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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

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Updated March 21, 2020



The national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) continue to closely monitor the outbreak of respiratory illnesses caused by the novel (new) coronavirus COVID-19, and are working to limit the spread of cases nationally and in Mississippi. MSDH is actively working with doctors and hospitals on responding safely and effectively to COVID-19.

Healthcare Professionals Guidances and more

Current Cases and Statistics County and state data

Prevention and **Preparation** Personal and community

Next week MSDH will be setting up six drive-up testing sites across the state with assistance from the National Guard and the Mississippi Highway Patrol. The sites are aimed at those with COVID-19 symptoms such as fever of 100.4 or greater and severe cough or chest pain. We'll be checking temperatures and getting samples to the state Public Health Lab for testing as part of a larger effort to get wide-scale COVID-19 testing under way for those who need it most.

Mississippi Coronavirus Hotline (available 24/7): 877-978-6453

COVID-19 in Mississippi and the U.S.

Cases of COVID-19 continue to be identified in U.S. states and in Mississippi. This is a rapidly changing situation that is continually being monitored by the CDC and MSDH as more cases in the U.S. are expected.

Mississippians are advised to take health precautions to prevent the possible transmission of disease, and stay in touch for the latest information on the situation in Mississippi.

About our case count: We currently update our map and statistics each morning with test results from the previous day. Outside laboratories also report positive test results to us, which are included our totals.

Mississippi COVID-19 Cases

New cases as of 6 p.m. March 20, 2020

County	Cases	Deaths
Attala	1	0
Clay	1	0
Coahoma	2	0
De Soto	9	0
Forrest	1	0
Franklin	1	0
George	1	0
Grenada	1	0
Hancock	1	0
Harrison	2	0

County	Cases	Deaths
Hinds	7	0
Itawamba	3	0
Jackson	2	0
Lafayette	1	0
Leake	1	0
Lee	4	0
Lincoln	1	0
Lowndes	4	0
Madison	4	0
Marshall	1	0
Panola	1	0
Pearl River	2	0
Pike	1	0
Rankin	4	0
Simpson	1	0
Tunica	1	0
Union	1	0
Washington	1	0
Total	60	0

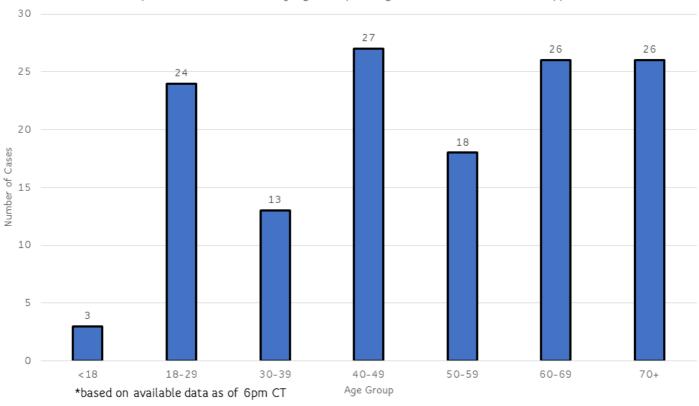
All Mississippi cases to date

County	Cases	Deaths	
Adams	1	0	
Attala	1	0	
Bolivar	2	0	
Clay	1	0	
Coahoma	5	0	
Copiah	2		
DeSoto	13	0	
Forrest	5	0	
Franklin	2	0	
George	1	0	
Grenada	1	0	

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County	Cases	Deaths
Hancock	4	1
Harrison	10	0
Hinds	14	0
Holmes	3	0
Humphreys	1	0
Itawamba	3	0
Jackson	5	0
Jones	1	0
Lafayette	2	0
Lawrence	1	0
Leake	1	0
Lee	5	0
Leflore	7	0
Lincoln	1	0
Lowndes	4	0
Madison	7	0
Marshall	2	0
Monroe	2	0
Panola	1	0
Pearl River	9	0
Perry	1	0
Pike	2	0
Rankin	7	0
Simpson	1	0
Smith	1	0
Tippah	3	0
Tunica	1	0
Union	1	0
Walthall	1	0
Washington	1	0
Webster	1	0
Wilkinson	1	0

