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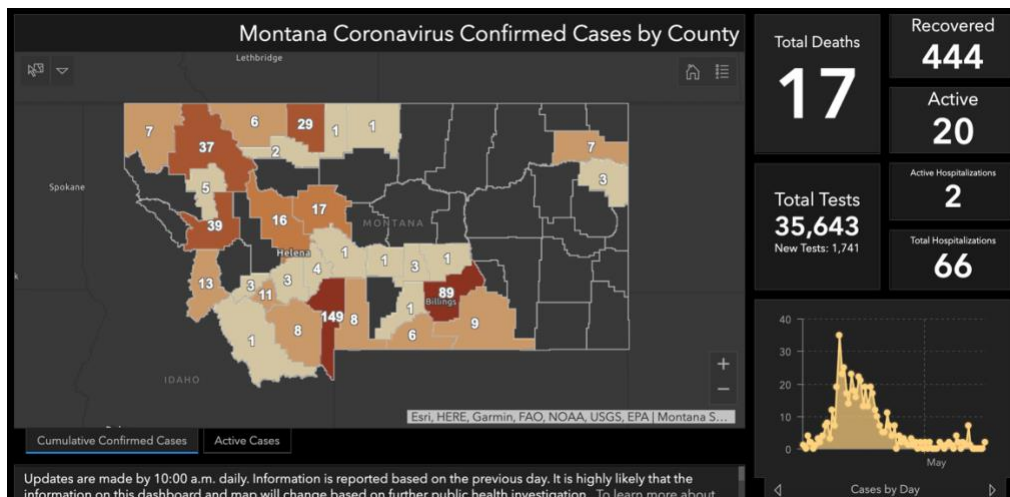
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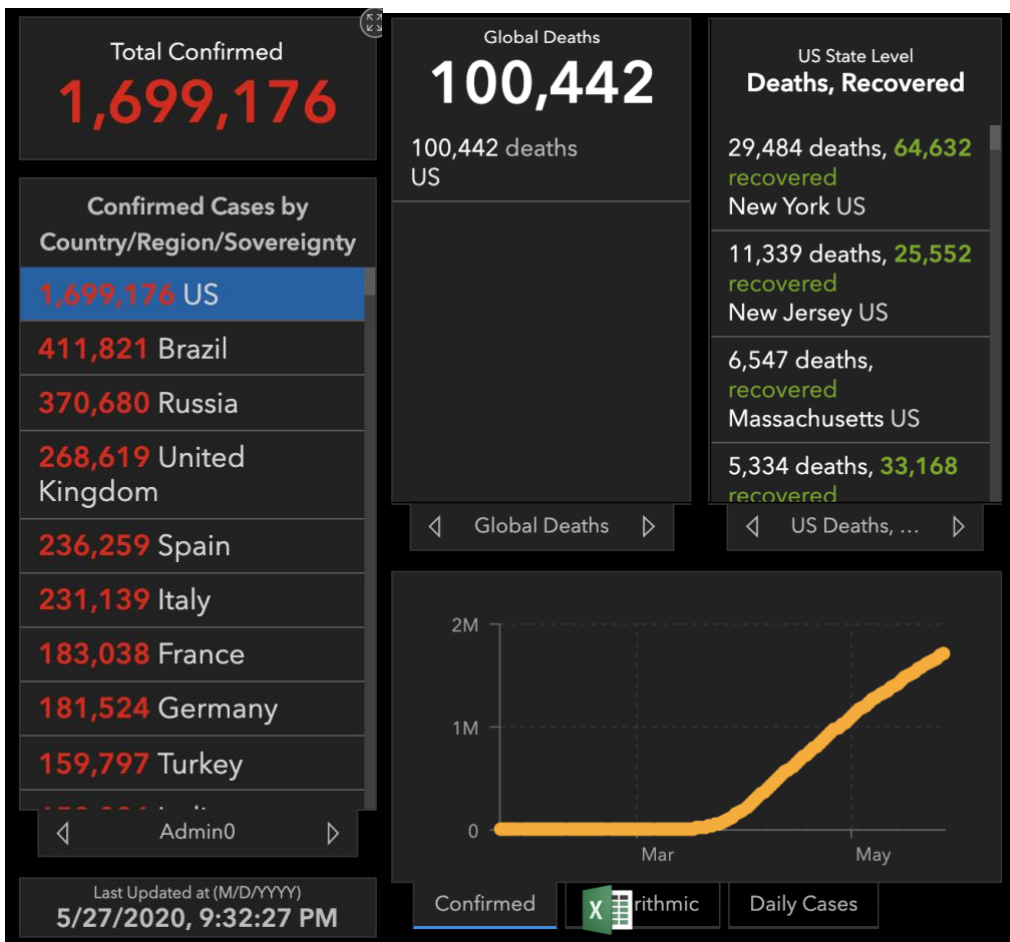
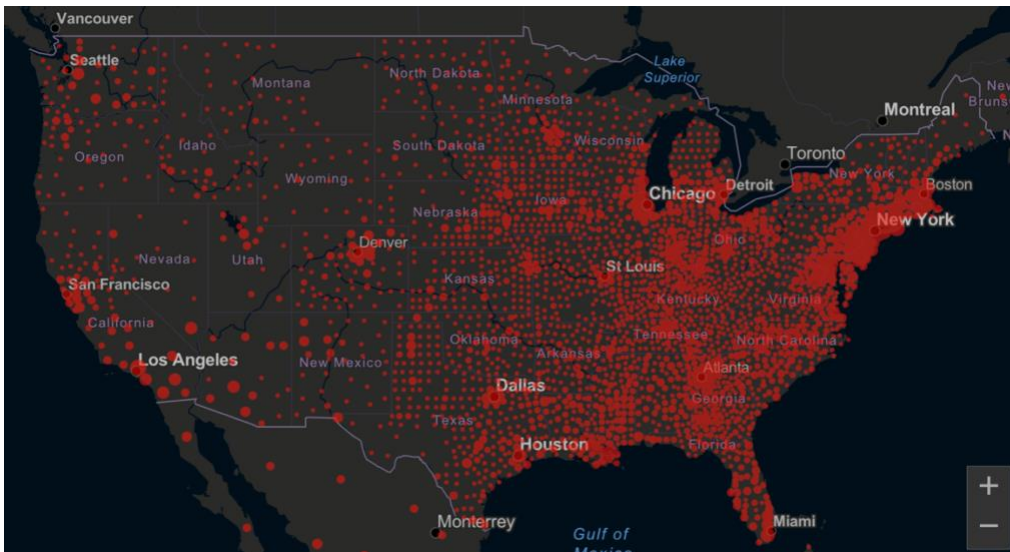
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

