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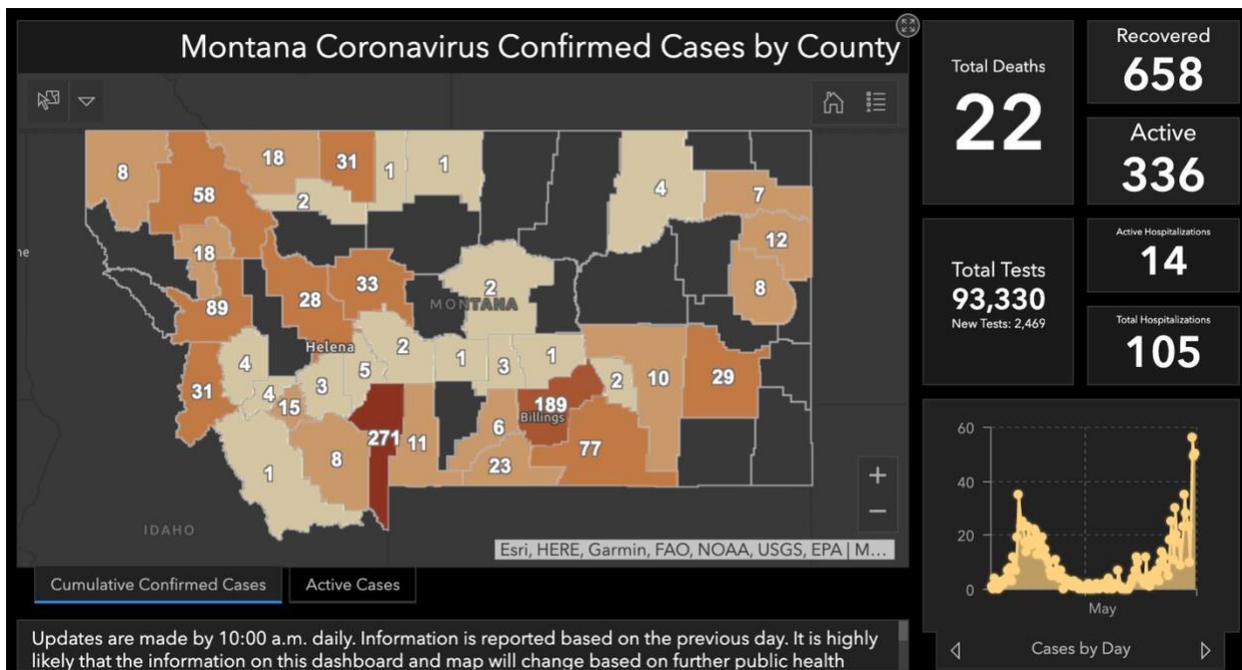
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