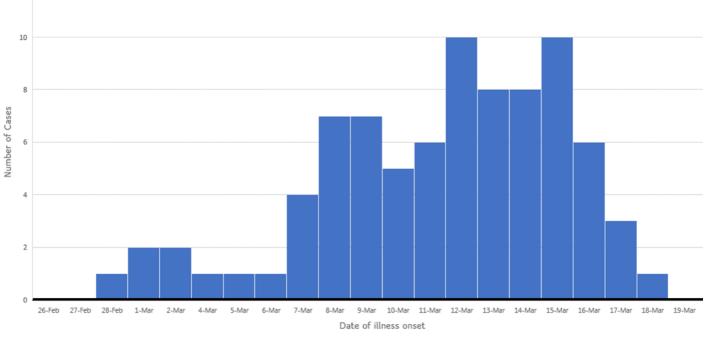
County	Cases	Deaths
Winston	1	0
Yazoo	1	0
Total	140	1

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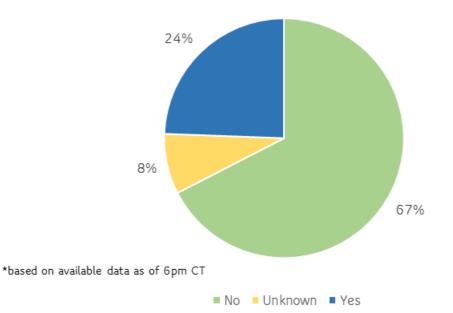


Reported COVID-19 Cases by Age Group through March 20, 2020*, Mississippi

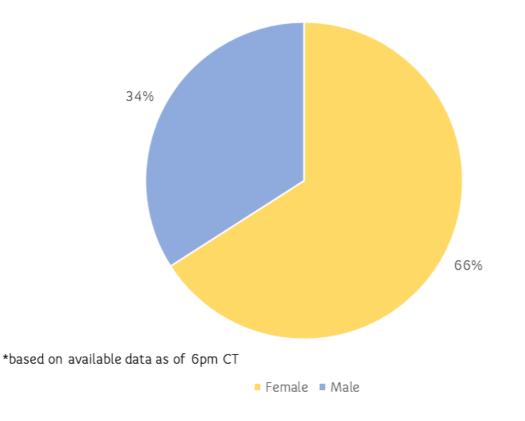
Reported COVID-19 Cases by Date of Onset through March 20, 2020*, Mississippi



Number of Cases



Reported COVID-19 Cases by Gender through March 20, 2020*, Mississippi



U.S. and World Cases

- Coronavirus COVID-19 cases in the United States (CDC)
- COVID-19 Global Case Map (Johns Hopkins University)

COVID-19 Testing

• Total individuals tested for COVID-19: 775

Updated March 20, 2020. Includes testing by the MSDH Public Health Laboratory only.

The MSDH Public Health Laboratory is testing samples submitted by Mississippi physicians and healthcare providers around the state in cases where COVID-19 is determined to be a risk. Anyone with symptoms of fever, severe cough or severe chest pains – especially those who are older or in poor health – should call their doctor or healthcare provider for instructions on safely being examined. Healthcare providers can assess your health history and symptoms, and perform testing for COVID-19 as needed.

Video: A tour through COVID-19 testing at the MSDH Public Health Lab

What MSDH Is Doing

The Mississippi State Department of Health is aggressively responding to the rapidly evolving COVID-19 situation. With other state agencies, it has activated emergency operations in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Mississippi.

Other steps that MSDH is taking include:

- Surveillance: Increasing surveillance (monitoring) activities to identify cases of COVID-19 as quickly as possible and to limit person-to-person transmission.
- Testing: Making COVID-19 testing available for healthcare providers through the MSDH Public Health Laboratory.
- Planning: Working directly with hospitals and healthcare providers across the state to plan for possible cases of COVID-19, preparing them to identify and safely treat cases.
- Readiness: Assessing statewide hospital capacities, ensuring the capacity of the MSDH Public Health Laboratory for COVID-19 testing, and informing all Mississippi healthcare providers about procedures for identifying and testing for coronavirus cases.
- Information: Providing guidance to business, education and other entities on how to respond to the possible spread of COVID-19 in the community.

Prevention and Preparation for Individuals and the Community

▶ Preventive steps to take, recommendations, guidances and general information on COVID-19

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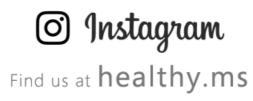
COVID-19 Guidance and Preventive Steps for Individuals and the Community Updated March 20, 2020

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