Record number of COVID-19 infections in five U.S. states

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Washington, August 17 (RHC)-- U.S. coronavirus cases continue to soar, with hospitalizations now at levels seen during last summer's peak.

The U.S. is now detecting over 140,000 new infections a day, with Florida, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi and Oregon all recording their highest caseloads of the pandemic.

In Arkansas, a record high number of patients are on ventilators, with more than 300 people intubated. Medical workers at a Little Rock hospital report they're overwhelmed. One nurse commented: "It's actually really hard. I made it a whole year without crying, and then, actually, a couple of months ago, left here from work crying because of so many — two — two deaths in one shift, from patients that I've had for very long periods of time."

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