# Weekly Data Snapshot

KANSAS CITY REGION | COVID-19 RESPONSE

Week of Oct. 20-26, 2020

Data shows the second consecutive week of decreases in cases, hospitalizations and deaths and a continued decrease in tests which hampers our efforts to identify cases.

- New cases decreased by 63%.
- Deaths decreased by 50%.
- Hospital admissions related to COVID-19 decreased by 135.
- The number of tests is at its lowest point since June and is not enough to mitigate the spread.
- Labs are returning test results in 2 to 3 days.

What can you do? **Get a test!** It's important to get a test if you have symptoms or think you've been exposed.

Even if you don't have symptoms or aren't sure you've been exposed, **getting a test** will help detect the coronavirus in people who don't realize they're carrying it. This allows public health officials to move fast and isolate cases early. It's also important to **avoid large gatherings** if you think you've been exposed so you don't spread the virus to others.

Most jurisdictions are testing whether you have symptoms or not. There are dozens of free community testing sites across the Kansas City region, as well as locations offered by private providers. Check with your <u>local health department</u> or find a COVID-19 testing site at <u>ComebackKC.com</u>.

#### **KEY DATA POINTS**

256.3\* New Cases

1,776\* Average Tests/Day

14.4%\* % Positive Tests

2.4\* New Deaths

\*Seven-day rolling average

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO



Wear a face mask



Practice social distancing



Wash hands often



Frequently clean surfaces



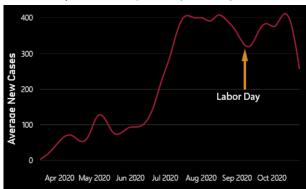
Stay home if you are sick

**Donate supplies** 

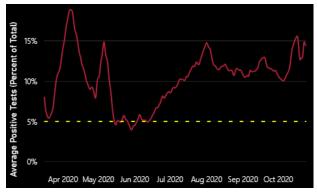
**Volunteer opportunities** 

## **Key Graphs**

### CASES | Seven-day rolling average



## TEST POSITIVITY RATE | Seven-day rolling average





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