May 27, 2020

COVID-19

REPORTED CASES	
Montana <i>New in last 24 hours: +2</i> <i>Active Cases: 20 (Last 24hrs: -1)</i> <i>Recovered: 444 (Last 24hrs: +3)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Total: 66 (Last 24hrs: +1)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Active: 2 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Deaths: 17 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard	481
United States <i>New in last 24 hours: 18,875 (+1%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard	1,699,176
WA	20,406
ID	2,699
WY	860
ND	2,439
SD	4,710





OPERATIONS

FDA expands PPE use of gowns, shoe covers and other apparel. The FDA last week issued an [emergency use authorization](#) (EUA) for the use of certain gowns, shoe covers and other apparel for use by healthcare providers as personal protective equipment (PPE) in healthcare settings in accordance with CDC recommendations.

PLANNING

Continue resource reporting to State. The following reporting requirements are in effect. For questions, please contact your [Regional Coordinator](#).

- Hospitals: Continue reporting to Juvare/EMResource as follows:
 - Daily: Bed and ventilator counts
 - Weekly (every Friday): PPE
 - Following treatment of COVID-19 patient(s): COVID-19 patient data, as directed by public health officials
- Long-Term Care Facilities: May reduce their bed and PPE reports to the Regional Coordinators to Fridays only. Regional Coordinators will email out a survey link weekly to each facility for bed and PPE data.

