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New Mexico COVID-19 update: 878 new cases, totaling 221,960
Four additional COVID-19 deaths

SANTA FE – New Mexico state health officials on Wednesday announced 878 additional COVID-19 cases. Per the state Department of Health, the most recent cases are:

- 271 new cases in Bernalillo County
- 62 new cases in Chaves County
- 5 new cases in Cibola County
- 12 new cases in Colfax County
- 13 new cases in Curry County
- 1 new case in De Baca County
- 46 new cases in Doña Ana County
- 59 new cases in Eddy County
- 2 new cases in Grant County
- 1 new case in Guadalupe County
- 1 new case in Hidalgo County
- 123 new cases in Lea County
- 14 new cases in Lincoln County
- 1 new case in Los Alamos County
- 8 new cases in Luna County
- 30 new cases in McKinley County
- 1 new case in Mora County
- 15 new cases in Otero County
- 11 new cases in Quay County
- 18 new cases in Rio Arriba County
- 11 new cases in Roosevelt County
- 54 new cases in Sandoval County
- 35 new cases in San Juan County
- 5 new cases in San Miguel County
- 30 new cases in Santa Fe County
- 2 new cases in Sierra County
- 5 new cases in Socorro County
- 3 new cases in Taos County
- 12 new cases in Torrance County
- 27 new cases in Valencia Count

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

Four recent deaths:

- A female in her 40s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A male in his 50s from Curry County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A female in her 80s from Otero County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A male in his 90s from Quay County. The individual was hospitalized.

The number of deaths of New Mexico residents related to COVID-19 is now 4,459.

The ten ZIP codes across the state with the most COVID-19 cases on Wednesday, Aug. 18 are:

- 88240 - 71
- 88203 - 38
- 87105 - 35
- 87121 - 35
- 87120 - 34
- 88220 - 34
- 87124 - 28
- 87114 - 25
- 88201 - 23
- 88210 - 20

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 221,960 COVID-19 cases:

- Bernalillo County: 63,660
- Catron County: 115
- Chaves County: 9,888
- Cibola County: 2,994
- Colfax County: 866
- Curry County: 5,806
- De Baca County: 202
- Doña Ana County: 26,221
- Eddy County: 8,345
- Grant County: 1,841
- Guadalupe County: 499
- Harding County: 13
- Hidalgo County: 482
- Lea County: 10,190

- Lincoln County: 2,072
- Los Alamos County: 591
- Luna County: 3,525
- McKinley County: 12,883
- Mora County: 191
- Otero County: 4,527
- Quay County: 654
- Rio Arriba County: 4,046
- Roosevelt County: 2,241
- Sandoval County: 13,201
- San Juan County: 16,526
- San Miguel County: 1,602
- Santa Fe County: 11,277
- Sierra County: 824
- Socorro County: 1,392
- Taos County: 1,859
- Torrance County: 979
- Union County: 273
- Valencia County: 7,500

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: 452
- Otero County Federal Prison Facility: 457
- Otero County Processing Center: 436
- Torrance County Detention Facility: 334

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: 303
- Guadalupe County Correctional Facility: 255
- Lea County Correctional Facility: 761
- Northeast New Mexico Correctional Facility in Union County: 169
- Northwest New Mexico Correctional Center in Cibola County: 130
- 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 353 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 199,037 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:

- Advanced Health Care in Albuquerque
- BeeHive Homes Portales
- Bloomfield Nursing and Rehabilitation in Bloomfield
- The Bridge of Farmington in Farmington
- Casa de Oro in Las Cruces
- Casa del Norte in Albuquerque
- Casa Maria Health Care Center in Roswell
- Desert Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hobbs
- Elmcroft of Quintessence in Albuquerque
- Fairwinds Assisted Living in Rio Rancho
- Good Life Senior Living and Memory Care in Artesia
- Good Life Senior Living and Memory Care in Los Lunas
- Good Life Senior Living in Portales
- Good Life Senior Living in Ruidoso
- Good Samaritan Society Las Cruces
- Laguna Rainbow Care Center in Casa Blanca
- Lakeview Christian Home in Carlsbad
- Landmark at Desert Gardens in Hobbs
- Las Palomas Center in Albuquerque
- Miners Colfax Medical Center in Raton
- MorningStar Assisted Living and Memory Care of Albuquerque
- MorningStar Memory Care at North Ridge in Albuquerque
- The Neighborhood in Rio Rancho Assisted Living in Rio Rancho
- Odelia Healthcare (Camino Healthcare) in Albuquerque
- Princeton Place in Albuquerque
- The Rehabilitation Center of Albuquerque
- The Rio at Las Estancias in Albuquerque
- Silver Wings Assisted Living in Albuquerque
- Skies Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Albuquerque
- Sunset Villa Care Center in Roswell
- Vida Encantada Nursing & Rehabilitation in Las Vegas
- The Watermark at Cherry Hills 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. Wear a mask when in public and around others. **If you are sick, stay home as much as possible.**

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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