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**Florida Department of Health Issues Daily Update on COVID-19**  
***~COVID-19 Related Floridian Deaths Maintaining Steady Decline in Recent Weeks~***

**TALLAHASSEE** — The Florida Department of Health (DOH), in order to provide more comprehensive data, releases a report on COVID-19 cases in Florida once per day. Today, data reported to DOH shows there has been a steady decline in the number of reported Florida resident deaths who were previously diagnosed with COVID-19. The fourth week of July compared to the fourth week of August, shows a 75 percent decrease in the average number of reported COVID-19 related deaths.

Today, Florida had the twenty-second straight day below 10 percent positivity of new cases.

Today, as reported at 11 a.m., there are 3,571 new positive COVID-19 cases and 149 reported deaths - 8 occurred yesterday, September 2. As posted on the Agency for Health Care Administration's hospitalization [dashboard](#) at 12:45 p.m., there are 3,437 current hospitalizations with a primary diagnosis of COVID-19.

Test results for more than 65,200 individuals were reported to DOH as of midnight, on Wednesday, September 2. On September 2, 6.23 percent of new cases\*\* tested positive.

To date, there are a total of 637,013 Florida cases\*\*\* with 11,650 deaths related to COVID-19.

Since September 2, the death of one hundred forty-nine Florida residents who tested positive for COVID-19 have been reported in Bay, Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Dade, Duval, Escambia, Glades, Hernando, Hillsborough, Lake, Lee, Leon, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Okaloosa, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Lucie, Sumter, Taylor and Volusia counties.

Florida long-term care facility data:

- The list of long-term care facilities with active COVID-19 cases is available [here](#).
- The list of long-term care facilities with deaths is available [here](#), which is updated weekly.
- To date, 4,879 individuals that were staff or residents of a long-term care facility have died.

In order to make the daily COVID-19 report easier to download and more accessible, the daily report separates case line data in a separate PDF. The case line data report is available [here](#). The state also provides a report detailing surveillance data for every Florida county, which is

available [here](#). The antibody COVID-19 test results report will be provided once a week and contains county, race and lab information on antibody COVID-19 tests conducted in Florida. The report for antibody tests conducted by private health care providers is available [here](#) and the report for antibody tests conducted at state-supported COVID-19 testing sites is available [here](#).

**More information on a case-by-case basis can also be found [here](#).**

\* Florida residents that are diagnosed with COVID-19 and isolated out of state are not reflected on the Florida map.

\*\*This percentage is the number of people who test positive for the first time divided by all tests, excluding people who have previously tested positive.

\*\*\*Total cases overview includes positive cases in Florida residents and non-Florida residents tested in Florida.

### **More Information on COVID-19**

To find the most up-to-date information and guidance on COVID-19, please visit the Department of Health's dedicated [COVID-19 webpage](#). For information and advisories from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), please visit the [CDC COVID-19 website](#), this website is also available in Spanish and Creole. For more information about current travel advisories issued by the U.S. Department of State, please visit the [travel advisory website](#).

For any other questions related to COVID-19 in Florida, please contact the Department's dedicated COVID-19 Call Center by calling **1-866-779-6121**. **The Call Center is available 24 hours per day**. Inquiries may also be emailed to [\*\*COVID-19@flhealth.gov\*\*](mailto:COVID-19@flhealth.gov).

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