LOGISTICS

Lab offers COVID-19 return-to-work testing services. Quest Diagnostics today [announced](#) new workplace services to aid return-to-work efforts, including access to specimen collection options for COVID-19 testing and on-site temperature checks. The lab said it currently has capacity to perform 200,000 antibody tests per day and is ramping up lab operations with the goal of performing 150,000 molecular diagnostic tests per day by the end of June. The CDC [warns](#) that antibody tests may not show whether individuals are immune and should not be the sole basis for decisions about a person's return to a workplace.

Streamlined sign-up process for Battelle mask decontamination program.

Battelle and Montana DES have simplified the sign-up process for participation in the Critical Care Decontamination System (CCDS) for N95 masks. Get started with the [4-step sign-up process](#).

Submit PPE needs to DES coordinator in order to ensure allocation. In order to receive an allocation of emergency PPE, healthcare organizations MUST [submit needs to their local DES coordinator](#). Allocation is ongoing and supplies are limited.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

FEMA distributing infrared thermometers for workplace use. FEMA is sending more than 438,000 non-contact infrared thermometers from the Strategic National Stockpile to state, territorial and tribal governments to distribute to local authorities and businesses based on their priorities as the nation's workplaces and economy reopen, the agency [announced](#) yesterday. FEMA said the thermometers are intended for use by workplaces with high person-to-person interaction in accordance with [CDC guidance](#) and [OHSA guidance](#) for identifying

potentially ill employees and visitors. The agency expects additional thermometers to be available in June.

Report examines coronavirus-related unemployment claims in Montana.

Montana Department of Labor and Industry recently released its [Economy at a Glance](#). The report examines Montana unemployment claims filed due to COVID-19 including industry and individual impacts. The healthcare industry accounted for the second-highest share of continued claims, at 12%, behind Accommodation & Food at 28% of total claims. Healthcare had the largest increase in continued claim volume relative to the start of March with a 2250% increase.

OIG releases plan for oversight of COVID-19 response. The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) released its [strategic plan](#) for oversight of COVID-19 response and recovery, with goals focused on protecting people, funds, and infrastructure, and promoting effectiveness. The OIG notes that it will advance each goal using risk assessment and data analytics to identify, monitor, and target potential fraud, waste, and abuse affecting HHS programs and beneficiaries and to promote the effectiveness of HHS's COVID-19 response and recovery programs.

COMMUNICATIONS

Call recordings and webinar playbacks. Missed a call or webinar promoted in MHA's daily COVID-19 Call & Webinar Alert? Many are recorded, and are [posted here](#) once available.

COVID-19 Resource Library. MHA has built a [library](#) of helpful resources and sample material from other hospitals, healthcare organizations and states in their response to COVID-19.

HHS hospital-specific COVID-19 questions: HospitalCOVID19@hhs.gov

SITREP Archive. Daily Situation Reports archived [here](#).

State of Montana COVID-19 Hotline: 1-888-333-0461

Montanans can also email questions to covid19info@mt.gov. State public health officials will be responding to inquiries from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

MHA Incident Management Team: esf8@mtha.org

REFERENCE LINKS

GENERAL

Contact Information: [County & Tribal Health Departments](#)

Contact Information: [County & Tribal DES Coordinators](#)

[MHA COVID-19 Member Resources](#)

[State of Montana COVID-19 Information](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention COVID-19 Information](#)

[Healthcare Professionals Preparedness Checklist](#) (CDC)

[Hospital Preparedness Tool](#) (CDC)

[COVID-19 FAQs for Healthcare Providers](#) (CDC)

[MHA Consensus Statement on the Cancellation of Elective Procedures](#)

[MHA Consensus Statement on the Resumption of Elective Procedures](#)

[Summary of Funding Opportunities for Hospitals](#) (MHA)

[CDC What's New](#) (CDC)

EMS

[EMS Infectious Disease Playbook](#) (ASPR/TRACIE)

[Montana EMS Guidance](#) (DPHHS)

