

July 10, 2020 "Before we get a Vax, we can't afford to Relax"

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Big Horn County

COVID-19 Update/Response

For Immediate Release

There has been another cluster of illness in Big Horn County that sent our numbers jumping ahead yesterday. Big Horn County now has 26 positive cases with 4 in the last 24 hours. We also know that employees at two health care facilities and one healthcare service facility have tested positive. The state has quarantined necessary individuals, is investigating all contacts and is testing all appropriate individuals. We expected this.

But, we are in much better shape than our Southern states whose hospitals are overflowing with illness.

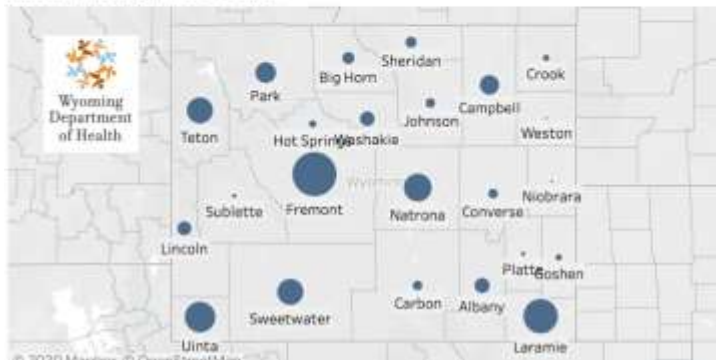


For testing data please see our COVID-19 Testing Data page:

<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-url/disease/novel-coronavirus/covid-19-testing>

Wyoming COVID-19 Lab Confirmed Cases by County of Residence

Hover over a county name to see county level breakdowns | Updated Friday, July 10, 2020 10:50 AM
[click here to view county numbers in a table](#)



Bloomberg News reports, "Arizona Governor Doug Ducey promised more testing and limited restaurant capacity after the state announced the most cases in six days. In Mississippi, where many lawmakers had resisted wearing masks in the Capitol, 26 of them tested positive, including the leaders of both legislative chambers."

New U.S. virus cases topped 60,000 in a day for the first time Thursday, with the national total above 3.1 million. And in states where the disease rages, a nightmarish paralysis hit institutions filling with the sick and dying. Quinn Snyder, an emergency physician in Mesa, near Phoenix, said patients were flooding in from other parts of Arizona and as far as New Mexico as smaller hospitals near the saturation point. "We've been discussing putting people in fluoroscopy suites, in radiology suites, everything to housing people in tents," Snyder said. "We're rearranging deck chairs on the Titanic as we speak."

As we see cases increasing in counties surrounding us and in our own (Park County 73 total with 9 in last 24 hours,) let's take care to do the things we know will keep us safe. Reduce time of exposure to others, maintain social distancing and shielding with face coverings in public.

Wyoming Department of Health recommendations:

1. Follow [public health orders](#).
2. Wear [cloth face coverings](#) in public settings - especially where physical distancing of at least 6 feet isn't practical.
3. Stay home when sick and avoid other people unless you need medical attention.
4. Older people and those with health conditions that mean they have a higher chance of getting seriously ill should avoid close-contact situations.

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Respectfully,
David Weston, Fairbanks, MD, FAAFP

Big Horn County Health Officer
and the entire
Big Horn County Incident Management Team



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. Big Horn County COVID-19 INFORMATION LINE 307-568-4031
Or Email us @ covid-19@bighorncountyywy.gov
3. Park County Public Health Coronavirus Information Line: 754-1870 or 527-1870
(Updated regularly). Big Horn County may use this.
4. 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>.
5. CDC Website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/index.html>
6. Wyoming Department of Health State Orders:
<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-unit/disease/novel-coronavirus/covid-19-orders-and-guidance/>

