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State-level mask requirements in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, 2020-2022

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In response to the coronavirus pandemic, some states introduced requirements for individuals to wear face coverings when in public. This page compiles those restrictions introduced at a state level.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Hawaii was the last state to lift its statewide mask order on March 26, 2022.
- In total, 39 states issued statewide mask requirements. All thirty-nine states (17 states with Republican governors and 22 states with Democratic governors) allowed statewide orders to expire.^[1] Five states^[2] that allowed a statewide order to fully expire later reinstated a mask order.
- Thirty-six states ended mask requirements through executive order, two (Kansas and Utah) ended mask requirements through legislative action, and one (Wisconsin) ended its mandate through court order.^[3]

For the purposes of this page, we did not include coverage of face-covering requirements that were restricted to certain localities or regions within a state.

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Map of mask orders

Hawaii was the last state to lift its statewide mask order on March 26, 2022. The map below details face-covering requirements by state along with the governor's party.

Mask requirement lifted, D governor Mask requirement lifted, R governor No requirement issued

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Statewide mask orders			
State	Effective	Number of days effective	Type of order ending the mandate
Hawaii	April 20, 2020 - March 26, 2022	704 days	Executive order
Oregon	July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021; August 13, 2021 - March 12, 2022	365 days; 212 days	Executive order; Executive order
Washington	June 26 , 2020 - March 12, 2022	625 days	Executive order
California	June 18, 2020 - March 1, 2022	622 days	Executive order
Illinois	May 1, 2020 - June 11, 2021; August 30, 2021 - February 28, 2022	407 days; 183 days	Executive order; Executive order
Connecticut	April 17, 2020 - February 28, 2022	683 days	Executive order
New Mexico	May 15, 2020 - February 17, 2022	644 days	Executive order

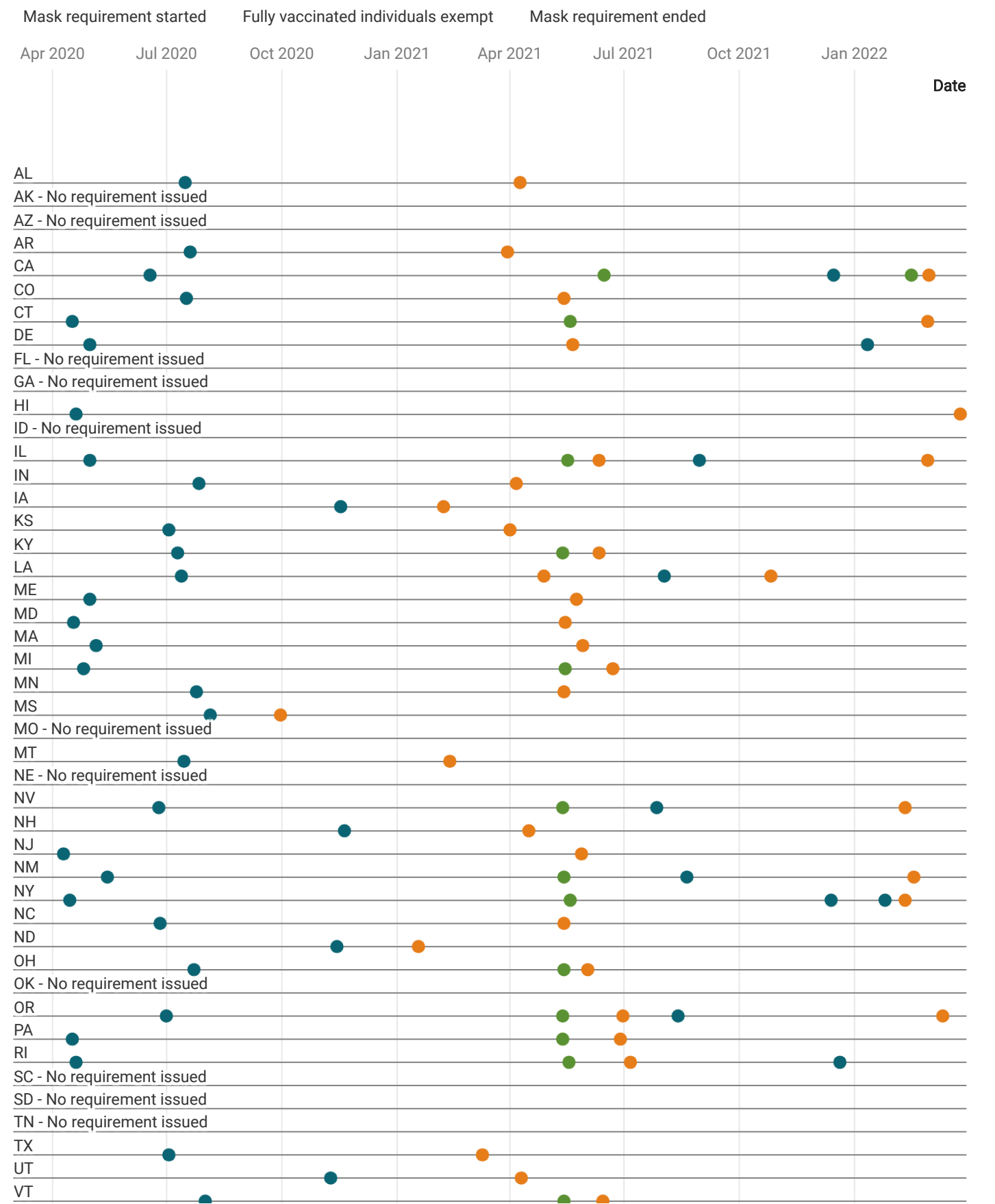
Delaware	May 1, 2020 - May 21, 2021; January 11, 2022 - February 11, 2022	386 days; 32 days	Executive order; Executive order
Rhode Island	April 20, 2020 - July 6, 2021; December 20, 2021 - February 11, 2022	442 days; 54 days	Executive order; Executive order
Nevada	June 25, 2020 - February 10, 2022	596 days	Executive order
New York	April 15, 2020 - January 25, 2022; January 25, 2022 - February 10, 2022	650 days; 16 days	Court order; Executive order
Louisiana	July 13, 2020 - April 28, 2021; August 2, 2021 - October 26, 2021	290 days; 86 days	Executive order; Executive order
Pennsylvania	April 17, 2020 - June 28, 2021	438 days	Executive order
Michigan	April 26, 2020 - June 22, 2021	423 days	Executive order
West Virginia	July 7, 2020 - June 20, 2021	349 days	Executive order
Vermont	August 1, 2020 - June 14, 2021	318 days	Executive order
Kentucky	July 10, 2020 - June 11, 2021	337 days	Executive order
Ohio	July 23, 2020 - June 2, 2021	315 days	Executive order
Massachusetts	May 6, 2020 - May 29, 2021	388 days	Executive order
New Jersey	April 10, 2020 - May 28, 2021	414 days	Executive order
Maine	May 1, 2020 - May 24, 2021	389 days	Executive order
Virginia	May 29, 2020 - May 15, 2021	351 days	Executive order
Maryland	April 18, 2020 - May 15, 2021	393 days	Executive order
Colorado	July 17, 2020 - May 14, 2021	302 days	Executive order
Minnesota	July 25, 2020 - May 14, 2021	294 days	Executive order
North Carolina	June 26, 2020 - May 14, 2021	323 days	Executive order
New Hampshire	November 20, 2020 - April 16, 2021	148 days	Executive order
Utah	November 9, 2020 - April 10, 2021	153 days	Legislative action
Alabama	July 16, 2020 - April 9, 2021	268 days	Executive order
Indiana	July 27, 2020 - April 6, 2021	254 days	Executive order
Kansas	July 3, 2020 - April 1, 2021	273 days	Executive order
Wisconsin	August 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021	242 days	Court order
Arkansas	July 20, 2020 - March 30, 2021	254 days	Legislative action
Wyoming	December 9, 2020 - March 16, 2021	97 days	Executive order
Texas	July 3, 2020 - March 10, 2021	250 days	Executive order

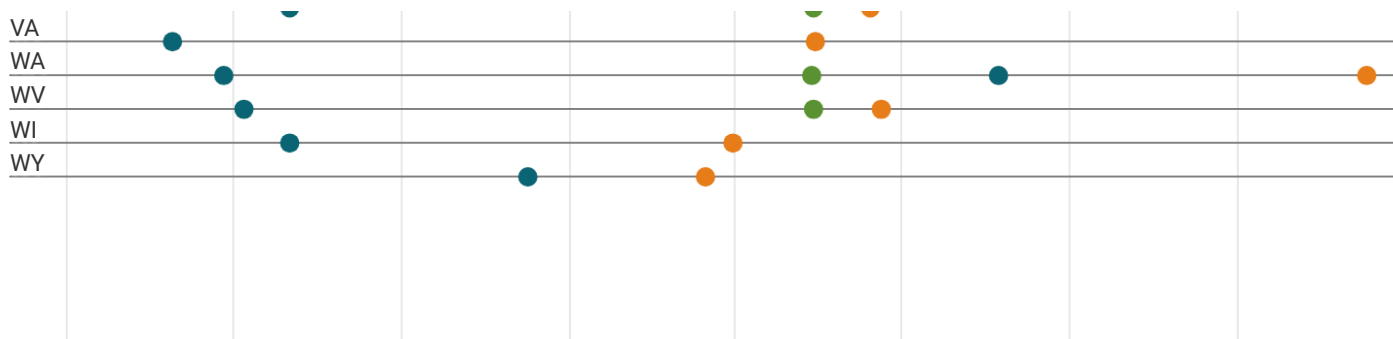
Montana	July 15, 2020 - February 12, 2021	212 days	Executive order
Iowa	November 17, 2020 - February 7, 2021	82 days	Executive order
North Dakota	November 14, 2020 - January 18, 2021	65 days	Executive order
Mississippi	August 5, 2020 - September 30, 2020	56 days	Executive order

Mask requirements over time

Statewide mask requirements over time

The chart below shows mask requirement timelines in states that instituted a statewide mask requirement during the coronavirus pandemic. A blue dot represents the begin date of a statewide mask requirement, a green dot represents a date when fully vaccinated individuals were made exempt from a statewide mask requirement, and an orange dot represents the date when a statewide mask requirement was lifted for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.





Current as of March 28, 2022

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Cumulative length of statewide mask requirements

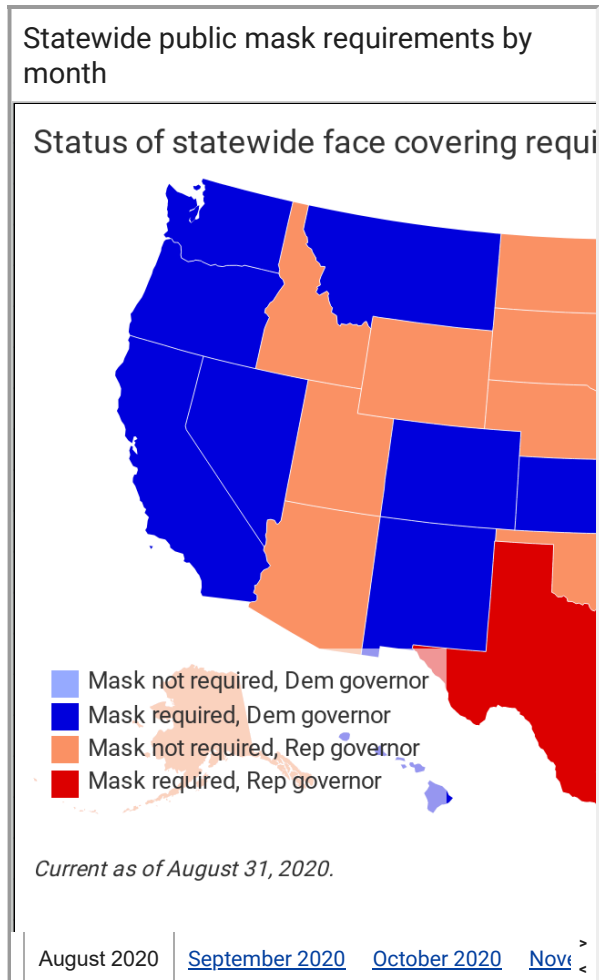
Cumulative length of statewide mask requirements by state

The chart below shows the cumulative length in days of statewide mask requirements in the 39 states that issued such a requirement. The states are displayed in the order each ended their mask requirement, with the most recent at the top.

Hawaii	704 days
Oregon	577 days
Washington	625 days
California	622 days
Illinois	590 days
Connecticut	683 days
New Mexico	644 days
Delaware	418 days
Rhode Island	496 days
Nevada	596 days
New York	666 days
Louisiana	376 days
Pennsylvania	438 days
Michigan	423 days
West Virginia	349 days
Vermont	318 days
Kentucky	337 days
Ohio	315 days
Massachusetts	388 days
New Jersey	414 days
Maine	389 days
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Mask maps by month

This section compares state mask mandates nationwide across months from August 2020 to April 2022. Use the arrows located in the bottom right of the embedded spreadsheet to navigate to more recent months. If the arrows don't appear, try refreshing the page.



