



Kentucky Hospital Research & Education Foundation Emergency Preparedness Update for February 1, 2020

The latest news on the outbreak and the global response

- US declares corona virus a public health emergency
- Confirmed cases in China grow to 11,791 with 259 deaths
- 7th case confirmed in U.S., according to the public health department of Santa Clara, California.
- Thailand has joined France and other nations in reporting person-to-person transmission of the virus.
- State Department advises against all travel to China and advises all Americans in the country to leave.
- American and Delta suspend China flights
- Quarantine for American flown in from Wuhan
- More nations fly citizens out of China
- The World Health Organization declares the outbreak a global health emergency.
- German research hopes for a vaccine in months
- Facebook bans corona virus misinformation

Read more: <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/world/coronavirus-updates-latest-news-outbreak-global-response-n1127226>

Hospitals in U.S. preparing for potential coronavirus cases

<https://www.lex18.com/news/national/hospitals-in-u-s-preparing-for-potential-coronavirus-cases>

CDC confirms seventh patient

<https://www.cnn.com/2020/01/31/california-and-cdc-officials-confirm-7th-case-of-coronavirus-in-the-us.html>

China quarantine for 50 million. Needs to feed them.

<https://apnews.com/ae3b771d965a635e438cfdeedb62b71>

**Flu season continues, with H1N1 diagnoses picking up, CDC says
10,000 people have died of the flu this season, including 64 children**

<https://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/flu-season-continues-h1n1-diagnoses-picking-cdc-says-n1127391>

14 more U.S. troops diagnosed with brain injury following Iranian missile attack

Number diagnosed with what has been described as mild traumatic brain injury is now at 64.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/military/14-more-u-s-troops-diagnosed-brain-injury-following-iranian-n1127081>

Report Finds Many Ohio Valley Communities At Deep Disadvantage

(WFPL & Ohio Valley Resource) A [new report](#) finds the Ohio Valley has some of the most disadvantaged communities in the country. The study comes from the University of Michigan's Poverty Solutions, an initiative to eliminate or alleviate poverty through action-based research.

The "Index of Deep Disadvantage" combines measures of income, health outcomes, and social mobility, or the factors affecting someone's ability to improve their lot in life.

Two Ohio cities, Cleveland and Dayton, are on the list of the 100 most deeply disadvantaged communities. Other Ohio Valley communities on the list are rural counties: McCreary, Bell, Clay, Wolfe, Breathitt, Harlan, Lee, and Owsley Counties in Kentucky, and McDowell County in West Virginia. The majority of these communities are located in Appalachia.

Of the top 20 most disadvantaged areas, only two were cities — Flint and Detroit, both in Michigan. **Kentucky's McCreary County was the 20th.**

Full story: <https://wfpl.org/report-finds-many-ohio-valley-communities-at-deep-disadvantage-in-health-wealth/>

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