COVID-19 in Idaho: Dashboard Notes

Data are preliminary and subject to change.

Data release schedule

- The Department of Health and Welfare will update data Wednesday at coronavirus.idaho.gov by 5 p.m. MT, excluding holidays

Data Changes 05/17/2023

With the end of the national public health emergency anticipated on May 11, 2023, Idaho's COVID-19 dashboard will no longer display case and testing volume data after May 10.

The Division of Public Health will continue to review and publish COVID-19 data from several sources, including deaths, hospitalizations, and emergency department visits.

Data Changes 11/23/2022

Because of changes in public health recommendations, cumulative case rate comparisons by vaccination status defined as "fully vaccinated" (positive laboratory test for SARS-CoV-2 on a specimen collected 14 or more days after completion of a primary COVID-19 vaccine series) or "not fully vaccinated" (primary series not completed 14 or more days before a specimen was collected that tested positive for SARS-CoV-2) were removed.

The number of cases with a positive laboratory result for SARS-CoV-2 that was collected after receiving any booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine will be published. A subset of the number of these cases with a bivalent (updated) booster dose will be published beginning 12/7/2022.

Data Changes 4/15/2022

Changes to data visualizations implemented April 15, 2022 include:
- Daily Cases Trend: Case dates are based on the date of report rather than the date the investigation record was added to the statewide data system. The date of report represents the earliest date of a record that established evidence of infection (e.g., lab report, medical record).
- Onset Date Trend: This graph was removed. Universal case investigation is no longer conducted and onset date is not available in most laboratory results.
- Estimated Recovered was removed. This cannot be calculated without onset date.
- Counts of Asymptomatic cases was removed. Universal case investigation is no longer conducted and symptom status is not available in most laboratory results. ..

Wastewater Testing

-Data are downloaded from a central repository maintained by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#wastewater-surveillance. Names or exact geographic locations of participating facilities or associated municipalities are deidentified. Not all wastewater treatment facilities are participating in wastewater surveillance.
-Increases or decreases are based on statistically significant changes in recent samples for a given site. County level trends are assessed as the population weighted average across all participating sites within a given county.
-Sampling may be missed or delayed and result in missing data.

Notes to Emergency Department Visits

Number of facilities reporting: 37 (86% of facilities reporting - Representing 97.3% of estimated emergency departments annual visits)
Data source: BioSense Platform: Data on emergency department visits in Idaho contributed daily.
Coronavirus-like Illness query name: CLI CC with CLI DD and Coronavirus DD V2
Admits include all patients who were coded to "Admitted" in the disposition category from emergency department visits.
Note: This information is part of an active surveillance effort. Data are subject to change as information is made available. Admission and disposition data is not available from all facilities and the decision to report disposition. Two additional facilities were added to the reporting database on May 18th, 2020, and one facility was added May 13th, 2021. Information collected from additional facilities may impact estimates previoulsy reported.

Notes to COVID-19 Related Deaths Among Idaho Residents

Data on this page include confirmed or probable COVID-19 cases that have been reported to the disease surveillance system and are reported to have died from COVID-19-related illness.

Idaho resident COVID-19 related deaths include deaths that occurred in Idaho and out of state. For persons who died in an Idaho nursing home, the person's residency may be reported as an out-of-state address on their death certificate. Death rates are presented as a crude death rate. Death rate calculation: the total number of deaths to residents in a specified geographic area (state, county, public health district) divided by the total population..

Notes to Laboratory Testing for COVID-19

Results for samples collected during the most recent week may not be available at the time of publication. Laboratories are required by law to report positive results. Negative test results are reported voluntarily. To accurately calculate the percentage of positive test results, both numerator and denominator data are needed; test results from laboratories that do not report negative results (denominator data) are excluded from the calculation ..

Notes to Hospitalization for COVID-19 in Idaho

Data updated by the Department of Health and Welfare Wednesday, by 5 p.m. MT.
Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), HHS Protects.
Note: On July 15, HHS Secretary Azar notified hospitals to stop reporting COVID-19 data to NHSN. Some facilities in Idaho began reporting directly t..