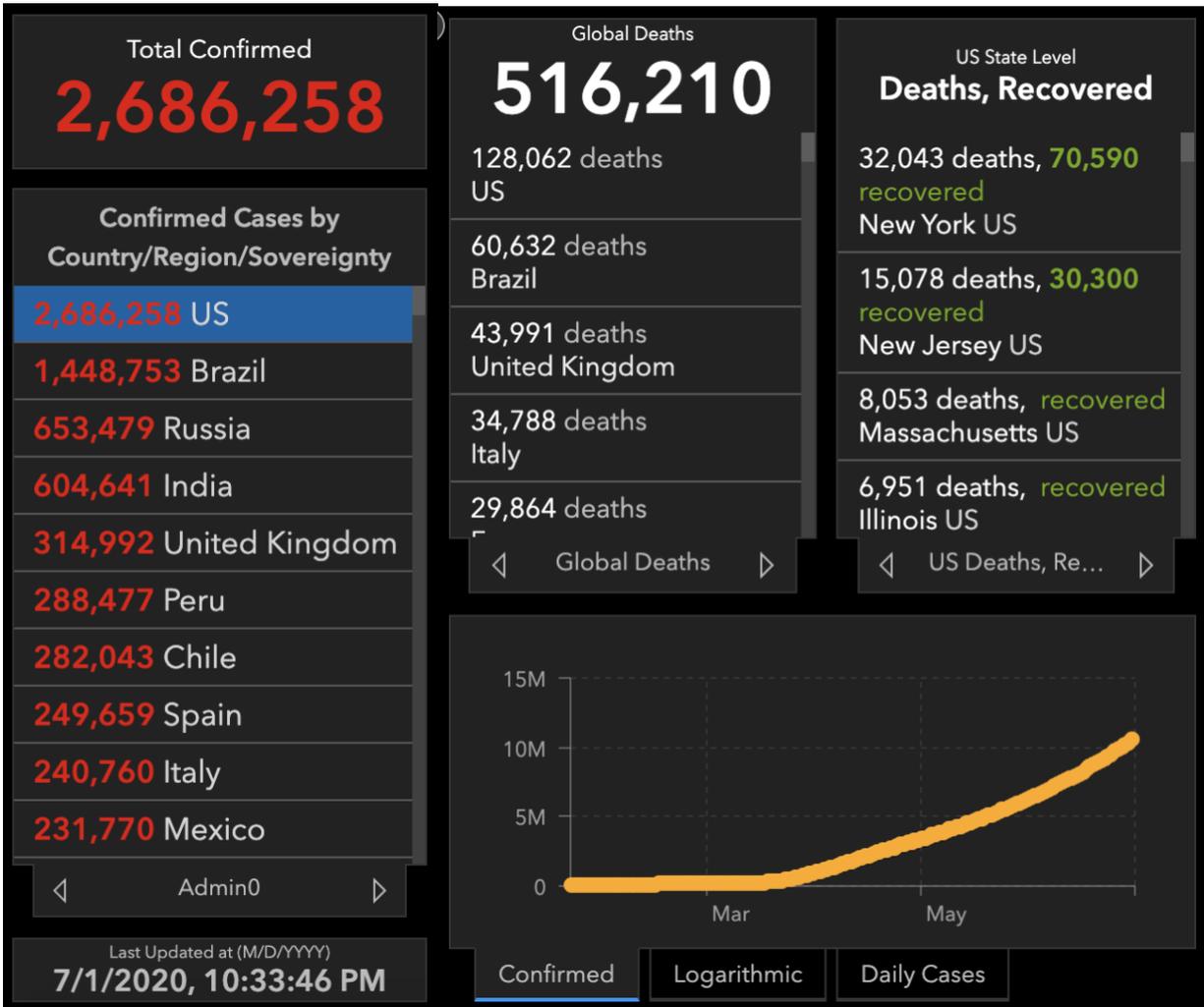
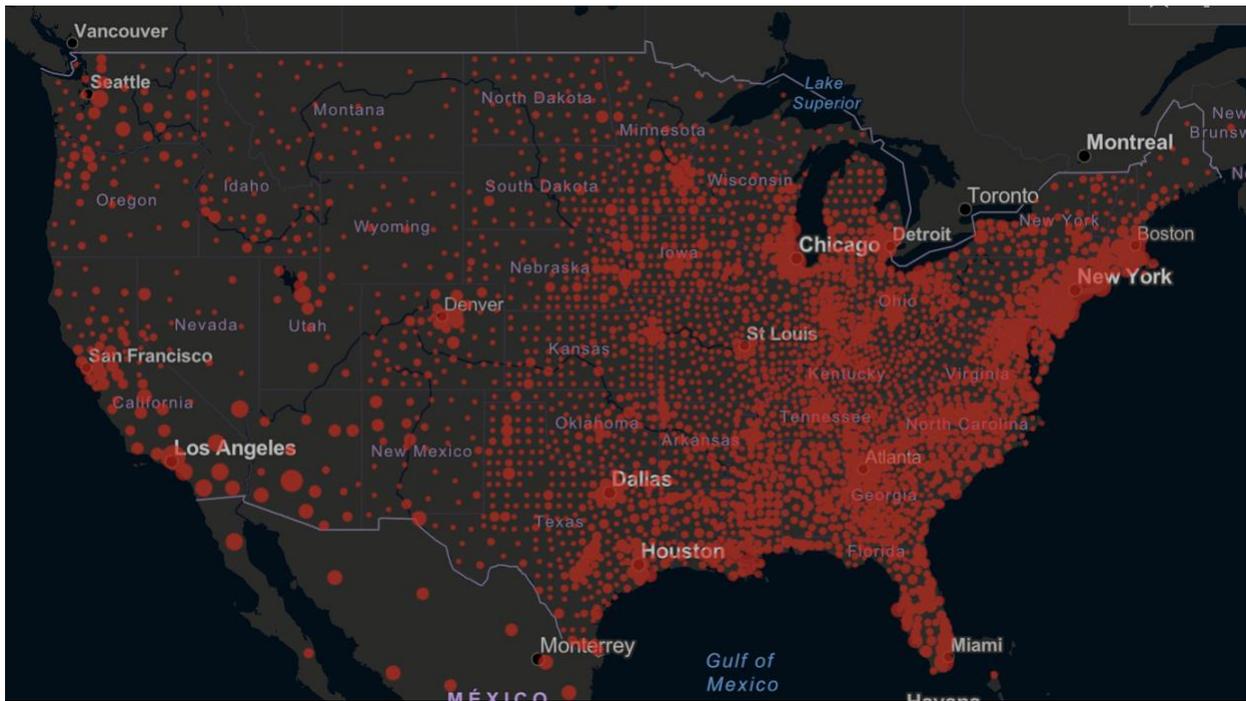
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

