

Red to Green Framework

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New Mexico, let's move from **Red** to **Green**.

The county-by-county framework will permit counties – and the businesses and nonprofit entities within their borders – to operate under less restrictive public health measures when health metrics demonstrating the extent of the virus' spread and test positivity within those counties are met.

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What is the Red to Green framework?

In order to prevent and mitigate the effects of the spread of the virus, and to ameliorate the unsustainable resultant strain placed upon the state's health care system and personnel, counties where the virus is more prevalent will operate under more restrictive

public health measures. Likewise, counties where the virus has been or is being suppressed will operate under less restrictive measures. Counties will operate under one of three levels: Red, signifying very high risk; Yellow, signifying high risk; and Green, signifying medium risk.

Red Level

VERY HIGH RISK

Counties at the Red Level are those with a new COVID-19 case incident rate of greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent two-week period **and** an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent 14-day period greater than 5%.

Yellow Level

HIGH RISK

Counties at the Yellow Level have **either** a new COVID-19 case incidence rate of no greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent two-week period, **or** an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent 14-day period less than or equal to 5%.

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Green Level

MEDIUM RISK

Counties at the Green Level have **both** a new COVID-19 case incidence rate of no greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent two-week period, **and** an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent 14-day period less than or equal to 5%.

What are the restrictions at each level?

In an effort designed to provide local communities the flexibility to operate more day-to-day activities, the state of New Mexico will transition to a tiered county-by-county COVID-19 risk system on Dec. 2, enabling local communities to shed burdensome restrictions as soon as public health data show the virus is retreating within their borders.

CATEGORIES & DEFINITIONS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Red Level Restrictions

Yellow Level Restrictions

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Essential businesses (non-retail): No capacity restrictions but must limit operations to only those absolutely necessary to carry out essential functions

Essential retail spaces: 25% of maximum capacity

Food and drink establishments: No indoor dining permitted; 25% of maximum capacity for outdoor dining; any establishment serving alcohol must close by 9 p.m. each night

Close-contact businesses: 25% of maximum capacity or 10 customers at one time, whichever is smaller

Outdoor recreational facilities: 25% of maximum capacity (unless required to have less capacity under the state's COVID-Safe Practices)

Close-contact recreational facilities: Remain closed

All other businesses: 25% of maximum capacity or 75 customers at one time, whichever is smaller

Houses of worship: May hold religious services, indoors or outdoors, or provide services through audiovisual means, but may not exceed 25% of the maximum capacity of any enclosed space on the premises

Places of lodging: 40% of maximum occupancy for those that have completed NM Safe Certified training; 25% of maximum occupancy for all others; 5 guests maximum for vacation rentals

Mass gatherings limit: 5 persons, 40 vehicles

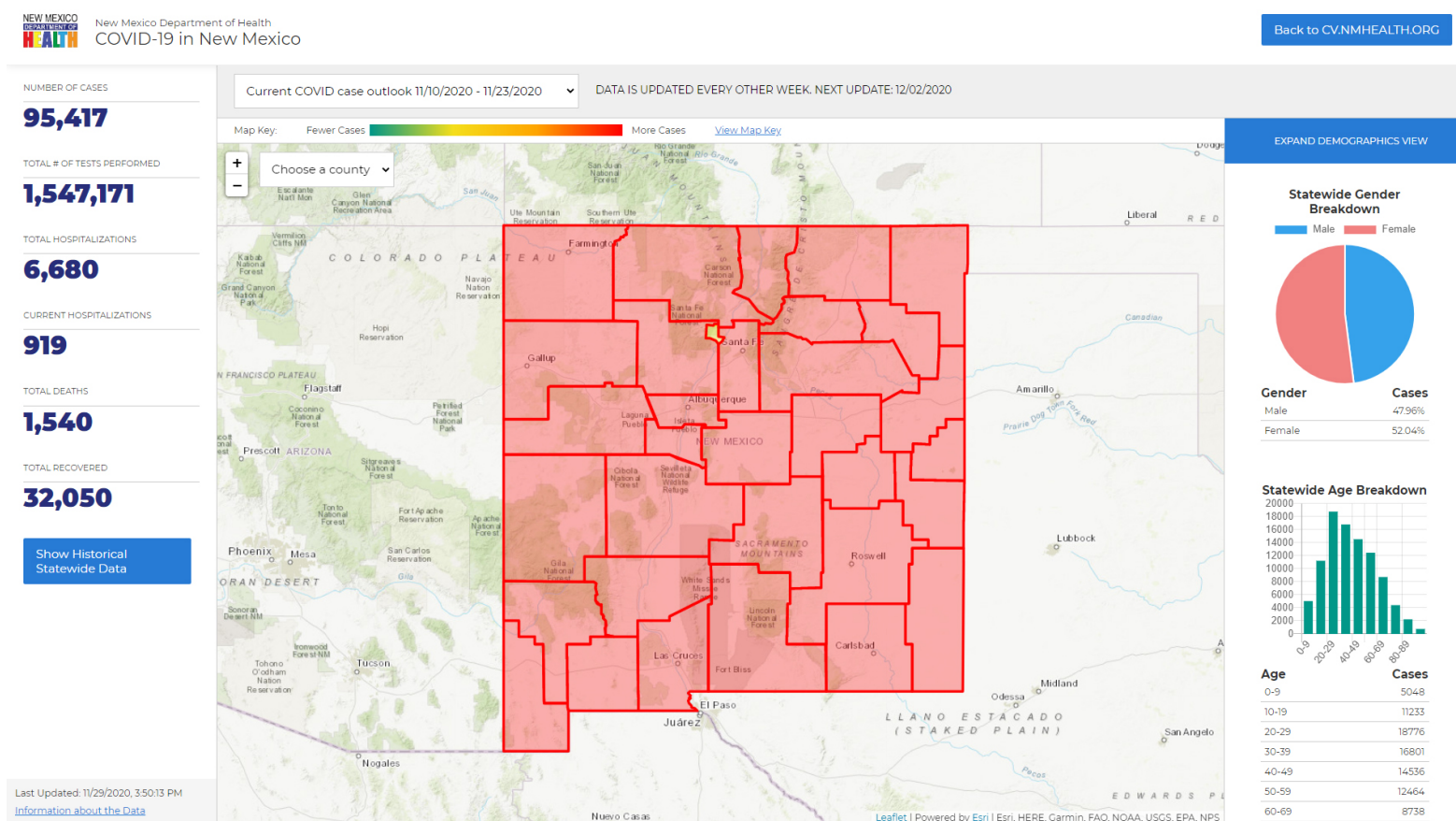
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is New Mexico doing right now?

