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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN BAY COUNTY PROVIDES COVID-19 UPDATE, ANNOUNCES 29 CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19



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**Panama City, Fla.**— The Florida Department of Health in Bay County (DOH-Bay) received confirmation of 29 additional cases of COVID-19, bringing the total cases to 713 including 680 residents and 33 non-residents. Five Bay County residents, or 1 percent of all positive Bay County cases, have died from COVID-19. A total of 38 Bay County residents, or 6 percent of all cases, have been hospitalized with COVID-19. Bay County's overall COVID-19 positive testing rate is 8 percent. Of the 8,888 tests processed, 8,162 tests are negative.

Demographics for today's confirmed cases: Male (74), Male (30), Female (23), Male (95), Female (54), Male (56), Female (28), Female (31), Male (50), Female (43), Male (50), Male (21), Female (25), Female (64), Male (28) Female (22), Male (21), Female (0), Male (30), Male (28), Female (21), Male (80), Male (35), Male (71), Male (68), Female (26), Male (51), Female (48), and Female (77). There is one new hospitalization. There is one new case in a long-term care facility.

Cities of Bay County cases based on patient's ZIP Code: Panama City (458), Panama City Beach (113), Lynn Haven (60), Youngstown (13), Southport (10), Missing (8), Callaway (7), Fountain (5), Tyndall Air Force Base (3), Bayou George (1), Parker (1), and Inlet Beach (1).

### Prevention

During the Fourth of July holiday weekend, Governor Ron DeSantis and the Florida Surgeon General are reminding all Floridians to protect the vulnerable by avoiding the Three Cs: Closed Spaces, Crowded Places and Close-Contact Settings and by wearing a mask in public:

1. **Closed Spaces.** Avoid closed spaces with poor ventilation that could allow contagious droplets to linger in the air.
2. **Crowded Places.** Avoid crowded places with many people nearby; the greater the number of individuals in an area, the greater the chances of COVID-19 spreading from person-to-person.
3. **Close-Contact Settings.** Avoid close-range conversations and stay at least six-feet from others.

### Testing

DOH-Bay will offer free drive-thru COVID-19 viral testing to any person over 18 with or without symptoms on Tuesday, July 7 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the former Springfield City Hall site, 3529 E 3<sup>rd</sup> ST, Panama City.

DOH-Bay is now testing anyone with symptoms of COVID-19. For screening, please call DOH-Bay at (850) 872-4455 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and follow the prompts. Testing is by appointment only. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, new loss of taste or smell, vomiting or diarrhea, and/or sore throat. The CDC has a symptom checker available at [CDC.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus). For additional testing options and information, visit [Bay.FloridaHealth.gov](https://Bay.FloridaHealth.gov).

## COVID-19 Question of the Day

Are antibody test results counted as positive cases?

No. Antibody tests look for past infection of COVID-19. Antibodies usually develop 1-3 weeks after symptoms start. Only tests for active infection are included in the case counts. These can be from a molecular (laboratory) test result or an antigen (point of care) test result. If you are interested in an antibody test, you can donate blood to One Blood, contact your doctor, or visit [Bay.FloridaHealth.gov](http://Bay.FloridaHealth.gov) for other testing options.

The State of Florida produces a weekly antibody COVID-19 test result report. The report for antibody tests conducted by private health care providers is available [here](#) and the report for antibody tests conducted at state-supported COVID-19 testing sites is available [here](#).

### Additional Data

The state provides a report detailing surveillance data for every Florida county, which is available [here](#).

In order to make the daily COVID-19 report easier to download and more accessible, the daily report will now separate case line data in a separate PDF. Both reports will continue to be updated daily. The case line data report is available [here](#).

Florida long-term care facility data:

- The list of long-term care facilities with active COVID-19 cases is available [here](#).
- The list of long-term care facilities with deaths is available [here](#), which is updated weekly.

