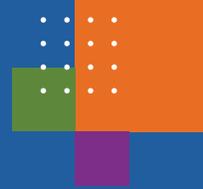


# When Do You Need Your Mask in California?



## **MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED for everyone in indoor public places**

Due to rising COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations, California recommends everyone wear masks in indoor public places (such as grocery stores and movie theaters) regardless of vaccination status.

## **MASKS ARE REQUIRED for everyone who is not fully vaccinated in indoor public places**

People who are not fully vaccinated<sup>1</sup> must wear masks in all indoor public places (such as grocery stores and movie theaters) and should wear masks in outdoor crowded settings when a region is experiencing high COVID transmission.



## **MASKS ARE REQUIRED for everyone in specific places like hospitals and public transit**

Everyone must wear a mask on public transit (airports, planes, trains, buses, stations) and in healthcare settings, K-12 schools and childcare settings, correctional facilities, cooling centers, and shelters.

## **BUSINESSES MAY ASK you to wear a mask or show vaccination status**

Businesses and event venues may require customers to wear masks or show vaccine status.

## **MORE RESTRICTIVE LOCAL RULES may apply**

Check to see if your county has more restrictive rules based on local conditions.

## **YOU CAN'T BE DENIED SERVICE for choosing to wear a mask**

No business or venue may deny service to a person who chooses to wear a mask.

## **SOME EXEMPTIONS APPLY**

Children under age 2 and people with certain medical conditions are not required to wear a mask.

## **REDUCE YOUR RISK**

COVID-19 spreads more easily in indoor, closed spaces with poor airflow and in crowded places where people are close together or talking. Masks provide protection in these situations.

## **CHOOSE THE RIGHT MASK**

Choose a mask that fits snugly over your mouth and nose and choose a mask made with two or more layers of fabric. Read more about how to [get the most out of masking](#) and see California's [masking guidance](#). An N95 respirator, that you wear for poor air quality from wildfires, provides the highest level of personal protection.

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<sup>1</sup>Someone is considered fully vaccinated two weeks or more after their second dose of Pfizer/Moderna or two weeks after receiving the single dose J&J vaccine.

