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## First U.S. shots in COVID-19 vaccine campaign coming Monday, Army general says



(Reuters) - The first shots in a massive U.S. COVID-19 vaccine campaign will be administered as early as Monday, with Pfizer Inc and partners aiming to start shipments across the hard-hit country on Sunday, an Army general organizing the rollout said.

Healthcare workers and elderly people in long-term care facilities are expected to be the main recipients of the first wave of 2.9 million shots this month, with healthcare worker inoculations as soon as Monday and nursing home residents by the end of next week, U.S. Army General Gustave Perna said on a Saturday press call.

Despite months of preparation, distributing and administering the vaccine to as many as 330 million recipients poses a major logistical challenge, he said. The vaccine has complex shipping requirements and must be stored at -70 Celsius.

“We have a lot of work to do. We are not taking a victory lap. We know road ahead of us will be tough,” Perna said.

Pfizer’s vaccine was authorized for

use by U.S. regulators on Friday. Cases are surging in the United States, with thousands of deaths per day, while hospital intensive care units across the country are nearing capacity. More than 295,000 Americans have died of COVID-19.

Doses of the vaccine from U.S.-based Pfizer and German partner BioNTech will be delivered to 145 locations around the country on Monday, Perna said.

The remainder of the 636 delivery locations selected by U.S. states and territories will receive doses on Tuesday and Wednesday, he said, adding that every week going forward Pfizer will have more doses ready for distribution and administration.

Within three weeks, the vaccine program known as Operation Warp Speed should be able to get Pfizer’s shots to any healthcare facility in the country, Perna said.

Pfizer is working with logistics companies United Parcel Service Inc and FedEx Corp to distribute the vaccines. They must coordinate deliveries of doses with shipments of other products needed to store and administer vaccines, such

as syringes, dry ice, and protective equipment for healthcare workers.

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First U.S. COVID-19 vaccine shipments arrive Monday morning - Gen Perna  
“The final mile is going to be the most difficult. Once it hits the hospital or nursing homes, they also have to keep the vaccine under temperature control,” said Cathy Morrow Roberson, a logistics consultant and former UPS analyst.

“This massive clock is ticking, there is no room for error,” she added.

More U.S. residents will be eligible in January, when those in the highest priority populations are expected to have had an opportunity to receive a vaccine.

With distribution imminent, top regulators sought to reassure Americans that the record fast pace was warranted and had not sacrificed safety

“We worked quickly based on the urgency of this pandemic, not because of any other external pressure,” U.S. Food and Drug Administration Commissioner Stephen Hahn said during a press confer-

A shipment of Pfizer’s coronavirus disease (COVID-19) vaccines is unloaded from a United Airlines cargo-only flight from Brussels to O’Hare International Airport in Chicago, Illinois, U.S. December 2, 2020. United Airlines/Handout via REUTERS.

ence earlier in the day.

The United States on Friday evening granted an emergency use authorization for the vaccine for people aged 16 and older. The immunization was 95% effective in preventing COVID-19 in a late-stage trial.

It is the first COVID-19 vaccine authorized in the United States. Britain, Canada and three other countries have already authorized the vaccine.

The Trump administration has poured billions of dollars into developing vaccines and will manage the distribution and allocation to states. Authorities have said general availability of the vaccine is expected by April. An advisory group to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention voted Saturday to recommend the vaccine for patients 16 and over.

The FDA said the vaccine is safe for most Americans with allergies despite reports of severe adverse reactions in the UK in two patients who had a history of serious allergies.



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# Pro-Trump groups march and pray to protest president’s election loss

WASHINGTON (Reuters) -Conservative groups alleging without evidence that President-elect Joe Biden stole the U.S. election gathered for protests across the country on Saturday, including one in Washington featuring President Donald Trump’s recently pardoned former national security adviser.

A man blows a shofar as supporters of U.S. President Donald Trump rally to protest the results of the election in front of Supreme Court building, in Washington, U.S., December 12, 2020. REUTERS/Jonathan Ernst  
Organizers Stop The Steal, linked to pro-Trump operative Roger Stone, and church groups urged supporters to participate in “Jericho Marches” and prayer rallies.

Protests were also planned in Georgia, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Wisconsin, Nevada and Arizona, where Trump’s campaign has questioned vote counts.

