How to Determine if a County is Covered by the CDC Eviction Moratorium

Which counties are covered by the CDC eviction moratorium?

- The CDC ranks a county’s COVID-19 transmission rate on a four-color sliding scale of Low (Blue), Moderate (Yellow), Substantial (Orange) and High (Red).

- Counties with Substantial or High COVID-19 transmission rates are covered by the moratorium and will remain covered for at least 14 days or the moratorium expires on October 3, 2021, whichever is sooner.

- Counties in the Substantial or High categories will continue to be covered until the moratorium expires on October 3, 2021 unless the transmission rate falls to Moderate or Low and remains there for 14 days in a row. The moratorium will no longer be in effect on the 15th day of Moderate or Low transmission levels.

What is today’s county transmission rate?

- Substantial or High
  - You are covered for at least the next 14 days or until the moratorium ends on October 3rd, whichever is sooner.

- Moderate or Low
  - How long has the rate been Moderate or Low?
    - 1 to 14 days in a row
      - You are covered for now. The moratorium will lift when your county has gone more than 14 days in a row with Moderate or Low transmission, or when the moratorium ends on October 3rd, whichever is sooner.
    - 15 or more days in a row
      - You are not covered. You will become covered if the rate rises to Substantial or High before the moratorium ends on October 3rd.
How do I tell if my county is currently covered by the CDC eviction moratorium?

**Part 1**

1. **Go to the CDC’s COVID County Data Tracker:** [https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view)
2. **Select your state and county.**

![COVID-19 Integrated County View](https://via.placeholder.com/150)

3. **Scroll down to the section called “Level of Community Transmission”, which will have 4 colored bars.**
If your county is in the Substantial (Orange) or High (Red) category, you are currently covered by the eviction moratorium and will remain covered for at least 14 days.

Counties in the Substantial (Orange) or High (Red) categories will continue to be covered until the moratorium expires on October 3, 2021 unless the transmission rate falls into the Moderate (Yellow) or Low (Blue) category and remains there for more than 14 days in a row.

You can stop here if your county is in the Substantial or High category.

Part 2

4. If your county is in the Low (Blue) or Moderate (Yellow) category, you will need to take a few more steps to see if your county is currently covered by the eviction moratorium.

5. Scroll to the bottom of the map and click on the button labeled “View Time Lapse”.
6. This will open a second map of the U.S., with each county color-coded by its transmission rate. The county name will pop up when you hover your mouse over it.

7. Locate your state and double click on it to zoom in. Hold down your mouse and drag to re-center the map. Keep double-clicking until you can easily see your county. You can also use the blue + and – buttons to zoom in and out.
8. Click on the drop-down menu in the upper left corner of the map. You can use the menu to look up the county transmission rate for the last 30 days.

Select an earlier date from the menu. The map will refresh with that day’s transmission level. Note that your county will not change color if the transmission level has not changed.
9. On a piece of paper or in a spreadsheet, record each date and the transmission level for each date between today (day 1) and 15 days ago. Count how many days *in a row* your county has been **Moderate** or **Low**. Use the chart below to determine your coverage.

![Chart](chart.png)

**How long has the rate been Moderate or Low?**

- **1 to 14 days in a row**
  - You are covered for now. The moratorium will lift when your county has gone more than 14 days in a row with **Moderate** or **Low** transmission, or when the moratorium ends on October 3rd, whichever is sooner.

- **15 or more days in a row**
  - You are not covered. You will become covered if the rate rises to **Substantial** or **High** before the moratorium ends on October 3rd.

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**Why does the CDC’s website list a 7-day time period next to the transmission rate? Does today’s transmission rate apply to the last 7 days?**

![Map](map.png)

**Map Data:**
- Level of Community Transmission
- Level of Community Transmission
- All Counties

**Time Period:** Sun Aug 08, 2021 - Sat Aug 14, 2021
• No, the daily transmission rate only applies to today. If you are trying to determine if your county is covered by the eviction moratorium, you must look up the transmission level for each day separately. The daily rate does not apply to the prior 7 days.
• The “time period” refers to the fact that the CDC uses information collected over the last 7 days to calculate today’s transmission rate.

What happens if my county’s transmission rate changes?
It could mean that you are no longer covered by the eviction moratorium OR you may become newly covered by the moratorium.

• If your county’s transmission rate was Substantial or High and it falls to Moderate or Low, you are still covered by the moratorium until the transmission rate has been Moderate or Low for more than 14 days in a row. After 14 straight days of Moderate or Low transmission rates, the moratorium will no longer cover your county.
• If your county’s transmission rate was Moderate or Low and rises to Substantial or High at any point, you are covered by the moratorium.

What should I do if my county is at or approaching 14 straight days of Moderate or Low transmission?
• Keep checking the CDC’s county website daily. It is updated by 8 pm ET each day.
• If more than 14 days pass with a Moderate or Low transmission rated, you will no longer be covered and could be evicted. However, other laws may protect you from eviction. Consult a lawyer if you receive any notices from your landlord.
• If the transmission rate rises to Substantial or High before an eviction order is carried out, you will become protected.