EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS | COVID-19

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## COVID-19 State Emergency Declarations + Rescissions (as of



Since the inception of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020, every state, most territories, hundreds of tribal governments, and thousands of municipalities declared various levels of emergencies. The map above provides a comprehensive snapshot of the current status of various state-level emergency

declarations issued in response to COVID-19 based on data provided by the National Governors Association, the Network for Public Health Law, and other sources. Currently:

- 5 states and/or territories have active emergency declarations;
- 2 states have active disaster declarations; and
- 2 states have active public health emergency declarations

To date, 39 states have rescinded their declarations of emergency, disaster, or public health emergency at some point over the course of the pandemic (shown in dotted formatting above). Of these states, 5 subsequently re-declared some form of emergency, although none of these are still in effect.

**Note** - promulgation and revocation of declarations are rapidly changing. In Wisconsin, for example, an original declaration expired on May 11, 2020. New states of emergency and public health emergency were then declared on February 4, 2021 but were consequently struck down by the state supreme court on March 31, 2021. These or other unique factors in specific jurisdictions may not be fully captured in the map above.

For additional information or resources tracking past and present state-based emergency declaration data related to the COVID-19 pandemic, please contact the Network or National Governors Association, as well as refer to the following sources:

- Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (updated bi-weekly) (shares mapped data and map visualization of state emergency declarations);
- <u>Ballotpedia</u> (updated bi-weekly; last updated September 19, 2022) (tracks active and expired state COVID-19 emergency orders);
- <u>National Academy for State Health Policy</u> (last updated September 18, 2022) (map and chart describe states' "latest emergency orders and actions designed to safeguard residents from the COVID-19 pandemic");
- LawAtlas <u>Policy Surveillance Program</u> (last updated July 1, 2020) (archived data of states' emergency proclamations and executive orders re: COVID-19)

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