Governor Executive Orders on Re-Opening their States

Alabama

- Alabama Governor Kay Ivey (R) issued a “Safer at Home” order that went into effect on April 30 and will expire on May 15.
- Under the order, all employers, retail stores and beaches will be allowed to open subject to good sanitation and social distancing rules
- The order requires:
  - A person who has tested positive to quarantine for 14 days
  - Bans mass gatherings of more than 10 people.
  - Requires employers to maintain 6 feet of separation between employees and customers, facilitate teleworking, encourage hand washing, regularly disinfect surfaces, and prevent employees who are sick from coming into contact with others.
  - Requires retailers to operate at 50% capacity and comply with CDC and DPH sanitation guidelines.
  - Keeps entertainment venues, athletic facilities, and close-contact facilities closed. The order keeps private and public schools, post-secondary, technical, and higher ed schools closed.
  - Restaurants may still only do takeout and delivery.
  - Dental and medical procedures may proceed following the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the CDC’s guidelines.
- You may view more information on the “Safer at Home” order by clicking here.
- On May 8, Ivey issued a proclamation extending the state of emergency for another 60 days. You may view more information by clicking here.
- On July 15, the Governor issued her fourteenth supplemental emergency proclamation containing an amendment to the current Safer at Home Order to include a statewide mask requirement.

Alaska

- Alaska Governor Mike Dunleavy (R) allowed personal services businesses and restaurants in most parts of Alaska to re-open April 24, but with restrictions.
- Hair salons can only admit customers by reservation. Restaurants will have to keep distances between tables and can't exceed 25% of their normal capacity.
- The city of Anchorage delayed the new rules until April 27.
- Dunleavv says Alaska is not in a rush to re-open, but is responding to a low infection rate in the state and a belief that they can quickly isolate any future outbreaks.
- Dunleavv has said that Alaskans can again schedule elective surgeries on or after May 4 and visit their doctors for non-urgent needs.
- You may view the Governor’s mandate by clicking here.
Arizona

- Arizona Governor Doug Ducey (R) has issued an order allowing non-essential retailers to sell goods via delivery, walk-up, or drive through.
- The order also allows these businesses to begin re-opening on May 8 if safety protocols are met including facilitating 6 feet of distancing between individuals.
- Retailers located in shopping malls or buildings or areas whose only entrance is through a shopping mall may only operate via delivery or curbside.
- You may view the executive order by clicking here.
- On May 4, the Governor released guidance for restaurants, barbershops, and cosmetologists.
- On June 17, the Governor announced enhanced actions to contain the spread of the virus and protect Arizona’s most vulnerable residents.
- On June 29, the Governor issued an order that pauses the state’s re-opening.
- On July 9, the Governor ordered restaurants to operate at less than 50% capacity for indoor on-premise dining.

Arkansas

- Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson (R) says he plans to open specific businesses over the next few weeks.
- You may view more information on the Governor’s announcement on gym and fitness centers being allowed to re-open on May 4 by clicking here.
- On May 4, the Governor announced that theatres, lecture halls, and other large venues may re-open on a limited basis.
- On May 5, the Governor extended the public health emergency in the state for 45 days. You may view the executive by clicking here.
- On July 20, the Governor ordered the Secretary of Health to issue a public health order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public places, with some exceptions.

California

- Governor Gavin Newsom (D) issued a stay-at-home order on March 19 that has no set end date.
- However, the state will begin allowing scheduled surgeries. Newsom emphasized the surgeries being phased back in are important medical procedures like heart surgery or removing cancerous tumors that should not be neglected.
- Elective procedures like cosmetic surgery are still not a priority.
- However, California is pulling back on issuing permits for events and activities, including protests, according to the California Highway Patrol.
- The Governor and members of the Task force on Business and Jobs Recovery hosted a listening tour with workers, small businesses and employers impacted by COVID-19.
- You may view more information on Governor’s considerations for modifying the stay-at-home order by clicking here.
• The Governor announced that based on the state’s progress in meeting metrics tied to indicators, the state can begin to move into Stage 2 of modifying the stay at home order May 8, with guidelines expected to be released May 7.
• Newsom issued an order that creates a time-limited presumption that workers who are diagnosed with the coronavirus did so at work and thus eases the access for workers’ compensation benefits applicable to Californians who must work outside of their homes during the stay at home order.
• On June 30, the Governor extended authorization for local governments to halt evictions for renters impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through September 30.
• On July 1, the Governor ordered 19 counties to cease indoor operations for restaurants, wineries, movie theaters, entertainment centers, and zoos. Bars must also cease all operations.
• On July 13, the Governor announced that all indoor operations of restaurants, wineries, movie theaters, zoos, museums, and cardrooms must close statewide. Bars must close all operations statewide.

