

38% of Hospitalized COVID-19 Cases Are 20-58 Years Old

The coronavirus pandemic is threatening the lives of millions of Americans, including two members of Congress, and it's wreaking havoc on the economy. The government is now taking massive action even as there's been a surprising twist for victims of the virus.

Capitol Hill is not immune to COVID-19. Out of the thousands of US patients with the virus, two are members of Congress. Florida Rep. Mario Diaz Balart, 58, and Utah Rep. Ben McAdams, 45, released statements Wednesday night saying they've tested positive.

And now there's a troubling report out from the Centers for Disease Control saying 38% of patients known to be hospitalized in the US are younger—between 20 and 54 years old. And 12% of intensive care patients are between 20 and 44.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institutes of Health's Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said, "We're asking the young people to help us with this mitigation strategy by staying out of the bars, staying out of the restaurants, really trying to distance yourself."

This comes as President Trump signed a coronavirus aid package Wednesday night, providing free testing and two-week paid sick leave for full-time workers who come down with the virus. "We are all in this together, and we will come through together. It's the invisible enemy," he said.

The next step in the president's economic plan is to put money straight into the hands of the American people. Trump is pushing Congress to approve a trillion-dollar-plus economic recovery package. It could include \$500 billion in direct payments to Americans, \$300 billion for small businesses and

\$50 billion for the hard-hit airline industry.

But will it all be enough? Economist Stephen Moore tells CBN News the economy will recover. “We’ve lived through these crises before,” Moore said, saying there could be a short recession but “then the economy will boom out.”

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