

CORONAVIRUS TRACKED: GOOGLE SEARCH TRENDS IN THE US SUGGEST A SECOND WAVE IS ON ITS WAY

Online search trends in the United States **1.** ____ indicate that a second wave of coronavirus infections is on its way. Google searches for terms **2.** ____ "Covid-19 symptoms" and "Covid-19 testing near me" **3.** ____ spiked in recent days. The concerning trend comes as lockdown restrictions in the US begin to ease, **4.** ____ infection rates not falling as significantly **5.** ____ other countries emerging **6.** ____ lockdown. The surge in search terms related to the coronavirus also comes amid mass public protests sparked **7.** ____ the death of George Floyd. The US already has the **8.** ____ number of confirmed coronavirus cases, officially **9.** ____ 2 million on Thursday. Looking more closely **10.** ____ Google trends in individual US states **11.** ____ the last seven days reveals **12.** ____ most of the searches are coming from. This could potentially signal new and emerging hotspots of Covid-19. The search data correlates with an increase in new confirmed cases of Covid-19 in states where most of the searches were **13.** ____ place. **14.** ____ Arizona and South Carolina have seen the number of new cases rise over the last seven days, having previously avoided any significant outbreak. Nationwide searches for other terms that **15.** ____ indicate a new wave of infections have also risen in recent days, including the term "coronavirus symptoms".

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