**Colorado**

• Colorado Governor Jared Polis (D) said the state's stay-at-home order will be replaced April 27 by a "safer at home" phase, in which residents still are urged to stay home as much as possible. High-risk populations, such as the elderly, are asked to stay home except when absolutely necessary.
• Starting April 27, retail businesses with curbside delivery can re-open and elective medical procedures can resume. Businesses such as personal training and dog grooming can re-open with social distancing.
• Denver Mayor Michael Hancock extended the city’s stay-at-home order until at least May 8.
• You may view the Governor’s executive order by clicking here.
• On May 4, the Governor issued an executive order that gives a one-month extension for filing and remitting state and state-administered local sales tax due to the presence of COVID-19 in Colorado until May 20.
• On May 18, the Governor issued an order allocating expenditures of federal funds received by the State pursuant to the CARES Act.
• On June 27, the Governor issued an executive order directing the Colorado Department of Human Services to access federal funds for child care services due to the presence of COVID-19.
• On July 21, the Governor issued an order requiring all entities that are licensed to sell liquor to cease alcohol sales to customers daily at 10:00PM.

**Connecticut**

• Connecticut Gov. Ned Lamont extended the mandatory shutdown in the state until May 20.
• Beth Bye, the state’s early childhood education commissioner, announced May 5 that Connecticut summer camps can open on June 29, but must adhere to guidelines, including limiting groups to 10 children.
• Lamont and the state's top education officials said they hope to re-open for summer schools in July.
• Connecticut has joined a coalition with the Northeastern states of New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts to coordinate the reopening of the economy, according to a news release from New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office.
• On April 30, Lamont outlined the industries that officials in the state are looking at for re-opening on May 20.
  o The list includes outdoor-only restaurants (no bar areas), outdoor zoos and outdoor museums, university research programs, hair and nail services, remaining retail that's currently been deemed as non-essential, some offices, although individuals should be encouraged to work from home where possible.
• Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont (D) has issued an order closing public schools for the remainder of school year. You may view more information by clicking here.
• On June 7, the Governor announced Phase 2 of Connecticut’s reopening efforts takes effect on June 17.
• On July 7, the Governor announced three more states had been added to its travel advisory: Delaware, Kansas, Oklahoma.
• On July 14, the Governor announced four states were added to the travel advisory: Minnesota, New Mexico, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Delaware was removed from the list.
• On July 17, the Governor issued a statement that an executive order is forthcoming for workers who presumably contracted COVID-19 on the job, joining a number of states that now have in place such workers compensation protections for essential workers.

**Delaware**

• Delaware Governor John Carney (D) has issued an order requiring businesses and restaurants allowed to remain open to provide employees with face coverings and hand sanitizer.
• Customers are now also required to wear face coverings in these places.
• The Governor also announced that the Delaware Division of Small Business and the Delaware Prosperity Partnership will host virtual Recovery Town Halls with members of the General Assembly, small businesses, and local Chambers of Commerce, to begin collecting feedback from small business leaders about Delaware’s economic re-opening.
• You may view the executive order by clicking here.
• On May 8, Carney announced that June 1 shall be the target date on which Delaware shall begin Phase 1 of reopening Delaware's economy.
• On May 12, Carney announced his administration is working with Maryland to coordinate reopening efforts
• Carney announced lifting restrictions on beaches and community pools beginning on May 22, subject to strict social distancing requirements and other restrictions.
District of Columbia

- DC Mayor Muriel Bowser (D) has extended the public emergency and Stay At Home Order through June 8.
- On May 24, the DC Mayor issued an order that lifts the Stay At Home Order on May 29.
- On June 19, DC Mayor Bowser announced the City would enter Phase Two of reopening on June 22.
- On July 22, the DC Mayor issued an order to clarify and extend requirements related to wearing masks indoors and outdoors in Washington, DC.

Florida

- Florida Governor Ron DeSantis (R) announced that the state will re-open certain businesses through much of the state on May 4 except in the counties of Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach.
- Starting May 4, restaurants may offer outdoor seating with six-foot space between tables and indoor seating at 25% capacity.
- Retail can operate at 25% of indoor capacity, and bars, gyms and personal services such as hairdressers will remain closed.
- Churches remain on “voluntary social distancing,” and movie theaters remain closed.
- The Florida Keys will not re-open to visitors until at least June.
- On April 29, the Governor laid out Phase One of his Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery. You may view the Governor’s plan by clicking here.
- On May 28, the Governor announced federal approval for the implementation of Florida’s Pandemic EBT Program (P-EBT).

Georgia

- Georgia Governor Brian Kemp (R) issued an executive order on April 23, 2020 that allows for the state to partially begin re-opening.
- Gyms, fitness centers, bowling alleys, body art studios, barbers, hair and nail salons, estheticians and massage therapists were able to re-open April 24, with certain rules.
- Theaters and restaurants can re-open April 27, also with caveats, including social distancing.
- Bars, nightclubs and music venues will remain closed, for now.
- You may view the executive order in full by clicking here.
- On July 21, the Governor and the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) Commissioner Dr. Kathleen Toomey are calling on all Georgians to implement "Four Things for Four Weeks“ into their daily routines to flatten the curve and slow the spread of COVID-19. The announcement urges all residents to wear face coverings but does not mandate such a request.
Hawaii

- Hawaii Governor David Ige (D) has unveiled the re-opening and recovery plan for the State of Hawaii, which is a strategy that conveys the coordinated, statewide approach to jump-starting the economy and recovery from the COVID-19 crisis.
- On June 25, the Governor announced all travelers arriving in Hawaii from out-of-state will be required to get a valid COVID-19 test prior to their arrival, and to show proof of a negative test result, to avoid the 14-day quarantine. The pre-travel testing program begins August 1.
- On July 20, the Governor and Hawaii State Epidemiologist Dr. Sarah Park, Board of Education (BOE) Chairperson Catherine Payne, and Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE) Superintendent Dr. Christina Kishimoto confirmed the state’s plans to move ahead with school reopening for students on Tuesday, August 4. Teachers return on Wednesday, July 29.

