



Yavapai County

Our Mission: "Yavapai County will serve and protect its citizens through efficient management of all its resources to enhance the lives of those we serve."



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January 4th Update - Yavapai County reports 834 COVID-19 Cases and 11 Deaths since New Year's Eve

Apache	7,438	Coconino	11,753	Cochise	7,951	Graham	3,472	Greenlee	417
Gila	4,696	La Paz	1,621	Maricopa	346,183	Mohave	13,858	Navajo	11,922
Pima	74,963	Pinal	29,354	Santa Cruz	6,279	Yavapai	12,420	Yuma	29,109

Over **3,330,000** Arizonans have been tested for COVID-19 with **561,542** positive results and **9,064** deaths to date. Since the beginning of the pandemic, Yavapai County has tested **84,033** residents with **12,420** positive cases, **4,657** recovered, and **225** deaths. YRMC West has **60** COVID-19 patients, YRMC East is caring for **30** patients. VVMC reports **29** COVID-19 hospitalizations. The VA reports **3** COVID-19 patients.

New COVID-19-19 Cases since 12/31									
Apache	+347	Coconino	+627	Cochise	+471	Graham	+144	Greenlee	+17
Gila	+179	La Paz	+157	Maricopa	+27,356	Mohave	+1,285	Navajo	+626
Pima	+5,441	Pinal	+1,705	Santa Cruz	+277	Yavapai	+834	Yuma	+1,743

Governor Doug Ducey issued an Executive Order last week to rapidly expand access to the COVID-19 vaccine by streamlining distribution throughout Arizona and establishing additional vaccination sites.

The Governor also announced that the state will be reporting daily on county-by-county vaccine administration data, providing full transparency for the public on the distribution of the vaccine across the state. Local health departments must also provide notice to ADHS within 24 hours of proceeding to the next phase of vaccine distribution. This will ensure that Arizonans have quick access to information to make informed decisions about their health and the health of their loved ones.

Dr. Cara Christ promised that the state will post information on its website about what is the current stage of distribution. That is critical as people are divided into priority groups based on everything from where they work to age and their own medical risk. ADHS will have a single point of contact where any Arizonan can learn where they can get vaccinated anywhere in the state. But one of the biggest changes is going to be that Dr. Christ and her agency will be taking possession of some of the state's allocation. "Our county health departments really know their community providers the best," she said. Dr. Christ said, however, that doesn't always work. She said that companies such as CVS and Walgreens, both of which are administering the vaccines throughout Arizona, "need to work on a statewide basis. We'll be allocating some of the vaccine directly to them as it becomes available."

Happy New Year! After celebrating the holidays amidst this pandemic, and perhaps you spent time with friends and family – had lunch in a restaurant, etc., we should recognize that one slip in not following the CDC guidelines to a tee – it doesn't mean all is lost. Each of us needs to weigh the risks against our own values, keeping in mind that individual choices affect the collective. If you'd like to assess your risk before going out, check out Brown University's "My COVID Risk" @ <https://mycovidrisk.app/>.

- ★ COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs: <https://www.yavapai.us/Portals/39/COVID-19/COVID-19VaccineFAQs.pdf>
- ★ Yavapai Emergency Phone Bank for COVID-19 Info: 928-442-5103 - Monday-Thursday, 8:00– 5:00.
- ★ For a COVID-19 test at Community Health Center of Yavapai, call 583-1000. For a flu shot, call 771-3122.
- ★ County COVID-19 Data, Testing Sites, Guidelines & Resources: www.yavapai.us/chs
- ★ COVID-19 information en español: <https://www.azdhs.gov/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/infectious-disease-epidemiology/es/COVID-19-19/>