The spread of COVID-19 remains a statewide emergency. Hospitals and health care providers all across New Mexico have reported great strain in responding to the escalating illness and mortality caused by the continued spread of the virus.

Click on the map to view the New Mexico COVID-19 Data Dashboard to see how your community is doing. You can also view the grid below.

**** The data will be updated Wednesday, Dec. 2, and every other Wednesday thereafter.*



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County	Population	Average Daily Case Rates per 100,000	Test Positivity
Harding	657	0.0	0.00%
Union	4,090	3.5	0.98%
Sierra	11,076	5.2	1.16%
Catron	3,533	2.0	1.69%
Taos	32,513	10.5	2.11%
Los Alamos	18,856	12.9	2.18%
San Miguel	27,969	15.6	3.03%
Cibola	26,801	18.7	3.10%
Colfax	11,903	15.0	3.33%
Grant	27,862	28.5	3.81%
Mora	4,566	11.0	3.98%
Curry	49,915	14.9	3.99%
Quay	8,396	11.9	4.17%
Santa Fe	149,635	20.7	4.22%
Valencia	75,427	19.0	4.26%
Doña Ana	218,836	20.9	4.33%
Bernalillo	679,590	21.1	4.49%
Sandoval	146,415	23.8	4.66%
Guadalupe	4,419	21.0	4.98%
San Juan	126,122	23.4	5.01%
Rio Arriba	38,716	23.8	5.15%
Roosevelt	19,901	19.7	5.30%
Torrance	15,923	14.8	5.33%
Socorro	17,193	25.3	6.26%
Otero	67,700	23.8	6.41%
Lincoln	19,860	30.6	6.79%
Lea	71,570	17.8	7.11%
Chaves	64,104	28.6	7.26%
Luna	24,444	45.3	7.47%
Eddy	58,252	39.2	10.78%

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De Baca	1,840	27.2	12.07%
McKinley	70,330	39.8	12.14%

How can I help?

COVID put us ALL in a bad spot. Many of our communities have very high positivity rates.
It's up to all of us to do our part to keep our loved ones safe.

Get Tested

Knowing whether or not you're infected with coronavirus can help protect not only your own health, but the health of our entire community — so it's important to get tested if you think you have COVID-19.

Social Distance

If you are sick with COVID-19, have symptoms consistent with COVID-19, or have been in close contact with someone who has



COVID-19, it is important to stay home and away from other people

No Mass Gatherings

“Mass gatherings” are defined as: any public gathering, private gathering, organized event, ceremony, or grouping that brings together more than five (5) or more individuals in a single room or connected space, confined outdoor space or open outdoor space.

Wear a Mask

Everyone is required to wear a mask or cloth face covering when in public except when drinking, eating, or under medical instruction. Masks and cloth face coverings may prevent people who do not know they have the virus from transmitting it to others.

Follow COVID Safe Practices

Living in a COVID-positive world requires discipline from all of us. In order to decrease the spread of COVID-19, allowing businesses, restaurants, and schools to reopen safely, it is imperative we adhere to COVID safe practices.

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Do you still have questions?

Frequently Asked Questions

Here you will find a listing of the most frequently asked questions regarding the current Public Health Order.

[VIEW THE FAQs](#)

1-833-551-0518

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