



Weekly Data Snapshot

KANSAS CITY REGION | COVID-19 RESPONSE



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KEY DATA POINTS

1,120.6* New Cases/Day

4,029.6* Average Tests/Day

27.8% % Positive Tests

7.7* New Deaths/Day

*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](#)

Following a dip in new COVID-19 cases per day around Thanksgiving, the Kansas City metropolitan region has returned to higher, pre-holiday numbers. Hospitals continue to report being very busy, with low ICU bed availability (21%) and a large percentage of beds occupied by COVID-19 patients.

- New cases **increased by 12.6%**.
- The death-to-case ratio **increased to 0.7%**.
- Testing numbers for the region saw a dip around Thanksgiving but we're now seeing an **increase**.
- Labs are returning test results in **2 to 3 days**.
- Hospitals report **adequate PPE** for staff but minimal reserves.

You can **celebrate the holidays safely** by limiting the size of your gathering. For the safest celebration, stick with just those who live in your home. Also, keep things local by avoiding travel, which can increase the risk of getting or spreading COVID-19. Consider connecting with friends and family via phone or video instead of getting together in person.

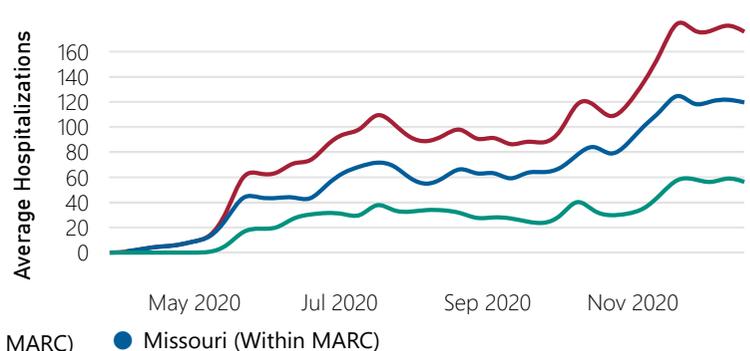
It's important to **get a test** if you have symptoms or think you've been exposed. Find a COVID-19 testing site near you at PrepareMetroKC.org.

Key Graphs

CASES | Seven-day rolling average



COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS | Seven-day rolling average



*The trends lines and data points shown here represent validated data, which requires a 10-day lag for cases, deaths and tests (Dec. 4-10, 2020); and a 2-day lag for hospitalization data (Dec. 12-18, 2020). To see more recent, unvalidated data, please visit the Kansas City Region COVID-19 Data Hub at <https://marc2.org/covidhub/>.



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