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### Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

#### For Healthcare Providers

For information on evaluating patients for COVID-19, visit [COVID-19 Resources for Healthcare Providers](#).

#### For Patients

For more information for those who suspect they have COVID-19, those waiting on test results, and those with COVID-19, visit [COVID-19 Resources for Patients](#).

#### For General Questions

For general COVID-19 questions, call 1-800-270-7268 or email [covid19info@adph.state.al.us](mailto:covid19info@adph.state.al.us). Telephone calls are answered from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Also visit our [FAQ page](#). For seniors, information is available at (334) 242-5743 or 1-877-425-2243.

#### Situation Summary

In December 2019, a new (or novel) human coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) type emerged in China. At this time, it's unclear how easily this virus is spreading between people. Patients with confirmed COVID-19 infection have reportedly had mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of fever, cough, and shortness of breath appearing anywhere from 2 to 14 days after exposure. Learn more about coronaviruses, how they present, and how they are tested by visiting [Human Coronaviruses](#).

This is an emerging, rapidly evolving situation. The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) is providing updated information and guidance on this website, as well as, [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), as it becomes available.

#### Current Situation in Alabama

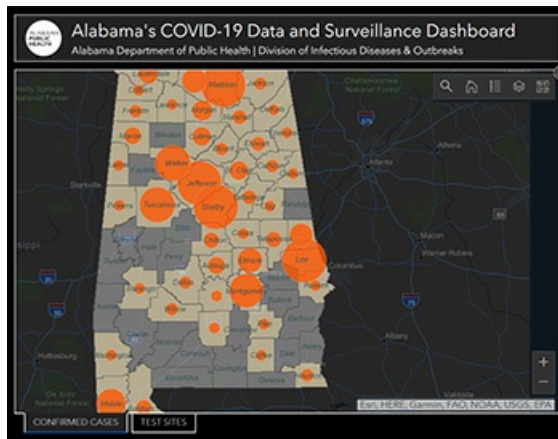
View [Alabama's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard](#) for cases by county of residence and deaths published in real time. Total number of people tested\* and testing locations\*\* are provided and updated once a day.

\*Total tested primarily represents tests that were satisfactorily performed by the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) Bureau of Clinical Laboratories (BCL), along with some data from commercial labs. Commercial labs are required, by law, to report positive tests to ADPH. Some commercial labs do not report negative specimens.

\*\*Testing sites are facilities who have reported to ADPH that they are collecting specimens for COVID-19. This map does not reflect all collection sites in Alabama. Call the testing site for additional information before visiting. Or call the Alabama COVID-19 24/7 hotline at 1-888-264-2256 for testing sites and hours of operation near you. Note: There is no medical advice provided at this telephone number.

You can find updated numbers on persons under investigation and confirmed COVID-19 cases in the U.S. from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#).

#### Resources from the ADPH



- [Message from the State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris \(03/03/20\)](#)
- [COVID-19 News Conferences](#)
- [ADPH News Releases](#)
- [ALERT HAN Messages](#)
- [Bureau of Communicable Disease \(BCD\) News Releases](#)
- [Alabama Dental Treatment Protocol](#)
- [Guidance for Correctional Facilities](#)
- [Information for Persons with HIV](#)
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- [Information regarding Vital Records](#)
- [Pandemic Education, Planning, and Preparedness](#)
- [Print Materials Available for Download:](#)
  - [Handwashing Poster: English | French | Spanish](#)
  - ["Do Not Enter If You Think You Have The New Coronavirus" Poster](#)
  - ["Attention Patients" - Travel Outside of the U.S. Posters: English | Chinese | Spanish](#)
  - [Stop the Spread of Germs Flyer](#)
  - [Share Facts About COVID-19 Flyer](#)
  - [Social Distancing \(Red, Yellow Green\) Flyer](#)
  - [Dial 911 for Emergencies Only Flyer](#)

#### **Resources and Updates from CDC**

For the latest on COVID-19, visit the [CDC Coronavirus 2019 \(COVID-19\) website](#).

- [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Situation Summary](#)
- [Check and Record Everyday \(CARE\) Booklet \(For Self-Monitoring\)](#)
- [Information for Travelers](#)
- [Stigma Related to COVID-19](#)
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#### **Resources from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

For guidance for healthcare facilities, including but not limited to, nursing homes, hospice facilities, dialysis facilities, home health agencies, and for use of industrial respirators, visit the [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services](#).

#### **COVID-19-Related Emergency Orders of State Agencies**

#### **Resources from Alabama State Agencies and other Alabama Resources**

- [Alabama Community College System](#)
- [Alabama Department of Commerce](#)
- [Alabama Department of Economic Affairs](#)
- [Alabama Department of Labor](#)
- [Alabama Department of Revenue](#)
- [Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs](#)
- [Alabama Industrial Development Training \(Alabama Works\)](#)
- [Alabama Law Enforcement Agency](#)
- [Alabama Medicaid Agency](#)
- [Retirement Systems of Alabama](#)
- [Small Business Administration](#)
- [211 Connects Alabama \(United Ways of Alabama\)](#)

#### **Additional Resources**

- [National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association: COVID-19 Fraud Resources](#)
- [U.S. Department of Justice: Report COVID-19 Fraud](#)
- [Coronavirus 2019-nCoV Global Case GIS Dashboard by Johns Hopkins CSSE](#)
- [World Health Organization \(WHO\) Advice for the Public: Myth Busters](#)
- [World Health Organization \(WHO\) Advice for the Public: When and How to Use Masks](#)
- [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency List of Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2](#)
- [American Academy of Pediatrics](#)
- [American College Health Association \(ACHA\) Brief on 2019 Novel Coronavirus: What Campuses Need to Know](#)
- [Information for Funeral Directors and Coroners](#)
- [Marine Safety Information Bulletins from the U.S. Coast Guard](#)
- [For Veterinarians: The New Coronavirus and Companion Animals](#)
- [American Veterinary Medical Association \(AVMA\)](#)

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