



July 1, 2020

4:00 p.m. Update Pueblo, CO #PuebloCOVID19

Pueblo’s COVID-19 Updates to be Released One Time per Week

As a coordinated response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment will provide updates from a variety of local agencies responding to this health emergency and COVID-19 case updates. Beginning Wednesday, July 8, local updates will go out at 4 p.m. Wednesdays.

Pueblo County’s COVID-19 case updated will be Monday through Friday at 4 p.m. on the following websites, puebloemergency.info and pueblohealth.org.

Bars Remain Open in Pueblo as a Result of Local Variance

Bars in Pueblo remain open after Governor Polis announced a closure statewide in an effort to reduce mingling and the spread of COVID-19 resulting in increased cases. As Pueblo County’s variance was approved June 11, 2020 bars are one of the categories allowed to be open. Pueblo’s bars must serve the amount of food required by their liquor license (pretzels, frozen burritos, etc).

Read Pueblo’s variance guidelines for bars [here](#).

Pueblo County’s Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing Site Resumes July 6

Pueblo County’s free COVID-19 drive-thru testing at the Colorado State Fairgrounds will be closed the rest of the week but will resume testing on July 6. Testing will continue through the end of the month every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Currently, the following individuals can be tested for COVID-19 at Pueblo’s COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing:

- Any individual who is symptomatic (symptoms include body aches, loss of sense of taste or smell, cough, difficulty breathing, fever over 100.4 degrees, chills, headache, sore throat and muscle pain)
- Anyone over the age of 65 (symptomatic or asymptomatic)
- African American, Latino, American Indian Tribes (symptomatic or asymptomatic)
- Anyone who had contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19
- Health care workers and first responders (symptomatic or asymptomatic)
- A resident of a long-term care facility or anyone experiencing homelessness
- Attended a large gathering or protest

The testing site at the Colorado State Fairgrounds (enter through Gate 4 off Mesa Avenue and Gaylord Avenue) is drive-thru only and individuals must be inside an enclosed vehicle for safety. No walk-ups or motorcycles are allowed through the testing site. The site is open to neighboring counties. Everybody being tested must be able to administer the test to themselves, children and individuals unable to give the test to

themselves will be turned away. The first 250 individuals each day able to self-administer the test will have access to drive-up testing. No physician order is required, and all testing is free.

View a video of the COVID-19 Self-Swabbing Test <https://youtu.be/vsQVxsQY3jc>

Pueblo County EOC, COVID-19 Hotline Closed for Fourth of July Holiday

The Pueblo County Emergency Operations Center and the Pueblo COVID-19 Hotline will be closed Friday, July 3 in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. The daily update media briefing, which includes updates on Pueblo County's COVID-19 cases, will not be distributed on Friday. The COVID-19 Hotline will re-open at 9 a.m. Monday, July 6. The hotline is available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at (719) 583-4444.

Pueblo's COVID-19 Case Updates

Public health officials from the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment announced **6** new positive COVID-19 cases in Pueblo County since Monday, June 29. The positive cases are a 23-year-old female, 44-year-old female, 53-year-old female, 22-year-old male, 27-year-old male, and an 85-year-old male, and an -year-old male. Pueblo County has a total of **392** confirmed positive and probable* cases among Pueblo County residents. The total number of people testing, 8,234 is not reflective of everyone testing negative in Pueblo County.

Confirmed and probable cases have been combined to align with state and national data. However, the COVID-19 Status Update chart will continue to show probable cases.

As cases continue to be investigated, the data in this update is subject to change.

*A probable case meets the clinical criteria and epidemiological evidence, yet it has not been laboratory confirmed with a test. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is now reporting probable cases across the state.

Outbreak Updates

Public health officials from the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment announced a COVID-19 outbreak at Administrative Offices Pueblo Police Department. To date Administrative Offices Pueblo Police Department has had two employees test positive for COVID-19.

According to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, an outbreak in a facility is defined as two or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 during a 14-day period.

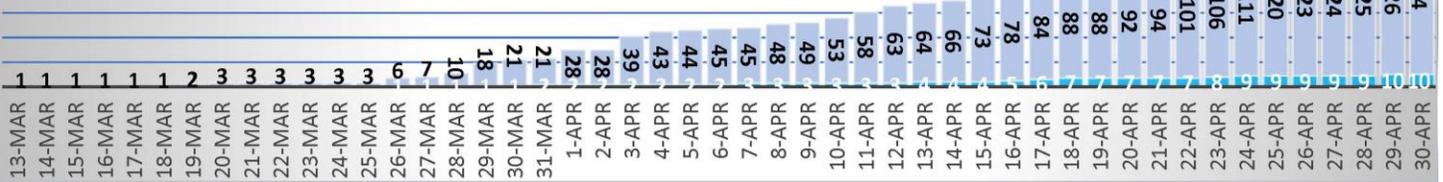
Pueblo County has had six outbreaks, three are resolved and three are active. CDPHE's report of outbreaks at facilities statewide is updated weekly on Wednesdays at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/outbreak-data>.

