# U.S. COVID-19 deaths hit 600K

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The Associated Press The U.S. death toll from COVID-19 topped 600,000 on Tuesday, even as the vaccination drive has drastically brought down daily cases and fatalities and allowed the country to emerge from the gloom and look forward to

summer. The number of lives lost, as recorded by Johns Hopkins University, is greater than the population of Baltimore or Milwaukee. It is about equal to the number of Americans who died of cancer in 2019. Worldwide, the COVID-19 death toll stands at about 3.8 million.

The milestone came the same day that California and New York lifted most of their remaining restrictions, joining other states in opening the way, step by step, for what could be a fun and close-tonormal summer for many Americans.

"Deep down I want to rejoice," said Rita Torres, a retired university administrator in Oakland, California. But she plans to take it slow: "Because it's kind of like, is it too soon? Will we be sorry?"

With the arrival of the vaccine in mid-December, COVID-19 deaths per day in the U.S. have plummeted to an average of around 340, from a high of over 3,400 in mid-January. Cases are running at about 14,000 a day on average,



Joanna Moore writes a tribute to her cousin Wilton "Bud" Mitchell, who died of COVID-19, on Nov. 24 at a symbolic cemetery created in Miami to remember and honor lives lost to COVID-19. Lynne Sladky/AP

down from a quarter-million per day over the winter.

The real death tolls in the U.S. and around the globe are thought to be significantly higher, with many cases overlooked or possibly concealed by some countries.

President Joe Biden acknowledged the approaching milestone Monday during his visit to Europe, saying that while new cases and deaths are dropping dramatically in the U.S., "there's still too many lives being lost," and "now is not the time to let our guard down."

The most recent deaths are seen in some ways as especially tragic now that the vaccine has become available practically for the asking.

More than 50% of Americans have had at least one dose of vaccine, while over 40% are fully vaccinated, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

But demand for shots in the U.S. has dropped off dramatically, leaving many places with a surplus of doses and casting doubt on whether the country will meet Biden's target of having 70% of American adults at least partially vaccinated by July 4. The figure stands at just under 65%.

As of a week ago, the U.S. was averaging about 1 million injections per day, down from a high of about 3.3 million a day on average in mid-April, according to the CDC.

At nearly every turn in the outbreak, the virus has exploited and worsened inequalities in the United States. CDC figures, when

adjusted for age and population, show that Black, Latino and Native American people are two to three times more likely than whites to die of COVID-19.

Also, an Associated Press analysis found that Latinos are dying at much younger ages than other groups. Hispanic people between 30 and 39 have died at five times the rate of white people in the same age group.

Overall, Black and Hispanic Americans have less access to medical care and are in poorer health, with higher rates of conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure. They are also more likely to have jobs deemed essential, less able to work from home and more likely to live in crowded, multigenerational households.

## **Breach**

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Since the breach, Elekta has implemented additional security enhancements to prevent future incidents, Canzeri said. According to Elekta's website, the breach affected the company's North American customers. Patients or their family members have been given directions on how to obtain free access to identity monitoring, fraud consultation and identity theft resto-

ration, Anders said.

"The security and privacy of our patient information is something we take extremely seriously, so we use robust digital systems to screen our vendors for security protocols and tools to monitor compliance," Anders said in an email. "We are in a constant state of process improvement and are currently evaluating even better screening and monitoring software." Reporter: 541-633-2117, sroig@bendbulletin.com

#### **Storms**

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Any amount of lightning is concerning for U.S. Forest Service officials as they monitor wildfire activities in the region, said Jean Nelson-Dean, spokesperson for the Deschutes National Forest.

None of the lightning strikes led to fires, but the Forest Service still tracks where and when lightning strikes, Nelson-Dean said.

"Anytime we get lightning, of course there's always the potential for fire starts," Nelson-Dean said.

The storms that came through Bend last week resulted in 0.28 of an inch of rain, according to weather service meteorologist Mary Wister. The rainfall was a welcome sight for the region, which is experiencing extreme drought, but the rain did very little to help the dry conditions, Wister said.

"We will take what we can get, but it will take a lot more," Wister said.

Wister and other weather service meteorologists in the Pendleton office were busy Tuesday monitoring storms across Central and Eastern Oregon. They recorded golf ball-sized hail in the Blue Mountains and lingering storms in the Cascades. By the end of the day, most of the storms had moved out of the

"Things are starting to calm down, which is good," Wister said. "The system is moving out of the area and we are getting a dry, westerly flow." Reporter: 541-617-7820,

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