Mask orders by state

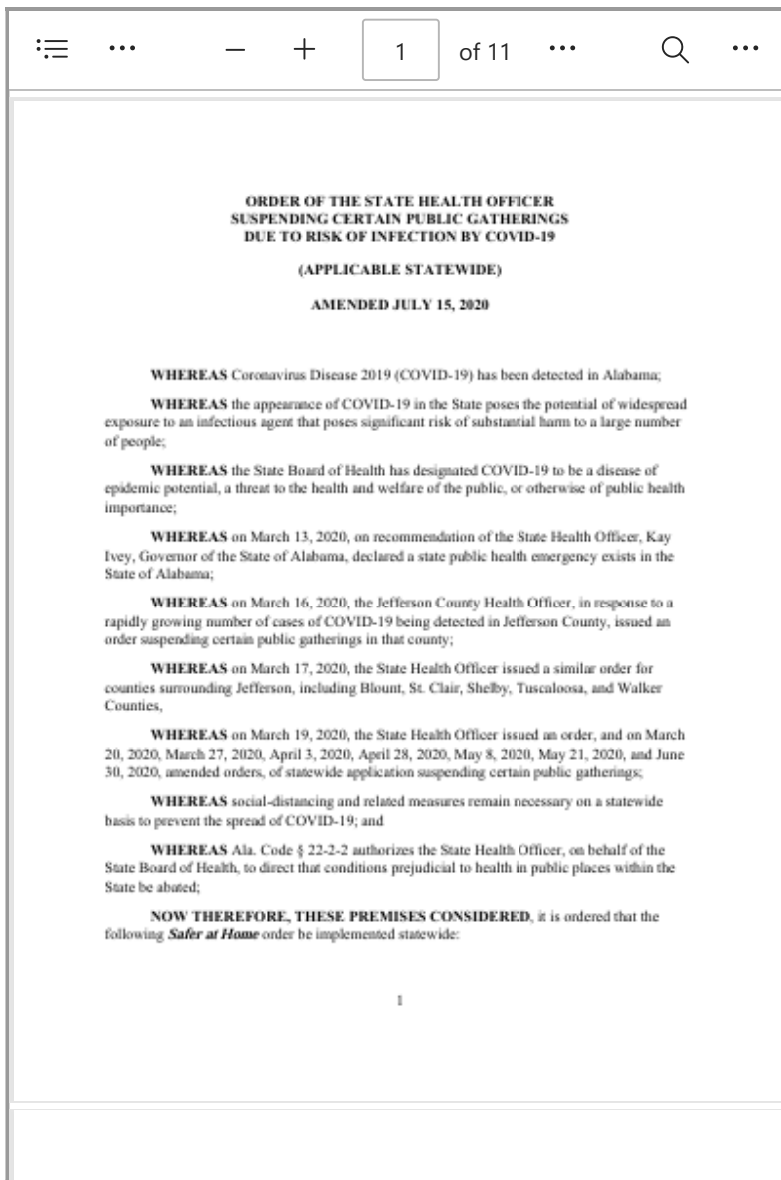
Each section below contains more specific information about each state that issued a face-covering requirement.

Alabama

On July 15, Gov. Kay Ivey (R) announced a mask order, effective on July 16, requiring face coverings in public when social distancing with non-household members cannot be kept.

The mask order ended April 9, 2021.

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Alaska

Alaska did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Arizona

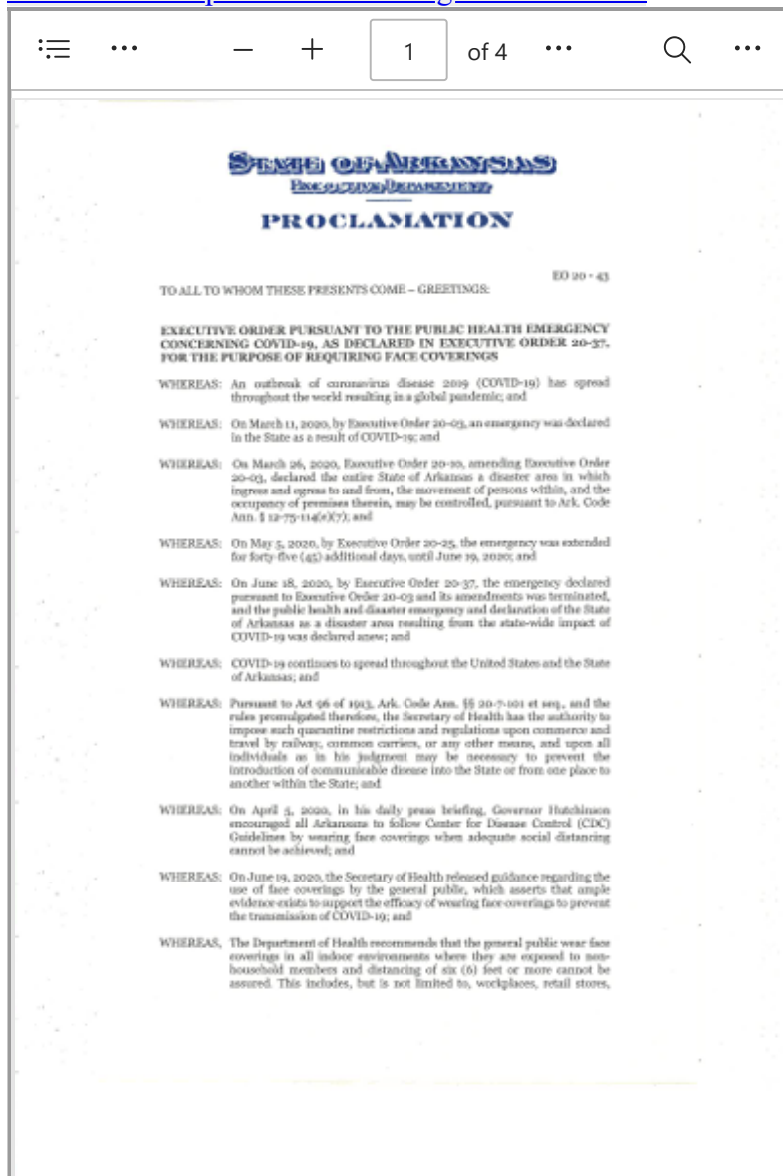
Arizona did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Arkansas

On July 16, 2020, Gov. [Asa Hutchinson](#) (R) signed an executive order, effective July 20, requiring individuals to wear masks in public when social distancing is not possible.

Hutchinson lifted the mandate March 30, 2021.

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California

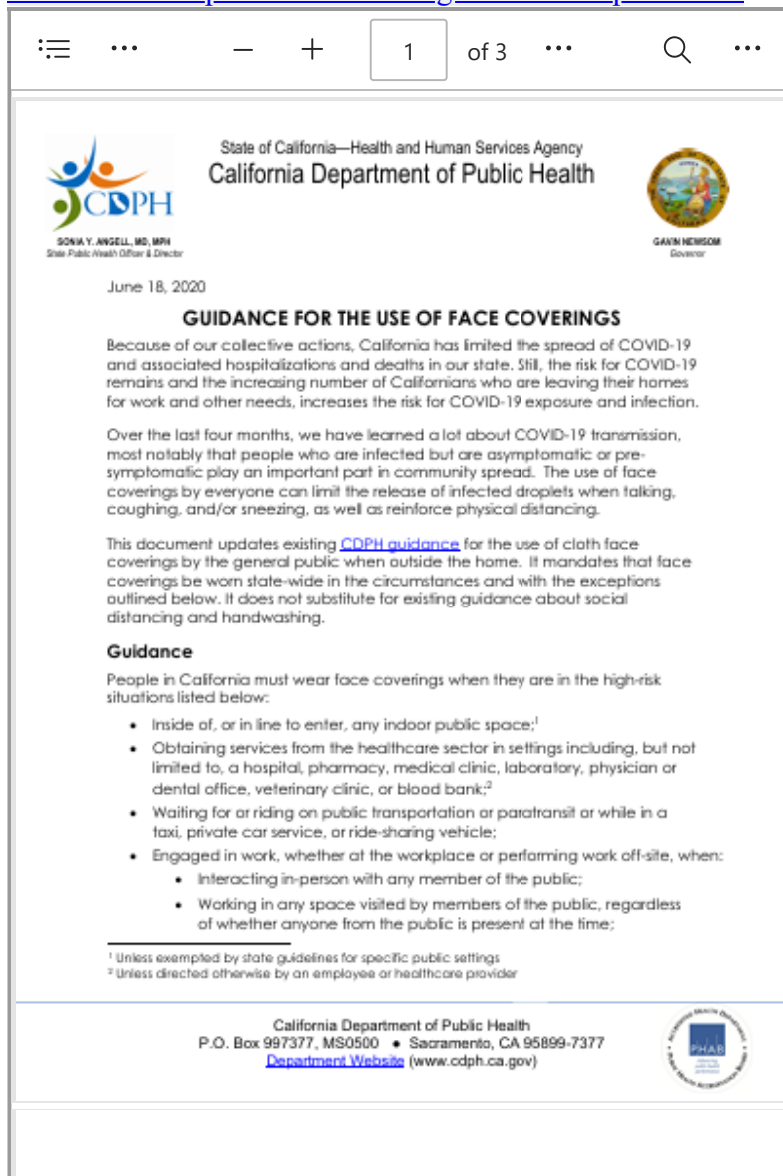
On June 18, 2020, Gov. [Gavin Newsom](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings when outside the home. The California Department of Public Health issued guidance on the use of face coverings, instructing citizens on general usage and exceptions. That guidance is embedded below.

Fully vaccinated residents [became exempt](#) from the statewide mask mandate starting June 15, 2021.

On Dec. 13, the California Department of Health announced a new statewide indoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals would take effect on Dec. 15.^[4] The requirement only applied to local health jurisdictions that did not previously have a universal indoor mask requirement, meaning the order did not affect localities with pre-existing universal mask requirements.^[5]

On Jan. 5, 2022, the California Department of Health extended the state's indoor mask requirement through Feb. 15.^[6] On Feb. 7, Newsom announced vaccinated individuals would become exempt from the indoor mask requirement on Feb. 15.^[7] On Feb. 28, Newsom announced the state would end its mask requirement for unvaccinated individuals on March 1.^[8]

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Colorado

Gov. Jared Polis (D) [issued](#) a mask mandate effective at midnight on July 17, requiring individuals older than 10 to wear a mask inside buildings that are open to the public.^[9]

On May 2, 2021, Polis lifted the requirement for people to wear masks in indoor spaces with more than 10 people if 80% of those individuals were fully vaccinated. The order did not say what proof was necessary to demonstrate vaccination status.^[10]

Polis ended the statewide mask requirement on May 14. At the time, masks were still required for unvaccinated visitors to nursing homes, prisons, and hospitals, and in certain school settings. Vaccinated and unvaccinated people were still required to comply with federal law, which still required masking on public transportation and at public transportation hubs like bus stations and airports at that time.^[11]

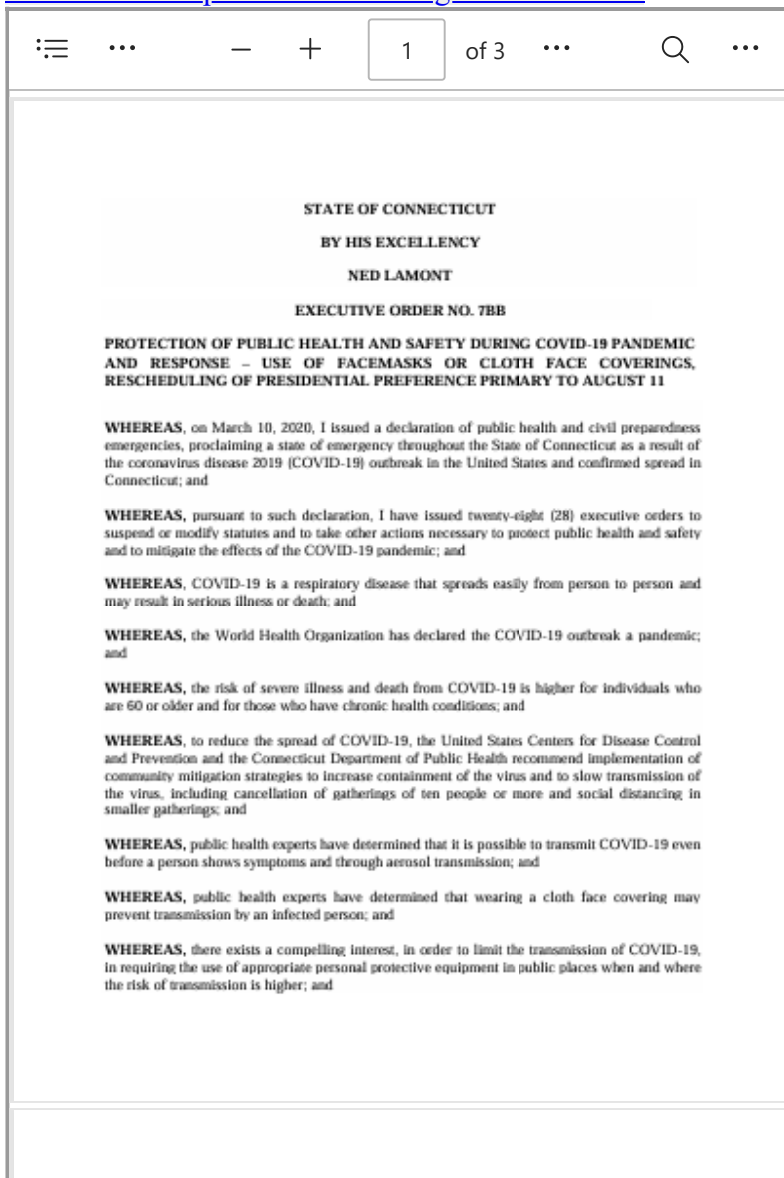
Connecticut

On April 17, 2020, Gov. [Ned Lamont](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public when close contact was unavoidable.