More than 50 federal and state court rulings have upheld Biden’s victory over Trump. The U.S. Supreme Court on Friday rejected a long-shot lawsuit filed by Texas and backed by Trump seeking to throw out voting results in four states.

“Whatever the ruling was yesterday ... everybody take a deep, deep breath,” Retired Army General Mike Flynn, Trump’s former national security adviser, told protesters in front of the Supreme Court, referring to the court’s refusal to hear the Texas case.

Flynn who twice pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI about contacts with the former Russian ambassador, spoke in his first public address since Trump pardoned him on Nov. 24.

“My charge to you is to go back to where you are from” and make demands, Flynn told the crowd, without being more specific. The U.S. Constitution is “not about collective liberty it is about individual liberties, and they designed it that way,” Flynn said.

Trump has refused to concede defeat, alleging without evidence that he was denied victory by massive fraud. On his way to Andrews Air Force Base and then the Army-Navy football game in New York, Trump made three passes in the Marine One helicopter over the cheering protesters.

**PROUD BOYS**  
Trump’s supporters carrying flags and signs made their way in small knots toward Congress and the Supreme Court through Washington’s city center, which was shut off to traffic by police vehicles and dump trucks.

Few of the protestors wore masks, despite soaring COVID-19 deaths and cases, defying a mayoral directive for them to be worn outside. Several thousand people rallied in Washington, fewer than during a similar protest last month.

About 200 “Proud Boys,” a violent far right group, joined the march near the Trump Hotel. Many wore combat fatigues, ballistic vests, and carried helmets.

A truck-pulled trailer flew Trump 2020 flags and a sign reading “Trump Unity,” while blaring the country song “God Bless the U.S.A.”

Some Washington protesters echoed far right conspiracy theories about the election.

“It’s clear the election has been stolen,” said Mark Paul Jones, of Delaware Water Gap, Pennsylvania, who sported



a tricorner Revolutionary War hat as he walked toward the Supreme Court with his wife.

Trump “is being railroaded out of office,” he said, adding that Biden won with the collaboration of the Supreme Court, the FBI, Department of Justice and the CIA. The Supreme Court “didn’t even take the time to hear the case,” Jones said

Eddy Miller of Philadelphia, who was selling Trump campaign T-shirts, said he was sure “there was fraud despite what I see on the news” about court rulings striking down fraud allegations.

Lori Hood, who traveled from Denver with her sons, Adrian, 23, and Colten, 11, carried a sign reading “We love you Supreme Court but we won’t tolerate lawlessness.” Adrian, wearing a U.S. flag around his shoulders, said courts in Georgia, Michigan, Arizona and Pennsylvania had illegally substituted their power for those of state legislatures that should appoint pro-Trump electors.

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### Coronavirus Dashboard 12/14/20

