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New Mexico COVID-19 update: 188 new cases, totaling 207,189
Seven additional COVID-19 deaths

SANTA FE – New Mexico state health officials on Friday announced 188 additional COVID-19 cases. Per the state Department of Health, the most recent cases are:

- 45 new cases in Bernalillo County
- 4 new cases in Chaves County
- 1 new case in Cibola County
- 3 new cases in Colfax County
- 5 new cases in Curry County
- 18 new cases in Doña Ana County
- 13 new cases in Eddy County
- 3 new cases in Grant County
- 1 new case in Hidalgo County
- 2 new cases in Lea County
- 4 new cases in Luna County
- 2 new cases in McKinley County
- 2 new cases in Otero County
- 1 new case in Quay County
- 7 new cases in Rio Arriba County
- 4 new cases in Roosevelt County
- 14 new cases in Sandoval County
- 8 new cases in San Juan County
- 4 new cases in San Miguel County
- 10 new cases in Santa Fe County
- 2 new cases in Taos County
- 2 new cases in Valencia County
- 7 new cases among individuals held by federal agencies at the Otero County Processing Center
- 26 new cases among individuals held by federal agencies at the Torrance County Detention Facility

The Department of Health on Friday reported seven additional deaths in New Mexico related to COVID-19:

Four recent deaths:

- A male in his 40s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A male in his 70s from Bernalillo County.
- A male in his 80s from Doña Ana County.
- A female in her 80s from Taos County.

Three* deaths >30 days:

- A male in his 30s from Cibola County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A female in her 70s from Cibola County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A female in her 80s from Doña Ana County. The individual was hospitalized.

*COVID related deaths are reported when a death certificate has been issued and some death certificates are delayed due to insufficient information.

The number of deaths of New Mexico residents related to COVID-19 is now 4,379.

The ten ZIP codes across the state with the most COVID-19 cases on Friday, Jul. 16 are:

87016 - 25
88220 - 12
87121 - 11
88081 - 9
87124 - 6
87144 - 6
87120 - 5
87507 - 5
87532 - 5
87937 - 5

Daily case counts and test numbers are raw data based on information the state receives today – meaning data that has not yet been scrutinized to identify potential duplicates or late-arriving positives or negatives.

Including the above newly reported cases, New Mexico has now had a total of 207,189 COVID-19 cases:

Bernalillo County: 59,591
Catron County: 97
Chaves County: 9,107

Cibola County: 2,919
Colfax County: 803
Curry County: 5,372
De Baca County: 178
Doña Ana County: 25,268
Eddy County: 7,011
Grant County: 1,767
Guadalupe County: 477
Harding County: 13
Hidalgo County: 382
Lea County: 8,467
Lincoln County: 1,776
Los Alamos County: 546
Luna County: 3,419
McKinley County: 12,457
Mora County: 177
Otero County: 4,103
Quay County: 541
Rio Arriba County: 3,857
Roosevelt County: 2,050
Sandoval County: 12,387
San Juan County: 15,815
San Miguel County: 1,436
Santa Fe County: 10,734
Sierra County: 782
Socorro County: 1,336
Taos County: 1,776
Torrance County: 894
Union County: 261
Valencia County: 6,981

County totals are subject to change upon further investigation and determination of residency of individuals positive for COVID-19.

The Department of Health currently reports the following numbers of COVID-19 cases among individuals held by federal agencies at the following facilities:

- Cibola County Correctional Center: 451
- Otero County Federal Prison Facility: 448
- Otero County Processing Center: 290
- Torrance County Detention Facility: 228

The Department of Health currently reports the following numbers of COVID-19 cases among individuals held by the New Mexico Corrections Department at the following facilities:

- Central New Mexico Correctional Facility in Valencia County: 302
- Guadalupe County Correctional Facility: 255
- Lea County Correctional Facility: 762
- Northeast New Mexico Correctional Facility in Union County: 167
- Northwest New Mexico Correctional Center in Cibola County: 128
- Otero County Prison Facility: 473
- Penitentiary of New Mexico in Santa Fe County: 219
- Roswell Correctional Center: 229
- Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility in Doña Ana County: 231
- Springer Correctional Center in Colfax County: 151
- Western New Mexico Correctional Facility in Cibola County: 75

As of today, there are 91 individuals hospitalized in New Mexico for COVID-19. This number may include individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 out of state but are currently hospitalized in New Mexico. This number does not include New Mexicans who tested positive for COVID-19 and may have been transferred to a hospital out of state.

As of today, there are 195,954 COVID-19 cases designated as having recovered by the New Mexico Department of Health.

The Department of Health has identified at least one positive COVID-19 case in residents and/or staff in the past 28 days at the following long-term care facilities:

- Fort Bayard Medical Center in Santa Clara
- Genesis Healthcare Uptown in Albuquerque
- Good Samaritan Society – Betty Dare in Alamogordo
- Laguna Rainbow Care Center in Casa Blanca
- Lakeview Christian Home in Carlsbad
- Las Palomas Center in Albuquerque

The New Mexico Department of Health has active investigations into the positive patients, which includes contact tracing and swabs of symptomatic individuals who have had contact with the positive cases.

Every New Mexican must work together to stem the spread of COVID-19. **If you are sick or unvaccinated, wear a mask when in public and around others.**

New Mexicans who report symptoms of COVID-19 infection, such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, and/or loss of taste or smell should call their health care provider or the NMDOH COVID-19 hotline immediately (1-855-600-3453).

The Department of Health strongly encourages the following groups to get tested:

- Symptomatic people displaying the COVID-19 symptoms of fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, and/or loss of taste or smell;
- Asymptomatic people who are close contacts or household members of people in their infectious period who have already tested positive for the coronavirus;
- Asymptomatic people who live or work in congregate settings such as long-term care facilities and group homes;
- Patients who are scheduled for surgery and whose provider has advised them to get tested before the procedure.

New Mexicans who have non-health-related questions or concerns can also call 833-551-0518 or visit newmexico.gov, which is being updated regularly as a one-stop source for information for families, workers, and others affected by and seeking more information about COVID-19.

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