IMPACT OF COVID-19 on NATIVE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY

Research

  - Hawai'i has not reported cases, hospitalizations, nor deaths by race
  - California: NHPI 1.5% cases; no hospitalization data; 1.3% deaths
  - Nevada: no race data
  - Oregon: 1.3% cases; no race data for hospitalizations, deaths
  - Texas: no NHPI data
  - Utah: 1.9% cases; 3.6% hospitalizations; no race data for deaths
  - Washington: 1.4% cases; no hospitalization data; 0.5% deaths

- **Devastating COVID-19 Rate Disparities Ripping Through Pacific Islander Communities in the U.S.** Pacific Islander Center of Primary Care Excellence. April 24, 2020
  - Salt Lake County, UT: 233.2 case rate per 100,000 Pacific Islanders
  - California: 217.7 case rate per 100,000 Pacific Islanders
  - King County, WA: 189.5 case rate per 100,000 Pacific Islanders
  - Utah: 132.3 case rate per 100,000 Pacific Islanders
  - Oregon: 131 case rate per 100,000 Pacific Islanders

- **COVID-19 Weekly Report**, Oregon Health Authority. April 21, 2020
  - Oregon: Pacific Islanders have 22% total cases in Oregon, 13.1 per 100,000.

- Los Angeles County: Pacific Islanders death rate 71 per 100,000; infection rate 840 cases per 100,000 [see Media below]

Media

- **Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders infected with coronavirus at higher rate**, Star-Advertiser, May 1, 2020
- **RELEASE: COVID-19 hits Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islander communities the hardest**, DNHH and POL. April 30, 2020
- **DOH says Native Hawaiians have a high COVID-19 rate. But how high?** Honolulu Civil Beat. April 29, 2020
- **In LA County, Pacific Islander are dying from Coronavirus at a rate 12 times higher than whites..., LAIST.** April 30, 2020.
- **Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders face higher rates of COVID-19.** Hawai'i Public Radio. April 27, 2020
- **Lawmaker implies state health director withheld information about two COVID-19 clusters.** Hawaii Tribune Herald. April 23, 2020
  - Kona-McDonalds cluster involves at least one Marshallese worker to worked while sick, infected home, workplace and customers
- **Medical experts share agreements, varying opinions in special HNN panel.** Hawaii News Now. April 23, 2020
Dr. Melinda Ashton, when asked specifically, says the state has looked into disparities among Native Hawaiians and other “minorities” and found none.

Resources

- **COVID-19 hits Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Communities the hardest.** *HJHSW* Vol 72, No. 5. May 2020 (in press).
- DOH adds **posters** and **infographics** in Chuukese, Hawaiian, Ilokano, Japanese, Korean, Marshallese, Samoan, Chinese, Tagalog, Spanish and Vietnamese. April 13 or 14, 2020
- **Native Hawaiians over-represented in COVID-19 At-Risk Populations.** OHA. Corrected May 2020.