

What You Need to Know About the 2019 Coronavirus

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Transmits via **aerosolized** droplets from the infected person's respiratory tract.



Whether **fomites** play a role in transmission is still unknown.



There have been 2 other emerging CoV **outbreaks** in the 21st century: SARS-CoV (2003) and MERS-CoV (2012).



The current **mortality rate** is around 2-3% and is much lower than that of SARS (37%) and MERS-CoV (10%).



There is presently **no evidence** that the virus can be transmitted to dogs and cats.



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