



## ARKANSAS COVID-19 UPDATE April 1, 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)
- STATE OF EMERGENCY for Jonesboro, AR area related to tornadoes there on March 28.
- AR Major Disaster Declaration, Gov signed 3/31
- AR COUNTIES (75) WITH CONFIRMED CASES: **51**
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY AGE GROUP:
  - 1-18: **18**
  - 19-64: **396**
  - 65+: **170**
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY GENDER:
  - Female: **60%**
  - Male: **40%**
- HOSPITALIZED: **56** WITH VENTILATOR: **25**
- NURSING HOME CASES: **51**

### OTHER INFORMATION:

- SCHOOLS REMAIN CLOSED THROUGH: **4/17/2020**
- UNEMP BENEFITS UPDATE: **39,400+** claims to date; Add'l **\$600** weekly benefit
- STATE PARKS: **Eliminating overnight stays as well as overflow parking to reduce out of state visitors.**
- \$\$ FOR SMALL BUSINESS: **275** Bridge Loan applications received, most are smaller loans and will be processed as early as next week by AEDC
- TELEMEDICINE: **Regulations eased**; major insurers expanding telemedicine benefits
- PUBLIC /SOCIAL GATHERINGS: **It is advised, and in some cases directed, that groups of 10+ be prohibited.**
- 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): **Additional \$45M in funding from newly created COVID Rainy Day Fund for PPE; Initial \$30 million: 3 million N95 masks, 4M surgical masks, 2.1M face shields, 4M disposable gowns, and 7M gloves.**

Total Confirmed 3/31: **523**

New since 3/31: **+61**

**Total Confirmed To Date: 584\***

Total Deaths 3/31: **8**

New since 3/31: **+2**

**Total Deaths to Date: 10**

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

**Walmart and Quest Labs partnered to open drive through testing facility for first responders in Benton County expected to open next week.**

#### TAX DEADLINE EXTENDED

The deadline for state income tax filing has been extended to July 15.

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