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| **COVID 19 UPDATE - VIRGINIA NEWS** |

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| [**More than 2,000 new COVID-19 cases confirmed in Virginia | Positivity rate jumps to 8.8%**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1762a038686%3A42262b%3A7f8e7b4f&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477402728%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=DXDzTK9B839Tuf7OML4hPSenfuA07G%2BcmE4Lbd6BVoo%3D&reserved=0) |
| [https://www.nbc12.com](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nbc12.com%2F2020%2F12%2F02%2Fmore-than-new-covid-cases-confirmed-virginia-positivity-rate-jumps%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477412723%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=Gh2RGs8HvaUj9GK%2BL%2FiwhDCWlN9E9DZ6VBse5iBWNnM%3D&reserved=0) |
| [RICHMOND, Va. (WWBT) - The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) reported 244,503 total coronavirus cases throughout the state Thursday, a 2,023 case increase from Wednesday.](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1762a038686%3A42262b%3A7f8e7b4f&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477422715%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=BeBhelYesZkiEtvfVr7x1fhkLSAl%2FBL%2F8iAxuU%2BDzb0%3D&reserved=0)  |

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| [**Virginia Employment Commission**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_17629fa4605%3A40988e%3Ae0561be3&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477422715%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=hXx7jhrP0Q1%2BE%2BKn7JK%2B%2B218dWERaPwkm%2FeSl%2BHoUP8%3D&reserved=0) |
| [Virginia](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.vec.virginia.gov%2FUI-press-release&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477432708%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=44ztDH186y7bfF3zVx4xRy3NDAtSglj9NGdqmUKgNRI%3D&reserved=0) |
| * The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 713,824 in the week ending November 28, a decrease of 122,453 (or -14.6 percent) from the previous week.
* RICHMOND—The Virginia Employment Commission (VEC) announced that the number of initial claims filed during the November 28 filing week fell to its lowest level since the Pandemic’s employment effects began to be felt in mid-March, according to figures released today.
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| [**Southwest Virginia a ‘cautionary tale’ as COVID-19 hospitalizations rise across the state**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FZlfaun7gHjf%2BezBb4FuuczpsZ%2FrJH5fsT39QwuFW9Bk%3D_17626fc54b8%3A63985f%3A35f724eb&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477432708%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=QkRo6iatI9j3FiEUzTjmq8WthZmTN%2B5u0EKmxrKx%2FD0%3D&reserved=0) |
| [Virginia Mercury](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.virginiamercury.com%2F2020%2F12%2F03%2Fsouthwest-virginia-a-cautionary-tale-as-covid-19-hospitalizations-rise-across-the-state%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477442699%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=m2r0g4jOxYDYKDjV9RLlb6AwPQbGTVufFPE5mczg7YA%3D&reserved=0) |
| * “We attempted to take every possible step to avoid postponing nonemergency procedures, but we find ourselves at a point where it’s necessary to preserve workforce and resources in order to meet the surge of COVID patients into our hospitals,” said Dr. Clay Runnels, the system’s chief physician executive.
* The same day, Ballad Health — one of the region’s largest hospital systems with locations in 29 counties across Southwest Virginia, Northeast Tennessee, Northwest North Carolina and Southeast Kentucky — announced it was suspending all elective surgeries for the next month starting Monday.
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| [**Northam: 'All options remains on table' as COVID-19 cases spike**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1762528c8df%3A1b2fe9%3A98974d07&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477452699%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=20LWrj83aE4ZmZ%2BnUOX05OK%2F8eG614vkhUKp8ke57MU%3D&reserved=0) |
| [INSIDENOVA.COM](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.insidenova.com%2Fheadlines%2Fnortham-all-options-remains-on-table-as-covid-19-cases-spike%2Farticle_a1cb79bc-34d6-11eb-a3e4-5397b3c39970.html&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477452699%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=Kj1zsoxUvr7Kef%2FV%2F7lnSRG3IeK4CgY2d0Nw8F7%2Fj2o%3D&reserved=0) |
| * Gov. Ralph Northam didn't announce any new pandemic restrictions during a Tuesday afternoon update on COVID-19 in Virginia, but he warned "all options remain on the table." The governor also announced early details on a statewide COVID-19 vaccine distribution plan, with the Pfizer version of the vaccine possibly reaching Virginia in the next couple weeks.
