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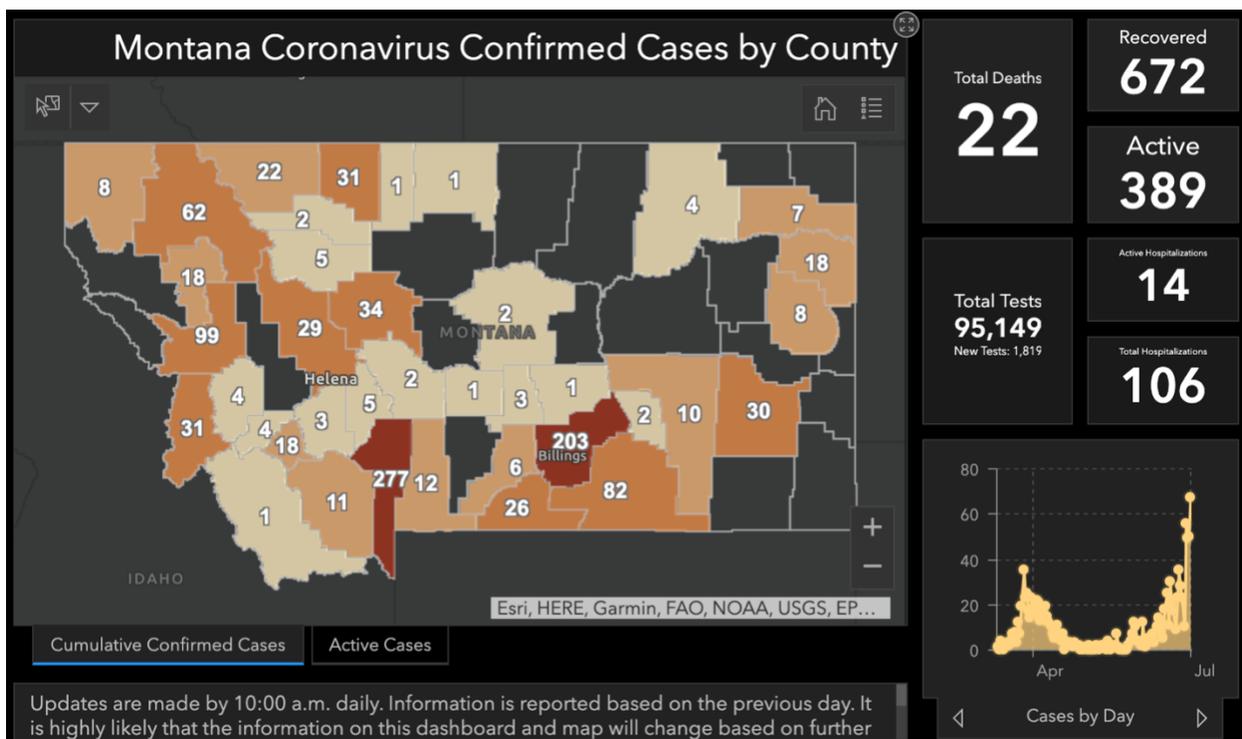
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

