

Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review

April, 2020

Adult Welfare

Los Angeles Times. April 24, 2020. Jack Dolan & Britny Mejia. Expanded Coronavirus Testing in Nursing Homes Could Uncover a Higher Toll. The Los Angeles Health Director directed all nursing home residents be tested; expecting higher numbers.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-04-23/coronavirus-nursing-home-expanded-testing>

Fresno Bee. April 28, 2020. Carmen George. Covid-19 Cases Grow in Valley Nursing Homes. State Shows Only Snapshot, not Facility Deaths. The article discusses the Coronavirus continues to show up at skilled nursing facilities in the Valley; some are not reporting the data.

<https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article242345431.html>

Child Welfare

New York Times. April 7, 2020. Dr. Nina Agrawa, Child Abuse Pediatrician. The Coronavirus Could Cause a Child Abuse Epidemic. The article discusses with the anxiety tied to finances, health, and sheltering in place; the doctor is concern about a rise in child abuse.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/07/opinion/coronavirus-child-abuse.html>

PBS. April 6, 2020. Laura Santham. Why Child Welfare Experts Fear a Spike of Abuse During Covid 19. The article discusses concerns about the stressors brought on by unemployment, the virus, and sickness and how during the last recession a spike in child abuse was seen.

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/health/why-child-welfare-experts-fear-a-spike-of-abuse-during-covid-19>

Drought

April, 2020, Drought Update.

<http://drought.unl.edu/>

Sacramento Bee. April 7, 2020. There was no March Miracle: California's Dry Winter Continues, Sierra Snow Survey Shows. The article advises because of the dry winter, water supplies will be tight this summer and fall.

<https://www.sacbee.com/news/weather-news/article241695866.html>

Health

Fresno Bee. April 14, 2020. Brian Melley, AP. Ramped-Up Coronavirus Testing Key to Reopening California. In a press conference, Governor Newsom explained that easing restrictions on staying at home would in part be dependent on widespread corona virus testing. No timetable was given.

<https://www.fresnobee.com/news/article242019006.html>

Fresno Bee. April 16, 2020. Ethan J. Kytly. Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918 Hit Fresno Hard, but Social Distancing Proved Valuable. The article drew parallels to the current pandemic, from closing churches, theaters, schools...had people wear gauze around their faces. The article went on to explain that when cautions were lifted; another wave of the virus emerged; not as deadly.

<https://www.fresnobee.com/opinion/readers-opinion/article242040901.html>

Los Angeles Times. April 25, 2020. Ben Poston, Tony Barboza, AleJandra Reyes-Velarde. Younger Blacks and Latinos are Dying of Covid-19 at Higher Rates in California. The article explained that "blacks and Latinos under the age of 65 had a higher share of fatalities than even older blacks and Latinos".

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-04-25/coronavirus-takes-a-larger-toll-on-younger-african-americans-and-latinos-in-california>

Los Angeles Times. April 23, 2020. Melody Gutierrez & Adam Elmahrek. State is Paying Triple for N95 Masks. The article discusses the State is paying steep prices for N95 masks; with the review saying they are paying 300% of list price.

https://enewspaper.latimes.com/infinity/article_share.aspx?guid=0ff8dd0f-0ac0-49e9-a66a-bf45fa95b529

Newsweek.com April 26, 2020. Benjamin Fearnow. Social Distancing Must Continue Through Summer Month. The article advised that Dr. Deborah Birx says social distancing will continue through the summer months.

<https://www.newsweek.com/dr-deborah-birx-says-social-distancing-must-continue-through-summer-months-1500267>

New York Times. April 27, 2020. Pam Belluck. C.D.C. Adds New Symptoms to Its List of Possible Covid-19 Signs. The article discusses the new list of symptoms include: Chills, Repeated Shaking with Chills, Muscle Pain, Headache, Sore Throat, and New Loss of Taste or Smell.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/27/health/coronavirus-symptoms-cdc.html>

Jerusalem Post. April 19, 2020. Melissa Healy. Coronavirus May Cause Lasting Damage Throughout the Body, Doctors Fear. The concerns noted in the article included impaired liver, heart and lung functions post recovery from the virus.