* Northam said he hopes most Virginians will have received the vaccine by this summer.
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| [**Va. Dec. 2 COVID-19 update: Hospitalizations climb again by nearly 100 patients, 20 new deaths reported**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1762443b1f6%3Ab1d11%3A13f12be9&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477462693%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=Adr2KTiKePpuRZqJ5unUDqPSjTJrMxi358yRB7aJlws%3D&reserved=0) |
| [WAVY.com](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.wavy.com%2Fnews%2Fhealth%2Fcoronavirus%2Fva-dec-2-covid-19-update-hospitalizations-climb-again-by-nearly-100-patients-20-new-deaths-reported%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477462693%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=s9%2FYWe9tYZfthJpP0Ut1YNB0pgvpo9YkAuSvMjQRDxQ%3D&reserved=0) |
| * Virginia’s current number of COVID-19 patients, 1,860 is a record high and more than 200 patients higher than its initial peak on May 8.
* Hampton Roads is seeing a steady uptick (337 patients), up nearly double this time last month.
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| [**REV Grants: the huge public response is sobering, and some of the stories behind the numbers are heart-wrenching - VCCS**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1761ec3dcf7%3A2db2db%3A7d350007&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477472688%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=pjMmhJUWaDIvkkogVVW7fTvon2v2QvoNa9xvv1M7Oz4%3D&reserved=0) |
| [VCCS](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.vccs.edu%2Fblog%2Frev-grants-the-huge-public-response-is-sobering-and-some-of-the-stories-behind-the-numbers-are-heart-wrenching%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477472688%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=0u3FiBxRLZJBkLa4me9UtxeCZbhk25tO9MQ%2FkKDTs8w%3D&reserved=0) |
| * The “Re-Employing Virginians” (REV) initiative is funded with federal CARES Act money and offers to pay for up to $3,000 for tuition for targeted career and workforce training programs at Virginia’s Community Colleges, for people whose jobs were disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic.
* Thousands of potential applicants have made inquiries at the [vccs.edu/rev](http://vccs.edu/rev) web page since Virginia Governor Ralph Northam announced the limited-time grants on October 30.
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| [**Virginia’s early COVID-19 vaccination plan anticipates doses will be scarce**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FZlfaun7gHjf%2BezBb4FuuczpsZ%2FrJH5fsT39QwuFW9Bk%3D_1761b40fdf3%3A2c8e243%3A58da7475&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477482682%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=rz9XuB3jxQIEH3T1XYiaTTNDGpkRcV09tWxAo22wIuk%3D&reserved=0) |
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| * Ultra-cold storage facilities aren’t uncommon at many hospitals, but the requirements make it difficult to ship to or hold the vaccines at sites like nursing homes or community health centers.
* If the CDC distributes doses directly to the states, Virginia is also developing a strategy to accommodate storage requirements and distribute the vaccine to high-priority groups.
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| [**Virginia’s contact tracing app could be a vital tool in fighting COVID-19 — if people would use it**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FZlfaun7gHjf%2BezBb4FuuczpsZ%2FrJH5fsT39QwuFW9Bk%3D_175fdd72f8f%3A2508a9%3A58da7475&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477492676%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=2DQHTbU%2BuB5AocYU5GcwvZOCrboRzvkVlhBVZ0Ms3GQ%3D&reserved=0) |
| [Virginia Mercury](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.virginiamercury.com%2F2020%2F11%2F25%2Fvirginias-contact-tracing-app-could-be-a-vital-tool-in-fighting-covid-19-if-people-would-use-it%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477502668%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=oahgHTumGBvtmaCE%2BUK2G26WgS%2BChKsv0pRMLNlSfq0%3D&reserved=0) |
| * Virginians also have to update the app if they’ve received a positive test result — a critical part of the process that allows the software to alert contacts who spent 15 minutes or more within six feet of the infected person over the last 14 days.
* COVIDWISE warns that it could take health officials between one and three days to contact users, depending on when their lab results are submitted to the agency, but Hochman said he hadn’t heard back more than a week after the pharmacy notified him that he tested positive.
