



ARKANSAS COVID-19 UPDATE MARCH 26, 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: **40**
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY AGE GROUP:
 - 1-18: **14**
 - 19-64: **213**
 - 65+: **108**
- HOSPITALIZED: **41** WITH VENTILATOR: **13**
- NURSING HOME CASES: **42**

OTHER INFORMATION:

- SCHOOLS REMAIN CLOSED THROUGH: **4/17/2020**
- UNEMP BENEFITS UPDATE: **18,100 claims to date**
- ESSENTIAL SERVICES: **Contact us with concerns about essential services**
- MEDICAL LICENSURE: **Expedited process for healthcare licensees resulting in an additional 100+ physicians and 300+ nurses.**
- TELEMEDICINE: **Regulations eased; major insurers expanding telemedicine benefits**
- SOCIAL GATHERINGS: **The COVID-19 guidance the AR Department of Health 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): **Dedicated funds of \$30 million: Private orders of PPE including 3 million N95 masks, 4M surgical masks, 2.1M face shields, 4M disposable gowns, and 7M gloves, scheduled to begin arriving this weekend and will be distributed by the Department of Health.**
- WORK FROM HOME: **All government employees are working from home unless their job function is considered an 'essential function.'**

ARKANSAS NUMBERS

Total Confirmed Positive To Date: 335*

Total Deaths to Date: 3

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

LEGISLATIVE SPECIAL SESSION

The House and Senate both passed measures to address FY 2021 budget shortfalls and will convene again tomorrow, March 27, at 3 PM

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