



ARKANSAS COVID-19 UPDATE
April 5, 2020 - PALM SUNDAY

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/>
OFFICIAL State of Arkansas COVID-19 Relief Fund: www.arcforg/covid19

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- STATE OF EMERGENCY: **YES** (since 3/11/2020)
- AR Major Disaster Declaration, Gov signed 3/31
- AR COUNTIES (75) WITH CONFIRMED CASES: **64**
New Counties: Yell, Phillips, Lafayette
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY AGE GROUP:
 - 1-18: **2.4%**
 - 19-64: **71.1%** (4 of the deaths this age group)
 - 65+: **26.5%** (12 of the deaths this age group)
- NUMBER CONFIRMED CASES, BY GENDER:
 - Female: **60%**
 - Male: **40%**
- HOSPITALIZED: **67** WITH VENTILATOR: **27**
- NURSING HOME CASES: **60** (was 64, 4 deaths)

OTHER INFORMATION:

- SCHOOLS REMAIN CLOSED THROUGH: **4/17/2020**
- UNEMP BENEFITS UPDATE: **66,000** claims processed; **likely 100,000** claims by end of week
- \$\$ FOR SMALL BUSINESS: **80** AEDC Bridge Loans have gone out totaling \$1.7 million; SBA Loans are beginning to go out.
- STATE/ NATIONAL PARKS: As of 4/3, state parks will allow day visits only and close overflow parking areas; Buffalo River Nat'l Park - closed
- TELEMEDICINE: Regulations eased; major insurers expanding telemedicine benefits
- PUBLIC /SOCIAL GATHERINGS: Advised: **10** or less with appropriate social distancing
- RESTAURANTS AND BARS: Carry-out or delivery only
- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Restaurants and package stores may deliver
- CURFEWS: City-wide curfews, Little Rock and Pine Bluff: 9PM-5AM
- PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE): \$75m dedicated to PPE; The state has a need for assistance with international transport of PPE.
- Hospitals: \$10m in state economic assistance grants for rural hospitals

Total Confirmed 4/4: **743**
New since 4/4: **+87**
Total Confirmed Positive to Date: 830*
(114 of total confirmed are healthcare workers)
Total Deaths 4/4: 14
New since 4/4: **+2**
Total Deaths to Date: 16
*As of 1:30 pm today; This number continues to change.

FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, Forrest City, AR: 14 of the new confirmed positive cases are inmates and staff. Over 20 more including inmates and staff with symptoms are being tested.
MASKS: The governor emphasized again today masks are recommended in public settings where it is difficult or impossible to maintain at least 6 feet social distancing. Use cloth masks, save medical grade masks for healthcare workers.
ENTERGY – has suspended disconnects for non-payment of electric bills.

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