<https://www.jpost.com/health-science/coronavirus-may-cause-lasting-damage-throughout-body-doctors-fear>

Popular Science. April 27, 2020. Kate Baggaley. Poop Could be the Key to Tracking Covid-19 Outbreaks. The article discusses the possible use of the Wastewater Epidemiology to determine community spikes in the Covid 19 virus.

<https://www.popsci.com/story/health/poop-sewage-covid-19-coronavirus/>

Immigration

Los Angeles Times. April 9, 2020. Molly O'Toole. Trump Administration, Citing Coronavirus, Expels 10,000 Migrants in Less than 3 weeks. The article discusses that after the border was closed last month, this administration began turning people away at the border to include unaccompanied minors and asylum seekers.

<https://www.latimes.com/politics/story/2020-04-09/trump-cites-coronavirus-expel-migrants-at-border>

CNN. April 24, 2020. Arianne de Vogue. Supreme Court Denies Request to Suspend 'Public Charge' Rule for Immigrants During Pandemic. The article advised that on Friday, the Supreme Court denied New York's request to block the "public charge" rule.

<https://amp.cnn.com/cnn/2020/04/24/politics/supreme-court-public-charge-pandemic/index.html>

Poverty

ABC30.com April 2, 2020. Tim Sheehan. Bitwise Creates Website for Californians Who Lose Job During Covid-19. Governor Newsom praises Bitwise for creating the site onwardca.org for job seekers.

<https://abc30.com/business/bitwise-creates-website-for-californians-who-lose-job-during-covid-19/6071598/>

Los Angeles Times. April 5, 2020. Liam Dillon. L.A. Has a Coronavirus Eviction Ban, But Landlords are Finding Ways to Demand Rent. The article said one tenant who lost two jobs was sent a demand letter asking for her Stimulus check.

<https://www.latimes.com/homeless-housing/story/2020-04-05/coronavirus-rent-landlords-pressuring-tenants-los-angeles>

Washington Post. April 2, 2020. Cat Zakrzewski. State Unemployment Websites are Crashing amid Record Number of Claims. The article discusses that across the county state unemployment websites are crashing and not able to handle the numbers tied to the corona virus.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/paloma/the-technology-202/2020/04/02/the-technology-202-state-unemployment-websites-are-crashing-amid-record-number-of-claims/5e84ee3e88e0fa101a758301/>

ABC News/Associated Press. April 6, 2020. Astrid Galvan & Ashraf Khalil. Governors Plead for Food Stamp Flexibility Amid Pandemic. The article discusses the desire of governors during this pandemic for flexibility with food stamps to include online ordering.

<https://abcnews.go.com/Health/wireStory/governors-plead-food-stamp-flexibility-amid-pandemic-69991825>

Los Angeles Times. April 19, 2020. Howard Blume. How LA Schools are Feeding the Masses. The article discusses the critical role that schools are playing during this crisis throughout the state; feeding children by using funds from the Federal School Lunch program.

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-04-19/lausd-feeds-hungry-amid-coronavirus?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+latimes%2Ffeatures%2Freligion+%28L.A.+Times+-+Religious+News%29

New York Times. April 29, 2020. Ben Casselman. Worst Economy in a Decade. What's Next" Worst in Our Lifetime. The article discusses the Gross National Product fell 4.8 percent in the first quarter of the year.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/29/business/economy/us-gdp.html>

Pensions

New York Times. April 2, 2020. Mary Williams Walsh. Coronavirus Is Making the Public Pension Crisis Even Worse. The article discusses the implications of the Coronavirus for already underfunded pension programs.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/02/business/dealbook/coronavirus-public-pension.html>

Reason Foundation. April 10, 2020. Marc Joffe. Covid 19s Negative Impact on Public Pension Systems. The article discusses the market decline and implications for pensions to include CalPERS and CalSTRS.

<https://reason.org/commentary/covid-19s-negative-impact-on-public-pension-systems/>