[Starting May 19](#), fully vaccinated people did not have to wear masks in most indoor public settings. Unvaccinated residents still had to wear masks in public indoor areas. Vaccinated individuals still needed to wear masks on public transportation, at places where medical care was offered (like doctor's offices and hospitals), and at public transportation hubs (like bus stations and airports).

On Feb. 7, 2022, Lamont announced he would end the statewide mask requirement on Feb. 28. [\[12\]](#)

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Delaware

Delaware's face-covering requirement took effect at 8:00 a.m. on April 28, 2020. The Department of Justice released a set of frequently asked questions related to the requirement that outlines when face coverings were required and what exceptions were allowed. You can see those questions [here](#).

On May 18, 2021, Carney [signed](#) an order ending the statewide mask requirement, effective May 21. In his order, he said masks were still required in state offices open to the public, schools and childcare centers, on public

transportation, and in health care settings. The order also strongly encouraged unvaccinated individuals to continue wearing masks in indoor businesses and public settings in compliance with CDC guidelines at the time. [\[13\]](#)[\[14\]](#)

On January 10, 2022, Carney signed an order requiring masks in indoor public settings, effective January 11. [\[15\]](#) On February 7, Carney announced the statewide mask requirement would end on February 11. [\[16\]](#)

Florida

Florida did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Georgia

On July 15, Gov. [Brian Kemp](#) (R) [issued](#) an order preventing local governments from issuing mask requirements. The action voided 15 previously implemented local orders in the state.

On Aug. 15, Kemp signed an executive order allowing local governments to enact mask mandates. The order prevented local mandates from resulting in fines or penalties against private businesses or organizations and limits penalties against individuals to \$50. [\[17\]](#)

Hawaii

On June 10, 2020, Gov. [David Ige](#) (D) signed the ninth supplementary emergency proclamation, which included a face-covering requirement. On Nov. 16, Ige updated the order to require masks in all public settings except outdoors while social distancing was maintainable. The order also required businesses to deny service to people who refused to wear a mask or face fines or closures. To read the full November 16 order, [click here](#).

On May 25, 2021, Ige ended the outdoor mask requirement for all individuals (vaccinated and unvaccinated). Ige said the indoor mask requirement for all people remained unchanged. [\[18\]](#)

On March 8, 2022, Ige announced the state would lift its statewide indoor mask requirement on March 26. [\[19\]](#)

The June 10 proclamation is embedded below.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF HAWAII NINTH SUPPLEMENTARY PROCLAMATION RELATED TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Hawaii, to provide relief for disaster damages, losses, and suffering, and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawaii, hereby determine, designate and proclaim as follows: WHEREAS, I issued on March 4, 2020, a Proclamation declaring a state of emergency to support ongoing State and county responses to COVID-19; on March 16, 2020, a Supplementary Proclamation suspending certain laws to enable State and county responses to COVID-19; on March 21, 2020, a Second Supplementary Proclamation and Rules Relating to COVID-19 implementing a mandatory self-quarantine for all persons entering the State; on March 23, 2020, a Third Supplementary Proclamation to mandate and effectuate physical distancing measures throughout the State; on March 31, 2020, a Fourth Supplementary Proclamation implementing a mandatory self-quarantine for all persons traveling between any of the islands in the State; and on April 18, 2020, a Fifth Supplementary Proclamation implementing enhanced safe practices and an eviction moratorium; on April 25, 2020, a Sixth Supplementary Proclamation amending and restating all prior proclamations and executive orders related to the COVID-19 emergency; on May 5, 2020, a Seventh Supplementary Proclamation related to the COVID-19 Emergency; in May 28, 2020, an Eighth Supplementary Proclamation related to the COVID-19 Emergency; WHEREAS, as of June 10, 2020, there have been 685 documented cases of COVID-19 in the State and 17 deaths attributed to this disease; WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to endanger the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Hawaii and a response requires the serious attention, effort, and sacrifice of all people in the State to avert unmanageable strains on our healthcare system and other catastrophic impacts to the State; NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawaii, hereby amend and restate all prior proclamations and executive orders, and authorize and invoke the following as set forth herein: I. Statewide Coordination [3] II. Invocation of Laws [3] III. Act with Care Order [4] A. Work in Businesses or Operations B. Permitted Activities Outside the Home or Place of Residence C. Safe Practices D. Persons Experiencing Homelessness E. Force and Effect of Law IV. All Persons Traveling to the State or Traveling Inter-island [8] A. Traveling to the State B. Traveling Inter-island C. Host Responsibility D. Prohibition on Renting Vehicles E. Car Sharing Services Responsibility F. Force and Effect of Law V. Suspension of Laws [11] A. Session Laws B. Division 1. Government C. Division 2. Business D. Division 3. Property/Family E. Division 4. Courts and Judicial Proceedings F. Division 5. Crimes and Criminal Proceedings VI. Severability [31] Exhibit A. Restatement of Executive Order NO. 28-06								

Idaho

Idaho did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

On May 28, Gov. [Brad Little](#) (R) repealed Lt. Gov. [Janice McGeachin](#)'s (R) executive order banning government entities, including schools, from requiring masks. McGeachin, who was serving as acting governor while Little was out of state at the [Republican Governors Association](#) conference, issued the order without informing Little beforehand. McGeachin had said she intended to run for governor in 2022. [\[20\]](#)

Illinois

On April 23, 2020, Gov. [J.B. Pritzker](#) (D) included a face-covering requirement in an extension of the state's stay-at-home order. The Illinois Department of Public Health issued guidance for individuals on the use of face coverings.

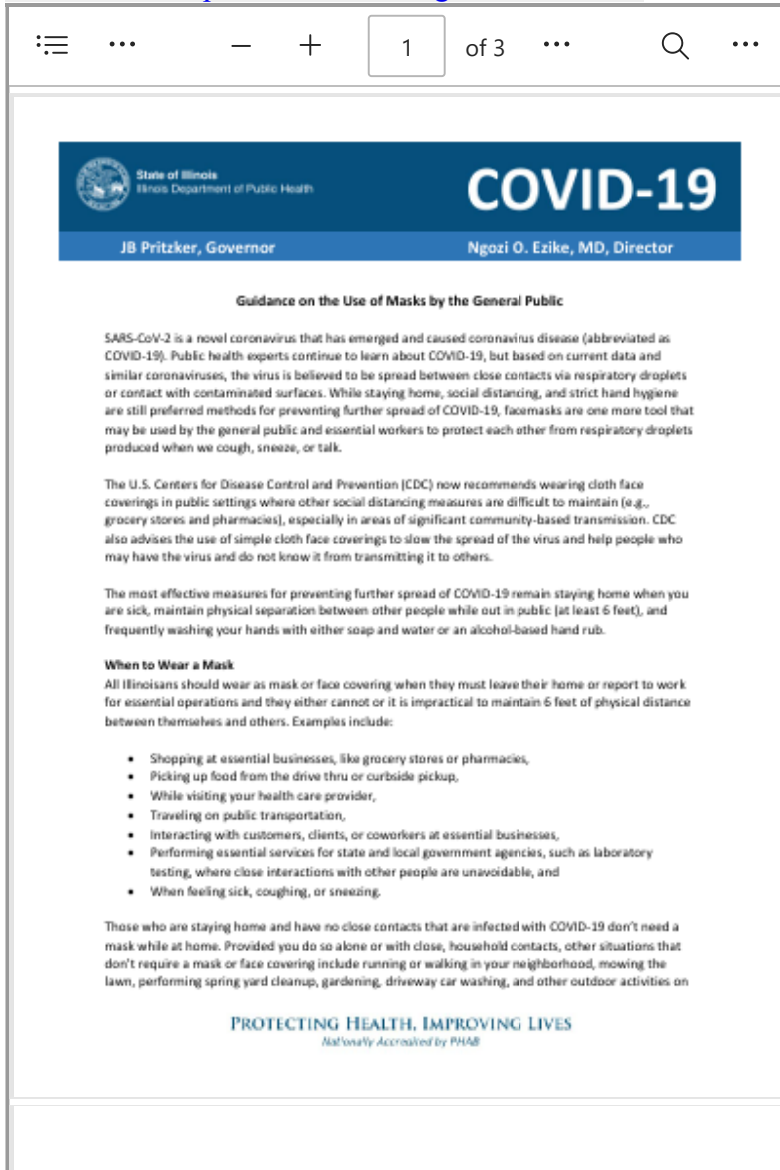
Pritzker signed an executive order exempting fully vaccinated individuals from most indoor mask requirements on May 17.

On June 11, 2021, Pritzker ended the statewide mask requirement. [\[21\]](#)

On Aug. 26, Pritzker announced he would reinstate an indoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals, effective Aug. 30. [\[22\]](#)

On Feb. 9, Pritzker announced he would end the statewide indoor mask requirement on Feb. 28. [\[23\]](#)

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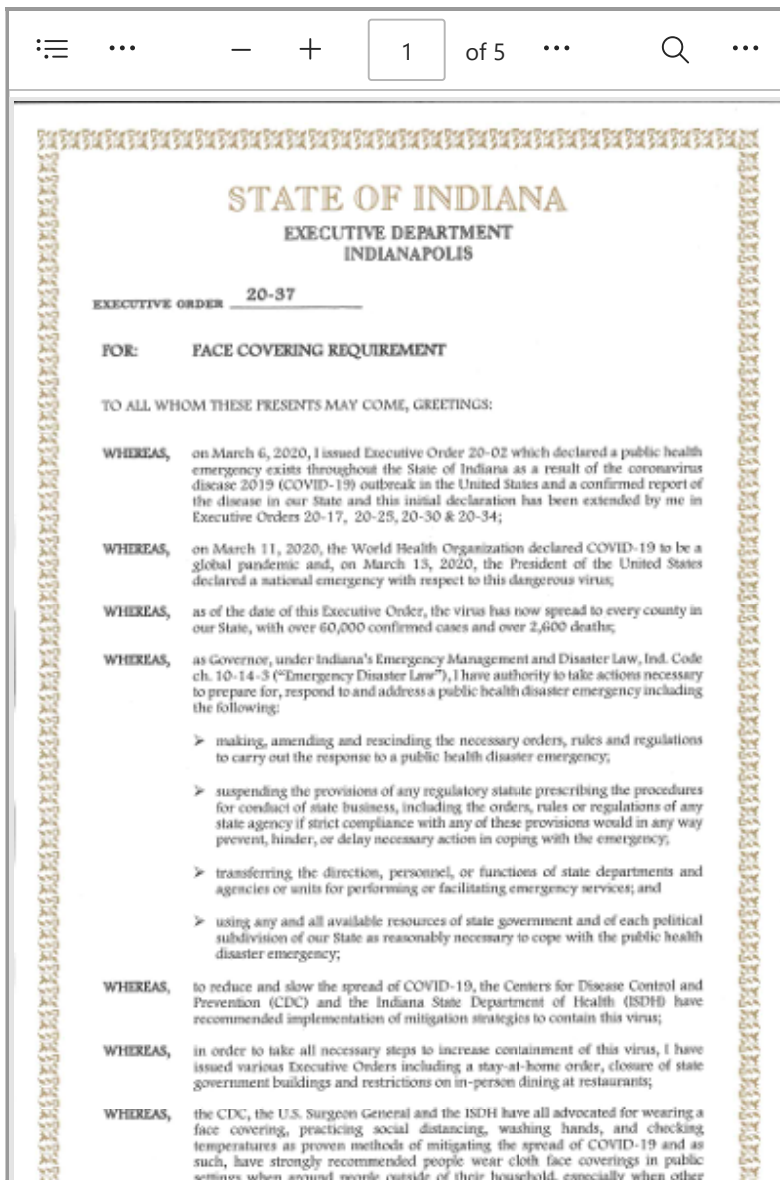


Indiana

On July 24, 2020, Gov. [Eric Holcomb](#) (R) issued a face-covering requirement, effective July 27, requiring anyone eight or older to wear a face mask in indoor public spaces, commercial businesses, transportation services, and in outdoor public spaces when social distancing is not possible.

