



## ARKANSAS COVID-19 UPDATE MARCH 28, 2020

Governor's Daily Update: <https://www.youtube.com/c/GovernorAsaHutchinson/live>  
AR Div. of Emergency Mgmt.: create a Smart911 profile for your family: <https://www.smart911.com>  
AR Department of Health: <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/>

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

- STATE OF EMERGENCY: **YES** (since 3/11/2020)
- AR COUNTIES (75) WITH CONFIRMED CASES: **42**
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY AGE GROUP:
  - 1-18: **15**
  - 19-64: **259**
  - 65+: **130**
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY GENDER:
  - Female: 61%
  - Male: 39%
- HOSPITALIZED: **48** WITH VENTILATOR: **17**
- NURSING HOME CASES: **42**

### OTHER INFORMATION:

- SCHOOLS REMAIN CLOSED THROUGH: **4/17/2020**
- UNEMP BENEFITS UPDATE: **39,400+ claims to date; Add'l \$600 weekly benefit;**  
[www.ezarc.adws.arkansas.gov](http://www.ezarc.adws.arkansas.gov) open **7 days a week for applicants to file for benefits**
- ESSENTIAL SERVICES: **The state will closely follow Homeland Security designations.**
- MEDICAL LICENSURE: **Expedited process for healthcare licensees resulting in an additional 100+ physicians and 300+ nurses.**
- TELEMEDICINE: **Regulations eased; major insurers expanding telemedicine benefits**
- PUBLIC /SOCIAL GATHERINGS: **The COVID-19 guidance the AR Department of Health (ADH) has already provided to the public will be issued later today as a directive carrying the power of law.**
- RESTAURANTS AND BARS: **Carry-out or delivery only**
- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: **Restaurants and package stores may deliver**
- CURFEWS: **City-wide curfew in Little Rock extended: 9PM-5AM**
- PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE): **The state dedicated \$30 million for PPE; AR Attorney General Leslie Rutledge dedicates additional \$1M; PPE: 3 million N95 masks, 4M surgical masks, 2.1M face shields, 4M disposable gowns, and 7M gloves, are scheduled to begin arriving this weekend.**

### ARKANSAS NUMBERS

**Total Confirmed Positive To Date: 404\***

**Total Deaths to Date: 5**

\*As of 1:30 pm today; This number continues to change rapidly.

### LEGISLATIVE SPECIAL SESSION

The House and Senate passed bills to extend the state income tax filing deadline to July 15 and to address the resulting state budget shortfall. The Governor signed the bills close to 1 am this morning.

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