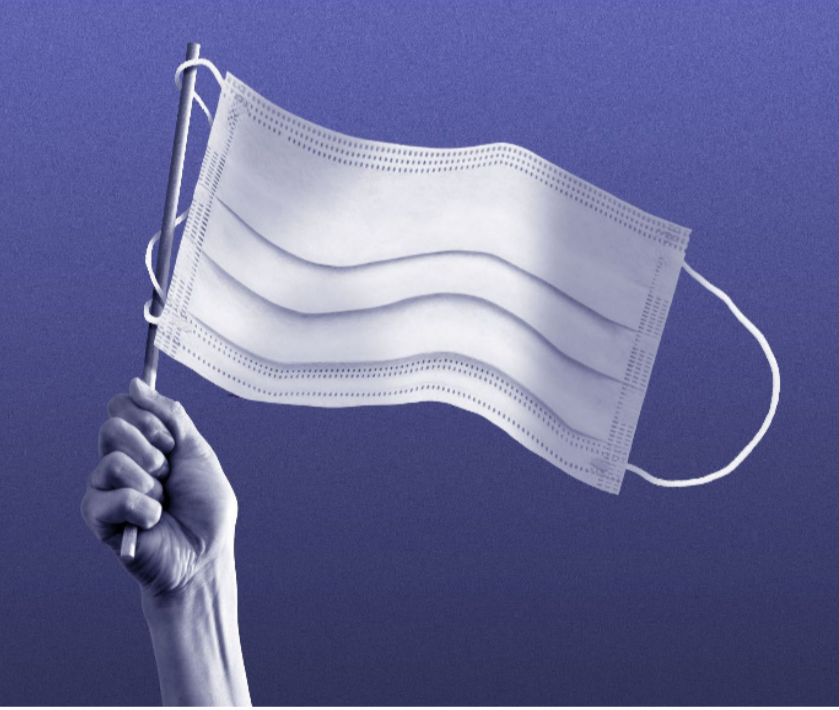


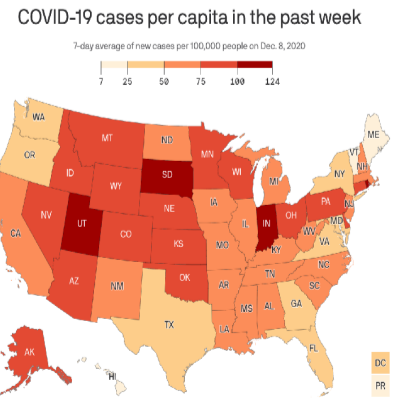
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- 2. **Vaccine:** Study confirms AstraZeneca’s vaccine is moderately effective — FDA review of Pfizer vaccine clears way for emergency authorization.
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**Cases:**  
1. **Global:** Total confirmed cases as of 6:30 p.m. ET Wednesday: 68,762,897 — Total deaths: 1,565,945 — Total recoveries: 44,195,095.  
2. **U.S.:** Total confirmed cases as of 6:30 p.m. ET Wednesday: 15,337,091 — Total deaths: 288,022 — Total recoveries:

5,788,509 — Total tests: 207,581,765.  
**COVID-19 Cases Still Increasing Rapidly In Middle America**



Sam Baker, Andrew Witherspoon  
**Data: The COVID Tracking Project, Census Bureau; Map: Andrew Witherspoon/Axios**  
The Midwest and Great Plains regions, parts of which have already struggled with overwhelmed hospitals, continue to lead the U.S. with the densest concentration of coronavirus cases.  
**The big picture:** With winter approach-

ing — and widespread vaccination still several months away — the virus is spreading with dangerous ease.  
**By the numbers:** Over the past week, Indiana, Rhode Island, South Dakota and Utah racked up an average of at least 100 new cases per day for every 100,000 residents.  
• Another 16 states saw 75-100 new cases per capita per day.  
• Heavily rural states have less hospital capacity to care for all those people and will face bigger challenges from vaccines that require ultra-cold storage.  
**How it works:** Every week for several months, Axios has been tracking the change in daily infections in each state.  
• This week, though, we’re looking at the total number of cases per capita, instead of the change in the number of cases.  
• The Thanksgiving holiday caused some issues with states’ reporting. Everything seems to be back on track now, but we don’t want to rely on earlier data that may not paint an accurate picture of the pandemic.  
The bottom line: There is simply too much coronavirus.  
• Too many new infections are sending too many seriously ill patients into hospitals. Almost 105,000 people are hospitalized for coronavirus infections right now.  
• These infections also are leading to too many deaths — nearly 13,000 in just the past week.  
**Related**  
**Bloomberg Philanthropies, U.S. Conference Of Mayors Announce Vaccine Partnership**  
The U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) and Bloomberg Philanthropies announced last Wednesday a partnership to help mayors across the country prepare for the distribution of limited stocks of the coronavirus vaccine.  
**Why it matters:** Although the Trump administration is leaving it up to governors to decide who gets vaccinated and when, mayors will play a major role in coordinating distribution between state and local governments and building trust in an environment in which health

authorities have frequently been questioned.



**Illustration: Eniola Odetunde/Axios**  
**Details:** The Bloomberg-USCM partnership will focus on supporting cities in three areas: expanding resident engagement, offering guidance on vaccine administration, and ensuring that local

governments have access to the latest information on the virus and vaccine development to address people’s immunization concerns.  
**What they’re saying:** “Mayors have driven the local response to this pandemic from the beginning, and mayors are going to be central to ending it,” said Tom Cochran, CEO and executive director of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.  
• “Distributing these vaccines and building confidence in them is the last big hurdle to ending this health and economic crisis and returning to our way of life,” he added.  
**Worth noting:** Local intervention is particularly important in communities of color, who are experiencing higher rates of coronavirus infections and deaths. (Courtesy axios.com.)



