

April 8, 2020 “Hunker Down. Save Our Town”

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Big Horn County

COVID-19 Update/Response

For Immediate Release

The only way we have to beat this enemy is to keep out of its way.

I’ve been getting requests to loosen restrictions or allow exceptions. I know we are all getting a little stir crazy. The only way this works, is to not give the virus a chance to spread. When we venture out to meet someone in a small gathering, we then bring that exposure home to our family. If everyone does that, it gives the virus the chance to jump from family to family. Passover is today. Let us celebrate that event by staying in our homes and doing everything we can to ensure that that virus passes over our homes and county without taking the lives of our family members, as in times of old.

As of yesterday afternoon, we have **221** cases in Wyoming. We have **62** people who have fully recovered and are not quarantined or hospitalized anymore. **NO DEATHS**. We still have **NO CASES** in Big Horn County, with 30 tests resulted and 2 pending.

As the graph above shows – WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE! IF WE LET UP NOW, WE LOSE OUR EFFORTS.

Models show that the next several weeks are critical. If we keep up our efforts, we can limit our losses. Stay the course. “Hunker Down. Save Our Town!”

COVID-19 Map and Statistics

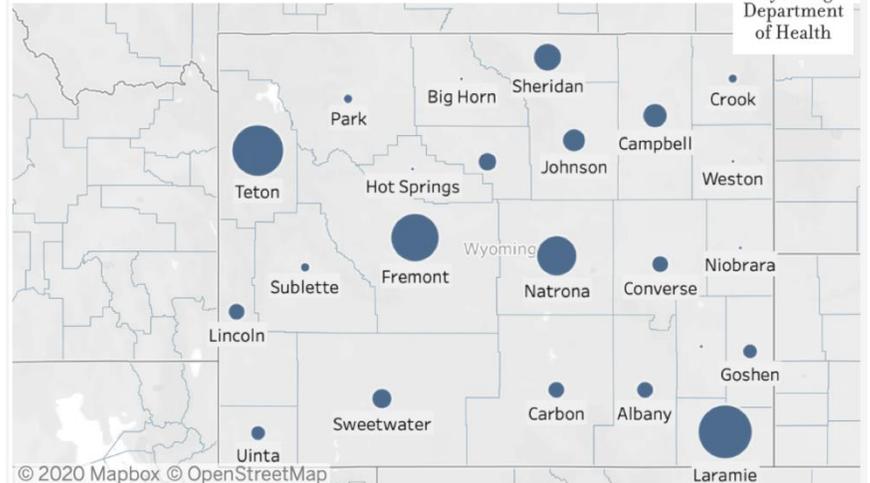
221 cases	18 counties	2,481 samples resulted from WPHL	62 cases recovered	0 deaths
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Wyoming COVID-19 Cases by County of Residence

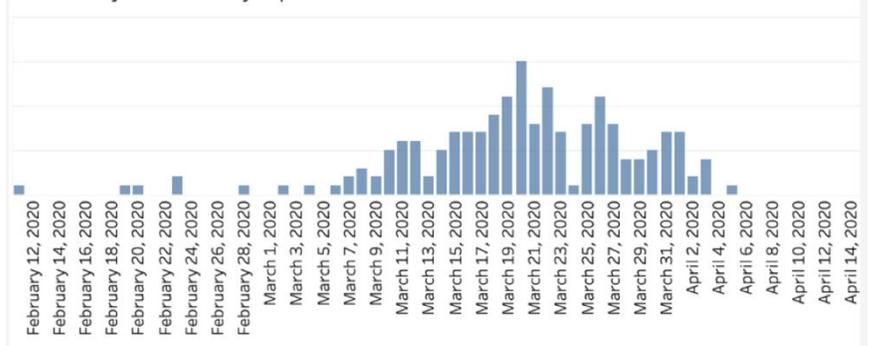
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Wyoming Department of Health



Cases by Date of Symptom Onset



DO THE FIVE, SAVE LIVES

Stay Home. Stay Distant. Stay Safe!
Counter COVID with Clean Counters!
Swerve the Curve!
Kick the Panic!
Curb the Spread, Keep your Head!
Stay Home on The Range, To Avoid the Strains!
Say your Prayers and Share your Cares.
Don't touch your FACE, Keep in your SPACE.
Hold the Phone, Keep in your Zone.
Borders Closed, so they're not Exposed.
Coping with COVID
COVID's HERE and REAL, Use precautions with ZEAL
ME PROTECTING YOU and YOU PROTECTING ME
Do you have to ask? Wear a Mask
April DISTANCE brings May EXISTANCE
"Hunker Down. Save Our Town"



DO THE FIVE SAVE LIVES

Help stop coronavirus

- 1 **STAY HOME** SAVE LIVES
- 2 **KEEP** a safe distance
- 3 **WASH** hands often
- 4 **COVER** your cough
- 5 **SICK?** Call ahead

If you need help finding a health care provider or additional information on COVID call **211**.

Anyone who feels that they may be at risk of harming themselves, or who knows of someone in immediate danger of harming themselves, should call **911**. Anyone experiencing suicidal thoughts is encouraged to call the U.S. National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at [1-800-273-TALK \(8255\)](tel:1-800-273-TALK) or text "WYO" to **741-741** for the Crisis Text Line. Veterans can call: 1 800-273-8255.

Respectfully,

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Medical Director, Antelope Butte Mountain Recreation Area & Ski Patrol



For Sources of Information on COVID-19:

1. Big Horn County Public Health Website:
<https://www.bighorncountyywy.gov>
<https://www.bighorncountyywy.gov/departments/public-health>
2. Park County Public Health Coronavirus Information Line: 754-1870 or 527-1870 (**Updated regularly**). **Big Horn County may use this.**
3. Up to date announcements from Wyoming Department of Health as they are released Wyoming Department of Health
Website: <https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-unit/disease/novel-coronavirus>.
4. CDC Website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/index.html>
5. Wyoming Department of Health State Orders:

<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-unit/disease/novel-coronavirus/covid-19-orders-and-guidance/>

6. **Rumor Control:** This FEMA page is to help the public distinguish between rumors and facts regarding the response to COVID-19.

Below is a very informative letter that was penned by Mr. Rick Schroeder, CEO of the North Big Horn Hospital to the hospital Staff. This letter puts brings of recent statistics into perspective.

Good Morning,

I wanted to give you a quick update on the happenings in Wyoming in general and Big Horn County specifically.

As of this morning, there are 221 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Wyoming which is an increase of 10 from yesterday. There are also 62 people who have recovered from it which is also an increase of 10 from yesterday. No one in Wyoming has died from it.

There are no confirmed cases in Big Horn County. There are five counties with no confirmed cases.

The counties surrounding us have:

Sheridan	12
Park	1
<u>Washakie</u>	<u>5</u>
Total	17

The four counties with the most cases:

Fremont	38
Laramie	48
Natrona	26
<u>Teton</u>	<u>44</u>
Total	156

This means that 70.6% of all Wyoming cases are in four counties.

One more set of facts about confirmed cases in the states surrounding us and the U.S.:

Montana	319
South Dakota	320
Nebraska	443
Colorado	5429
Utah	1738
Idaho	1210
USA	374,329

I am sure that these numbers will change throughout the course of the days ahead. Please continue to practice extreme hand hygiene, social distancing, coughing and sneezing in your elbow. If you think you have any symptoms, please do not ignore them nor dismiss them. If you're worried, we're worried about you.