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## COVID-19



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### To protect yourself and others, 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](#) (effective May 22)
  - [Regarding Summer Day Camps](#) (effective May 18)
  - [Travelers from “Hot Spot” and International Locations](#) (effective May 14)
- UPDATE: [Directive on Resuming Elective Procedures, Phase II](#) (revised; effective May 18)
- ALERT: [Everyone Should Be Wearing Face Coverings in Public](#)
- ALERT: [For Rules Suspended Due to COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Under EO20-06](#)
- 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 Regarding Summer Day Camps](#)

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

May 18: [Directive for Large Indoor Venues | Spanish](#) | To submit an increased capacity proposal for agriculture related events (rodeos, fairs, livestock shows, etc), please click [HERE](#).

May 14: [Directive for Travelers from “Hot Spot” and International Locations](#)

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

May 11: [Directive on Resuming Restaurant Dine-In Operations | Spanish](#)

May 11: [Directive on Resuming Elective Dental Services](#)

May 8: [Directive Regarding Prohibition of the Use of Non-FDA Approved Serologic Tests for the Diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 Infections](#)

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

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

May 4: [Directive for Large Outdoor Venues](#) | To submit an increased capacity proposal for agriculture related events (rodeos, fairs, livestock shows, etc), please click [HERE](#).

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

April 17: [Directive for Approval of Emergency Responder Activities](#)

## Arkansas Department of Health Directives & Orders

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](#)

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

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

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

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

For a complete list of Directives, click [here](#).

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- [When Can I Stop Isolation or Quarantine?](#)
- [COVID-19 Positive Test Support Groups](#)
- [COVID-19 information for the state of Arkansas](#)
- ADH COVID-19 Call Center: 1-800-803-7847
- [Email the ADH COVID-19 Team](#)
- [ADH news releases](#)
- Click [here](#) for more resources

## COVID-19 Numbers

Updated as of 5/20/2020, 11:33 a.m.

*\*these data are provisional and subject to change. Updates are made once a day.*

Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in Arkansas

5,003

Click the Status Update Button Below for More Detailed Information

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# ADH COVID-19 Status Updates

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Updated as of 5/20/2020, 8:20 a.m.

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Currently Hospitalized	78
Ever Hospitalized	535
Currently on Ventilator	14
Ever on Ventilator	101
Total Nursing Home Residents	325

- [COVID-19 hospitalizations as of May 19, 2020](#)
- [COVID-19 Testing data as of May 19, 2020](#)

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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