On March 23, Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb (R) announced he would end the statewide mask mandate and restrictions on businesses starting April 6.

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Iowa

Gov. [Kim Reynolds](#) (R) issued a face-covering requirement, effective November 10, requiring anyone two or older to wear face masks at indoor events larger than 25 people. The order also required masks at sporting events and in certain businesses (like barbershops), [\[24\]](#)

Reynolds issued an order, effective November 17, requiring everyone two years or older to wear masks in indoor spaces open to the public where they could be within six feet of individuals outside of their household for more than 15 minutes. [\[25\]](#)

On February 7, 2021, Reynolds lifted the statewide public mask requirement. [\[26\]](#)

Reynolds [signed](#) a law prohibiting public schools, cities, and counties from issuing mask mandates on May 20. The Iowa House of Representatives passed House Bill 847 53-35 on May 19, while the Senate passed it 29-17 on the same day.

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Kansas

Effective July 3, individuals older than five years of age were required to wear face coverings in indoor public spaces and outdoors when social distancing could not be maintained.

On November 18, Gov. [Laura Kelly](#) (D) issued an updated public mask order giving localities a week to develop face-covering requirements. The update state order took effect on Nov. 25 in counties that did not set alternative regulations. Under [a bill](#) passed earlier in 2020, counties could fully opt out of Kelly's order at the time she signed the executive order.

The July 3 order can be viewed below.

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Kentucky

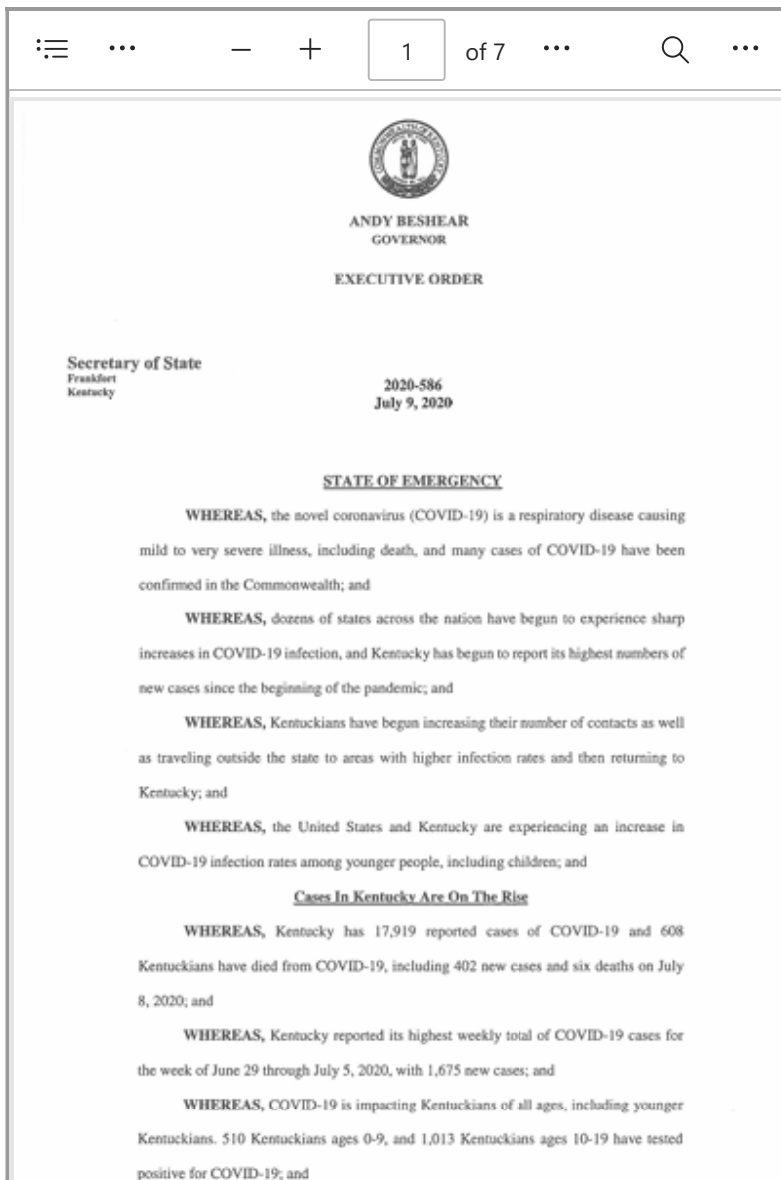
Effective July 10, 2020, individuals five years of age or older were required to wear face coverings while inside, or waiting in line to enter, any of the following: retail establishments; grocery stores; pharmacies; hair salons/barber shops; nail salons; tattoo parlors; child care facilities; restaurants and bars; health care settings; and any other indoor public spaces. Individuals were also required to wear face coverings while riding in public transit vehicles or other transportation service vehicles (e.g., taxis, ride-sharing vehicles, etc.).

On April 26, 2021, Gov. [Andy Beshear](#) (D) lifted the state's outdoor mask requirement for all events and gatherings with fewer than 1,000 people.

Beshear [signed](#) an order exempting fully vaccinated people from wearing masks in most indoor settings on May 13. Beshear also announced he would end the statewide mask requirement for everyone (including unvaccinated people) on June 11.

On June 11, 2021, Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear (D) ended the statewide mask requirement.^[27]

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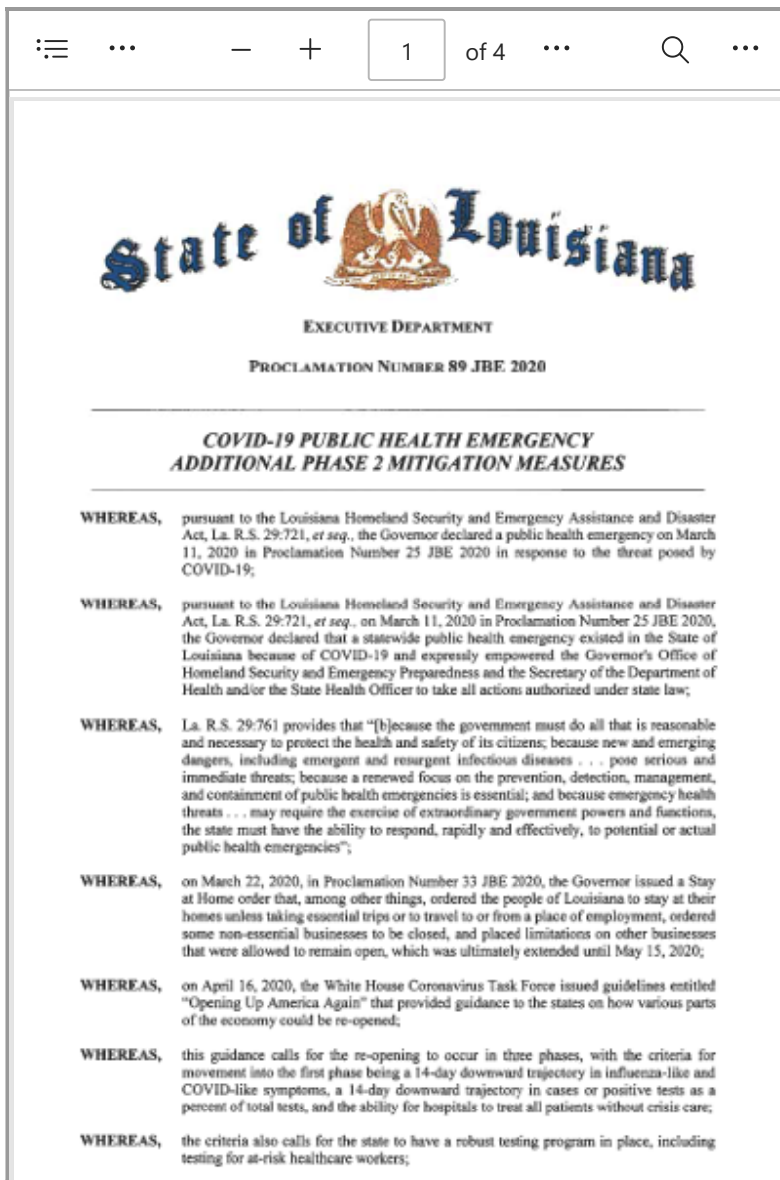
Louisiana

On July 11, Gov. [John Bel Edwards](#) (D) issued an executive proclamation establishing a statewide face-covering requirement. Effective July 13, individuals in Louisiana were required to wear face coverings when in any indoor or outdoor public space. The order exempted children under the age of eight, as well as individuals with medical conditions preventing them from wearing face coverings. The order allowed parishes to opt out if they maintained a COVID-19 incidence rate of fewer than 100 cases per 100,000 people for the previous two weeks.

Edwards lifted the order on April 28, 2021.

On August 2, Edwards announced Louisiana would reinstate the indoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals through at least September 1. ^[28] On Sept. 28, Edwards extended Louisiana's statewide public indoor mask requirement through Oct. 27. ^[29] On Oct. 26, Edwards lifted the statewide indoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals in all settings except for K-12 schools. School districts had the option not to require masks if they followed CDC quarantine guidelines. ^[30]

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Maine

On May 29, 2020, Gov. [Janet Mills](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear masks in public.

On November 4, the requirement was extended to require masks in all indoor and outdoor public spaces regardless of social distancing ability. Mills lifted the requirement for people to wear masks in public outdoor spaces effective April 27, 2021. ^[31]

Mills ended the statewide indoor mask requirement on May 24, 2021. Department of Health and Human Services Commissioner Jeanne Lambrew said businesses could require people to show proof of vaccination, but "the state of Maine is not going to enforce this idea of different policies for vaccinated and unvaccinated people, nor do we expect businesses to do so." The state recommended unvaccinated people continue masking in indoor public spaces. Vaccinated and unvaccinated people still had to wear masks in schools and childcare centers, on public transportation, and in health care settings. ^[32]

The full May 29 executive order is embedded below.

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Maryland

On April 15, 2020, Gov. [Larry Hogan](#) (R) signed an executive order including a face-covering requirement for individuals in retail and foodservice businesses and while using public transit. On August 3, the mask mandate was expanded to require everyone older than five to wear masks in all indoor public spaces, including churches, gyms, and stores. On April 29, 2021, Hogan ended the statewide outdoor mask mandate. [\[33\]](#)

On May 15, Hogan ended the statewide mask mandate for vaccinated and unvaccinated people. The state still required masks in schools and hospitals, as well as on public transportation. [\[34\]](#)

The August 3 order is embedded below:

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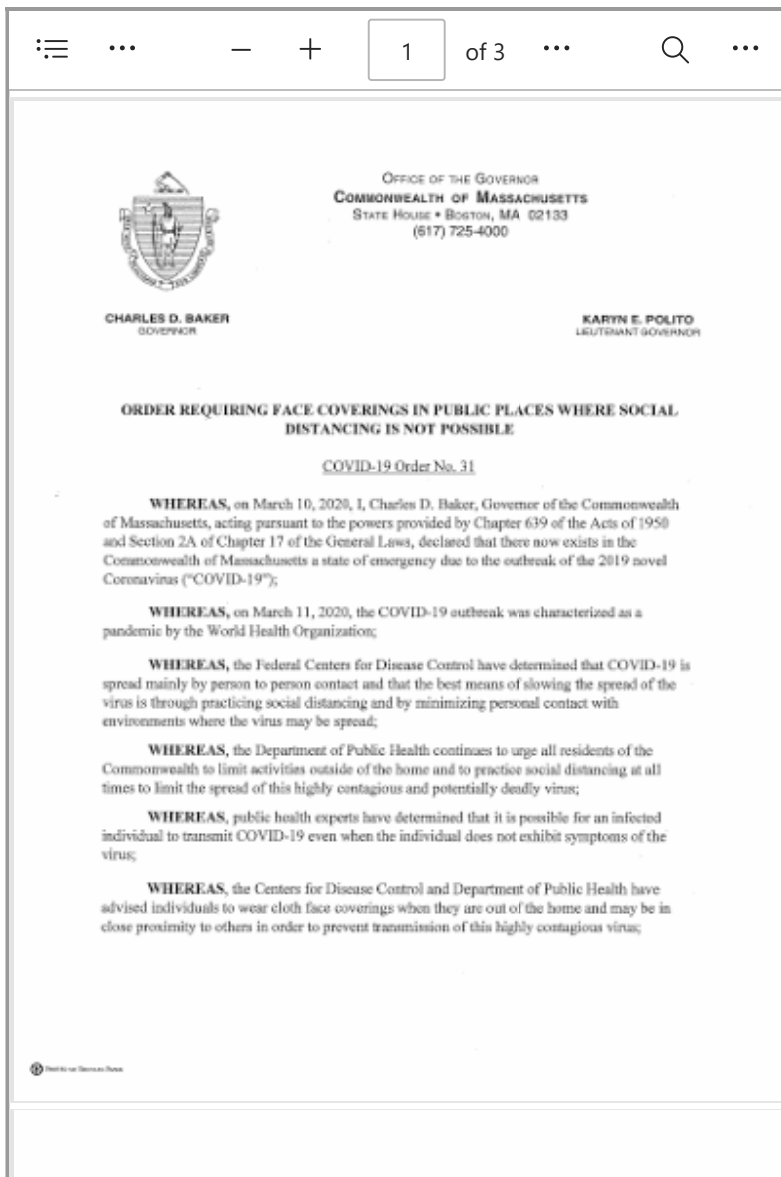
Massachusetts

On May 1, 2020, Gov. [Charlie Baker](#) (R) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear masks in public places where social distancing was not possible. On Nov. 2, Baker announced the social distancing exemption would be removed from the order starting Nov. 6. [\[35\]](#)

Gov. Charlie Baker (R) ended the statewide mask mandate on May 29, 2021. [\[36\]](#)

The full May 1 executive order is embedded below.

