



COVID-19 and Meat Packing Workers

Top Challenges

- Unable to stay 6 feet apart while working long shifts
- Fast pace of work line causes:
 - Higher chances of injury
 - No time to wash hands
 - Difficult to wear masks properly (covering mouth and nose)
 - Masks become wet from sweat causing breathing difficulty

source: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6927e2.htm>



How can you help?

Take the steps below to help keep our community safe!

1. **Stay home** if you are sick
2. Try to keep **6 feet away** from others and **wear a mask** at work and in public
3. **Get vaccinated**
4. **Help spread awareness:**
 - Share this information with others!
 - Wear this t-shirt on Wednesdays to help bring attention to the essential work of our loved ones!



Post on social media and show your support with **#SomosEsenciales** and **#PODERenSALUDesRCWA**



COVID-19 Rates in Meat/Poultry Processing Plants

United States:

- 16,233 cases in 239 facilities
- 86 COVID-19-related deaths
- 87% of cases occurred among racial or ethnic minorities

Missouri:

- 1146 reported cases
- 18 reported outbreaks
- 4 reported deaths

source: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6927e2.htm>

source: <https://investigatmidwest.org/2020/04/16/tracking-covid-19s-impact-on-meatpacking-workers-and-industry/>

COVID-19 and Latinos

- Latinos are more exposed to the virus as essential workers
- 21.2% of COVID-19 cases in the United States are among Latinos
- 4.3% of Missouri population is Latino
 - Latinos make up 6% of COVID-19 deaths in Missouri

source: <https://salud-america.org/coronavirus-case-rates-and-death-rates-for-latinos-in-the-united-states/>

source: <https://www.kff.org/coronavirus-covid-19/issue-brief/latest-data-on-covid-19-vaccinations-race-ethnicity/>

Scan **HERE** with your phone for videos and resources about COVID-19



For even more information, visit

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