Idaho

- Idaho Governor Brad Little (R) amended his order April 15 to allow for some businesses and facilities to re-open for curbside pickup, drive-in and drive-thru service and for mailed or delivery services.
- The governor issued an "Order to Self-Isolate" which expired on April 30 unless extended.
- On April 30, the Governor announced that 30,000 Idaho small businesses will receive Idaho Rebound cash grants, a $300 million investment in Idaho’s small business employers
- You may view a press release on the announcement by clicking here.
- Little announced $300 million in cash grants will be made available to Idaho small businesses impacted by COVID-19.
- On May 19, the Governor issued an order establishing a program to procure and distribute personal protection equipment to Idaho businesses and nonprofits.
- On June 25, the Governor and the Department of Health and Welfare announced that the state is moving into Stage 4 of the reopening plan.

Indiana

- Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb’s (R) stay-at-home order expired on May 1
- The state is currently in stage 1 of the its re-opening plan.
  - Critical businesses have opened but all other industries are closed.
- Stage 2, which came into effect for most of the state on May 4, eases restrictions on essential travel, permits social gatherings of up to 25 people and re-opens state government offices with limited public interaction. Retail and commercial businesses can open at 50% capacity, as can shopping malls, though indoor common areas are restricted to 25% capacity.
- Restaurants and bars that serve food can open starting May 11 at 50% capacity, and personal services such as hair salons, barbershops, nail salons and tattoo parlors can open at that time by appointment only.
- Indiana is part of a Midwest coalition of states looking at re-opening possibilities.
- You may view more information on the Governor’s Road Map to Re-Open by clicking here.
- On May 21, the Governor announced that most of the state will be moving to Stage 3 in the reopening plan on May 22 - two days ahead of schedule.
- On May 29, The Governor announced several new economic recovery initiatives for business relief in Indiana made possible by CARES Act funding.
- On June 11, the Governor announced that the state will move to Stage 4 of the reopening plan on June 12 - a full two days early.
- On July 3, the Governor issued an order modifying the Back On Track Indiana plan to implement a Stage 4.5 instead of the planned Stage 5.

Illinois

- Illinois Governor JB Pritzker (D) has issued an extension of the state’s disaster proclamation, requiring individuals to stay at home or their place of residence for an additional 30 days.
  - Individuals may leave their homes only for essential activities or for essential operations.
  - Extends the suspension of on-site learning in K-12 schools through April 30, with schools transitioning from Act of God Days to Remote Learning Days.
  - Provides the authority for the governor to sign additional executive orders to extend the Stay at Home order.
  - The Stay at Home Order has been amended to include safety requirements for essential stores and manufacturers to remain operational.
  - The order allows non-essential retail stores to re-open for pickup and delivery.
- You may view more information on the order by clicking here.
- On May 12, the Governor and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity announced Fast-Track Public Infrastructure Grants, an initiative to accelerate work on planned public infrastructure projects around the state.
- On June 17, the Governor announced a $900 million economic recovery plan for Illinois residents and businesses.

Iowa

- Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds (R) has not declared a stay-at-home order. Reynolds issued a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency on March 17, ordering all nonessential businesses to close until April 30.
- On Monday, April 27, Reynolds has announced that 77 of Iowa's 99 counties can re-open restaurants, fitness centers, retail stores and enclosed malls at 50% capacity beginning May 1.
- Reynolds is also lifting the ban on religious gatherings of more than 10 people.
- The Governor also said that counties where COVID-19 activity is higher will have their closures extended through May 15
- Reynolds also said that restaurants will have to keep tables at least six feet apart and limit the number of people that can be at a table.
• The Governor emphasized that the state limit on social gatherings of more than 10 people remains in place.
• You may view more information on the Governor’s proclamation by clicking here.

**Kansas**

• Kansas Governor Laura Kelly’s (D) stay-at-home order expired on May 4.
• On April 30, Kelly announced that she would begin to look at re-opening the states in phases.
  o Businesses such as restaurants would be allowed to re-open, but they must maintain at least 6 feet of distance between customers. Childcare facilities and libraries may re-open.
  o Bars, nightclubs, casinos, gyms, and personal service businesses where close contact cannot be avoided must remain closed.
  o Those might open in the second phase, which won’t begin until May 18, at the earliest.
  o Bars and restaurants already operating curbside and carryout services can remain open.
• You may view more information on the Governor’s guidelines to re-open by clicking here.
• On June 8, the Governor announced that her administration, as well as officials with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, recommend that most local communities consider moving into Phase 3 of “Ad Astra: A Plan to Reopen Kansas,” June 8, as scheduled.
• On July 2, the Governor announced that she will sign an Executive Order requiring that most Kansans in a public space must wear a mask, beginning 12:01 a.m. Friday, July 3.