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Michigan

On June 17, 2020, Gov. [Gretchen Whitmer](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings when entering a food-selling establishment or pharmacy. The Michigan Department of Health & Human Services issued guidance on the use of face coverings, recommending that individuals wear them whenever they leave home.

Michigan Director of the Department of Health and Human Services Elizabeth Hertel issued an [order](#) May 4 lifting the outdoor mask requirement for gatherings of fewer than 100 people.

On May 15, Whitmer [ended](#) the statewide mask mandate for fully vaccinated people. She also ended the outdoor mask requirement for all people.

On June 22, 2021, Whitmer ended most remaining statewide coronavirus restrictions, including the mask mandate. [\[37\]](#)

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Face Coverings: Frequently Asked Questions

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Face Coverings: Frequently Asked Questions

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services recommends that Michiganders wear a face covering when outside of their home to help stop the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). Wearing a face covering is an additional precaution we can take that may help stop the spread of COVID-19. The best way to keep from getting sick is to stay home as much as possible, practice social distancing – keep at least 6 feet of distance from others, and good hand hygiene.

What is a face covering?

- A face covering is any well-secured cloth (like a bandana or scarf) that covers your mouth and nose.
- A face covering is different from a surgical or N95 mask which must be reserved for healthcare workers.

Who should and should not wear a face covering?

Cloth face coverings **should not** be placed on:

- young children under age 2,
- anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated, and
- anyone otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

Cloth face coverings **should** be worn by:

- All others when they need to be outside their home and within 6 feet of others.
- People who are sick should wear a face covering while at home if they cannot maintain at least 6 feet of distance from others.
- People who are sick and who need to leave home, such as to get urgent medical care, should always wear a face covering.

Do I need to wear a face covering all the time when outside my house?

- **If you are sick**, yes. Remember you must stay home if you are sick and only leave for essential medical care. Arrange for essential items, like groceries, to be delivered to you through a delivery service or through friends or family.
- **If you are not sick**, you should wear a face covering whenever you need to leave home and might be closer than 6 feet from others. Examples include using public transportation, riding in a taxi or car service, walking on a busy street, going to pharmacies and grocery stores, and going to the doctor or a hospital.
- **Essential workers** should also wear a face covering at work when they cannot maintain at least 6 feet of distance between themselves and others.

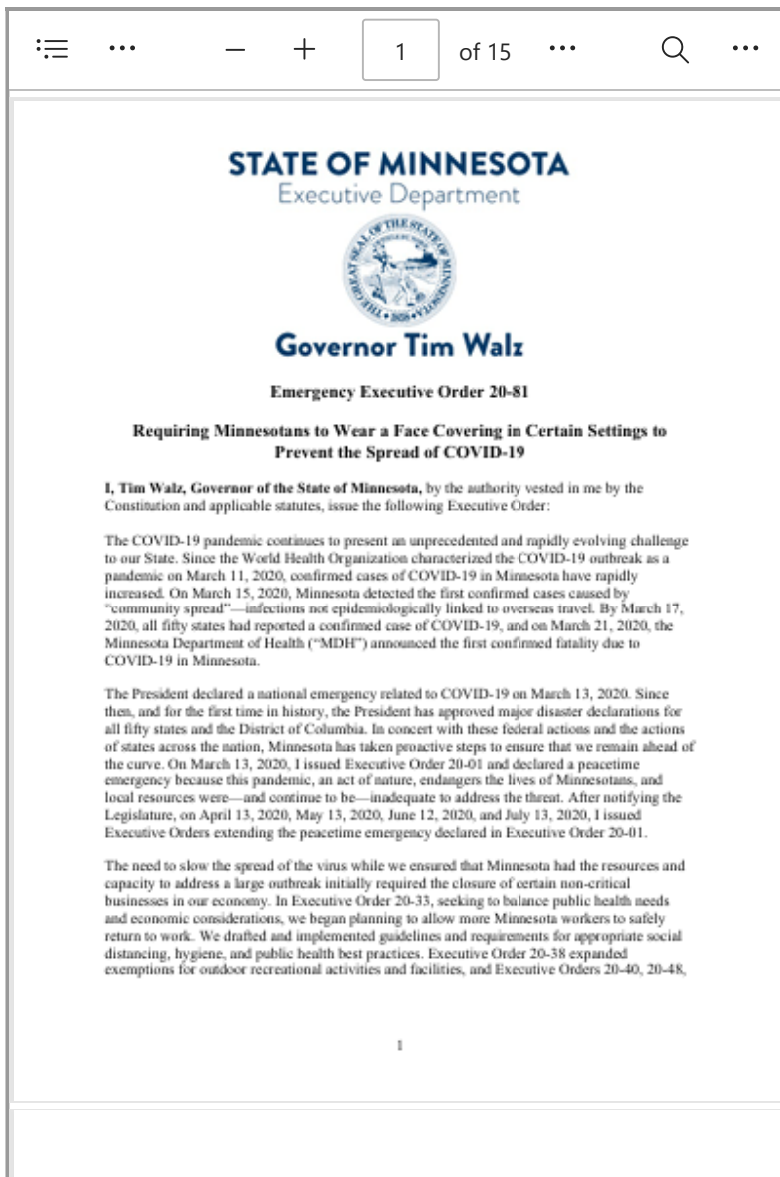
 For more information, visit Michigan.gov/Coronavirus.

Minnesota

On July 22, 2020, Gov. [Tim Walz](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in indoor businesses and indoor public settings. The order is embedded below.

On May 14, Walz ended the statewide mask mandate. [\[38\]](#)

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Mississippi

On July 9, Gov. [Tate Reeves](#) (R) [issued](#) an executive order requiring individuals in certain counties to wear face masks in public. The order applied to counties with 200 new cases in the past 14 days or with an average of 500 cases per 100,000 residents in the same period.

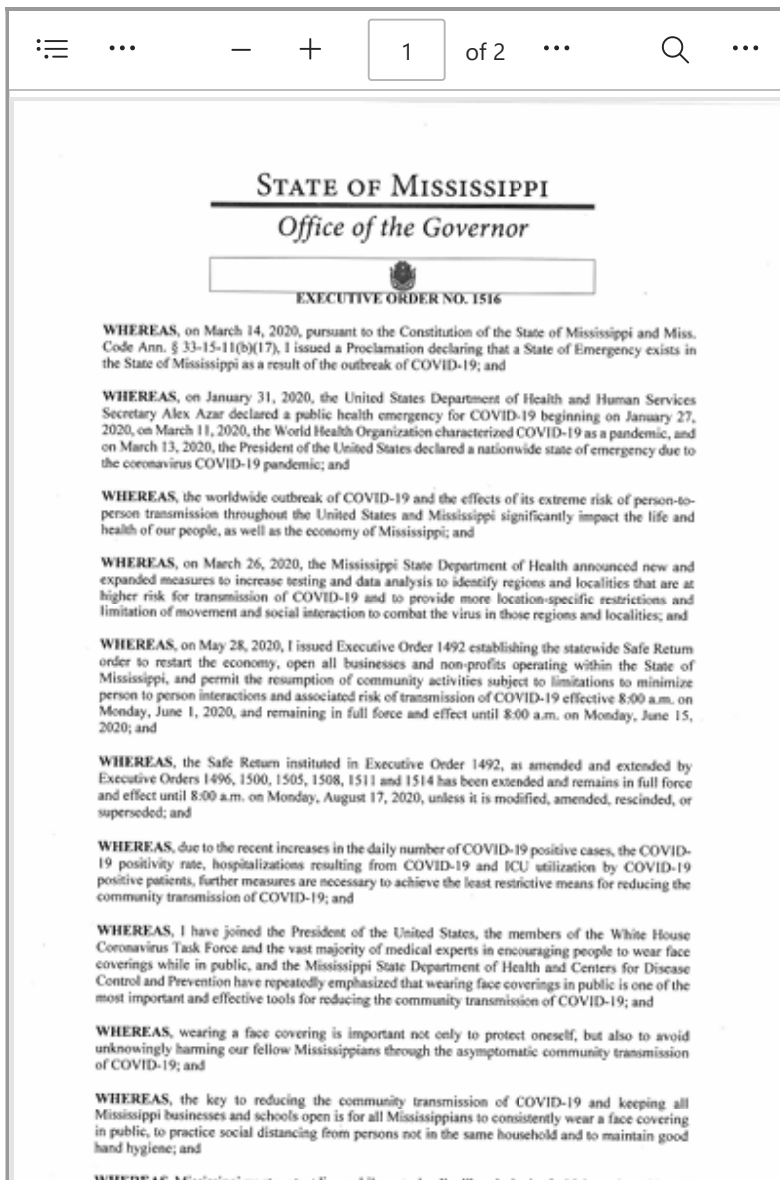
On August 5, a statewide executive order became effective requiring individuals to wear masks in indoor public spaces and outdoors when social distancing was not possible.

On September 30, Reeves allowed the public mask order to expire but said individuals still had to wear masks in schools and at businesses the state defined as close-contact (like barbershops and salons).^[39]

On October 21, Reeves issued an [executive order](#) implementing targeted mitigation measures in counties with high rates of coronavirus infection.^[40]

On March 3, 2021, Reeves lifted the regional mask order. Below is the original mask order.

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Missouri

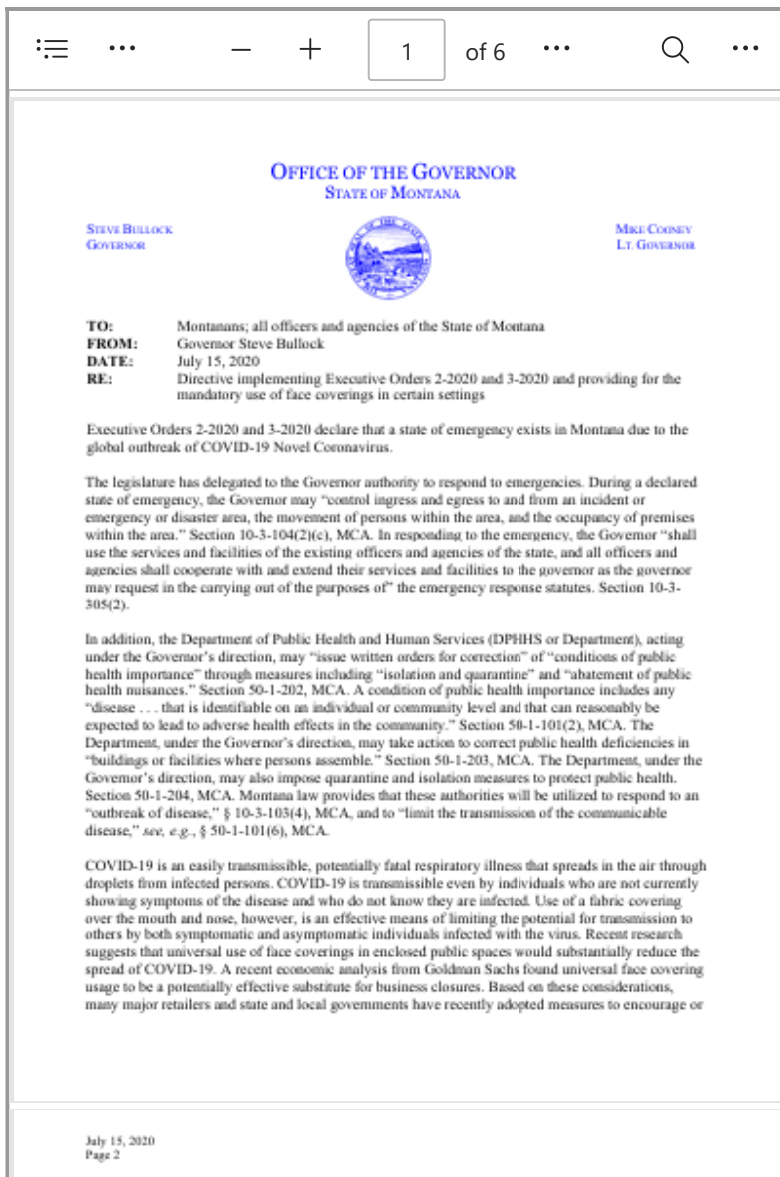
Missouri did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Montana

On July 15, Gov. [Steve Bullock](#) (D) announced a statewide mask order requiring individuals to wear masks inside certain businesses and at outdoor gatherings of greater than 50 people where social distancing was not possible.