The antibody COVID-19 test results report will be provided once a week and contains county, race and lab information on antibody COVID-19 tests conducted in Florida. The report for antibody tests conducted by private health care providers is available [here](#) and the report for antibody tests conducted at state-supported COVID-19 testing sites is available [here](#).

**More information on a case-by-case basis can also be found [here](#).**

### For more Information on COVID-19

For text alert updates from the Florida Department of Health in Bay County, text "bayhealth" to 888-777. For additional information specific to Bay County, visit <http://bay.floridahealth.gov/> or BayHealthCOVID19.com. Contact the Citizens Information Center seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at (850) 248-6090, or email [ask@baycountyfl.gov](mailto:ask@baycountyfl.gov).

To find the most up-to-date information and guidance on COVID-19, please visit the Department of Health's dedicated COVID-19 website at [FloridaHealthCOVID19.gov](http://FloridaHealthCOVID19.gov). For any other questions related to COVID-19 in Florida, call (866) 779-6121. The Call Center is available 24 hours per day or email [COVID-19@flhealth.gov](mailto:COVID-19@flhealth.gov).

The free *StrongerThanC19* app is available to both iOS and Android users and can be downloaded from the Apple or Google app stores. The *StrongerThanC19* app and [website](#) are designed to gather information to help the Department of Health track and slow the spread of COVID-19 in Florida; they are not intended to be used as a symptom checker designed to dispense medical advice.

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# COVID-19: summary for Bay County

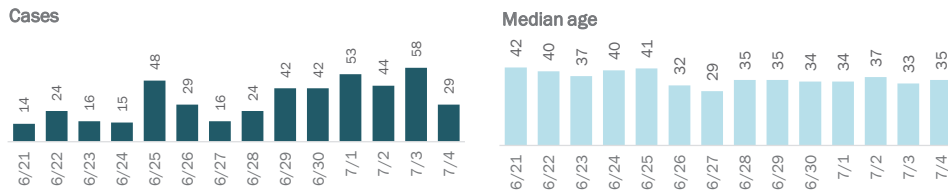
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Data in this report are provisional and subject to change.

## Cases: people with positive PCR or antigen test result

<b>Total cases</b>	<b>713</b>
Florida residents	680
Non-Florida residents	33
<b>Gender for Florida residents</b>	
Men	316
Women	364
Unknown	0
<b>Age for Florida residents</b>	
Range	0 - 95
Median age	37

## Cases in Florida residents by date case confirmed



Race, ethnicity	Cases	Hospitalizations	Deaths
<b>White</b>	448 (66%)	27 (71%)	4 (80%)
Hispanic	112 (16%)	8 (21%)	0 (0%)
Non-Hispanic	323 (48%)	18 (47%)	4 (80%)
Unknown ethnicity	13 (2%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)
<b>Black</b>	81 (12%)	5 (13%)	0 (0%)
Hispanic	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Non-Hispanic	72 (11%)	5 (13%)	0 (0%)
Unknown ethnicity	9 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Other</b>	39 (6%)	5 (13%)	1 (20%)
Hispanic	19 (3%)	5 (13%)	1 (20%)
Non-Hispanic	16 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Unknown ethnicity	4 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Unknown race</b>	112 (16%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)
Hispanic	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Non-Hispanic	3 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)
Unknown ethnicity	108 (16%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>5</b>

