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Three Rivers Community Risk Dials Update

The COVID-19 Community Risk Dials for the Three Rivers Public Health Department (3RPHD) jurisdiction of Dodge, Washington, and Saunders counties has been updated for the week.

3RPHD Jurisdiction: 2.00 Current Week

1.88 Previous Week

Dodge County: 2.00 Current Week

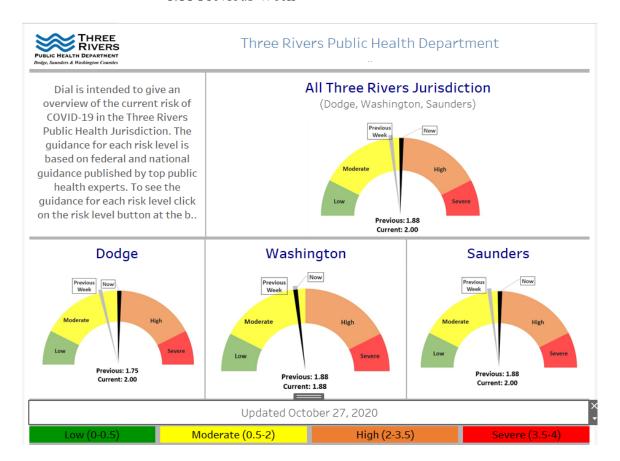
1.75 Previous Week

Saunders County: 2.00 Current Week

1.88 Previous Week

Washington County: 1.88 Current Week

1.88 Previous Week



The main factors considered in the risk dials each week include:

- The increase in the number of COVID-19 cases over the past three weeks.
- The increase in the percentage of positive COVID-19 tests.
- The capacity of the district and local healthcare system including the number of patients hospitalized with COVID-19 and the ventilators being utilized by COVID-19 (suspect and confirmed patients).
- The presence of community clusters and or community spread.
- The availability of testing in the district and local communities.
- The availability of 3RPHD to trace all identified contacts of positive cases in 48 hours.

"This week the 3RPHD jurisdiction went up to 2.00 due to an increase in the positivity rate, increase in the number of cases, and an increase in regional hospitalizations. Dodge County increased to 2.00 due to an increase in the weekly positivity rate, an increase in the number of cases and a decrease in weekly testing. Washington County held steady at 1.88. Lastly, Saunders County increased to 2.00 due to an increase in the positivity rate, increase in weekly positivity rate, an increase in regional hospitalizations and an increase in community spread cases. "We are seeing a lot of cases tied to gatherings in both small and large settings—please stay home if you are sick or if someone in your family is sick. Additionally, we know that wearing a mask works so please wear your mask consistently." said Terra Uhing, Executive Director of Three Rivers Public Health Department.

As a reminder 3RPHD updates the community risk dials each Wednesday, and the 3RPHD Data Dashboard is updated each weekday. Please visit our website to learn more.

For questions or more information about COVID-19, please call Three Rivers at 402-727-5396, email <u>info@3rphd.org</u> or visit <u>www.threeriverspublichealth.org</u>