

**Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said Monday that the United States' handle on the coronavirus outbreak is “really not good” and that action is needed to curb the spread.**

**In [an interview](#) via Facebook Live, the nation's top infectious disease expert said, "We are still knee-deep in the first wave of this. And I would say, this would not be considered a wave. It was a surge, or a resurgence of infections superimposed upon a baseline."**

**New cases in the U.S. have reached record highs, climbing to around 57,000 a day. Nearly 3 million Americans have contracted the virus, with more than 130,000 deaths, according to data from [John Hopkins University](#).**

**Fauci, speaking with the National Institutes of Health, linked some of the surge in new cases to some cities and states who may have reopened too quickly, **THAT THIS VIRUS IS ONE FOR THE BOOKS****

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