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**New Mexico COVID-19 update: 719 new cases, totaling 247,353**  
*Nineteen additional COVID-19 deaths*

SANTA FE – New Mexico state health officials on Wednesday announced 719 additional COVID-19 cases. Per the state Department of Health, the most recent cases are:

- 212 new cases in Bernalillo County
- 51 new cases in Chaves County
- 14 new cases in Cibola County
- 13 new cases in Colfax County
- 20 new cases in Curry County
- 1 new case in De Baca County
- 37 new cases in Doña Ana County
- 47 new cases in Eddy County
- 6 new cases in Grant County
- 40 new cases in Lea County
- 6 new cases in Lincoln County
- 1 new case in Los Alamos County
- 8 new cases in Luna County
- 23 new cases in McKinley County
- 9 new cases in Mora County
- 29 new cases in Otero County
- 9 new cases in Quay County
- 17 new cases in Rio Arriba County
- 6 new cases in Roosevelt County
- 50 new cases in Sandoval County
- 34 new cases in San Juan County
- 8 new cases in San Miguel County
- 18 new cases in Santa Fe County
- 1 new case in Sierra County
- 9 new cases in Socorro County
- 3 new cases in Taos County
- 7 new cases in Torrance County
- 2 new cases in Union County
- 38 new cases in Valencia County

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

Eighteen recent deaths:

- A female in her 60s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A male in his 60s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A female in her 70s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A male in his 70s from Bernalillo County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A female in her 80s from Bernalillo County.
- A male in his 50s from Chaves County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A male in his 70s from Doña Ana County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A female in her 60s from Lea County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions. The individual was a resident of the Desert Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hobbs.
- A second female in her 60s from Lea County. The individual was hospitalized.
- A male in his 70s from Lea County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A male in his 80s from Lea County. The individual was a resident of the Desert Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hobbs.
- A female in her 50s from Luna County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A female in her 80s from McKinley County. The individual had underlying conditions and was a resident of the Genesis McKinley Care Center in Gallup.
- A male in his 80s from Roosevelt County. The individual had underlying conditions and was a resident of the BeeHive Homes Portales facility.
- A male in his 70s from Sandoval County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A female in her 80s from San Juan County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A male in his 80s from Santa Fe County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.
- A male in his 80s from Valencia County. The individual was hospitalized and had underlying conditions.

One\* death >30 days:

- A female in her 30s from Bernalillo County. The individual had underlying conditions.

The number of deaths of New Mexico residents related to COVID-19 is now 4,719.

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

The ten ZIP codes across the state with the most COVID-19 cases on Wednesday, Sep. 22 are:

- 87114 - 36
- 88220 - 35
- 87124 - 33
- 87121 - 32
- 87120 - 30
- 88203 - 27
- 87031 - 22
- 88101 - 19
- 88201 - 17
- 88240 - 17

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 247,353 COVID-19 cases:

- Bernalillo County: 69,781
- Catron County: 136
- Chaves County: 11,630
- Cibola County: 3,243
- Colfax County: 1,103
- Curry County: 6,924
- De Baca County: 218
- Doña Ana County: 28,234
- Eddy County: 10,013
- Grant County: 2,017
- Guadalupe County: 563
- Harding County: 15
- Hidalgo County: 532
- Lea County: 12,698
- Lincoln County: 2,548
- Los Alamos County: 646

- Luna County: 3,739
- McKinley County: 13,629
- Mora County: 268
- Otero County: 5,340
- Quay County: 871
- Rio Arriba County: 4,407
- Roosevelt County: 2,538
- Sandoval County: 14,557
- San Juan County: 17,959
- San Miguel County: 2,286
- Santa Fe County: 12,128
- Sierra County: 937
- Socorro County: 1,579
- Taos County: 2,190
- Tarrant County: 1,204
- Union County: 311
- Valencia County: 8,285

