

HOLT COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Current Situation:

	Cases	Fatalities
US	35,225*	471*
Missouri	106	3
Holt County	0	0

* estimate provided by Johns Hopkins

(Data sources: [WHO](#), [CDC](#), [ECDC](#), [NHC](#), [DXY](#), [1point3acres](#), [Worldometers.info](#), [BNO](#), state and national government health departments, and local media reports.)

The first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Region H was confirmed Sunday evening, in Clinton County. The individual is a male between the age of 40-50, has mild illness and is in self-isolation at his home.

The overall case count continues to increase, which is expected. Testing continues to be a challenge. Several commercial companies are becoming available. Missouri continues to expect increased testing capability by the first part of April.

Missouri Issues Social Distancing Order

Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 3pm, Governor Parsons and Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Director Dr. Randall Williams issued the following order, that will go into effect at 12:01 am, Monday March 23.

Local public health authorities are being directed to carry out and enforce the provisions of this Order by means of civil proceedings. Provisions of this order are outlined below.

1. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, every person in the State of Missouri shall avoid social gatherings of more than ten (10) people. For purposes of this Order, “social gatherings” shall mean any planned or spontaneous event or convening that would bring together more than ten (10) people in a single space at the same time.
2. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, every person in the State of Missouri shall avoid eating or drinking at restaurants, bars, or food courts; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is allowed throughout the duration of this Order.
3. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, people shall not visit nursing homes, long-term care facilities, retirement homes, or assisted living homes unless to provide critical assistance.
4. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, schools shall remain closed.

This Order does **not** prohibit people from visiting a variety of places, including grocery stores, gas stations, parks, and banks, so long as necessary precautions are taken and maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19, including maintaining at least six feet (6') of distance between all individuals that are not family members. For offices and workplaces that remain open, individuals shall practice good hygiene and, where feasible, work from home in order to achieve optimum isolation from COVID-19. The more that people reduce their public contact, the sooner COVID-19 will be contained and the sooner this Order will expire.

This Order shall be in effect beginning 12:01 A.M. Monday, March 23, 2020, and shall remain in effect until 12:01 A.M. Monday, April 6, 2020, unless extended by further order of the Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services with said extensions not to exceed the duration of the effective period of [Executive Order 20-02](#) (May 15, 2020).

We are working with local emergency management personnel and law enforcement agencies to address the order.

DHSS COVID-19 Information Hotline is 877-435-8411

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