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| **[U.S. Unemployment Claims Fell Last Week After Recent Rise](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1762937e74e%3A31b397%3A7f8e7b4f&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477162866%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=7x9t4fN1oWlOgXf%2BkZWCMyxCFKo%2FRcToNHfGlqm9wKw%3D&reserved=0" \t "_blank)** |  |
| [WSJ](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.wsj.com%2Farticles%2Fweekly-jobless-claims-coronavirus-13-2-2020-11606950268&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477162866%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=3x%2BUGl8iA%2BVOiWmLeQTWGlzKOrwylTraYF5r7h9XdAQ%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * Other recent data, from the Commerce Department, suggest the economic recovery from the spring’s shutdowns has continued.
* Weekly initial claims for jobless benefits, a proxy for layoffs, fell by 75,000 to a seasonally adjusted 712,000 in the week ended Nov. 28, the Labor Department said Thursday.
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| [**US reports highest number of Covid-19 deaths in a single day**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FrCJg7pKVnNYe%2BcGb%2BlsdnTD6zmt4MNGy627zsl0vNH4%3D_176265c34d7%3A3162%3Ae0561be3&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477172860%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=2CS1dmqQ2b%2F3081tzM2lOZoFKrVddNpRQCJHXw8%2Bw4M%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [CNN.com - RSS Channel - HP Hero](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cnn.com%2Fworld%2Flive-news%2Fcoronavirus-pandemic-12-02-20-intl%2Fh_2cbfc56673b02f95ce59962dbf8888a0&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477182854%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=fna8652aPnC5%2FDNPYF2IOm6FJ7fWco3CoS5qxxNNHrk%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * “The 911 emergency medical system throughout the United States is at a breaking point,” Aarron Reinert, the president of the American Ambulance Association, wrote in a recent letter to the Department of Health and Human Services.
* Reinert said in the letter that public and private ambulance services in all 50 states must have additional funding in order to continue providing the services they have supplied since the pandemic began last spring.
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| [**When Covid-19 closed schools, Black, Hispanic and poor kids took biggest hit in math, reading**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_176251f84f6%3A1af1ea%3Ace8a054b&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477182854%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=0XfSd6Vuntk7rmkLj9V%2BuP5Psqhb%2Fw39TMlrTNkknks%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [NBC News](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nbcnews.com%2Fnews%2Feducation%2Fwhen-covid-19-closed-schools-black-hispanic-poor-kids-took-n1249352&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477192847%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=rEJo%2FS%2FwITZRZkAZqwrMUyfvlO6870tQFVc%2ByJXMuH4%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * NWEA’s findings echo the results of another national testing organization, Renaissance Learning, Inc., which reviewed scores from more than 3 million U.S. students in grades one through eight on another widely used school assessment called Star and found that reading scores were down slightly and math scores were down significantly compared to a typical year.
* Kuhfeld and her colleagues analyzed scores from NWEA’s MAP Growth assessments, which thousands of U.S. schools give to students multiple times a year to track their progress in math and reading.
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| [**Despite holiday travel season, more than 90,000 airline workers have lost jobs**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_17624f30a38%3A172050%3A7e2ead4f&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477192847%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=cSzl6sDsSAW6bLfXZ%2F%2FkXsEAakD6pVbLELDke5DQm5w%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [CBS News](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cbsnews.com%2Fvideo%2Fdespite-holiday-travel-season-more-than-90000-airline-workers-have-lost-jobs%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477202844%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=YoPAMOhYnH%2F22vMTWEvRE7Fe%2FUHSEsYVkG7TVEI5XyQ%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [Despite holiday travel season, more than 90,000 airline workers have lost jobs Millions of people have already taken off for Thanksgiving, but the increase in travel isn't getting tens of thousands of airline workers off the ground.](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_17624f30a38%3A172050%3A7e2ead4f&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477212843%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=ivjRmsG8PqyVybeY%2BxtWtjME9URw02anXltZMiKcaIc%3D&reserved=0)  |  |

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| [**Nine months after the health and economic crisis began, unemployment claims near record high**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_17624ef7ce0%3A16abc1%3A98974d07&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477212843%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=OOh7hCudP5QP4%2FjjBZojdEHBEeiL5I5LIEGnx7jEzsY%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [CNBC](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cnbc.com%2F2020%2F12%2F01%2Funemployment-benefits-near-record-high-almost-9-months-later.html&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477222832%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=7NEqNf7yULDhYdaaNjqkih3AOffb%2FfhxjAcT4mfxEgQ%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * (These figures don't reflect seasonal adjustments, to better compare statistics across time periods.) More from Personal Finance: For student loan borrowers, monthly payments resume in January What to do before making a charitable donation Congress stalled on stimulus talks as millions face benefits cliff The current level, while down substantially from its pandemic high of nearly 23 million claims in May, is still nearly triple what it was in February.
