



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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May 28th Update - Yavapai County Community Health Services Yavapai County reports 294 COVID-19 Cases

Apache	1,290	Coconino	1,078	Cochise	67	Graham	26	Greenlee	4
Gila	25	La Paz	53	Maricopa	8,896	Mohave	350	Navajo	1,678
Pima	2,167	Pinal	788	Santa Cruz	225	Yavapai	294	Yuma	822

287,605 Arizonans have been tested by COVID-19, with **17,763** positive cases and **857** deaths. Yavapai County has tested **10,170** residents, with **294** positive cases, **143** recovered, and **5** deaths. (One death was determined to be from another county). Yavapai Regional Medical Center reports **1** hospitalization with COVID-19 and **no** persons under investigation (PUI). Verde Valley Medical Center reports **1** hospitalizations with COVID and **2** PUIs. The VA has reported no hospitalizations or PUIs for COVID-19.

What is the role of asymptomatic people in spreading the virus?

Symptomatic people are not the only way the COVID-19 virus is shed. The percentage of infections vary from 15-50%--but the majority of community-acquired transmissions--occur from people without any symptoms (asymptomatic or pre-symptomatic people). You can be shedding* the virus into the environment for up to 5 days before symptoms begin. Asymptomatic transmission of SARS-CoV-2 is the Achilles' heel of Covid-19 pandemic control through the public health strategies we have currently deployed. *Viral shedding occurs when a virus replicates inside your body and is released into the environment. At that point, it may be contagious.

Even if infected people are not actively sneezing or coughing, they may still spread viral particles through talking, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The CDC encourages everyone to wear face coverings or masks in public to help prevent the spread of the virus.

Ultimately, the rapid spread of Covid-19 across the United States and the globe, the clear evidence of COVID-19 transmission from asymptomatic persons, and the eventual need to relax current social distancing practices argue for broadened COVID testing to include asymptomatic persons in prioritized settings. These factors also support the case for the general public to use face masks when in crowded outdoor or indoor spaces. This unprecedented pandemic calls for unprecedented measures to achieve its ultimate defeat.

Spectrum Healthcare Final Testing Blitz Drive-Up on Saturday, May 30 and 30th 8:30 – 12:30

Spectrum Healthcare will be continuing with the AZ Testing Blitz for the next two Saturdays, with shortened hours. They will be set up at 651 Mingus Avenue in Cottonwood, and in Prescott at 990 Willow Creek Road from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- For Yavapai County data and COVID-19 Resources for Re-Opening, www.yavapai.us/chs
- The Yavapai Emergency Phone Bank - 928-442-5103 M-F, 8-5.
- Arizona 2-1-1: A resource for all the time, not just during COVID-19. <https://211arizona.org/>
- COVID-19 information en español: <https://azhealth.gov/covid-19>
- #Yavapai Stronger Together - <https://justicementalhealth.com/resources-support/#covid19>