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New Mexico COVID-19 update: 242 new cases, totaling 209,356
Two additional COVID-19 deaths

SANTA FE – New Mexico state health officials on Tuesday announced 242 additional COVID-19 cases. Per the state Department of Health, the most recent cases are:

- 69 new cases in Bernalillo County
- 9 new cases in Chaves County
- 1 new case in Cibola County
- 5 new cases in Colfax County
- 11 new cases in Curry County
- 12 new cases in Doña Ana County
- 33 new cases in Eddy County
- 1 new case in Grant County
- 2 new cases in Hidalgo County
- 24 new cases in Lea County
- 5 new cases in Lincoln County
- 4 new cases in McKinley County
- 2 new cases in Otero County
- 2 new cases in Quay County
- 10 new cases in Rio Arriba County
- 2 new cases in Roosevelt County
- 14 new cases in Sandoval County
- 5 new cases in San Juan County
- 3 new cases in San Miguel County
- 9 new cases in Santa Fe County
- 1 new case in Taos County
- 1 new case in Torrance County
- 6 new cases in Valencia County
- 3 new cases among individuals held by federal agencies at the Otero County Federal Prison Facility
- 8 new cases among individuals held by federal agencies at the Otero County Processing Center

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

- A male in his 40s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A male in his 60s from Lea County.

The number of deaths of New Mexico residents related to COVID-19 is now 4,402.

The ten ZIP codes across the state with the most COVID-19 cases on Tuesday, Jul. 27 are:

88220 - 28
88240 - 20
87121 - 14
88081 - 13
88101 - 11
87120 - 9
87123 - 9
87105 - 8
87124 - 8
87031 - 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 209,356 COVID-19 cases:

Bernalillo County: 60,317
Catron County: 98
Chaves County: 9,165
Cibola County: 2,932
Colfax County: 813
Curry County: 5,438
De Baca County: 178
Doña Ana County: 25,381
Eddy County: 7,211
Grant County: 1,774
Guadalupe County: 478
Harding County: 13
Hidalgo County: 408
Lea County: 8,572
Lincoln County: 1,809
Los Alamos County: 548

Luna County: 3,432
McKinley County: 12,504
Mora County: 179
Otero County: 4,171
Quay County: 549
Rio Arriba County: 3,887
Roosevelt County: 2,069
Sandoval County: 12,518
San Juan County: 15,932
San Miguel County: 1,465
Santa Fe County: 10,833
Sierra County: 786
Socorro County: 1,343
Taos County: 1,801
Torrance County: 900
Union County: 261
Valencia County: 7,067

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: 452
- Otero County Processing Center: 392
- Torrance County Detention Facility: 237

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 121 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 196,698 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:

- Albuquerque Heights Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center
- Desert Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hobbs
- Fort Bayard Medical Center in Santa Clara
- Genesis Healthcare Uptown in Albuquerque
- GoodLife Senior Living and Memory Care in Artesia
- Good Life Senior Living in Portales
- 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 Neighborhood in Rio Rancho Assisted Living in Rio Rancho
- Sierra Health Care Center in Truth or Consequences
- Skies Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Albuquerque
- The Rehabilitation Center of 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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