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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 physical distancing. Avoid close contact with others, especially those who are sick, by keeping at least 6 feet between you and others.
- If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 or develop a fever, cough, or shortness of breath, seek testing. [Testing is available in many locations](#), including ADH Local Health Units.
- Wear a face covering when you are exposed to non-household members and physical distancing cannot be assured. Click [here](#) to read the requirements.

### Alerts/Updates

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

- **NEW:** [Directive for Community and School Sponsored Team Sports](#)
- **NEW:** [Directive for Large Outdoor Venue and Large Indoor Venue Plans for School-Sponsored Team Sports](#)
- **NEW:** [COVID-19 Testing Primer](#)
- **NEW:** [Directive on Resuming Elective Procedures, Phase IV](#)
- **NEW:** [Masks are Required Signage](#) | [Spanish](#)
- **UPDATE:** [Directive for Community-School Sponsored Music and Theater Return to Play](#)
- **UPDATE:** [Directive for Community and School Sponsored Team Sports](#)
- **UPDATE:** [How long should quarantine or isolation last?](#)
- **ALERT:** [COVID-19 Guidance for Schools](#) | Resource Call Center 1-833-353-6050
- **ALERT:** [Click here to apply to be a contact tracer](#)
- **ALERT:** [Quarantine required after exposure to COVID-19 even with negative test](#)
- **ALERT:** [Rules Suspended Due to COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Under EO20-06](#)

## Arkansas Department of Health Directives & Orders

August 14: [Directive for Large Outdoor Venue and Large Indoor Venue Plans for School-Sponsored Team Sports](#)

August 5: [Directive for Community-School Sponsored Music and Theater Return to Play](#) (amended August 14, 2020)

August 1: [Directive on Resuming Elective Procedures, Phase IV](#)

July 20: [Directive on Face Coverings](#) | [Information on Executive Order 20-43](#)

June 15: [Directive for Reopening of Casinos Phase II](#)

June 15: [Directive for Gym, Fitness Center, Athletic Club and Weight Room Reopening Phase II](#) (amended June 22, 2020)

June 15: [Directive on Business Limitations Phase II](#)

June 15: [Directive on Resuming Restaurant Dine-in Operations Phase II](#)

June 15: [Directive on Resuming Bar or Club Operations Phase II](#)

June 15: [Directive for Barber Shops, Body Art Establishments, Cosmetology Establishments, Massage Therapy Clinics/Spas, and Medical Spas Phase II](#)

June 15: [Directive Regarding Large Indoor Venues Phase II](#) | To submit an increased capacity proposal for agriculture related events (rodeos, fairs, livestock shows, etc), please click [HERE](#), all other proposals click [HERE](#).

June 15: [Directive Regarding Large Outdoor Venues Phase II](#) | To submit an increased capacity proposal for agriculture related events (rodeos, fairs, livestock shows, etc), please click [HERE](#), all other proposals click [HERE](#).

## Arkansas Department of Health Directives & Orders

June 15: [Directive on Resuming Elective Dental Services](#) (revised June 22, 2020)

June 1: [Directive Regarding Community and School Team Sports](#) (amended Aug. 10, 2020)

May 21: [Directive Regarding Overnight Camps](#)

May 18: [Directive Regarding Summer Day Camps](#)

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

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](#).

## ADH Guidances

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## Resources



- [COVID-19 Fabric Mask Pattern](#)
- [COVID-19 Positive Test Support Groups](#)
- [COVID-19 information for the state of Arkansas](#)
- For immediate quarantine and isolation sheltering needs for homeless or displaced individuals, please call 501-661-2136.
- 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 8/21/2020, 1:56 p.m.

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Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in Arkansas

56,199

Click the Status Update Button Below for More Detailed Information

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# ADH COVID-19 Status Updates

**\*\*For best performance, please avoid using Internet Explorer**

## COVID-19 Update August 22, 2020



### STATEWIDE NUMBERS

|                    |        |                     |         |
|--------------------|--------|---------------------|---------|
| TOTAL CASES:       | 56,199 | TESTS THIS MONTH:   | 129,159 |
| ACTIVE CASES:      | 5,761  | TESTS YESTERDAY:    | 6,202   |
| RECOVERIES:        | 49,764 | TOTAL DEATHS:       | 674     |
| CASES ADDED TODAY: | 547    | DEATHS ADDED TODAY: | 11      |

CORRECTIONAL: 56  
COMMUNITY: 491

#### HOSPITAL DATA

Most recent statewide data available.

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| Hospitalized:       | 492   |
| -Change from 8/21:  | -17   |
| On ventilators:     | 108   |
| -Change from 8/21:  | -12   |
| Ever hospitalized:  | 3,908 |
| Ever on ventilator: | 502   |

#### AGE STATISTICS

Data reflects cumulative positive cases through today.

|        |       |
|--------|-------|
| 0-17:  | 12.6% |
| 18-24: | 13.4% |
| 25-44: | 35.8% |
| 45-64: | 26.5% |
| 65+:   | 11.6% |

\* All data are provisional and subject to change.  
Testing data reflects result date.

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#### Charts

- [COVID-19 Weekly active cases report as of August 20, 2020](#)
- [COVID-19 Hospitalizations as of August 21, 2020](#)
- [COVID-19 Testing Data as of August 22, 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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