Governor Charlie Baker, declares a state of emergency

On Tuesday March 10th Charlie Baker Governor of Massachusetts declared a state of emergency in an effort to manage a "significant uptick" of coronavirus cases.

"Today, I'm declaring a state of emergency in Massachusetts," Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker said. "This declaration will give our administration more flexibility to respond to this evolving outbreak."

Marylou Sudders, the state's health and human services secretary, announced on Tuesday 51 new "presumptive positive" cases of the coronavirus, bringing the state's total number of cases to 92.

The move comes as the US faces upward of [750 reported cases of the coronavirus and 28 deaths](https://www.businessinsider.com/china-virus-everything-we-know-deadly-2019-ncov-wuhan-spread-2020-1). Other states facing a rise in coronavirus cases have declared a state of emergency, such as [Colorado on Tuesday](https://www.businessinsider.com/colorado-governor-declares-state-of-emergency-over-coronavirus-covid-19-2020-3) and [New York on Saturday](https://www.businessinsider.com/new-york-declares-state-of-emergency-amid-coronavirus-outbreak-2020-3).

Over 116,000 people around the world have been infected with the coronavirus as of Tuesday, with more than 4,000 dead. The majority of cases and deaths have been in China.