REGULATORY

[EMTALA Requirements and Implications Related to COVID-19](#) (CMS)

[PHI Guidance for COVID-19 First Responders](#) (OCR/HHS)

[Summary of COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Waivers and Flexibilities](#) (CMS)

[Provider-specific Fact Sheets on Waivers and Flexibilities](#) (CMS)

CLINICAL CARE

[March 24 Memo to Montana Healthcare Providers on COVID-19 Testing](#) (DPHHS)

[Evaluating and Testing Persons for COVID-19](#)(CDC)

[Guidelines for Collecting, Handling and Testing Clinical Specimens](#) (CDC)

[March 26 Diagnostic Testing Update re: Swabs](#) (FDA)

[Clinical Guidance for Management of Patients with Confirmed COVID-19](#) (CDC)

[COVID-19 and Underlying Medical Conditions](#) (CDC)

FAQs: [Higher Risk Persons](#) & [Underlying Conditions](#) (CDC)

[Discontinuation of Transmission-Based Precautions of Patients with COVID-19](#)
(CDC)

[Caring with Limited Resources during the COVID-19 Crisis](#) (AHA)

[Optimizing Ventilator Use during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (HHS)

[Symptom-based Strategy to Discontinue Isolation for Persons with COVID-19](#)
(CDC)

LONG-TERM CARE & RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

[Guidance for Retirement Communities and Independent Living](#) (CDC)

[Preventing the Spread of COVID-19 in Retirement Communities and Independent Living Facilities](#) (CDC)

[COVID-19 Checklist: Older Persons](#) (CDC)

[COVID-19 Long-Term Care Facility Guidance](#) (CMS)

TELEHEALTH

[Medicare Telehealth FAQ](#) (CMS)

[Montana Medicaid Coverage & Reimbursement Policy for Telehealth Services](#)
(DPHHS)

[Telehealth Toolkit for General Practitioners](#) (CMS)

[Telehealth Toolkit for Providers of End-Stage Renal Disease Patients](#) (CMS)

Watch: [“COVID-19 Telehealth Waiver Made Simple”](#) (PYA)

[Telehealth Toolkit for Long-Term Care Nursing Home Facilities](#) (CMS)

[Informational Bulletin: Utilization of Telehealth for Treatment of SUDs](#) (CMS)

Watch: [CMS Telehealth FAQ video](#) (CMS)

INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL

[Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Patients with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 in Healthcare Settings](#) (CDC)

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 in Home Health Agencies](#) (CMS)

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 in Dialysis Facilities](#) (CMS)

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 in Nursing Homes](#) (CMS)

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 by Hospice Agencies](#) (CMS)

PPE

[Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of PPE](#) (CDC)

[Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of N95 Respirators](#) (CDC)

[Extending the Use and/or Reusing Respiratory Protection During Disasters](#) (APIC)

[Temporary Enforcement Guidance – Healthcare Respiratory Protection](#) (OSHA)

[PPE Supply Equivalents & Price Guide](#) (AHRMM)

[Conserving Facemasks and Respirators During a Critical Shortage](#) (TJC)

[PPE Burn Rate Calculator](#) (CDC)

[PPE Emergency Use Authorizations](#) (FDA)

[Decontamination and Reuse of Filtering Facepiece Respirators](#) (CDC)

WORKFORCE PROTECTION & SUPPORT

[Management of Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure to Patients with COVID-19](#) (CDC)

[Criteria for Return to Work for Healthcare Personnel](#) (CDC)

[Montana Hospital Mutual Aid System Memo & Agreement](#)

[COVID-19 Safety Training Resources](#) (NIH)

[COVID-19 and the American Workplace Toolkit](#) (US Dept. of Labor)

[Memo on Registration for Out-of-State Licensees](#) (MT DLI)

[FFCRA FMLA and Paid Leave FAQs](#) (US DOL)

[MHMAS Volunteer Registration System](#)

COMMUNITY MITIGATION STRATEGIES

[Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission](#) (CDC)

[Tips to Keep Children Healthy While School's Out](#) (CDC)

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