**Kentucky**

• On April 29, Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear (D) announced his plans for re-opening the state
  o Starting May 11, manufacturing, construction, vehicle or vessel dealerships; professional services at 50% capacity; horse racing without fans; and dog grooming and boarding will be allowed to re-open.
  o On May 20, retail and houses of worship will be allowed to re-open. As the final step in the state’s first phase of re-opening, 10-person social gatherings will be allowed again, and barber shops, salons, cosmetology businesses and the like will be allowed to re-open starting May 25.
  o Restaurants, movie theaters, campgrounds, youth sports, summer camps and day cares will be part of a possible June re-opening in Phase 2.
  o Customers and employees will be asked to wear a mask at every re-opened and essential business.
• You may view more information on the Governor’s plan to re-open the state by clicking here.
• On May 18, the Governor announced that beginning May 22, groups of 10 people or fewer may gather and that the state’s travel ban is expiring the same day.
• On June 16, the Governor announced that he will allow groups of 50 or less people to gather effective June 29 pursuant to safety guidelines.
On July 9, the Governor ordered that individuals must wear face coverings while inside indoor public spaces, riding on any form of transportation, and in outdoor public spaces where social distancing is not possible.

**Louisiana**

- On May 1, Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards (D) released two new PSAs encouraging Louisianans to comply with the extended Stay at Home Order to slow the spread of Covid-19 and ultimately meet the White House guidelines for entering Phase One.
- On May 4, the Governor announced the launch of a new, web-based program known as the “Open Safely Program” to assist with businesses and religious organizations to safely re-open.
- On July 11, the Governor announced that Louisiana bars will be closed to on-premises consumption and indoor social gatherings shall be limited to 50 individuals and most individuals in all 64 Louisiana parishes will be required to wear a mask when going out in public.

**Maine**

- Maine Governor Janet Mills (D) issued a "Stay Healthy at Home" executive order through at least April 30 and extended the state's civil state of emergency until May 15.
- The Maine Governor is communicating with the Governors of New Hampshire and Vermont on re-opening measures.
- The Governor outlined her vision for a gradual and safe re-opening of Maine’s economy amid the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, emphasizing four principles that will guide the State’s decision-making process and inviting Maine citizens to offer their ideas through a new portal launched by the Department of Economic and Community Development.
- You may view the Governor’s plan to re-open Maine’s economy by clicking here.
- Mills has issued an order establishing the Economic Recovery Committee.
- On May 29, The Governor issued an order that allows for the gradual easing of restrictions implemented under previous Executive Orders as the state continues to reopen under the Restarting Maine’s Economy plan.
- On July 17, the Governor announced a series of initiatives relating to schools reopening. These initiatives include a framework for returning to in-class instruction, CARES funding to schools, and the announcement of a three-tiered school health advisory system.

**Maryland**

- On April 24, Maryland Governor Larry Hogan (R) introduced his state's re-opening plan known as the "Maryland Strong Roadmap to Recovery."
- However, because the state has not hit its peak in COVID-19 cases, his stay-at-home order from March 30 remains in effect with no end date.
- You may view the stay-at-home order by clicking here.
On June 30, the Governor announced a $190 Million COVID-19 relief initiative which includes up to $90 million for state-supported universities to cover COVID-19 related expenses as well as $45 million to expand the Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund.

Massachusetts

- Governor Charlie Baker (R) issued an emergency order requiring all nonessential businesses to close facilities until May 4, 2020.
- Massachusetts has joined a coalition with the Northeastern states of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Rhode Island to coordinate the re-opening of the economy, according to a press release from NY Governor Andrew Cuomo's office.
- Baker told residents of his state that officials have begun conversations around re-opening the state but there's still a lot of work that needs to be done before a plan is set into motion.
- The state will need to have testing, tracing, isolation and quarantine procedures in place to re-open, the governor said.
- You may view the Governor’s executive order that calls for the closure of nonessential businesses through May 4 by clicking here.
- On April 28, The Governor announced the Re-Opening Advisory Board, headed by Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito, which will make recommendations to the Governor regarding how and when to re-open Massachustts’ economy.
- On June 19, the Governor announced that Massachusetts would transition to step 2 of Phase 2 of their reopening plan starting June 22.
- On June 30, the Governor announced that effective July 1, all travelers arriving in Massachusetts, including residents returning home, are instructed to self-quarantine for 14 days. Workers deemed to be essential critical infrastructure are exempted from this requirement.
- On July 21, the Governor extended the moratorium on evictions and foreclosures established by HB 4647 through October 17, 2020. The moratorium was set to expire on August 18, 2020.

Michigan

- On May 2, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D) extended the state’s stay-at-home order through May 30, but also relaxed restrictions so some businesses can re-open and the public can participate in more outdoor activities like golf and motorized boating.
- On May 1, Whitmer signed an executive order to re-open construction & real estate safely.
- You may view more information on the executive order by clicking here.
- Whitmer has issued an order amending and extending the Stay at Home Order until May 28.
- On June 26, the Governor issued an order encouraging the use of telehealth and suspending restrictions in place that would hinder telehealth services.
- On July 10, the Governor issued an order which reiterates that individuals are required to wear a face covering whenever they are in an indoor public space. It also requires the use of face coverings in crowded outdoor spaces.
• On July 14, the Governor extended the emergency and disaster declaration until August 11.