On February 12, 2021, Gov. [Greg Gianforte](#) (R) lifted the state's mask requirement.

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Nebraska

Nebraska did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Nevada

On June 24, 2020, Gov. [Steve Sisolak](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings when in public, effective June 25.

On May 13, 2021, Sisolak issued an [order](#) exempting vaccinated people from the statewide mask mandate.

On July 27, Sisolak announced a mask mandate, reflecting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) updated guidance, in counties with "substantial or high transmission" of COVID-19. In those counties, vaccinated and unvaccinated people would be required to wear masks indoors. Sisolak said the order would take effect on July 30. [\[41\]](#)

On Aug. 16, Sisolak announced that large venues that required patrons to be at least partially vaccinated could allow fully vaccinated people to go without masks indoors. Partially vaccinated people would still be required to wear masks.^[42]

On Feb. 10, Sisolak announced the statewide mask requirement would end, effective that day.^[43]

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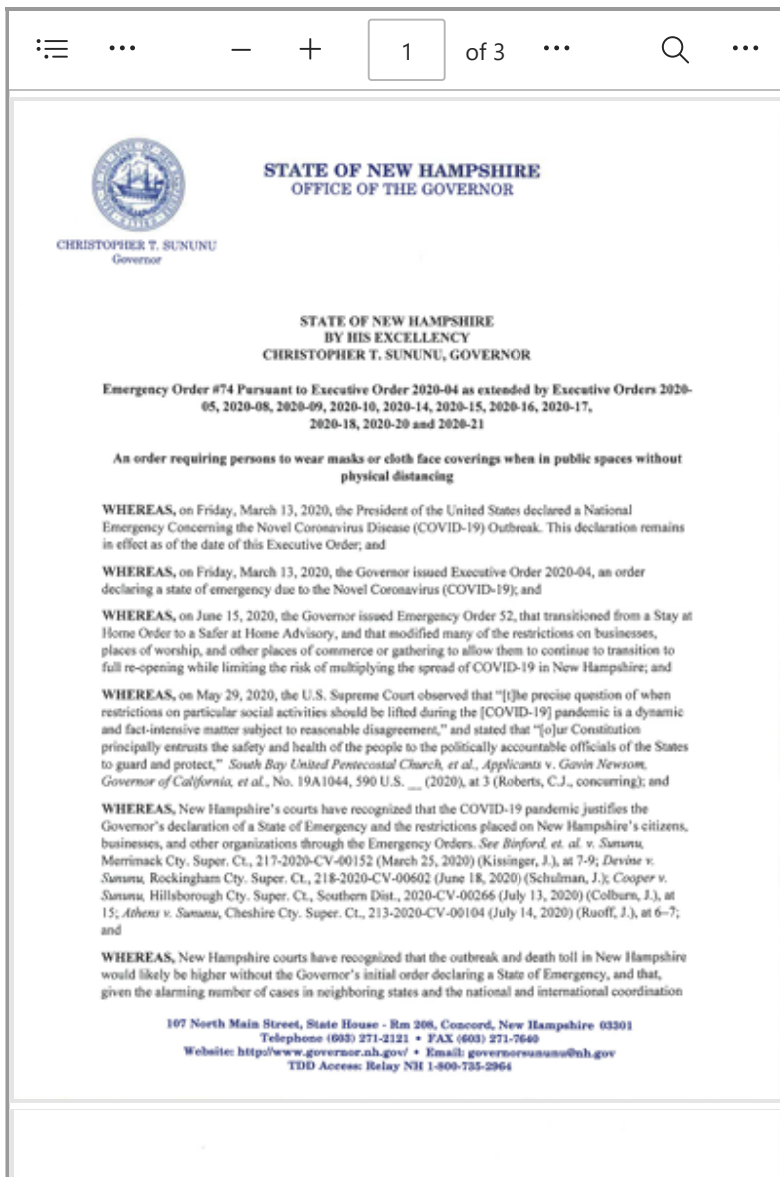
New Hampshire

On August 11, Gov. [Chris Sununu](#) (R) issued an executive order requiring individuals to wear masks when attending scheduled gatherings of greater than 100 people.^[44]

On Nov. 20, Sununu expanded the order to require face-coverings in all public places where social distancing could not be maintained.

On April 16, 2021, Sununu lifted the mask requirement order.

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New Jersey

On April 8, 2020, Gov. [Phil Murphy](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring customers and employees at essential businesses to wear face coverings. To read a full press release from the governor's office with full guidelines and exceptions, [click here](#).

On May 17, Murphy signed an executive order ending the state's outdoor public mask requirement. The indoor requirement remained in effect for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. [\[45\]](#)

On May 28, the state's indoor mask requirement ended for vaccinated and unvaccinated people. Masks were still required in state offices open to the public, schools and childcare centers, on public transportation, and in health care settings. [\[46\]](#)

New Mexico

On May 15, 2020, Gov. [Michelle Lujan Grisham](#) (D) signed a modified emergency public health order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public. To read a full press release from the New Mexico Department of Health with full guidelines and exceptions, [click here](#).

Lujan Grisham [announced](#) fully vaccinated individuals did not have to wear masks in most indoor public settings.

On Aug. 17, Lujan Grisham announced the state would re-implement an indoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals, effective Aug. 20. [\[47\]](#)

On Feb. 17, Lujan Grisham announced the state would lift its indoor mask requirement, effective immediately. [\[48\]](#)

New York

On April 15, 2020, Gov. [Andrew Cuomo](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public. On April 27, 2021, Cuomo announced people who were fully vaccinated did not have to wear masks in public outdoor spaces. The New York City Health Department released guidance on face coverings.

[Starting May 19](#), vaccinated people did not have to wear masks in most indoor public settings, aligning the state's policy with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance.

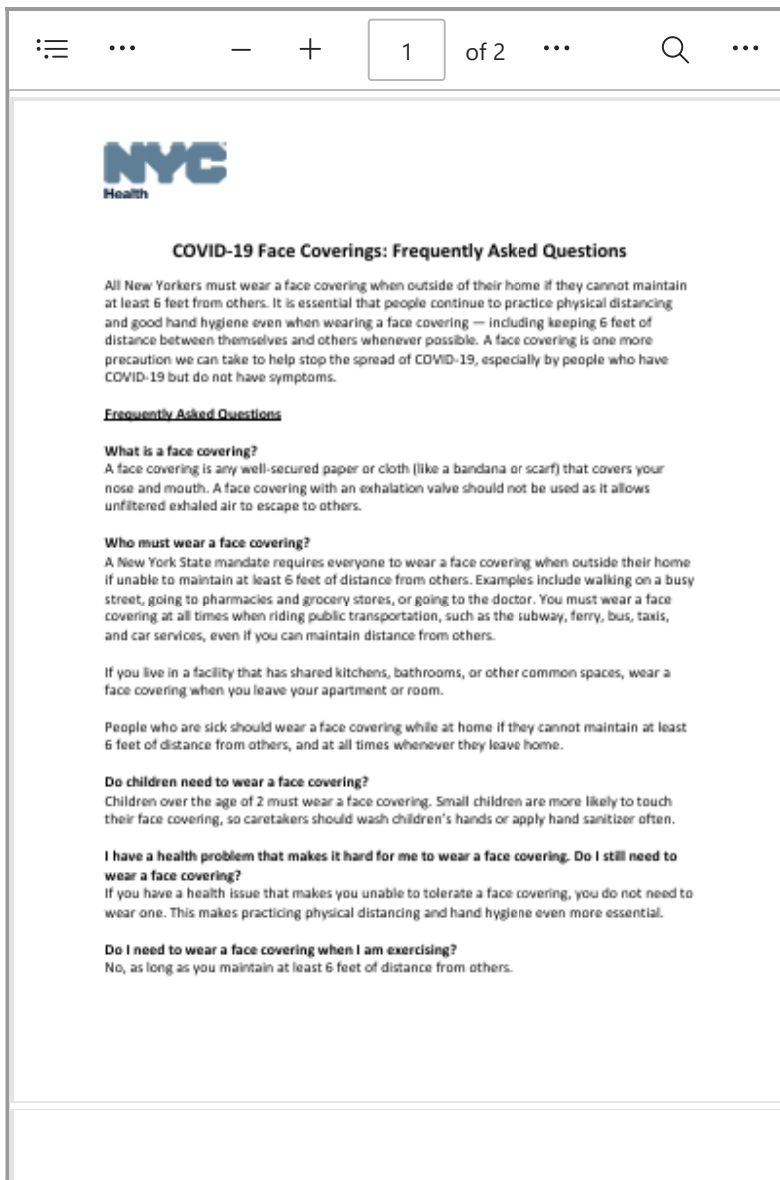
On Sept. 15, Gov. [Kathy Hochul](#) (D) announced mask requirements for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals in several settings, such as state-regulated child care facilities and congregate facilities, such as shelter programs for homeless youth. [\[49\]](#)

On Dec. 10, Hochul announced a new statewide mask requirement would take effect starting Dec. 13. Masks were required regardless of vaccination status at indoor public settings, unless the business or venue required proof of vaccination. [\[50\]](#) On Dec. 31, Hochul extended the mask requirement through Feb. 1, 2022. [\[51\]](#)

On Jan. 24, 2022, Nassau County Supreme Court Justice [Thomas Rademaker](#) issued an injunction pausing enforcement of the state's mask requirement, ruling that Hochul did not have authority to enforce it. [\[52\]](#) On Jan. 25, Justice [Robert J. Miller](#) of the New York Supreme Court Appellate Division 2nd Department granted a stay against the injunction. [\[53\]](#) On Jan. 28, Hochul extended the indoor mask requirement through Feb. 10. [\[54\]](#)

On Feb. 9, Hochul announced the statewide mask requirement would end, effective Feb. 10. [\[55\]](#)

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North Carolina

North Carolina's mask order became effective on June 26, requiring individuals to wear masks in indoor public spaces and outdoors when social distancing could not be practiced.

On November 23, the order was updated to require face-coverings in all public spaces and when around people from other households.^[56]

On May 14, Gov. [Roy Cooper](#) (D) ended the statewide mask mandate for vaccinated and unvaccinated people. Masks were still required for all people, regardless of vaccination status, on public transportation and in healthcare settings.^[57]

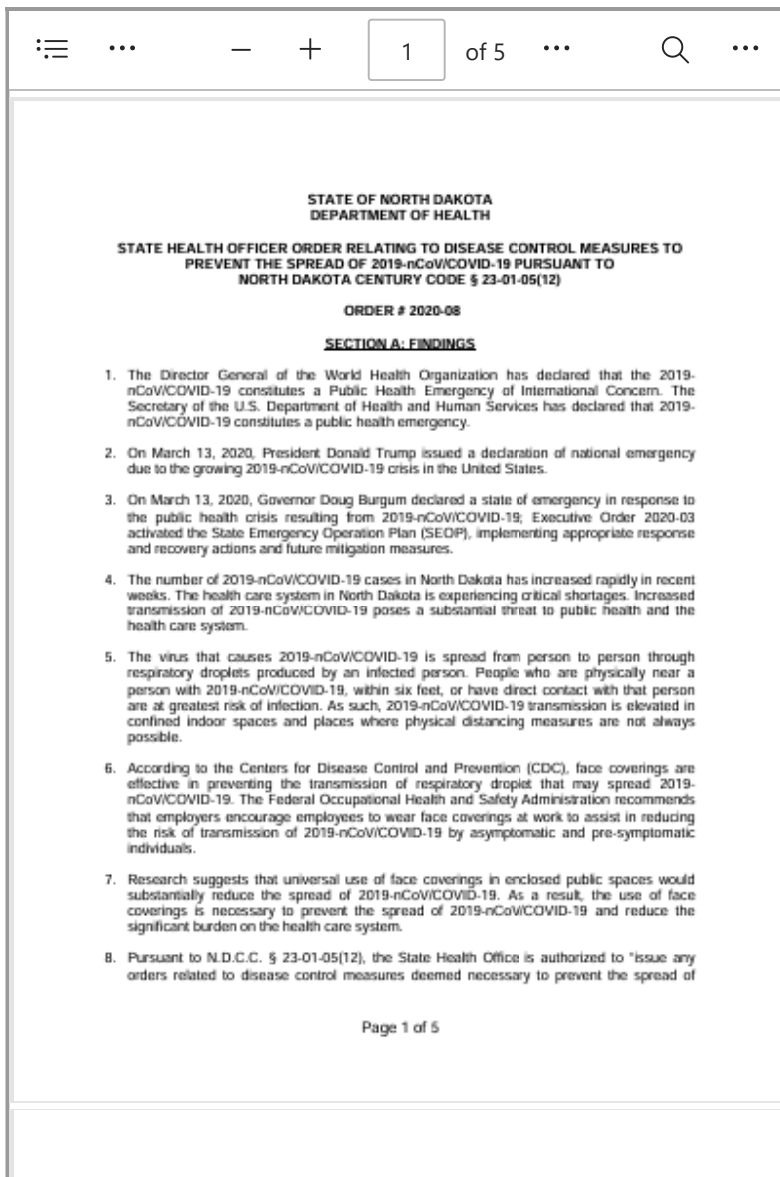
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North Dakota

North Dakota's mask order became effective on November 14, 2020, requiring individuals to wear masks in indoor public spaces and outdoors when social distancing could not be practiced. The order was allowed to expire on January 18, 2021.