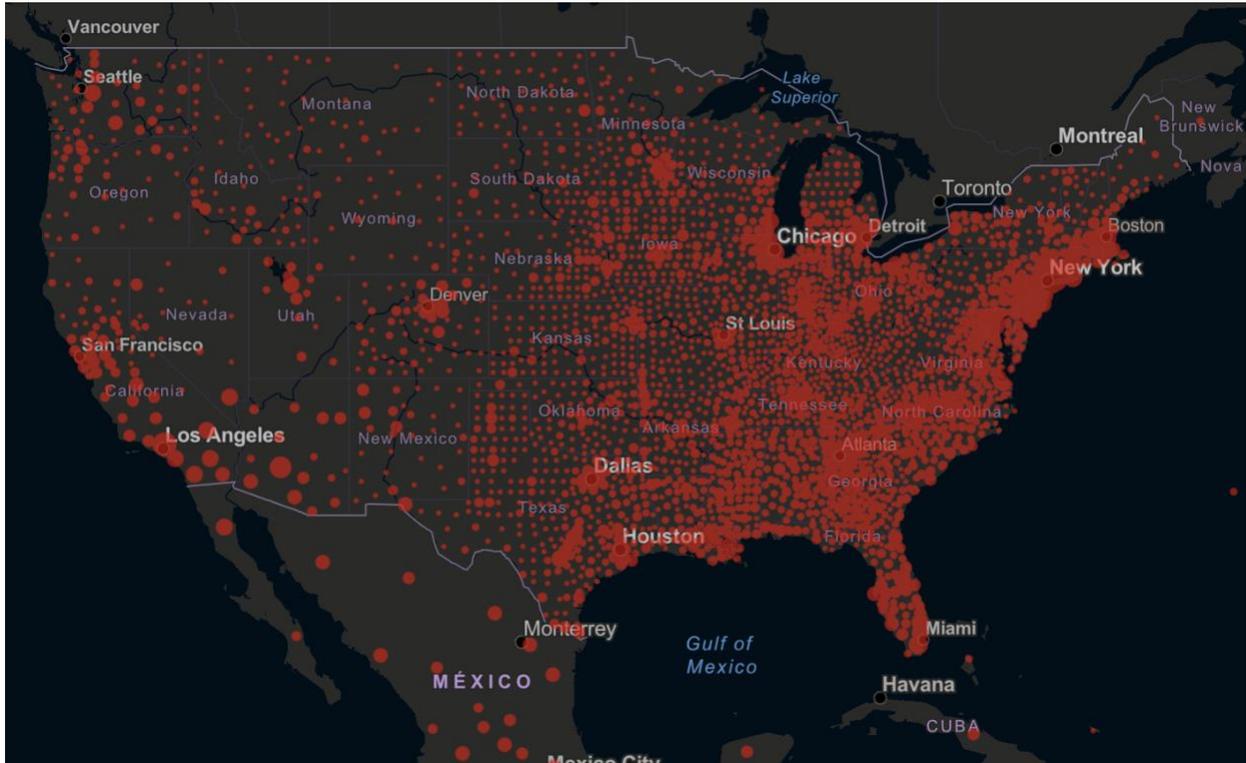
July 2, 2020

COVID-19

MHA Situation Report (SITREP) will not publish on Friday, July 3 and Sunday, July 5 in observance of the Independence Day holiday. MHA Situation Report will resume on Monday, July 6.

REPORTED CASES	
Montana <i>New in last 24 hours: 67 (+7%)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard	1,083
United States <i>New in last 24 hours: 53,621 (+2%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard	2,739,879
WA	34,151
ID	6,593
WY	1,550
ND	3,657
SD	6,893





Total Confirmed

2,739,879

Confirmed Cases by Country/Region/Sovereignty

- 2,739,879** US
- 1,496,858** Brazil
- 660,231** Russia
- 625,544** India
- 292,004** Peru
- 285,268** United Kingdom
- 284,541** Chile
- 250,103** Spain
- 240,961** Italy
- 238,511** Mexico

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Global Deaths

521,298

128,740 deaths US

61,884 deaths Brazil

44,080 deaths United Kingdom

34,818 deaths Italy

29,878 deaths France

Global Deaths

US State Level Deaths, Recovered

32,064 deaths, **70,698** recovered New York US

15,107 deaths, **30,383** recovered New Jersey US

8,132 deaths, **recovered** Massachusetts US

6,951 deaths, **recovered** Illinois US

US Deaths, Re...

Confirmed Logarithmic Daily Cases

Congress sends Paycheck Protection Program extension to president. The House of Representatives last night passed by unanimous consent legislation (S. 4116) extending the Paycheck Protection Program loan application period through August 8. The Senate Wednesday unanimously passed the measure, which now goes to the president for his signature.

Organizations with fewer than 500 total employees, including hospitals, may apply to the program for loans of up to \$10 million and have the loan amount forgiven if at least 60% of the loan goes to payroll expenses, among other requirements.

OPERATIONS

DPHHS releases interim report on Montana COVID-19 cases. DPHHS this week released an [epidemiologic profile](#) of Montana COVID-19 cases through June 26, 2020. The profile includes epidemiological data, lab data, testing rates by county, demographic distribution, transmission characteristics, trend lines and more.

Mental health and SUD resources during COVID-19. CMS and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) issued [guidance](#) on leveraging existing health management programs to provide mental health and substance use disorder resources 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

Deadline: COVID-19 hospitalization data for next remdesivir allocation due July 6. 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](#).

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

FEMA fact sheet on coordination and coverage of public assistance funding.

FEMA released a [fact sheet](#) detailing the agency's approach to COVID-19 Public Assistance Program funding and other federal funds to state, local, tribal, and territorial government entities and certain private nonprofit organizations to address the effects of the pandemic.

COVID-19 blanket exceptions for Medicare quality reporting programs end. The blanket data reporting [exceptions and extensions](#) implemented in March across Medicare quality reporting and value-based payment programs for hospitals expired July 1. Specifically, CMS made it optional to submit data from the fourth quarter of 2019 (October through December) and the first two quarters of 2020 (January through March, and April through June); and will not use claims data from Jan. 1 through June 30, 2020 to calculate performance in its quality reporting and value-based purchasing programs. CMS expects hospitals to collect and report data for the third and fourth quarters of 2020 in accordance with regular program requirements.

"We are currently considering options to address providers' concerns that we've heard from directly and through the COVID-19 inbox that the data may be impacted by the flexibilities and public health emergency," CMS said in an update Wednesday. "These options could include a change to the way voluntarily reported Q1 and Q2 2020 data are used in some of these programs. CMS intends to address this issue further in a future rule. Even though flexibilities were provided for reporting Q4 2019 data to meet spring 2020 reporting deadlines, we note that we still received very robust data reporting (>95% for most measures) for that quarter."

While CMS's blanket reporting exception has ended, hospitals unable to meet third and/or fourth quarter 2020 data collection and reporting requirements under the hospital quality reporting and value-based purchasing programs due to COVID-19 or another event beyond their control may use the programs' existing

policies to [request an exception](#) within 90 calendar days of the extraordinary circumstance.

U.S. healthcare jobs increase by 358,000 in June. The healthcare field added 358,000 jobs in June, increasing 2.3% to a seasonally adjusted 15.6 million, the Bureau of Labor Statistics [reported](#) today. That's the second monthly increase for the sector after losing 1.5 million jobs in April. Office-based providers, such as physicians and dentists, continued to account for much of the increase. Hospitals added about 6,700 jobs in June, their first monthly increase since the beginning of the pandemic in March. Home health also added jobs, while nursing and residential care facilities continued to lose jobs.

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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