Minnesota
• Minnesota Governor Tim Walz (D) announced that after consulting many businesses, labor groups, and public health experts, that he will allow some businesses to re-open, beginning April 27. This will allow 80,000 to 100,000 people in the industrial, manufacturing and office settings to go back to work.
• The governor said to re-open, businesses must create, share and implement a COVID-19 preparedness plan that outlines measures they are taking to ensure social distancing and worker hygiene.
• Businesses must also engage in health screenings of employees and ensure that sick workers stay at home.
• You may view the executive order by clicking here.
• The Governor has issued an order allowing the Stay At Home Order (EO No. 20-48) to expire on May 18.

Mississippi
• On May 8, Mississippi Governor Tate Reeves (R) announced the next stage for Mississippi to continue safely re-opening the state's economy while protecting public health
• On May 11, the Governor issued an order for the one week waiting period for unemployment benefits waived for all claims filed March 8 through December 26, 2020.
• On May 28, the Governor issued an "Safe Return" Order which provides guidance for businesses to adhere to while open to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
• On June 26, the Governor extended the Safe Return Order until July 6.

Missouri
• On May 1, Missouri Governor Mike Parson (R) announced that the state will begin its re-opening on May 4 under the “Show Me Strong Recovery” plan.
• You may view more information by clicking here.
• On May 4, the Governor issued an executive order that temporarily suspends certain statutes surrounding telemedicine, teachers, motor carriers, and also prohibits any sale of un-prepared food by restaurants to the public until June 15. On May 5, the Governor announced concession-operated lodging, dining, marina and retail operations will begin re-opening at select Missouri state parks following the recommended social-distancing guidelines.
• On June 11, the Governor announced that the state will move into Phase 2 on June 16 and there will no longer be a statewide public health order in place.
Montana

- Montana Governor Steve Bullock (D) has announced a gradual and phased re-opening of the state beginning April 26 for individuals and extending to businesses April 27.
- Main street and retail businesses can become operational on or after April 27 if they adhere to requirements to limit capacity and maintain strict physical distancing.
- Restaurants, bars, breweries, and distilleries can begin providing some in-establishment services beginning May 4.
- Businesses where groups gather without the ability to social distance including movie theaters, gyms and other places of assembly will remain closed.
- Montana's travel quarantine will remain in effect, and out of state travelers and residents arriving from another state or country back to Montana for non-work related purposes are required to quarantine for 14 days.
- You may view the Governor’s executive order by clicking here.
- On May 14, the Governor announced he is directing $5 million in federal CARES Act funds to expand assistance to thousands of Montanans struggling to afford their home energy needs.
- On July 15, the Governor issued a directive requiring face coverings in public indoor spaces and for organized outdoor activities of 50 or more people in counties currently experiencing four or more active cases of COVID-19 to slow the spread of the virus in Montana.

Nebraska

- Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts (R) announced on April 24 that a number of coronavirus rules will be relaxed across the state starting on May 4.
- Nebraska is one of the states that has not issued a stay-at-home order to help limit the spread of coronavirus nationwide.
- Restaurants will be permitted to allow customers inside at that time, but must permit no more than 50% of their normal capacity.
- Salons, massage businesses and tattoo parlors will be limited to ten people at a time, with everyone wearing face coverings.
- Houses of worship will be able to meet in-person, but with six feet of separation.
- Bars and indoor theaters will have to stay closed until May 31 in most of the state.
- You may view more information on the Governor’s announcement by clicking here.
- On June 15, the Governor announced that 89 of 93 Nebraska counties will move to Phase 3 of reopening on June 22.

Nevada

- Nevada Governor Steve Sisolak (D) announced on April 29 that he is planning on easing some of the state’s restrictions as part of his state’s re-opening plan called “Nevada United Roadmap to Recovery.”
- The plan will ease some of the restrictions that had previously been in place as it relates to retail, curbside pickup, and some outdoor activities.
• The Governor also said that the stay-at-home order that was set to expire April 30 will be extended, but he did not give details as to how long the order will be extended.
• Sisolak also explained that the re-opening of Nevada’s casinos is still a long way off. This comes after Las Vegas Mayor Carolyn Goodman asked for casinos and most other local businesses to re-open immediately.
• The Governor has formed a COVID-19 Task Force to streamline the state’s allocation of resources in fighting the spread of the novel coronavirus. This task force is now assisting on re-opening of economy plans.
• On May 28, the Governor issued an order implementing Phase 2 of the state's reopening plan.

New Hampshire

• New Hampshire Governor Chris Sununu (R) issued a modified stay-at-home order, called "Stay at Home 2.0" which is in effect until May 31.
• On May 11, barbers and hair salons may re-open as long as customers have reservations and there are no more than 10 people in the salon, including staff. Customers and employees must wear face masks.
• Retail shops will open on May 11 to customers but will be limited to 50% occupancy and employees must wear face masks.
• Restaurants will re-open on May 18, but only with outdoor seating options. Tables must be 6 feet apart, only six people can be seated at a table and servers must have cloth face coverings.
• You may view more information on the Stat at Home 2.0 by clicking here.
• On June 17, the Governor issued an order ensuring worker’s compensation coverage for New Hampshire first responders exposed to COVID-19. Executive Order #53 amends the definition of "first responder" to include active National Guard.