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Ohio

On July 23, 2020, Gov. [Mike DeWine](#) (R) signed an executive order requiring individuals over the age of 10 to wear face coverings in indoor non-residential locations and outdoors when social distancing.

On May 14, DeWine [ended](#) the statewide mask mandate for fully vaccinated people.

On June 2, DeWine ended the statewide mask mandate for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. [\[58\]](#)

Oregon

Oregon implemented a statewide mask requirement on July 1. On July 24, the order was updated to require all people five years of age and older to wear masks in indoor public spaces and outdoors when 6-foot social distancing could not be maintained.

On October 19, 2020, the Oregon Health Authority released expanded face-covering guidance requiring employers to provide free masks or face shields to employees at businesses with indoor or outdoor public spaces. The guidance also required individuals to wear face coverings in all workplace settings unless they were alone in an office or isolated workspace, at outdoor street fairs and markets, and at private and public universities.

On May 13, 2021, Gov. [Kate Brown](#) (D) [announced](#) fully vaccinated individuals did not have to wear masks in most indoor public settings.

On June 30, 2021, Brown ended the statewide mask mandate. [\[59\]](#)

On Aug. 11, 2021, Brown announced a new statewide public indoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals would take effect on Aug. 13. [\[60\]](#)

On Aug. 24, Brown announced a statewide public outdoor mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals would take effect on Aug. 27. [\[61\]](#) On Nov. 23, the requirement was lifted. [\[62\]](#)

On Feb. 7, the Oregon Health Authority announced it would lift the statewide indoor mask requirement by March 31. [\[63\]](#) On Feb. 24, the Oregon Health Authority announced it would end the mask requirement on March 19. [\[64\]](#) On Feb. 28, Brown announced the statewide mask requirement would end on March 12. [\[8\]](#)

Oklahoma

Oklahoma did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

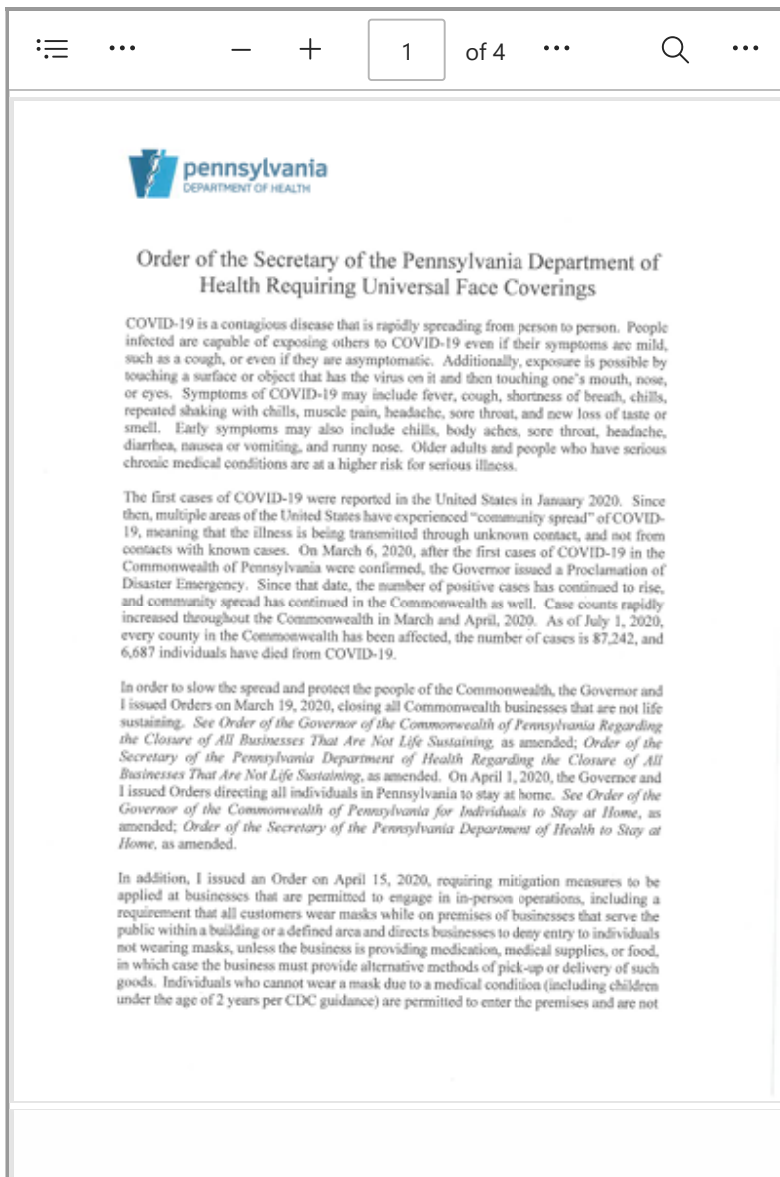
Pennsylvania

On July 1, 2020, Health Secretary Rachel Levine signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public.

On May 13, 2021, Acting Health Secretary Alison Beam [announced](#) fully vaccinated individuals no longer needed to wear masks in most indoor public settings.

Acting Health Secretary Alison Beam lifted the statewide mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals on June 28, 2021. [\[65\]](#)

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Rhode Island

On June 4, 2020, Gov. [Gina Raimondo](#) (D) signed an executive order requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public. The Rhode Island Department of Commerce released guidance on face coverings. To view that guidance, [click here](#).

Gov. [Dan McKee](#) (D) announced fully vaccinated individuals did not have to wear masks in most indoor public settings starting May 18.

On June 2, McKee ended the statewide outdoor mask mandate for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. ^[66]

On July 6, McKee signed an executive order ending the statewide mask requirement for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. ^[67]

On Dec. 15, McKee announced a new statewide mask requirement would go into effect on Dec. 20, 2021. Masks were required regardless of vaccination status at indoor venues with a capacity of 250 or more. For smaller indoor venues and businesses with indoor operations, establishments had to either require masks for all individuals, require vaccines for all individuals, or allow individuals to either wear a mask or show proof of vaccination. ^[68]

On Feb. 9, McKee announced the state would end its statewide mask requirement on Feb. 11.^[69]

South Carolina

Effective August 5, 2020, the state required masks statewide in restaurants, in state government buildings, and at large gathering venues and events like movie theaters, festivals, auditoriums, and concerts.^[70]

On March 5, Gov. [Henry McMaster](#) (R) amended the state's coronavirus emergency order, lifting the requirement for people to wear masks at restaurants and in state office buildings.

South Dakota

South Dakota did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Tennessee

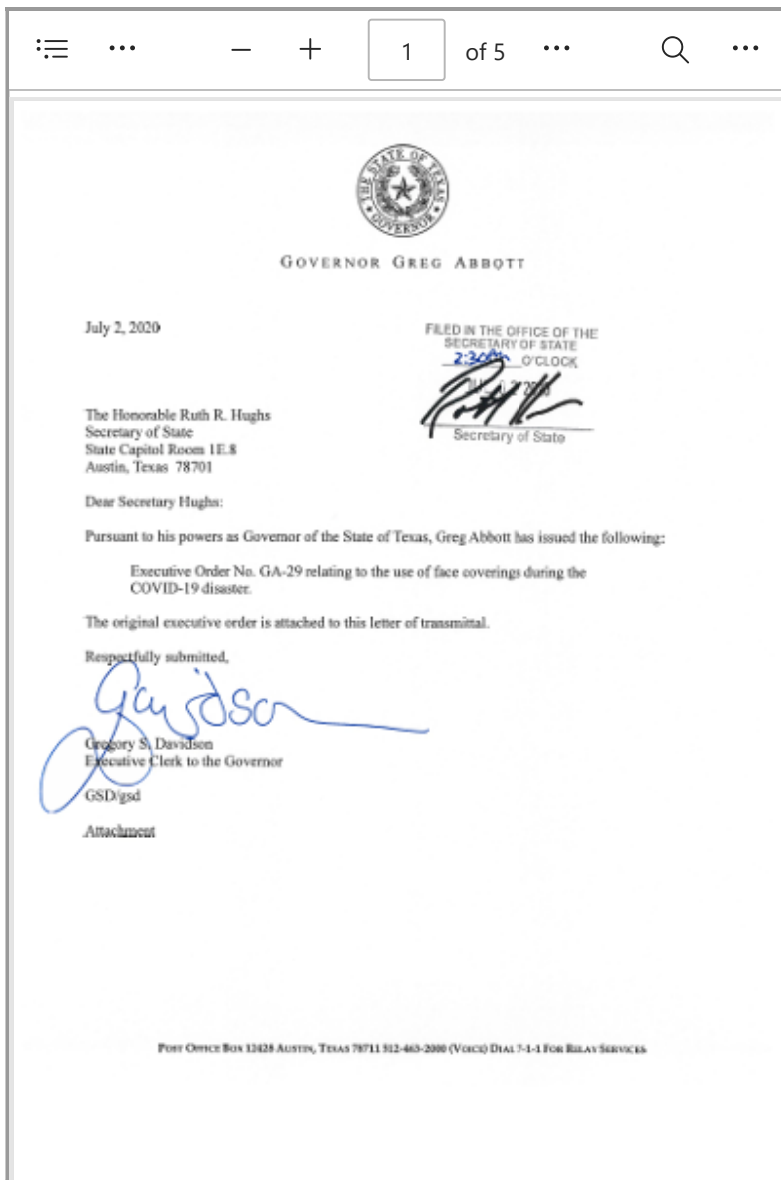
Tennessee did not issue a statewide mask requirement.

Texas

Gov. [Greg Abbott](#) (R) issued a statewide mandate requiring people living in counties with more than 20 coronavirus cases to wear a mask in indoor and outdoor settings when social distancing wasn't possible. Counties with fewer than 20 coronavirus cases could be exempted if they chose to opt out.^[71]

Abbott [lifted](#) the state's mask requirement effective March 10, 2021. On May 18, 2021, Abbott signed an order prohibiting local governments and public schools from issuing mask mandates. The order exempted prisons, state-run hospitals, and state-supported living centers. The order was scheduled to take effect May 21 for local governments. Public schools could continue their mask policies until June 4.

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Utah

On Oct. 13, Gov. [Gary Herbert](#) (R) issued updated mask guidance requiring individuals in high and medium transmission-level counties to wear face coverings in all indoor public spaces and outdoors when social distancing could not be practiced. The order said it would only apply to medium transmission counties through Oct. 29. The order also mandated masks statewide in large gathering venues like sports stadiums and movie theaters. [\[72\]](#)[\[73\]](#)

On November 9, Herbert implemented a statewide public mask order requiring face coverings in public when social distancing was not maintainable. [\[74\]](#)

On March 24, 2021, Gov. [Spencer Cox](#) (R) signed House Bill 294, a law that ended the statewide mask mandate effective April 10, 2021.

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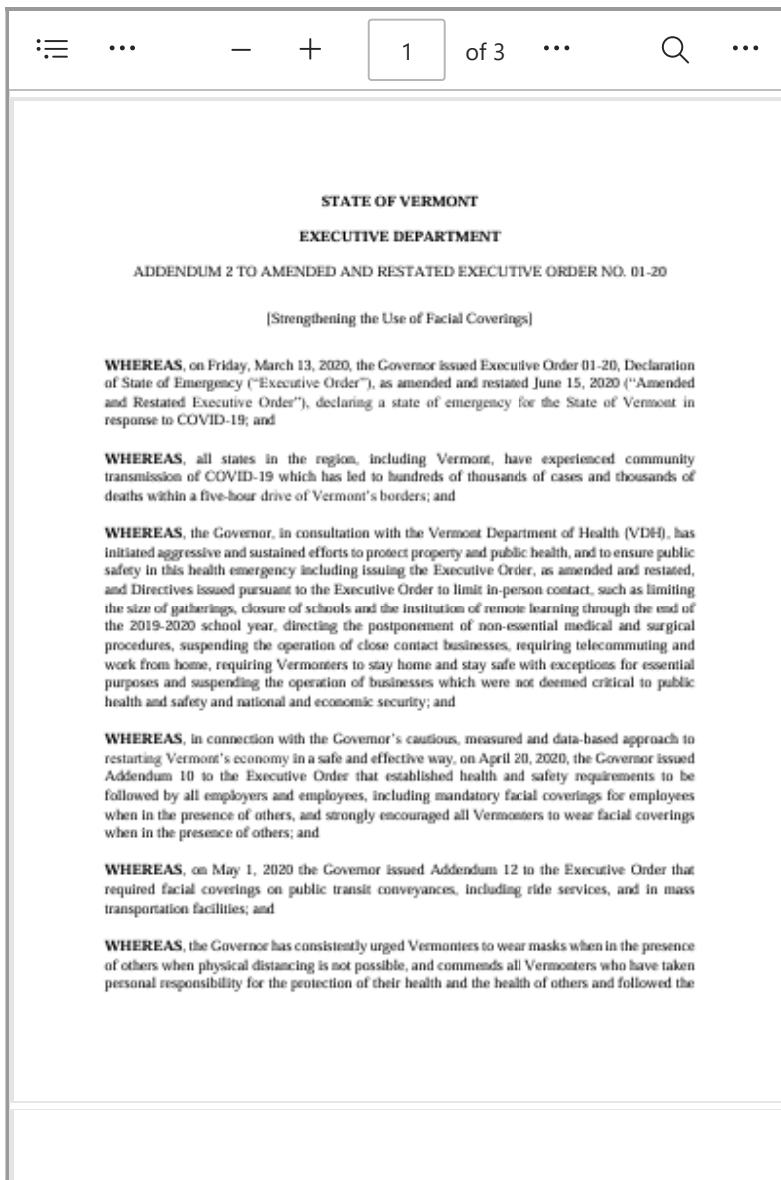
Vermont

Gov. [Phil Scott](#) (R) issued a statewide mandate requiring people older than the age of two to wear masks in public places. On May 1, Scott lifted the outdoor mask requirement in crowded settings when social distancing was possible. [\[75\]](#)

On May 14, 2021, Scott [announced](#) that fully vaccinated individuals would no longer be required to wear masks while indoors.