## Outcomes for Florida residents

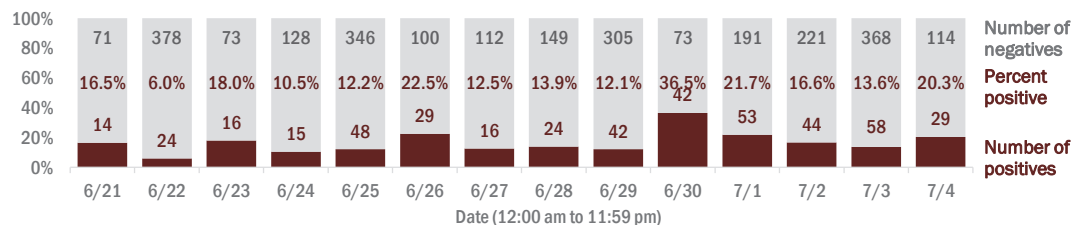
Category	Count	Percentage
<b>Bay</b>		
Hospitalizations	38	(6% of all cases)
Deaths	5	(1% of all cases)
<b>Statewide</b>		
Hospitalizations	15,895	(8% of all cases)
Deaths	3,731	(2% of all cases)
<b>Cases in facility staff/residents</b>		
<b>Bay</b>		
Long-term care	50	(7% of all cases)
Correctional	4	(1% of all cases)
<b>Statewide</b>		
Long-term care	14,570	(7% of all cases)
Correctional	3,971	(2% of all cases)

**Hospitalization** counts include anyone who was hospitalized at some point during their illness. It does not reflect the number of people currently hospitalized.  
**Other race** includes any person with a race of American Indian/Alaskan native, Asian, native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or other.

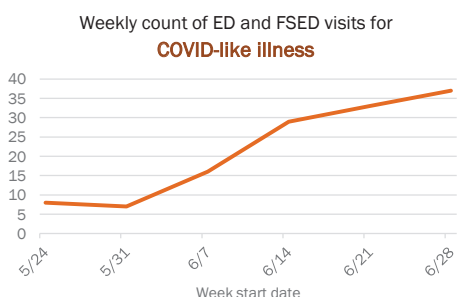
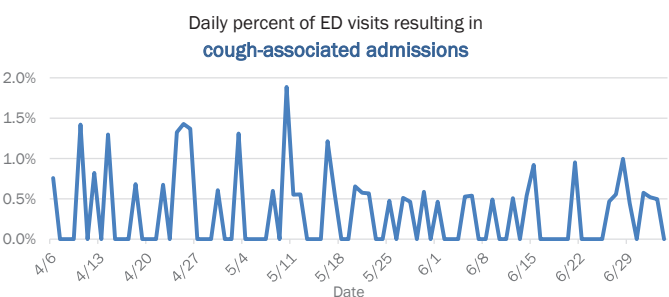
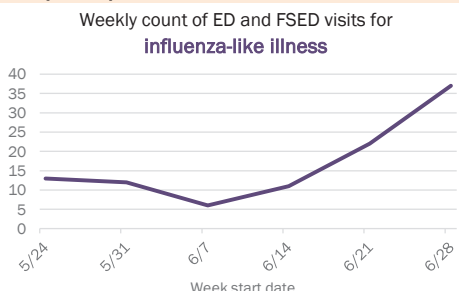
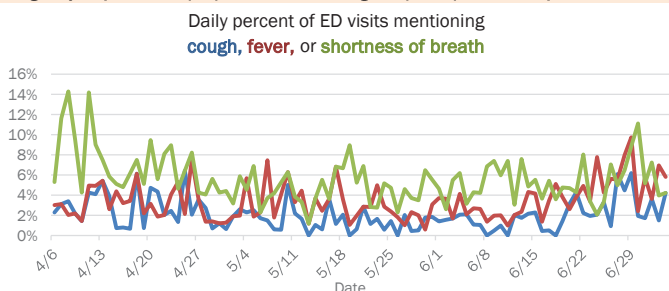
## Laboratory testing for Florida residents and non-Florida residents over the past 2 weeks

### Number and percent of positive labs

These counts include the number of people for whom the department received PCR or antigen laboratory results by day. This percent is the number of people who test positive for the first time divided by all the people tested that day, excluding people who have previously tested positive.



## Emergency department (ED) and freestanding ED (FSED) chief complaint and admission data for Bay County



The Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-Based Epidemics (ESSENCE-FL) includes chief complaint data from 211 of 212 Florida EDs and 77 of 80 Florida FSEDs. Data are transmitted electronically to ESSENCE-FL daily or hourly.