

## To Protect, Promote and Prioritize the Health of Our Entire Community

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## **Looking at the Numbers**

The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) provides a dashboard with data that is updated daily to keep you informed about the latest developments in the COVID-19 pandemic. To view the dashboard, just go to www.douglascountyhealth.com and scroll down to the button that reads "Douglas County COVID-19 Dashboard."

Among the pieces of data that you will find are who is being infected with the disease. Nearly 42% of cases are in the white population with Hispanics, who once made up the majority of cases, now being just less than 32% of COVID-19 cases. Almost 45% of all COVID-19 cases are between 20 and 44 years of age.

COVID-19-related deaths lean more heavily toward men, with males accounting for 53% of the deaths and women 47%. That includes almost 65% of deaths being among white residents of Douglas County, who are 71% of the population. Black residents are 11.4% of the county's population but make up 14.6% of our deaths.

On Thursday, October 8, the Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) reported 195 new cases of COVID-19 that were received by midnight the previous day. This makes 17,642 total cases in Douglas County since the outbreak began in March.

During the past 14 days there have been 98 confirmed COVID-19 cases in K-12 schools, including 56 staff and 42 students, with 145 people in quarantine and 518 who are self-monitored.

The Health Department did not receive any new death certificates during the past day related to COVID-19. The number of deaths in the county connected to the pandemic remains at 198. DCHD has confirmed 13,279 county residents have recovered from the illness.

As of this morning, metro area hospitals had 171 medical and surgical beds available for an 88% occupancy rate with 32 Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds available for a 90% occupancy rate. There were 139 individuals hospitalized who have been diagnosed with COVID 19 and 37 more persons of interest (generally waiting for test results). Thirteen individuals who were confirmed or suspected of having COVID-19 were on ventilators.

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