On June 14, 2021, Scott ended the statewide mask requirement for everyone (including unvaccinated people). [\[76\]](#)

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Virginia

On May 27, 2020, Gov. [Ralph Northam](#) (D) announced a statewide mask mandate. The Virginia Department of Health released guidance on face coverings. To view that guidance, [click here](#).

On May 15, 2021, Northam [ended](#) the statewide indoor mask mandate. In a statement, Northam said "[t]hose who are unvaccinated or not fully-vaccinated are strongly encouraged to wear masks in all settings."[\[77\]](#)

Washington

Gov. [Jay Inslee](#) (D) issued a mask mandate requiring people to wear a face covering in indoor and outdoor public spaces. The order did not require masks outdoors if six feet of space could be maintained between people. Children under two were exempt from the mandate.

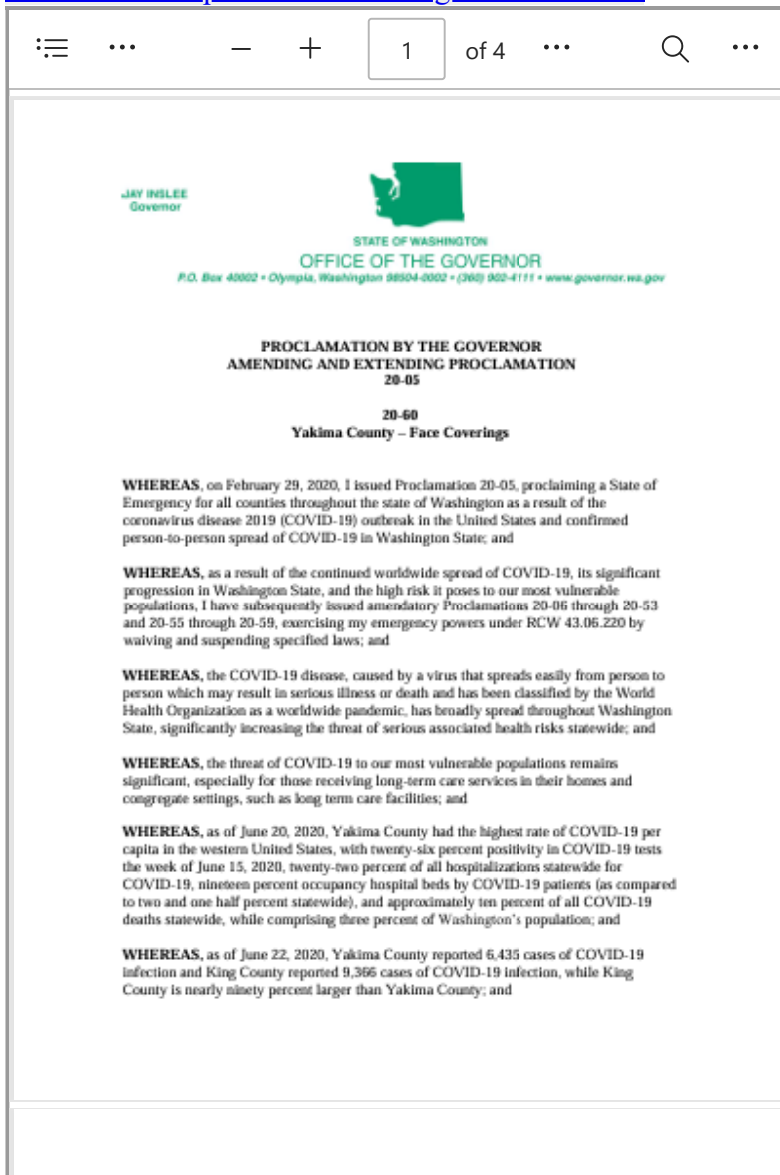
On April 27, Inslee announced that fully vaccinated individuals would no longer need to wear a mask while gathering or dining outdoors in small groups.[\[78\]](#)

On May 13, Inslee [announced](#) that fully vaccinated individuals would no longer be required to wear masks while indoors.

On Aug. 18, Inslee announced that vaccinated and unvaccinated people would be required to wear masks indoors in most circumstances beginning Aug. 23. The requirement did not apply to small gatherings or office environments where everyone was vaccinated and interaction with the public was rare, or while working alone. [\[79\]](#)

On Feb. 9, 2022, Inslee announced the state would lift its outdoor mask requirement on Feb. 18. [\[80\]](#) On Feb. 17, Inslee announced the state would lift its indoor mask requirement on March 21. [\[81\]](#) On Feb. 28, Inslee announced the mask requirement would end on March 12. [\[8\]](#)

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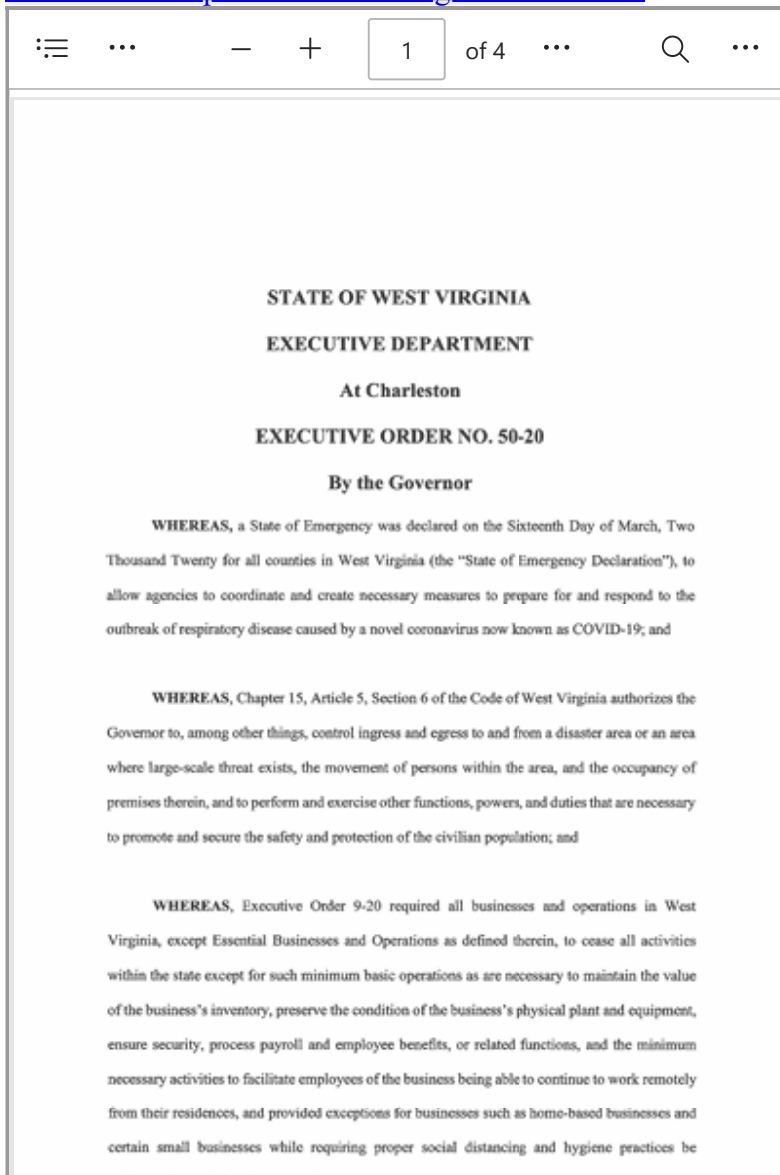
West Virginia

On July 6, Gov. [Jim Justice](#) (R) issued an executive order requiring everyone over the age of nine to wear a face covering in indoor public places when social distancing wasn't possible. The order was effective July 7. [\[82\]](#) On November 14, Justice updated the order to require masks in public at all times, regardless of social distancing. To read the November 14 order, [click here](#).

On May 14, 2021, Justice [announced](#) that fully vaccinated individuals would no longer be required to wear masks while indoors.

On June 20, 2021, Justice ended the statewide indoor mask requirement. [\[83\]](#)

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Wisconsin

A [mask mandate](#) took effect on Aug. 1, requiring everyone five years of age and older to wear a mask in all indoor public spaces.

On March 31, 2021, the Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled 4-3 that Gov. [Tony Evers](#) (D) overstepped his authority when he declared several states of emergency since the start of the pandemic without input from the legislature. In the majority opinion, Justice [Brian Hagedorn](#) wrote that under the relevant state statute, only a joint resolution from the legislature could extend a state of emergency beyond 60 days. Evers first declared a state of emergency in March 2020. The ruling invalidated the state's emergency order, which included the statewide mask mandate.

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Wyoming

Gov. [Mark Gordon](#) (R) issued a mask order, effective December 9, requiring face coverings in all businesses open to the public, on public transportation, at medical facilities (like hospitals, doctors offices, and veterinary clinics), and in non-federal government buildings.^[84] To read the full order, [click here](#).

On March 8, 2021, Gordon announced he would end the statewide mask mandate March 16.

Arguments about mask requirements

See also: [Arguments about mask requirements during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) pandemic, 2020-2021](#)

State and local government policies around masks during the coronavirus pandemic varied widely. Those policies generated a similar variety of responses from pundits, policymakers, lawmakers, and more. The main areas of disagreement about mask requirements during the coronavirus pandemic are:

- **In favor of mask requirements**
 - [Masks reduce airborne spread of coronavirus](#)
 - [Mask requirements are good for the economy](#)
 - [Mask laws are justified to promote public health](#)
 - [Mask mandates should apply statewide](#)
 - [Masks reduce the intensity of COVID-19 infection and sickness](#)
- **Against mask requirements**
 - [Mask requirements are not necessary to stop the spread of coronavirus](#)
 - [Mask requirements give a false sense of security](#)
 - [Mask requirements restrict freedom](#)
 - [Masks present other health risks](#)
 - [Mask requirements have harmful social consequences](#)
 - [Mask requirements are unenforceable](#)

General resources

The chart below shows coronavirus statistics from countries across the world. The information is provided by [Real Clear Politics](#).

Click the links below to explore official resources related to the coronavirus outbreak.

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\), U.S. Department of Health & Human Services](#)
- [National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services](#)
- [Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor](#)
- [U.S. Department of Education](#)
- [World Health Organization](#)
- [Trends in Number of COVID-19 Cases and Deaths in the US Reported to CDC, by State/Territory](#)
- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Vaccinations, Our World in Data](#) (Number of vaccines administered)
- [Coronavirus Vaccine Tracker, New York Times](#) (Progress of vaccine trials)

See also

- [Documenting America's Path to Recovery](#)
- [COVID-19 vaccine distribution](#)
- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) travel restrictions](#)
- [Officeholders and candidates diagnosed with, dead from, or quarantined because of coronavirus](#)
- [Federal government responses to the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) pandemic](#)
- [School responses to the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) pandemic](#)
- [Recalls related to the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and government responses to the pandemic](#)

Footnotes

1. [↑](#) *Virginia is included in the Republican count. A mask order was issued and expired during Gov. [Ralph Northam](#)'s (D) tenure. Northam was succeeded by Gov. [Glenn Youngkin](#) (R) on January 15, 2022.*
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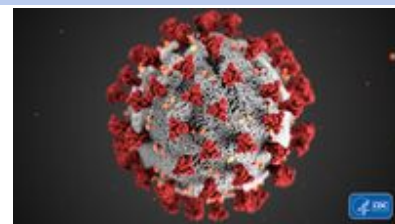
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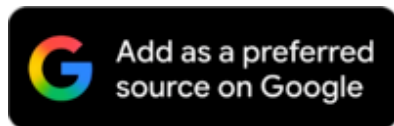
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