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## NINE POSITIVE CASES IN MCKINLEY COUNTY



SANTA FE – New Mexico state health officials on Sunday announced 29 additional positive tests for COVID-19.

Per the state Department of Health, the most recent cases are:

- 9 new cases in Bernalillo County
- 1 new case in Chaves County
- 2 new cases in Curry County
- 1 new case in Eddy County
- 4 new cases in McKinley County
- 4 new cases in San Juan County
- 3 new cases in Sandoval County
- 4 new cases in Santa Fe County
- 1 new case in Valencia County

The number of deaths in the state related to COVID-19 remains at two.

Including the above newly reported cases, New Mexico has now had a total of 237 positive tests for COVID-19:

Bernalillo County: 101 Chaves County: 8

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Cibola County: 2 Curry County: 3 Doña Ana County: 17 Eddy County: 4 Lea County: 2

Lea County: 2
McKinley County: 9
Rio Arriba County: 2
Roosevelt County: 1
Sandoval County: 18
San Juan County: 22
San Miguel County: 1
Santa Fe County: 34

Socorro County: 2
Taos County: 9

Valencia County: 2

County totals are subject to change upon further investigation and determination of residency of individuals positive for COVID-19. At the end of this story is a breakdown of positive cases by each county.

As of today, there are 22 individuals hospitalized in New Mexico for COVID-19. This number may include individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 out of state but are currently hospitalized in New Mexico. This number does not include New Mexicans who tested positive for COVID-19 and may have been transferred to a hospital out of state.

As of today, there are 26 COVID-19 cases designated as having recovered by the New Mexico Department of Health.

The Department of Health has detected community spread and is investigating cases with no known exposure. The agency reports that given the infectious nature of the virus it is likely other residents are infected but yet to be tested or confirmed positive. To that end, all New Mexicans have been instructed to stay home except for outings absolutely necessary for health, safety and welfare

These additional restrictions have been enacted to aggressively minimize person-to-person contact and ensure spread is mitigated. All businesses except those deemed essential have been ordered to close. New Mexicans are strongly urged to limit travel to only what is necessary for health, safety and welfare.

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The New Mexico Department of Health has active investigations into the positive patients, which includes contact-tracing and swabs of symptomatic individuals who have had contact with the positive cases.

Every New Mexican must work together to stem the spread of COVID-19. Stay home.

New Mexicans who report symptoms of COVID-19 infection, such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath, should call their health care provider or the NMDOH COVID-19 hotline immediately (1-855-600-3453).

While the state is gratified that COVID-19 testing is increasingly available, testing must be prioritized for persons with symptoms of COVID-19 infection – fever, cough, or shortness of breath. This is allergy season, and allergy symptoms such as sneezing or itchy eyes, nose or throat do not indicate a need for testing.

New Mexicans who have non-health-related questions or concerns can also call 833-551-0518 or visit newmexico.gov, which is being updated regularly as a one-stop source for information for families, workers and others affected by and seeking more information about COVID-19.

The state Department of Health will update its dedicated COVID-19 webpage with additional tests as the state lab provides results.

## Below you will find the number of positive COVID-19 cases in New Mexico, as of March 29, broken down by county.

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County		Cases	Deaths	
Bernalillo County	101		1	
Catron County	0		_	
Chaves County	8		_	
Cibola County	2		_	
Colfax County	0		_	
Curry County	3		_	
De Baca County	0		_	
Do	ñ		a Ana County	17

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Eddy County	4	1
Grant County	0	
Guadalupe County	0	
Harding County	0	
Hidalgo County	0	
Lea County	2	
Lincoln County	0	
Los Alamos County	0	
Luna County	0	
McKinley County	9	
Mora County	0	
Otero County	0	
Quay County	0	
Rio Arriba County	2	
Roosevelt County	1	
San Juan County	22	_
San Miguel County	1	_
Sandoval County	18	_
Santa Fe County	34	_
Sierra County	0	
Socorro County	2	_
Taos County	9	_
Torrance County	0	_
Union County	0	_
Valencia County	2	_