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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

Click [here](#) for the Governor's Weekly COVID-19 Press Briefings.

- **NEW:** [Be Well Arkansas: Cancel COVID on College Campuses Video Challenge](#)
- **NEW:** [Antigen Total Cases](#)
- **NEW:** [Report on Educational Institutions with 5 or More Active Cases](#)
- **NEW:** For a full list of COVID-19 reports, click [here](#).

- **NEW:** [Masks are Required Signage](#) | [Spanish](#)
- **UPDATE:** [Directive on Resuming Restaurant Dine-in Operations Phase II](#)
- **ALERT:** [COVID-19 Guidance for Schools](#) | Resource Call Center 1-833-353-6050
- **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

September 9: [Directive on Resuming Restaurant Dine-in Operations Phase II](#) (Modified)

August 26: [Directive on Face Coverings](#)

August 21: [Directive for Community and School-Sponsored Team Sports](#)

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](#)

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 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](#).

June 15: [Directive on Resuming Elective Dental Services](#) (revised June 22, 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 13: [Directive for Limiting the Transmission of COVID-19 for Long-Term Care Facilities](#)

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- [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 9/17/2020, 4:37 p.m.

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

Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in Arkansas	71,614
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**ADH COVID-19
Status Updates**

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[*Antigen Total Cases](#)

COVID-19 Update

September 17, 2020



CONFIRMED CASES

CASES:	71,614
ACTIVE CASES:	5,726
RECOVERIES:	64,145
CASES ADDED TODAY:	883
• CORRECTIONAL: 52 • COMMUNITY: 831	

PCR TESTING

PCR TESTS THIS MONTH:	118,866
PCR TESTS YESTERDAY:	7,910
DEATHS ADDED TODAY:	8
CONFIRMED DEATHS:	1,018

PROBABLE CASES

CASES:	1,597
ACTIVE CASES:	374
PROBABLE DEATHS:	148

ANTIGEN TESTING

TESTS YESTERDAY:	1,746
POSITIVES YESTERDAY:	223
TESTS THIS MONTH:	9,348

TOTAL CASES: 73,211
TOTAL ACTIVE CASES: 6,100
TOTAL DEATHS: 1,166

HOSPITAL DATA

Most recent statewide data available.

Hospitalized:	389
-Change from 9/16:	+2
On ventilators:	72
-Change from 9/16:	+7
Ever hospitalized:	4,896
Ever on ventilator:	619

TODAY'S TOP COUNTIES

Counties with most new confirmed cases added today.

- 1) Pulaski: 67
- 2) Sebastian: 60
- 3) Washington: 54
- 4) Benton: 34
- 5) Craighead: 32
- 5) Jefferson: 32

* All data are provisional and subject to change. Testing data reflects result date. Total number of antigen positive tests will not equal total number of probable cases. Some cases had confirmatory PCR testing and became confirmed cases.

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

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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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