July 1, 2020

COVID-19

REPORTED CASES	
Montana <i>New in last 24 hours: 50 (+5%)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard	1,016
United States <i>New in last 24 hours: 58,167 (+2%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard	2,686,258
WA	33,435
ID	6,370
WY	1,514
ND	3,615
SD	6,826





OPERATIONS

FEMA ships second PPE distribution to nursing homes. FEMA officials this week report that about half of the second shipment of PPE packages have been sent to nursing homes. Of those, just under half were delivered and the rest are in transit. FEMA expects to complete this second shipment for all 15,400 nursing homes in the country that are Medicare/Medicaid certified by July 21. FEMA in late April [announced](#) the effort to ship a combined total of 14 days' worth of PPE to nursing homes nationwide.

Harvard analysis: Montana among top states for testing levels. A new analysis by the Harvard Global Health Institute [estimates targets](#) for how much testing each state needs to mitigate or suppress its outbreak through a strategy of testing, tracing and isolating positive cases and their contacts. According to the analysis, only four states are doing enough testing for suppression: Alaska, Hawaii, Montana and Vermont — all relatively small populations with small outbreaks. Among states with large outbreaks, New Jersey is close to being in a position to suppress the virus, showing that even a larger outbreak can be brought under control.

HHS reestablishes Ready Reserve Corps, extends public-private partnership for COVID-19 testing. HHS yesterday [announced](#) the reestablishment of the Ready Reserve Corps, a uniformed services that provides trained and ready personnel available on short notice to fill critical public health needs. The organization's reestablishment as a part of the U.S. Public Health Service was authorized in March through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act.

HHS is also extending its partnership with national pharmacy and grocery retail chains CVS, Rite-Aid, Walgreens, Quest (through services at Walmart) and eTrueNorth (through services at Kroger, Health Mart, and Walmart) to expand convenient access to COVID-19 testing, the agency yesterday [said](#). The partnership has resulted in more than 600 COVID-19 testing sites in 48 states and the District of Columbia, with approximately 70% located in communities with moderate-to-high social vulnerability, as evidenced by racial and ethnic composition, and housing, economic and language barriers.

FDA issues vaccine development guidance, authorizes new molecular-based COVID-19 test. The FDA yesterday [issued guidance](#) for the development of a SARS-CoV-2 vaccine, outlining key considerations to satisfy requirements for chemistry, manufacturing and control, nonclinical and clinical data. The agency said the current goal of vaccine development programs should be "to support traditional FDA approval by conducting studies to directly evaluate the ability of the vaccine to protect humans from SARS-CoV-2 infection and/or disease."

FDA also authorized the emergency use of the molecular-based [LifeHope 2019-nCoV Real-Time RT-PCR Diagnostic Panel](#). The agency concluded that the qualitative test's known and potential benefits outweigh the risks during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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:** Bed and PPE counts to be reported weekly on Fridays. Use this [survey link](#) weekly to report bed and PPE data.

LOGISTICS

Reminder: COVID-19 hospitalization data for next remdesivir allocation due Monday. HHS is asking hospitals to submit data on the number of currently hospitalized COVID-19 patients every two weeks to inform how the agency allocates to states and territories up to 500,000 additional [treatment courses of remdesivir](#) secured for purchase by hospitals through September. Hospitals should submit the initial data to the [TeleTracking web portal](#) by 6 p.m. MT July 6.

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 NIOSH-approved 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](#).

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 lists and general sources of information on a wide range of COVID-19-related issues

[MHA COVID-19 General Resources page](#)

CLINICAL OPERATIONS

Resources on infection prevention and control, EMS operations, telehealth operations and care for specific populations from federal and state resources

[MHA COVID-19 Clinical Operations page](#)

LONG-TERM CARE & RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

CDC and CMS resources specific to maintaining safe conditions in long-term care and retirement communities

[MHA COVID-19 Long-Term Care & Retirement Communities page](#)

SUPPLY CHAIN RESOURCES

Resources from AHRMM, AHA, Intalere, CDC and other sources on sourcing, conserving and properly using PPE

[MHA COVID-19 Supply Chain Resources page](#)

WORKFORCE PROTECTION & SUPPORT

MT DLI, CDC, OSHA and NIH toolkits, FAQs and other resources to protect employees and allow staff to return to work

[MHA COVID-19 Workforce Protection & Support page](#)

COMMUNITY MITIGATION STRATEGIES

CDC resources on community mitigation strategies

[MHA COVID-19 Community Mitigation Strategies page](#)

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Guidance, fact sheets and other resources on regulatory waivers and flexibilities in addition to catalogued financing information related to the CARES Act and other COVID-19 funding assistance

[MHA COVID-19 Finance & Administration page](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

Archive of MHA COVID-19 related communications as well as sample communications documents, toolkits and other resources from state and national levels

[MHA COVID-19 Communications page](#)

TESTING

FAQs, recommendations and other CDC, FDA and MT DPHHS resources related to COVID-19 testing

[MHA COVID-19 Testing page](#)

PLANNING

Best practices and planning documents from CDC, facilities on the front lines and MT DPHHS

[MHA COVID-19 Planning page](#)

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