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A surfer takes some air off a wave while surfing after sunset in Cardiff, California, January 7, 2020. REUTERS/Mike Blake



Anurak Jeantawanich, 52, pushes against police officers during an anti-government protest in Bangkok, Thailand, October 16, 2020. “I could sense danger coming,” said Jeantawanich. “I looked each of them in the eye and told them not to come any closer, that there were a lot of young students and girls here.” REUTERS/Jorge Silva



Professor Carole Ichai, head of the ICU, is seen where patients suffering from the coronavirus disease are treated at the Pasteur hospital in Nice, France, November 27, 2020. REUTERS/Eric Gaillard



Protester Patrick Hutchinson carries an injured counter-protester to safety, near Waterloo station during a Black Lives Matter protest following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis police custody, in London, Britain, June 13, 2020. ....MORE



Britain’s Prince Harry and his wife Meghan, Duchess of Sussex, arrive at the Endeavour Fund Awards in London, Britain, March 5, 2020. REUTERS/Hannah McKay



A man takes a break from cleaning his house, which was covered in mud after flooding caused by Typhoon Vamco, in San Mateo, Rizal province, Philippines, November 13, 2020. REUTERS/Eloisa Lopez



A group of chinstrap penguins walk on top of an iceberg floating near Lemaire Channel, Antarctica, February 6, 2020. REUTERS/Ueslei Marcelino



Members of the medical staff listen to a briefing about the coronavirus situation in the city at the department where patients suffering from the disease are treated, in the ICU at Havelhoehe community hospital in Berlin, Germany, October 30, 2020.... MORE

## Most Black Americans Distrust The Coronavirus Vaccine

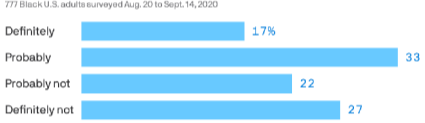


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Strikingly large shares of Black Americans say they would be reluctant to get a coronavirus vaccine — even if it was free and had been deemed safe by scientists, according to a new nationwide survey from KFF and The Undeclared.

**Why it matters:** The findings reflect well-founded distrust of government and health care institutions, and they underscore the need for credible outreach efforts when a vaccine is distributed. Otherwise, distribution could fail to effectively reach the Black community, which has been disproportionately affected by coronavirus.

Among black adults, if a coronavirus vaccine was determined to be safe by scientists and available for free to everyone who wanted it, would you get it?



**By the numbers:** Just 17% of Black American adults say they definitely will get a Covid-19 vaccine if it were determined to be safe by scientists and it was free; 49% said they would not get it.

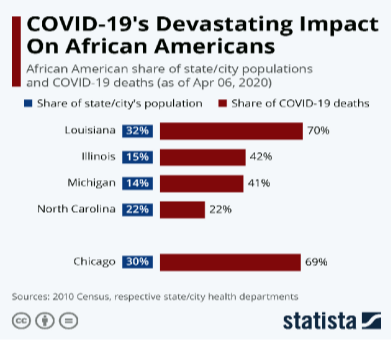
- Large shares are skeptical even among people at the highest risk. Just 20% of

Black people with a serious health condition say they definitely would get a safe, free vaccine, as did 24% of those who have a health care worker in the home and 25% of Black seniors.

- Just 9% of Black adults feel very confident that a vaccine will have been properly tested or will be distributed fairly.

**Between the lines:** Vaccine hesitancy in the Black community is rooted in experiences with discrimination and systemic racism.

- The share of Black people who say racial discrimination in health care is commonplace has increased from 56% in 1999 to 70% now.



**What's next:** Vaccine distribution will

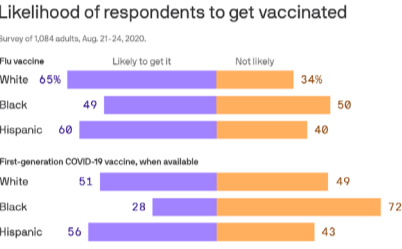
likely begin with health care workers, providing real-world evidence of safety.

- Political leaders and public health officials who have credibility in communities of color could also help reduce vaccine hesitancy.

**The bottom line:** A vaccine distribution effort that is not coupled with a credible outreach effort in communities of color is likely to fall far short of reaching many of the people who are most at risk.

