

Testing Task Force Update

New PCR tests reported: 116,641

Down from peak of ~362,000 tests/day in early January

Average test positivity

past 7 days : **1.9%**

same as last week

Average test turnaround time last week:

- **1 day**
- **< 2 days: 95%**
- **< 1 day: 81%**

Supplies:

- **Swabs: 16.5 million**
- **Transport media: 9.9 million**
- **BinaxNow Antigen tests: 5.2 million**

Reported March 24, 2021 with data as of March 23, 2021.

<https://covid19.ca.gov/state-dashboard/> <https://testing.covid19.ca.gov/>

Antigen Testing Program

State provides: BINAXnow Antigen Tests, CLIA License, Ordering physician

Test:

Symptomatic individuals

Asymptomatic individuals $\geq 2x$ / week (employees)

Pre-entry screening, visitor testing for SNFs

Confirm with PCR:

All positive antigen tests

Symptomatic negative antigen tests

Setup relationship with laboratory for confirmatory testing

Valencia Branch Laboratory

[Testing.covid19.ca.gov](https://testing.covid19.ca.gov), click on Valencia Branch Laboratory link

Resources

- Website: <https://testing.covid19.ca.gov/valencia-branch-laboratory/#howantigen>
- Application: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AntigenApplication>
- Playbook: <https://testing.covid19.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/332/2021/02/Antigen-Testing-Playbook.pdf>
- Flyer: <https://testing.covid19.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/332/2021/03/Antigen-Overview.pdf>