New Jersey

• New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy (D) issued a stay-at-home order on March 21 that has no specific end date.
• However, New Jersey is a part of a coalition with the Northeastern states of New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Rhode Island and Massachusetts that said they would aim to coordinate the re-opening of the economy, according to a news release from New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office.
• On April 27, Murphy stressed that people need to know that their health will be safeguarded before anything can ultimately be re-opened. Decisions will be driven by data science health progress and “common sense” he said.
• The governor said that re-opening will likely begin in workplaces and venues where the state has a “high degree of confidence” that social distancing and other related norms can be effectively executed. While he did not have a clear picture of what would come back online first he mentioned the “food chain” and other essential elements.
• You may find more information on the executive order by clicking here.
The Governor has rescinded Executive Order 73 from 2019, which directed the Department of the Treasury to achieve a $1.276 billion surplus by the end of this current fiscal year. The order also authorizes and directs the State Treasurer and the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting to continue, update, and expand, as necessary, their ongoing actions and activities in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

You may view the new executive order no. 137 by clicking here.

On June 9, the Governor announced that he will issue an order lifting the stay-at-home order and raising the limit on indoor and outdoor gatherings.

On June 25, the Governor announced a delay in moving to Phase 3 of Delaware’s economic reopening.

On July 2, the Governor issued an order which extended the state of emergency until August 4.

On July 8, the Governor announced that face coverings will now be required in outdoor public spaces when social distancing is not possible.

On July 13, the Governor signed an executive order that lifts the 50% capacity limit on NJ TRANSIT and private-carrier buses, trains, light rail vehicles and Access Link vehicles, and now requires that NJ TRANSIT and private-carriers limit vehicles to the maximum seated capacity, effective at 8:00PM on July 15.

New Mexico

New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham (D) extended the state's stay-at-home order to May 15.

On April 30, the Governor eased restrictions on some businesses. Non-essential retail stores are being allowed to offer curbside pickup. Veterinarians can open, as can pet adoption places, groomers, daycare and boarding businesses. Golf courses can allow people to play.

You may view more information on the Governor’s stay-at-home order and plans to re-open the state by clicking here.

On May 26, The Governor announced a new public health order to continue the Phase One reopening, effective June 1.

New York

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo (D) issued a "New York State on PAUSE" executive order which took effect on March 22. Nonessential businesses are ordered to stay closed until May 15.

New York has joined a coalition with the Northeastern states of New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Rhode Island and Massachusetts to coordinate the re-opening of the economy, according to a press release from Cuomo's office.

The governor said April 16 there are factors for when a business can re-open, including how essential it is and what is the risk of catching the virus.

On April 27, Cuomo laid out a structure for re-opening and noted that federal guidance from the CDC is that before you start re-opening the state and regional hospitalization rate must be in decline for 14 days. The state is closely monitoring both and the Governor says he thinks the CDC guidance “is right.”
 Cuomo said the first phase would include construction and manufacturing activities – and within that “those businesses that have a low risk”. Phase two would utilize more of a business-by-business analysis using a matrix that determines each businesses overall importance and risk in re-opening.

 Cuomo said the state would leave 2 weeks between phases so it can monitor the effects of what it has done. Two weeks is the intubation period of the virus, per experts.

 You may view the a "New York State on PAUSE" executive order by clicking here.

 You may view the executive order that calls for the closure of nonessential business through May 15 by clicking here.

 On May 1, the Governor issued an executive order that outlines changes regarding elections and the administration of education.

 Cuomo announced that he is allowing out-of-state healthcare professionals to practice in the state for an additional 30 days.

 On May 21, the Governor issued an order extending the property tax deadline for certain counties by 21 days.

 On June 11, the Governor announced that the regions of Central New York, Finger Lakes, Mohawk Valley, North Country, and Southern Tier have been cleared to enter Phase 3 of the state’s reopening plan - NY Forward - on June 12.

 On June 13, the Governor issued an order removing the reductions and restrictions on the in-person workforce at non-essential businesses or other entities on those industries that have entered Phase Three.

 On June 18, the Governor announced he would issue an Executive Order strengthening state enforcement during the phased reopening to protect New Yorkers and ensure business compliance.

 On July 16, the Governor announced new regulations for bars and restaurants in New York City to ensure they are complying with state social distancing and face covering orders.

 **North Carolina**

 North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper (D) extended the state’s stay-at-home order until May 8.

 On April 23, Cooper said the state could open in three phases after May 8, if coronavirus cases continue to trend downward:

 - In Phase 1, stay-at-home orders would remain, but some businesses would be allowed to open.
 - Phase 2 would lift stay-at-home orders, though vulnerable populations would be encouraged to stay home. Places of worship, bars and restaurants could operate with reduced capacities.
 - Phase 3 would ease restrictions for vulnerable populations, but also allow increased capacities at businesses and public gatherings.

 You may view more information on how the Governor plans to re-open the state by clicking here.

 On June 24, the Governor announced that he will be keeping the state in Phase 2 of reopening for an additional three weeks - until July 17 - as cases have increased.
North Dakota

- North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum (R) signed an executive order allowing many businesses to open on May 1.
  - Qualifying businesses include bars and restaurants, recreational facilities, health clubs and athletic facilities, salons, and tattoo studios, but they must maintain social distancing of six feet, inform all employees and customers that they should avoid entering the facility if they have a cough or fever, provide contactless payment systems and hand sanitizer, and encourage wearing face masks.
- You may view more information on the executive order by clicking here.