* "We've never seen a shock like this." Continued claims Around 5.9 million filed a "continued claim" for state unemployment insurance the week of Nov. 14, according to the Labor Department.
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| [**Listen Up | Strada Education Network**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_17623d5b6c2%3A2462f%3A13736a89&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477222832%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=xPBgzyi35lLZOatgktW%2BUxu%2FqZbpAKfUp2dgalkt2Fo%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [Strada Education Network](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.stradaeducation.org%2Flisten-up%2F&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477232824%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=UpJ%2FAUB9skoVbeMoXpjlheWa5yZo0UVCflOpGRd%2FyGw%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * A registered nurse with an associate degree who quit her job to help her children with virtual learning but hopes to soon continue working toward her bachelor’s.
* For Smith, the piece she needed in her educational experience was academic and career guidance — someone who could help her navigate her program .
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| [**Mental health, for-profits and aid concerns for student veterans**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_176238c8769%3Ae5082%3A21859a64&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477232824%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=EbitYtFOENllxtu5cgOweYZyc%2BkW986WQ%2FYTWFzqhBg%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [Inside Higher Ed | Higher Education News, Career Advice, Jobs](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.insidehighered.com%2Fnews%2F2020%2F12%2F01%2Fmental-health-profits-and-aid-concerns-student-veterans&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477242821%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=sj9ERtc0pZBXT0I7N6t304%2FJrvbWbvkY1g1EqZsvPmM%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * Student veterans are likely to start their education at community colleges, said Emily Schwartz, program manager at Ithaka S+R and one of the authors of the brief.
* A recent brief from the American Talent Initiative urges colleges to enroll more students who are military service veterans.
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| [**The Humanities After Covid-19**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_176237b628b%3Accf81%3Ad12a4268&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477242821%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=qsOlGzs9FwlMR%2FLXlbtHjKuT2oEN84QdjLNzh8fGO18%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [CHE](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.chronicle.com%2Farticle%2Fthe-humanities-after-covid-19&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477252814%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=YhZoDpu%2FqGdkygRH5Se68VUCa0p7EzLDdKtM9jrLSMk%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * Disciplines of study exist only to the extent that they are grounded in institutions and practices: in syllabi, in methods of argument, in archives that compel inquiry, topics that inspire debate, and above all in the human labor of research, writing, and teaching according to norms that one acquires by training.
* When the Covid-19 pandemic assaulted already weak university finances last spring, the first effect was across the board hiring freezes , including on searches that were already underway or near completion.
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| [**CDC will decrease quarantine time to 7-10 days**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FrCJg7pKVnNYe%2BcGb%2BlsdnTD6zmt4MNGy627zsl0vNH4%3D_17620f887f2%3A4a8f0%3A869625f7&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477262807%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=hF68CZ8MjLq4zddoaZ6KT%2BUVCAm%2F19uXv%2F5x4t87b84%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [CNN.com - RSS Channel - HP Hero](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cnn.com%2F2020%2F12%2F01%2Fhealth%2Fcdc-changing-quarantine-guidelines%2Findex.html&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477262807%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=MbpTOg18YtPcY%2BZPsvMDWD7gSL8B68B8ek30c1IvXZE%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * The new guidelines will recommend close contacts of those infected with the coronavirus should quarantine for 7 to 10 days after exposure, down from the 14 days currently recommended , the official said.
* Previously, the CDC defined a close contact as 15 minutes of continuous exposure to an infected individual.
