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Governor Newsom Unveils Blueprint for a Safer Economy

Trinity County- TRINITY COUNTY - Today the Governor publicly unveiled the new county tier system designed to achieve a measured system to bring back the economy, build resiliency over time, and to use the 21 day framework as a slow, steady, and thoughtful approach in order to reduce the likelihood of having to go backward. The Blueprint for a Safer Economy becomes effective August 31, 2020.

The Blueprint for a Safer Economy replaces the County Data Monitoring (CDM) List for determining what businesses can and cannot open. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) will continue to monitor hospital capacity for a county, but this is not an official metric used to determine county status (tier level).

Framework metrics and tier designation based on risk of community disease
Transmission:

- Every County in California is assigned to a tier based on two metrics:
 - **Case rate:** 7-day average of new cases per 100,000
 - **Positivity rate** 7-day average percentage of positive cases per number of people tested
- Tiers and indicators
 - **Purple: Highest-risk tier**
Positivity rate 8%+ and case rate of 7 new cases per 100,000
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- **Red: Second highest-risk tier**
Positivity rate 5-7.9% and case rate of 4-6.9 new cases per 100,000
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- **Orange: third highest-risk tier**
Positivity rate 2-4.9% and case rate of 1-3.9 new cases per 100,000
Some indoor business operations are open with modifications
- **Yellow: Lowest risk tier**
Positivity rate less than 2% and case rate of less than 1 new case per 100,000
Most indoor business operations are open with modifications.
- Criteria used to determine low/medium/high risk sectors
 - Ability to accommodate face covering wearing at all times (e.g. eating and drinking would require removal of face covering)
 - Ability to physically distance between individuals from different households
 - Ability to limit the number of people per square foot
 - Ability to limit duration of exposure
 - Ability to limit amount of mixing of people from differing households and communities
 - Ability to limit amount of physical interactions of visitors/patrons
 - Ability to optimize ventilation (e.g. indoor vs outdoor, air exchange and filtration)
 - Ability to limit activities that are known to cause increased spread (e.g. singing, shouting, heavy breathing; loud environments will cause people to raise voice)

Data is reviewed weekly starting September 8, 2020 and tiers are updated on Tuesdays. In order to move forward a county must meet the next tier's criteria for two (2) consecutive weeks. Counties may only move one (1) tier at a time. Activities and sectors will begin to open under the specific tier criteria outlined on the CDPH website:

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/COVID-19/Dimmer-Framework-August_2020.pdf .

For more information visit the Blueprint for a Safer Economy at <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>