Ohio

- On May 1, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine (R) announced that a statewide stay-at-home order will remain in place until May 29. Certain businesses, however, are expected to re-open in phases throughout May.
  - Starting May 1, health procedures that don't require an overnight hospital stay can move forward, and dentist and veterinarian offices also may re-open.
  - On May 4, manufacturing, distribution and construction companies may re-open. General offices also may open, but businesses should have people work from home when possible.
  - On May 12, consumer, retail and other services will be allowed to re-open.
- The state has outlined protocols for re-opening businesses, including requiring face coverings for all staff and customers, conducting daily health assessments, and maintaining good hygiene, cleaning and sanitizing.
- You may view more information on the stay-at-home order by clicking here.
- On July 7, the Governor announced that effective 6:00PM July 8, face coverings must be worn in public places in the following counties: Butler, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Hamilton, Huron, Montgomery, and Trumbull.
- On July 16, the Governor issued an order adopting new rules under the Ohio Administrative Code by the Ohio Department of Medicaid and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services due to COVID-19. The measure is applicable to telehealth as a delivery of health care services regarding various health care services.

Oklahoma

- Oklahoma Governor Kevin Stitt (R) allowed some businesses to re-open on April 24.
- The plan involves three phases, and Stitt cautioned "we will not move to the next phase until the data tells us that it's safe to do so."
- Personal care businesses re-opened for appointments.
- Restaurants, dining rooms, movie theaters, sporting venues and gyms will re-open on May 1, if they maintain "strict social distancing and sanitation protocols."
• Bars, however, will still be closed.
• You may view the executive order by clicking here.
• On May 30, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-20, which updated Executive order 2020-13, regarding the state of emergency due to the COVID-19 Outbreak.

Pennsylvania

• Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf (D) announced that he wants to re-open the state in three phases beginning May 8th.
• The phases will be broken down into three colors red, yellow and green, and will follow the data, according to Governor Wolf. He had issued stay-at-home orders across the state until May 8.
• On April 27, Wolf announced that golf courses, marinas, guided fishing trips and privately owned campgrounds could re-open statewide on May 1, provided they follow social distancing guidelines.
• Pennsylvania had joined a coalition with the Northeastern states of New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Delaware, Rhode Island and Massachusetts to coordinate the re-opening of the economy, according to a press release from New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office.
• You may view the Governor’s stay-at-home order, effective through May 8, by clicking here.
• You may view additional information on the Governor’s announcement to re-open by clicking here.
• On July 15, the Governor announced that on July 16, the following statewide restrictions be effective: reducing indoor on-premise dining to 25% occupancy; prohibiting bar service; mandating telework if possible; and capping indoor mass gatherings at 25 or less people and outdoor gatherings at 250 or less people.

Puerto Rico

• On May 1, Governor Wanda Vazquez (New Progressive Party) has exempted certain types of businesses from the lockdown including but not limited to food establishments; essential healthcare; gas stations; hardware stores; essential construction; types of manufacturing; types of trades; legal services; telecom; and more.
• This Order requires businesses that are authorized to open to: 1) ensure that every employee is washing his hands before starting work; 2) people who attend their establishments use masks, including employees; 3) provide stations and mechanisms in the establishment so people can disinfect their hands; 4) ensure people respect social distancing guidelines; 5) in some businesses establish special schedules for older individuals to attend.
• This measure also requires businesses to provide priority to health and public safety professionals.
• This order also requires every employer from an a exempt sector to prepare a risk management plan for COVID-19 infection based on government.
• You may view more information on the executive order by clicking here.
Rhode Island

- Governor Gina Raimondo (D) issued an emergency declaration extending the state’s stay-at-home order to last until May 8.
- The state has now announced new efforts to re-open parks and beaches.
- Rhode Island has joined a coalition with the Northeastern states of New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts to coordinate the re-opening of the economy, according to a press release from NY Governor Andrew Cuomo’s office.
- You may view the Governor’s executive order that calls for a stay-at-home order until May 8 by clicking here.
- On May 29, the Governor issued an executive order to relax regulations and remove barriers to health care during the pandemic.
- On June 29, the Governor announced that the state will move into Phase 3 of its reopening effective June 30.

South Carolina

- South Carolina Governor Henry McMaster (R) announced that at 5 p.m. on April 20, some retail stores will be allowed to re-open, including those selling furniture, books, music, flowers, clothing and accessories, as well as department stores, sporting goods stores and flea markets. They will be allowed to operate at 20% capacity, or 5 people per 1,000 square feet.
- Beaches were allowed to re-open to the public beginning on April 21, though local governments are allowed to keep them closed.
- McMaster’s "State of Emergency" executive order is in place through at least April 27.
- You may view the executive order by clicking here.
- McMaster has issued an order removing the Stay At Home policies issued in EO 2020-21. These restrictions became voluntary on May 4.
- On July 10, the Governor announced that the sale of alcoholic beverages in all bars and restaurants throughout the state will be prohibited after 11:00 PM every night.