**Axios-Ipsos Poll: The Racial Gap On Coronavirus Vaccine**

Black Americans are less likely than white Americans to say they plan to get a flu vaccine this year, and significantly less likely to say they'll take a first-generation coronavirus vaccine, according to numbers from the latest edition of the Axios-Ipsos Coronavirus Index. **Why it matters:** Black Americans have suffered disproportionately from COVID-19, which means they also stand to benefit from a successful vaccine. But a legacy of medical mistreatment, systematic racism in health care and targeted efforts by anti-vaxxers means that a wide trust gap needs to be closed first.



**Data: Axios/Ipsos poll; Note: 1,084 U.S. adults were surveyed between Aug. 21-24, 2020 with a ±3.3% margin of error; Chart: Sara Wise/Axios**

**Details:** 49% of Black Americans say they are somewhat or very likely to get a flu shot this year, compared 65% of white Americans and 60% of Hispanics.

- That gap is significantly larger when it comes to willingness to take a first-generation COVID-19 vaccine. Just 28% of Black Americans say they would be willing to do so, compared to 51% of white Americans and 56% of Hispanics.
- Altogether, 62% of those surveyed say they are somewhat or very likely to get a flu shot, while 48% say they'll take a

first-generation COVID-19 vaccine.

**How it works:** Experts say that Black Americans' vaccine reluctance is due largely to racism, both past and present.

- During the 1930s, hundreds of Black men were recruited into what became known as the Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment, where doctors permitted the disease to progress without treatment.
- A 2016 study indicated that Black patients were routinely under-treated for pain compared to whites, in part because many white doctors believed in inaccurate differences between races, including the erroneous idea that Black patients have less sensitive nerve endings.
- Just 5% of active physicians identify as Black, compared to more than 13% of the total U.S. population.
- "History absolutely plays a role as to why communities of color are hesitant to get the vaccine," says Patrice Harris, the former head of the American Medical Association. "We need to earn their trust."



**Context:** Anti-vaxxers have also begun specifically targeting Black communities and Black Lives Matter events in an effort to spread misinformation about vaccine safety.

- "That predominantly white, privileged group of people has finally figured out that there is another group of people with real, legitimate grievances against public health and health care," says Joe Smyser, the CEO of the Public Goods Project. "And they can exploit that for their own cause."

**The bottom line:** Black Americans desperately need an effective coronavirus vaccine, but if the medical establishment is going to close the gap in trust, it

needs to engage to directly engage with the Black community before a vaccine is made available. (Courtesy axios.com)



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# 美国人这12种"特殊文化"

经常看到报到,说美国人在中国不能理解的中国人的习惯,比如中国人见面打招呼喜欢明知故问“买菜呢?”“出门啊”。中国人一杯茶水能泡一天,中国人生完孩子坐月子等等。造成这种不理解的原因莫过于两国文化的巨大差异。

中国人去美国,面对美国人的习惯一样会产生不理解,甚至把这些习惯当成奇葩来看待,实在看不懂的,只能摇头说:“美国人真是有病啊!”下面就来看看中国人有哪些“病”是中国人看不懂的。

- 1、一年四季喝冰水  
美国人一年四季喝冰水。它们的饮水机上只有两个档:热水(仅限用来泡速溶咖啡和茶包)和冰水(直接喝)。温水是什么?美国人不懂。美国女生在生理期照样喝冰饮,强健的美帝人民更加没有“坐月子情况下不宜喝冰水”的概念。美国女生在生理期照样喝冰饮;甚至生完孩子就立刻喝一大口冰水解渴!
- 2、上床不脱鞋  
不少美剧迷都有这个疑问:“美国人回家都不脱鞋子的?就这么穿著鞋子踩上沙发甚至上床?”原因有三:一、观念不同欧美人与中国人对物质的观点不同,美国人认为物质是为人服务的,要尽情的享受物质世界,而且,物质来源相对充裕,脏了、坏了就不要了就该更新,所以沙发和床尽管踩没关系。中国人因为东西来之不易,要服从环境的限制,进门脱鞋生怕把地板踩脏了,搞坏了。第二:美国相对干净,有空地的地方就种草,所以灰尘和泥不多,在外面走一天,鞋子也脏不到哪儿去;到处踩踩没关系。第三,美国家里大多有地毯,鞋子穿进家里,蹭蹭就干净了。所以,美国人在清洁地毯上倒是花了不少钱!
- 3、收藏品五花八门  
中国人小时候可能喜欢集邮,集火花这类,至少是觉得这些作品有一定的历史价值。美国人却有很多奇奇怪怪的收藏品,有的收藏自己用废弃易拉罐做的各种物品,有的收藏各种各样的瓷碗。有的收藏上百种不同的锅子。有的喜欢收集手工制作木头头像。可是主人们却当成宝贝来分享。
- 4、边减肥边吃汉堡  
对美国人来说,汉堡配可乐就跟豆浆配油条一样天经地义。这个搭配虽然美味方便,但热量很高;后来街上的胖子越来越多,美国人就发明了一个低糖饮料:Diet Coke(健怡可乐),热量比一般的可乐减少99%。但是说实话,汉堡薯条的热量那么高,光喝个Diet Coke有什么用呢?
- 5、消费还要给小费  
在美国,付小费是一个重要的传统,美国人喜欢自己可以给别人一些东西的感觉,同时也因为它传播“努力工作会有回报”的“美国传说”。在美国,服务业人员的基本工资非常低,在很多州甚至低于当地法定最低工资水平(因为



