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COVID-19

If you have symptoms like fever, cough or shortness of breath **get tested for COVID-19.**

Testing is available.

Call your health care provider first, and follow their guidance.

[Click here to learn more about testing.](#)



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Please take steps to protect yourself. The ADH recommends:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
- Practice social distancing. Avoid close contact with others, especially those who are sick, by keeping at least 6 feet between you and others.
- Avoid going out except to get medical care. If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever, cough, or shortness of breath, call your health care provider. Your physician will decide if testing is necessary based on your symptoms and known exposures.
- Wear a cloth mask when in public and unable to maintain a 6-foot distance from others. Click [here](#) to read the CDC's recommendations. The ADH offers [this do-it-yourself cloth mask design](#).

Alerts/Updates

Related: Click [here](#) for previous briefings.

- NEW: Directives on
 - [Reopening Recreational Pools](#) (May 22 effective date),
 - [Reopening of Casinos](#) (May 18 effective date),
 - [Phase II of Resuming Elective Procedures](#) (May 11 effective date)
 - [Limitations on Businesses](#) (May 8 effective date)
- [ALERT: Everyone Should Be Wearing Face Coverings in Public.](#)
- [ALERT: For Rules Suspended Due to COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Under EO20-06.](#)
- [ALERT: Advisory For Travelers from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Orleans and International Locations.](#)
- [ALERT: Learn More About Chloroquine Warning.](#) Click [here](#) for more information.

Arkansas Department of Health Directives & Orders

May 22: [Directive for Recreational Pool Reopening](#)

May 18: [Directive for Reopening of Casinos](#)

May 18: [Directive for Large Indoor Venues](#)

May 11: [Directive on Resuming Elective Procedures, Phase II](#)

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May 8: [Directive on Business Limitations](#)

May 6: [Directive for Barber Shops, Body Art Establishments, Cosmetology Establishments, Massage Therapy Clinics/Spas, and Medical Spas](#)

May 4: [Directive for Large Outdoor Venues](#)

May 4: [Directive for Gym, Fitness Center, Athletic Club and Weight Room Reopening](#)

April 27: [Directive for Resuming Elective Procedures](#)

April 17: [Directive for Camps, Including Day and Overnight, and Places of Worship](#)

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April 16: [Directive Regarding the Use of Nucleic Acid Amplification Test for the Diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 Infections in Physician Offices, Urgent Care Settings and Pharmacies](#)

April 15: [Directive Regarding Prohibition of the Use of Non-FDA Approved Serologic Tests for the Diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 Infections](#)

April 3: [Directive for Elective Procedures](#) (UPDATE—see April 27, 2020 DIRECTIVE)

March 30: [Directive for Casinos Extension](#)

March 26: [Directive for Limitations on Gatherings](#)

March 23: [Directive to Barbers, Body Art Establishments, Body Art Schools, Cosmetology Establishments, Massage Therapy Clinics/Spas, and Medical Spas](#)

March 23: [Directive to Dentists to Suspend Non-Emergent Dental Care](#)

Arkansas Department of Health Directives & Orders

March 20: [Directive for Schools, Government, Hospitals, Clinics, Restaurants, Gyms, and More](#)

March 16: [Directive to Limit Operations of Arkansas Casinos for Two Weeks](#) (UPDATE - see March 30, 2020 DIRECTIVE)

March 16: [Directive on Extension for EMS License Renewal](#)

March 13: [Directive for Limiting the Transmission of COVID-19 for Long-Term Care Facilities](#)

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- [COVID-19 Positive Test Support Groups](#)
- ADH COVID-19 Call Center: 1-800-803-7847
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- Click [here](#) for more resources

COVID-19 Numbers

Updated as of 5/9/2020, 9:15 a.m.

**these data are updated once a day*

Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in Arkansas

3,747

Click the Status Update Button Below for More Detailed Information

**These data that are shown upon clicking the Status Update Button below are updated three times a day:
Once in the morning, once in the afternoon, and once in the evening*

**ADH COVID-19
Status Updates**

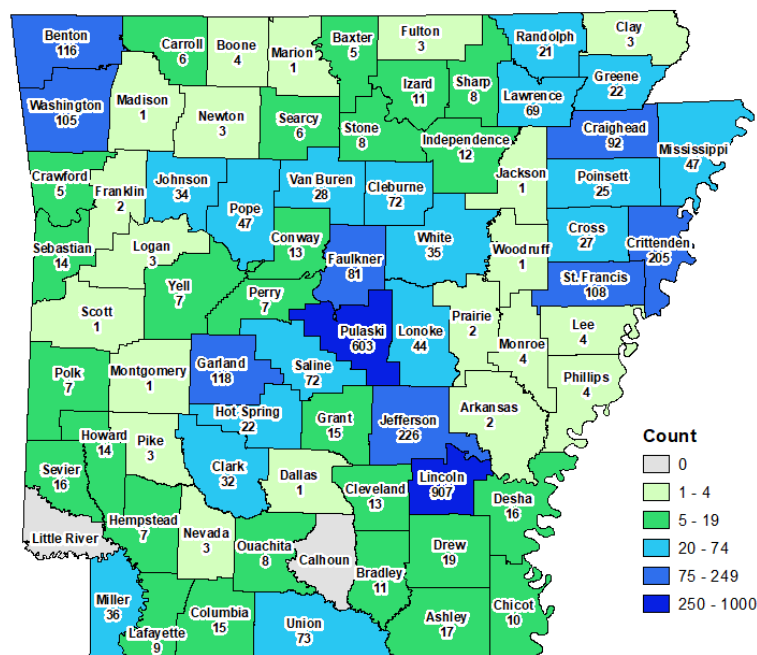
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Updated as of 5/9/2020, 1:03 p.m.

**these data are updated once a day*

Currently Hospitalized	64
Ever Hospitalized	471
Currently on Ventilator	14
Ever on Ventilator	96
Total Nursing Home Residents	270
Gender	Male = 59.9% Female = 39.8%
Age	0-17: 127 18-24: 320 25-44: 1,424 45-64: 1,251 65+: 625
Race	Black: 1,322 White: 1,922 Hispanic: 191 American Indian: 9 Asian: 44 Pacific Islander: 53 Multiracial: 19 Other: 152 Missing: 226

Number of Positive COVID-19 Cases



Total Number of Positive Cases*: 3,747

As of 5/8/2020 at 11:00 am



Date: May 8, 2020
Source: Arkansas Department of Health
Map created by: Donald McCormick, MSHI

*At the creation of this map, 154 cases (148 - private labs, 6 - public labs) did not have a county associated with the test and requires further follow-up

- [COVID-19 hospitalizations as of May 9, 2020](#)
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ADH has activated a call center to answer questions from health care providers and the public about the novel coronavirus. During normal business hours (8:00am – 4:30pm), urgent and non-urgent calls, please call 1-800-803-7847 or [email us](#).

Click [here](#) for a list of Local Health Units that are partially or fully closed. All other health units not listed are fully open. The list is subject to change on a day to day basis.

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