Tennessee

- Tennessee Governor Bill Lee (R) said restaurants will be allowed to open on April 27 and retail outlets on April 29 at 50% capacity.
- Restaurants must meet safety protocols as listed in the released guidance. This order supersedes any local government order with the exception of Davidson, Hamilton, Knox, Madison, Shelby, and Sullivan Counties whose local health departments may still prohibit or regulate the opening, closing, or operation of restaurants.
- A few state parks will not open.
- You may view the Governor’s executive order by clicking here.
Texas

- Executive Order GA-15, effective on April 21, 2020, through May 8, allows healthcare facilities to conduct certain medical procedures only after complying with strict requirements.
- Executive Order GA-16, effective immediately until April 30, 2020, allows certain retail to re-open for "pickup or delivery" with customers not to be allowed inside the premises.
- Executive Order GA-17, effective immediately, creates a Strike Force tasked with advising Gov. Abbott on ways to "Open Texas" in a safe and strategic way.

You may view each executive order in its entirety below:
1. Governor Abbott Issues Executive Order Establishing Strike Force To Open Texas
2. Governor Abbott Issues Executive Order To Loosen Restrictions On Surgeries
3. Governor Abbott Issues Executive Order To Safely And Strategically Reopen Select Services And Activities In Texas
4. Governor Abbott Issues Executive Order To Establish The Open Texas Strike Force

Utah

- Utah Governor Gary Herbert (R) extended the state's "Stay Safe, Stay Home" directive through May 1, but has not issued a stay-at-home mandate. Schools will be closed for the remainder of the year.
- The state will allow restaurants to let customers dine in again “with extreme precaution” starting Friday, May 1.
- Although in-person dining will be allowed as long as social distancing is maintained and the health of employees is monitored, the state still says takeout and delivery are preferable. Similarly, the state will allow gyms to re-open Friday, but says it is recommended that they remain closed.
- Personal services businesses like hair salons also can re-open Friday with social distancing, according to the state’s moderate risk guidelines.
- On Jun 26, the Governor issued an order updating guidelines (Version 4.7) for all business sectors in the reopening phases process.

Vermont

- Vermont Governor Phil Scott (R) issued a "Stay Home, Stay Safe" order that has been extended until May 15.
- On April 17, the Governor outlined a five-point plan to re-open the state while continuing to fight the spread of the coronavirus during a news conference.
• Certain businesses such as construction, home appraisers, property management and municipal clerks may return to work starting April 20, with social distancing measures in place.
• These businesses will be allowed a maximum of two workers.
• On May 1, farmers markets will be able to operate with strict social distancing guidelines in place, Scott said.

• On April 27, Scott and the state’s health commissioner, Dr. Mark Levine, said that Vermont is not ready to re-open until it meets four main criteria:
  o A sustained reduction in cases for at least 14 days
  o A healthcare system that is able to treat all patients without exceeding its capacity and without having to resort what are termed, 'crisis standards of care'
  o The state is able to test all people who have symptoms
  o The state is able to implement and conduct active monitoring of confirmed cases and their contacts

• The Legislature is currently working on Senate Bill 346 which creates the Essential Employees Hazard Grant Program for the payment of grants to employees performing essential work that exposes them to an increased risk of contracting COVID-19.

• On May 20, the Governor announced a $400 million economic relief and recovery package, using funds from the $1.25 billion the state received from the Federal CARES Act.

**Virginia**

• Virginia Governor Ralph Northam (D) announced during his May 26 press conference that he would be implementing a statewide face mask requirement. Individuals will be required to wear face masks inside public places of businesses with some exceptions including health related conditions
• On June 2, the Governor issued an order implementing Phase 2. This order excludes the City of Richmond and the Northern Virginia Region.
• On June 23, the Governor announced that the full state will move into Phase 3 of the reopening plan on July 1.

**Washington**

• Washington Governor Jay Inslee (D) declared a state of emergency in Washington to free all available resources in response to COVID-19 until May 31.
• You may view all the proclamations the governor has extended due to COVID-19 by clicking here.
• On June 5, the Governor released a template for businesses as they enter Phase 3 of the Washington “Safe Start” plan.
• On July 16, the Governor announced that the state will scale back the mass gatherings limits in its phased reopening plan - which is implemented at the county level. Social gatherings in Phase 3 counties will now be restricted to 10 people.
West Virginia

- On April 27, West Virginia Governor Jim Justice (R) announced his weekly-phased plan, West Virginia Strong, for re-opening the economy.
  - When the state achieves three consecutive days of a statewide cumulative percent of positive test results below 3%, certain businesses will be allowed - but not required - to open. Week 1 will begin on April 30.
  - Week 2 will begin on May 4.
- On April 30, The Governor issued an executive order allowing certain small businesses to resume operations with appropriate precautions. This order bans gatherings of 25 or more people.
- On July 13, the Governor announced that he has issued an executive order reducing the statewide social gathering limit from 100 to 25 individuals.

Wyoming

- On April 28, Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon (R) said new statewide public health orders will begin May 1.
- Gyms and personal services business like hair and nail salons will be allowed to re-open under tight restrictions to Minimize public health risk from COVID-19.
- Other parts of the phased approach involve easing restrictions on day cares and issuing guidance to hospitals allowing them to resume elective surgeries.