有些州的法律允许雇主对有机会收小费的员工支付的工资低于法定最低工资),他们需要靠小费填补最低工资差额,小费成为他们的主要收入来源,并且需要交税。在美国给小费是一个很常见的现象,从餐厅吃饭、坐出租车、让酒店工作人员帮你拿行李等等,都需要给一定数额的小费作为给对方劳动的一个认可和补偿。大部分情况是占你消费数额的15%左右。

- 6、早上洗澡  
很多人看了美剧,发现一个问题,几乎所有洗澡的情节都发生在早上,极少看见晚上洗澡的,所以他很疑惑:美国人只是早上洗澡,上床前不洗的吗?美国人与中国人不一样,我们晚上洗澡,他们早上洗澡。美国如果是化了妆的女生,晚上一般就洗洗脸然后上床睡觉。美国人解释说,只要是在有空调的地方工作就可以早上洗澡,如果是在户外,那么晚上也是要洗的。
- 7、户外不晒衣  
在美国的许多地方,有一种没有正式立法的禁令,叫做“晒衣绳禁令”。这并不是联邦政府或州政府的禁令,而是由各种单位颁布的禁止户外晾衣服的禁令。这些单位包括社区管理委员会、屋主协会、城镇规划机构、小镇政府、大学校舍、医院、养老院等。“晒衣绳禁令”最早从城市开始,后来扩展到乡间,不仅在美国,而且在加拿大也有。久而久之,人们习惯成自然,即使搬到没有禁令的地方,也不去户外晾晒衣服。
- 8、喜欢吃罐头食品

美国的超市到处都有罐头食品的市场,很多美国的食物都需要罐头食品填充才能完工。在老美的家中,你会发现厨房里专门有一个地方是放各种罐头食品。几乎所有的老美家庭都这样。罐头食品因为易储藏的原因,也被美国人狂爱。有时候遇到学校义工来收捐赠的时候还指名了只要罐头食品。

- 9、压根不懂客气  
千万别和美国人客气,因为他们认为接受别人的好意就是最大的尊重。他们不懂什么叫客气,什么叫口不对心。你若想要就接受,假如你一直客气的说,不用了不用了。那美国人就真的以为你不用了。总之,千万不要和美国人假客气,因为他们压根儿不懂。
- 10、外裤穿得比内裤低  
这种穿法还有一个专用名词,叫 Baggy pants,是一种在美国黑人社区首先流行起来的裤子,几乎所有的嘻哈明星都穿过这样的裤子招摇过市,贾斯汀比伯更是对这种裤子喜爱有加。嘻哈风潮兴起以后,黑人说

唱歌手带起了穿 Baggy pants 的潮流,而很多白人并不知道这个裤子的起源,也跟风穿了起来,现在已经成为美国街头文化的一部分了。

- 11、直接喝自来水  
美国的大部分州的自来水都是可以直接饮用的,这在国内是不敢想像的。刚开始你可能会觉得十分别扭,因为自来水有种特别的味道。不过这的确是可以饮用。曾有机构做过测试,发现自来水的卫生程度比超市卖的某些矿泉水要高。并且喝自来水而非瓶装水有利于保护环境。
- 12、夏天也穿UGG

大家看《生活大爆炸》第一季第一集的时候,美女 Penny 穿著短T和热裤,脚下却踩著一双雪地靴,会不会觉得奇怪?其实美国人夏天穿毛茸茸靴子的,不在少数。

