



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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November 17th Update - Yavapai County Community Health Services Yavapai County reports 61 COVID-19 Cases

Apache	4,488	Coconino	6,476	Cochise	2,777	Graham	1,720	Greenlee	132
Gila	2,388	La Paz	687	Maricopa	178,639	Mohave	5,208	Navajo	7,231
Pima	33,444	Pinal	13,936	Santa Cruz	3,337	Yavapai	3,841	Yuma	15,642

16,928 Arizonans have been tested for COVID-19 since yesterday, with **2,984** positive results and **10** deaths reported. Yavapai County has tested **57,129** residents with **3,841** positive cases, **1,679** recovered, and **102** deaths. YRMC West has **7** COVID-19 patients and YRMC East is caring for **4**, with **6** persons under investigation (PUI). The Verde Valley Medical Center reports **10** COVID-19 hospitalizations and **7** PUI. The VA reports **3** COVID-19 patients.

New COVID-19 Cases since Yesterday									
Apache	+95	Coconino	+93	Cochise	+73	Graham	+16	Greenlee	+4
Gila	+22	La Paz	+3	Maricopa	+1,646	Mohave	+103	Navajo	+72
Pima	+357	Pinal	+206	Santa Cruz	+21	Yavapai	+61	Yuma	+120

Vaccine timeline: Summer or fall for most of us.

Pfizer and Moderna leading the race for a vaccine have released promising results from their Phase 3 trials. Before these companies can apply to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for authorization to provide their vaccine to the public, they must clear several more hurdles.

About half the trial participants must be two months past their second shot, to prove that the candidate vaccines are safe. If someone were to develop a severe vaccine reaction, it's likely to happen within six weeks of receiving it. Pfizer will pass that safety milestone this week. Moderna will take longer because it took longer to enroll trial participants.

The final hurdle concerns production. Both companies will have to show that they can safely produce their vaccine at scale. Pfizer said it will provide the FDA that information before this week, but it's not clear when Moderna will complete this process.

Preliminary results indicate Moderna's vaccine appears to be 94.5% effective; Pfizer's more than 90% effective. Both candidate vaccines reported mild or moderate side effects, mostly pain at the injection site, fatigue and aching muscles and joints for a day or two. The FDA is expected to issue an emergency use authorization for at least one vaccine by year's end, with front-line health care workers first in line to get it. Clinical trial data showing how people of various ages, ethnicities and health statuses responded will determine recommendations on how to prioritize shots. Scientists have predicted vaccines won't be available to all until next summer or fall.

Source: <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/health/2020/11/17/covid-news-hawaii-iowa-mask-mandates-richard-schiff/6318450002/>

- ★ Get your Flu Shot! Call 771-3321 to make an appointment at YCCHS.
- ★ Yavapai Emergency Phone Bank for COVID Info: 928-442-5103 - Monday-Thursday, 8:00– 5:00.
- ★ County COVID-19 Data, Testing Sites, School & Business Guidelines & Resources: www.yavapai.us/chs
- ★ New ADHS website for Healthy Schools: <https://azdhs.gov/healthyschools>
- ★ COVID-19 information en español: <https://www.azdhs.gov/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/infectious-disease-epidemiology/es/covid-19/>