

# **Extreme Heat and Public Health**

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How does heat affect our health?









## What is "extreme heat"?

## What causes an "extremely hot day"?

#### The heat index is **temperature** + **humidity**

80 82 80 82 **Relative Humidity (%)** 86 93 87 95 112 121

**NOAA's National Weather Service** 

Heat Index Temperature (°F)

Issued by the National Weather Service (NWS)

#### Likelihood of Heat Disorders with Prolonged Exposure or Strenuous Activity

Caution

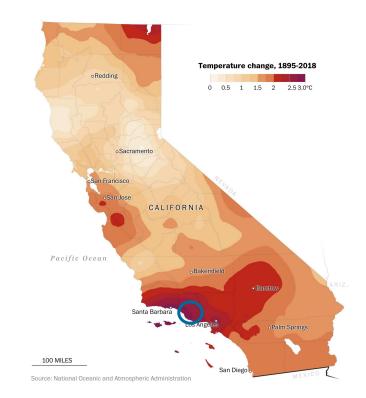
Extreme Caution

Danger

Extreme Danger



# Ventura County is the fastest warming county





## **Climate Change**



## **Global Warming**



# In July last year, the world had the highest temperature ever recorded



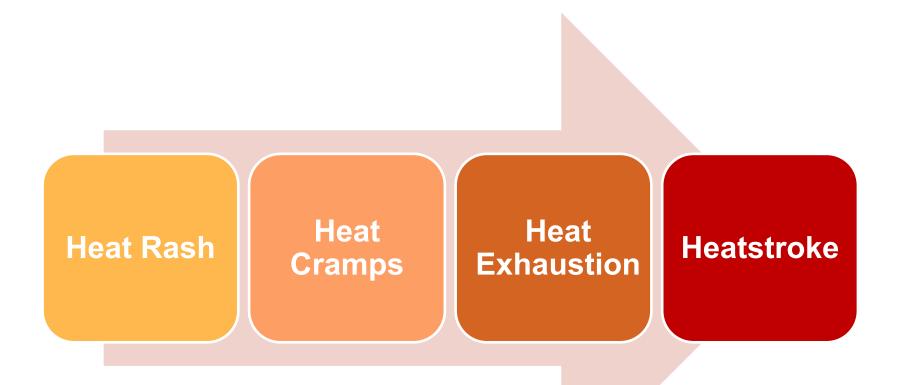
# Ventura County is the fastest warming county in the lower 48 states in the United States





# How does heat affect our health?

#### Illnesses caused by extreme heat







## **Extreme Heat:**

## Who is affected the most?

























# Agricultural workers and extreme heat

### **35** times more deaths than other professions





## Resources and Recommendations (tips)

# Look for cooler conditions



If you have air conditioning, use it



Reduce physical activity when outside







### **Cooling Centers in Ventura County**

OFFICIAL VENTURA COUNTY INCIDENT INFORMATION SOURCE

#### **COOLING CENTERS**

Accessible transportation service is available to all residents by appointment only. To request assistance, please call (805) 485-2319.

#### **CAMARILLO**

**Camarillo Public Library:** 4101 Las Posas Road, Camarillo 93010

Mon-Thu: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Fri-Sun: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

(805) 388-5222

#### THOUSAND OAKS/NEWBURY PARK

#### **Alex Fiore Teen Center**

1375 E. Janss Road (Ages 12-17 Only) School Holiday & Summer Hours Mon-Thu: 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM Fri-Sat: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM





# Make sure your neighbors and friends are safe



# Reduce heat exposure

Wear light, light-colored and loose-fitting clothing



Avoid caffeine and alcohol



Take a cold shower or place a cold cloth on pulse points









#### If you have any questions, please contact Paulina Nava at (805) 981-5142 or paulina.nava@ventura.org



#### Resources

- 1. Fossil Fuels & Health C-CHANGE | Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- 2. <u>https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&url=https%3A%2F%2Fthefifthestate.com.au%2Fbusiness%2Fdeforestation-how-does-australia-fare-in-global-comparisons%2F&psig=AOvVaw1npnX\_ki\_gl0kTv8F6\_rS&ust=1700584530698 000&source=images&cd=vfe&opi=89978449&ved=0CBQQjhxgFwoTCLDLzpyB04IDFQAAAAAdAAAABBP</u>
- 3. What is the Relationship Between Deforestation And Climate Change? | Rainforest Alliance (rainforest-alliance.org)
- 4. You can't take on climate change without tackling sprawl | Grist
- 5. How Climate Change Is Forcing Changes on the Farm Seeker
- 6. <u>Climate Change & Industry The Conscious Challenge</u>
- 7. Effects | Facts Climate Change: Vital Signs of the Planet (nasa.gov)
- 8. <u>Efectos | Datos Climate Change: Vital Signs of the Planet (nasa.gov)</u>
- 9. MRSC Centering Equity in Climate Plans and Programs
- 10. Foundation for a Healthy St. Petersburg (healthystpete.foundation)
- 11. What Are the Social Determinants of Health? Visible Network Labs
- 12. In a Segregated Chicago, Art Puts Environmental Racism on Display (nrdc.org)
- 13. Nos está respirando de frente, pero sólo a nosotrxs: sobre crisis climática y justicia ambiental The Oxygen Project
- 14. Campaña #ApoyoEscazú busca contrarrestar desinformación | Servindi Servicios de Comunicación Intercultural
- 15. <u>Latino Climate Justice Framework | Blueprint for Advocacy (greenlatinos.org)</u>