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: 455
- Otero County Federal Prison Facility: 502
- Otero County Processing Center: 500
- Tarrant County Detention Facility: 349

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: 316
- Guadalupe County Correctional Facility: 256
- Lea County Correctional Facility: 762
- 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: 222
- Roswell Correctional Center: 229
- Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility in Doña Ana County: 234
- Springer Correctional Center in Colfax County: 151
- Western New Mexico Correctional Facility in Cibola County: 76

As of today, there are 359 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 216,688 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
- Albuquerque Heights Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center
- All Care Assisted Living in Clovis
- Autumn Blessings Assisted Living in Logan
- Avamere in Roswell
- Avista Senior Living (Brookdale Senior Living) in Albuquerque
- Aztec Healthcare in Aztec
- BeeHive Homes Bosque Farms
- BeeHive Homes Clovis
- BeeHive Homes Roswell
- BeeHive Homes Santa Fe
- Bloomfield Nursing and Rehabilitation in Bloomfield
- Brookdale Valencia in Albuquerque
- Calibre Sagecrest Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Las Cruces
- Casa Arena Blanca Nursing Center in Alamogordo
- Casa de Oro in Las Cruces
- Casa del Sol Center in Las Cruces
- Casa Maria Health Care Center in Roswell
- Cedar Ridge Inn in Farmington
- Clayton Nursing and Rehabilitation in Clayton
- Clovis Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Clovis
- Colfax Long-Term Care Center in Springer
- Desert Peaks Assisting Living and Memory Care in Las Cruces
- Desert Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hobbs
- Fort Bayard Medical Center in Santa Clara
- Genesis Healthcare Uptown in Albuquerque
- Genesis McKinley Care Center in Gallup
- Genesis San Juan Center in Farmington
- Good Life Senior Living in Lovington
- Good Samaritan Society – Betty Dare in Alamogordo
- Good Samaritan Society – Manzano del Sol Village in Albuquerque
- Lakeview Christian Home in Carlsbad
- Landmark at Desert Gardens in Hobbs
- La Vida Llena Assisted Living in Albuquerque

- Las Palomas Center in Albuquerque
- Life Care Center in Farmington
- Lovington Healthcare in Lovington
- The Meadows Home at the New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute in Las Vegas
- Mission Arch Center in Roswell
- MorningStar Assisted Living and Memory Care of Albuquerque
- MorningStar Memory Care at North Ridge in Albuquerque
- The Neighborhood Assisted Living in Rio Rancho
- The Neighborhood Health Care in Rio Rancho
- Odelia Healthcare (Camino Healthcare) in Albuquerque
- Princeton Place in Albuquerque
- Ravenna Assisted Living in Albuquerque
- The Rehabilitation Center of Albuquerque
- Retirement Ranches in Clovis
- The Retreat Healthcare in Rio Rancho
- The Rio at Las Estancias in Albuquerque
- Sandia Senior Suites in Albuquerque
- Santa Fe Care Center in Santa Fe
- Sierra Health Care Center in Truth or Consequences
- Sierra Hills Assisted Living in Truth or Consequences
- Silver Wings Assisted Living in Albuquerque
- South Valley Care Center in Albuquerque
- Spanish Trails Rehabilitation Suites in Albuquerque
- St. Anthony Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Clovis
- The Suites at Rio Vista in Rio Rancho
- Sunny Day Assisted Living in Gallup
- Sunshine Assisted Living in Tucumcari
- Vida Encantada Nursing & Rehabilitation in Las Vegas
- Village at Northrise in Las Cruces
- Wheatfields Senior Living Community in Clovis
- White Sands Healthcare in Hobbs
- The Woodmark at Uptown 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](http://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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The Department of Health works to promote health and wellness, improve health outcomes, and deliver services to all New Mexicans. As New Mexico's largest state agency, DOH offers public health services in all 33 counties and collaborates with 23 Native American tribes, Pueblos and nations.