COVID-19 Status Update for Wednesday July 1, 2020

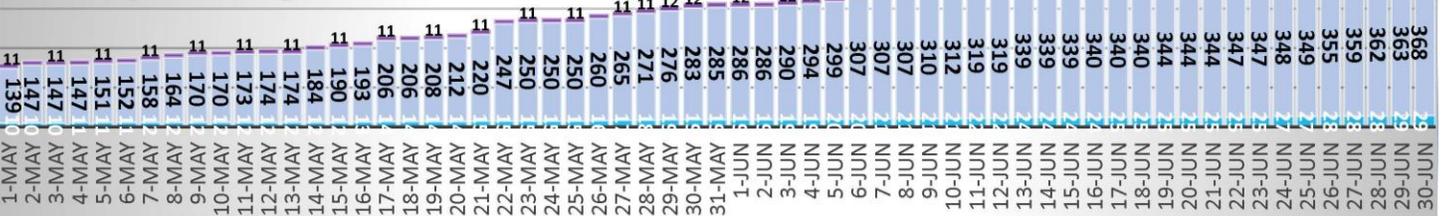
RESULTS FOR PUEBLO COUNTY						
Total Tested	Comm Based Test Site	Regular Testing	Probable Cases	Positive Cases	Total Deaths	Facility Outbreak Active/Cleared
8,391	5,008	3,383	23	369	29	3/3

Pueblo County Cumulative Case Progression

March 13 through April 30

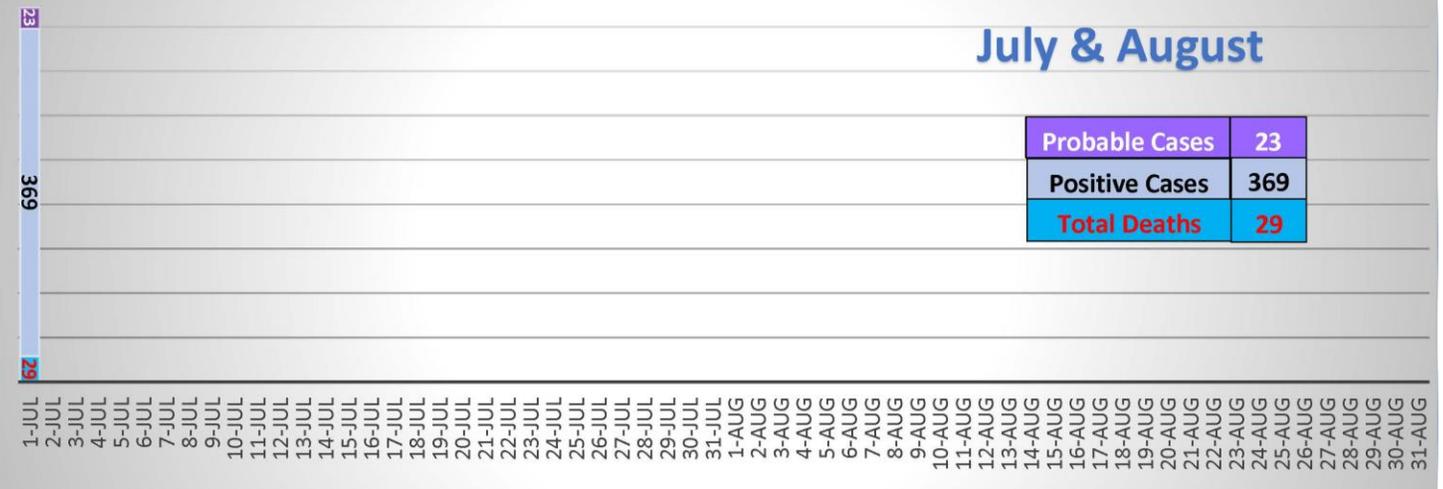


May through June



July & August

Probable Cases	23
Positive Cases	369
Total Deaths	29



Confirmed and Probable COVID-19 Case in Pueblo by Age Group

Age Group	Cases
0-9	6
10-19	15
20-29	66
30-39	43

40-49 63
50-59 61
60-69 47
70-79 38
80+ 53

Confirmed and Probable Cases in Pueblo by Sex

Female 235
Male 153
Unavailable 4

Pueblo County's COVID-19 Death by Age Group

Age Group	Cases
0-9	0
10-19	0
20-29	0
30-39	0
40-49	0
50-59	3
60-69	3
70-79	7
80+	16

Pueblo County's COVID-19 Deaths by Sex

Female 10
Male 18
Unavailable 1

Help Protect Pueblo from COVID-19

To protect the Pueblo community and the most vulnerable, everybody has a responsibility to:

- Follow the Governor's [Safer at Home and in the Vast, Great Outdoors](#) order.
- Wear a non-medical cloth face covering while out in public for necessary activities.
- Minimize social activities and being physically close to other people.
- Isolate yourself if you feel symptoms of shortness of breath, cough, temperature of 100.4 or higher, chills, headache, sore throat and new loss of smell or taste, call your medical provider before visiting them.
- Seek preventative and routine care through your primary care provider and use the emergency room when medically necessary.
- Wash your hands with soap regularly.
- Cough or sneeze into elbow or tissue.
- Stay home when you're sick.

- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with sick people.
- Clean surfaces frequently touched.

Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment encourages residents and media to seek out credible, reliable sources of information on COVID-19:

- www.puebloemergency.info
- Pueblo's COVID-19 Hotline 719-583-4444

All public and media inquiries in Pueblo are answered through the local hotline at **Pueblo's Joint Information Center. Pueblo COVID-19 Hotline is providing resources and answering questions 9AM – 4PM, Monday – Friday** (closed for government holidays) **719-583-4444**.

At times, the Pueblo COVID-19 Hotline may experience a high volume of calls, please be patient and remain on the line and the next available call taker will be with you.

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