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| [**Report: Improving Enrollment Health**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2Fo3SSqIWWG2gYayKaXccfVpg%2FzOCVxn%2FqF9iZLeGk8SI%3D_1762296b52b%3A49e5d2%3Ad567b30b&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477272801%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=DgIJ%2FTMI4MqFNrLLzlcePWYOf64aVLciC8EKVg2jy2M%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [Inside Higher Ed](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.insidehighered.com%2Fquicktakes%2F2020%2F12%2F02%2Freport-improving-enrollment-health&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477272801%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=Kk9z8t1fIr7O2geonsSJDgadc%2F6zwitc7fyHdO6L9lo%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * To fix this problem, Ad Astra encourages colleges to examine their "enrollment health" by looking beyond how many students are enrolled in which majors, to what time, place and way they're taking courses.
* Institutions need to rethink their offerings in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and its subsequent negative enrollment impacts, according to a new report from Ad Astra.
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| [**Embedding Certifications Into Bachelor's Degrees**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2Fo3SSqIWWG2gYayKaXccfVpg%2FzOCVxn%2FqF9iZLeGk8SI%3D_1762296b52b%3A49e5d3%3Ad567b30b&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477282799%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=ecUlKGVs5vO3ae%2B1roTg6JfJC8Dtuu9ccYTG9k%2FKu7w%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [Inside Higher Ed](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.insidehighered.com%2Fquicktakes%2F2020%2F12%2F02%2Fembedding-certifications-bachelors-degrees&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477282799%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=0k658wmQEEyp3H0xuv3zSKeCgUxgt8bftkq14haMVIY%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [A new report describes a framework for embedding industry certifications into bachelor's degree programs, an approach that could increase the job-market value of some degrees. The report is based on a project led by Workcred, a nonprofit organization, in partnership with the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU), the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities (USU), and the University Professional and Continuing Education Association (UPCEA).](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2Fo3SSqIWWG2gYayKaXccfVpg%2FzOCVxn%2FqF9iZLeGk8SI%3D_1762296b52b%3A49e5d3%3Ad567b30b&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477292790%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=pO0MW13cNFoHHNRGMMG%2FQMyeAuIevBYEMkta6n7LAlw%3D&reserved=0)  |  |

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| [**Colleges Grapple With Grim Financial Realities**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FpJObj60hhd4Ufvbp8Z4fAm4U%2BG1RmbCaFfwanQquVGk%3D_1761c2973ee%3A110c3e%3Aaac1248e&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477302784%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=m6LcuLPTuX%2BRULF9YaxmHg0BgYkHH1yuuiRnT0JKtCo%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| [The Chronicle of Higher Education](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.chronicle.com%2Farticle%2Fcolleges-grapple-with-grim-financial-realities&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477302784%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=jwvT4h9JVwP97gml0Qc%2BBWZYoh3xQx8UmASaDb0C1Ng%3D&reserved=0) |  |
| * Many of the surveyed institutions — particularly small private colleges — offered high discount rates and saw significant declines in net-tuition revenue.
* On the whole, says John Barnshaw, vice president for research and data science at Ad Astra, the survey confirms some assumptions about the pressures colleges are facing and indicates that institutions with size, prestige, and higher graduation rates — qualities that provided “preservative effects” in the crisis — will pull away from smaller, poorer institutions.
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| [**More people with bachelor’s degrees go back to school to learn skilled trades - The Hechinger Report**](https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffeedly.com%2Fi%2Fentry%2FFy3VJ11srJ7WiTPM6nbL06kpPr28ZRWFGN1T1qh7ocA%3D_1761ead16dc%3A2a5d26%3A55d4dc8d&data=04%7C01%7Cjandre%40vccs.edu%7C5de3982c7fc94fdfc46208d897c65b06%7Cfab6beb5360442dfbddcf4e9ddd654d5%7C0%7C0%7C637426225477312777%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=DHDAr1UV6gUu5v3wiGS9KBsqLomSJOrAswJXKTrR2yc%3D&reserved=0) |  |
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| * Instead, struggles may be hidden away in quiet dorm rooms, as suffering students are unwilling or unable to share their pain on campuses that can feel, by necessity, like minimum-security prisons.
* This week and in the weeks ahead, college students across the country — many sent home until well after the new year — will weigh whether to return to campus next semester.
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