

COVID-19 Viral (RT-PCR) Laboratory 14-Day Test Positivity Rates, by US County

Test Positivity Classification:

Counties with test percent positivity <5.0% or with <20 tests in past 14 days: Green; test percent positivity ≥5.0% to ≤10.0% or with <500 tests and <2000 tests/100k and >10% positivity over 14 days: Yellow; >10.0% and not meeting the criteria for “Green” or “Yellow”: Red. Gray represents no data reported. Test positivity is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent before classifying.

Percent Positive and Tests in prior 14 days:

Data from February 17-March 2

Data Sources:

Testing data: HHS Unified Testing Dataset; Population data: 2019 Census

Documentation:

The data presented represent viral COVID-19 laboratory diagnostic and screening test (reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction, RT-PCR) results and exclude antibody and antigen tests. COVID-19 Electronic Lab Reporting (CELR) state health department-reported data are used to describe county-level viral COVID-19 laboratory test (RT-PCR) result totals when information is available on patients’ county of residence or healthcare providers’ practice location. HHS Protect laboratory data (provided directly to Federal Government from public health labs, hospital labs, and commercial labs) are used otherwise. Some states did not report on certain days, which may affect the total number of tests resulted and positivity rate values. Total viral (RT-PCR) laboratory tests are the number of tests performed, not the number of individuals tested. Viral (RT-PCR) laboratory test positivity rate is the number of positive tests divided by the total number of tests performed and resulted. Resulted tests are assigned to a timeframe based on this hierarchy of test-related dates: 1. test date; 2. result date; 3. specimen received date; 4. specimen collection date. Resulted tests are assigned to a county based on a hierarchy of test-related locations: 1. patient residency; 2. provider facility location; 3. ordering facility location; 4. performing organization location.

Note:

During the week of Sept 14, 2020, the following updates were made to the county percent test positivity characterization methodology. In order to use a greater amount of data to calculate percent test positivity and improve the stability of values, the indicator was expanded to include 14 days of data instead of 7 days. Further, because there are instances where counties with high test positivity rates may reflect low testing levels rather than high levels of viral transmission, additional criteria were added to re-assign counties with low testing volume to lower nursing home staff testing tiers (i.e., communities with low levels of testing and high test positivity (>10%) are reassigned to either yellow or green testing tiers). Nursing homes may set their testing frequency based on the color-coded reassigned positivity classification. Counties that are classified as gray have not submitted testing data for this time period. Counties in NH and SC have also be classified as gray due to incomplete reporting such that percent positivity cannot be calculated. Please refer to the state COVID-19 website for data on gray counties.

County	FIPS	State	FEMA Region	Population	NCHS Urban Rural Classification	Tests in prior 14 days	14-day test rate	Percent Positivity in prior 14 days	Test Positivity Classification - 14 days
Adams County, OH	39001	OH	5	27,698	Non-core	87	314	2.3%	Green
Allen County, OH	39003	OH	5	102,351	Small metro	655	640	6.1%	Yellow
Ashland County, OH	39005	OH	5	53,484	Micropolitan	102	191	5.9%	Yellow
Ashtabula County, OH	39007	OH	5	97,241	Micropolitan	770	792	6.6%	Yellow
Athens County, OH	39009	OH	5	65,327	Micropolitan	239	366	12.6%	Yellow
Auglaize County, OH	39011	OH	5	45,656	Micropolitan	381	835	8.4%	Yellow
Belmont County, OH	39013	OH	5	67,006	Small metro	605	903	10.7%	Red
Brown County, OH	39015	OH	5	43,432	Large fringe metro	226	520	6.6%	Yellow
Butler County, OH	39017	OH	5	383,134	Large fringe metro	1,230	321	11.4%	Red

Carroll County, OH	39019 OH	5	26,914	Medium metro	32	119	43.8%	Yellow
Champaign County, OH	39021 OH	5	38,885	Micropolitan	215	553	13.0%	Yellow
Clark County, OH	39023 OH	5	134,083	Small metro	1,651	1,231	3.0%	Green
Clermont County, OH	39025 OH	5	206,428	Large fringe metro	667	323	13.3%	Red
Clinton County, OH	39027 OH	5	41,968	Micropolitan	230	548	9.6%	Yellow
Columbiana County, OH	39029 OH	5	101,883	Micropolitan	1,716	1,684	5.0%	Yellow
Coshocton County, OH	39031 OH	5	36,600	Micropolitan	340	929	12.6%	Yellow
Crawford County, OH	39033 OH	5	41,494	Micropolitan	732	1,764	6.4%	Yellow
Cuyahoga County, OH	39035 OH	5	1,235,072	Large central metro	9,467	767	8.9%	Yellow
Darke County, OH	39037 OH	5	51,113	Micropolitan	230	450	6.5%	Yellow
Defiance County, OH	39039 OH	5	38,087	Micropolitan	89	234	21.3%	Yellow
Delaware County, OH	39041 OH	5	209,177	Large fringe metro	390	186	7.4%	Yellow
Erie County, OH	39043 OH	5	74,266	Micropolitan	687	925	7.7%	Yellow
Fairfield County, OH	39045 OH	5	157,574	Large fringe metro	667	423	1.2%	Green
Fayette County, OH	39047 OH	5	28,525	Micropolitan	633	2,219	6.0%	Yellow
Franklin County, OH	39049 OH	5	1,316,756	Large central metro	29,014	2,203	4.5%	Green
Fulton County, OH	39051 OH	5	42,126	Medium metro	223	529	11.2%	Yellow
Gallia County, OH	39053 OH	5	29,898	Micropolitan	1,339	4,479	7.8%	Yellow
Geauga County, OH	39055 OH	5	93,649	Large fringe metro	404	431	9.9%	Yellow
Greene County, OH	39057 OH	5	168,937	Medium metro	738	437	7.3%	Yellow
Guernsey County, OH	39059 OH	5	38,875	Micropolitan	360	926	5.6%	Yellow
Hamilton County, OH	39061 OH	5	817,473	Large central metro	21,590	2,641	6.0%	Yellow
Hancock County, OH	39063 OH	5	75,783	Micropolitan	162	214	16.0%	Yellow
Hardin County, OH	39065 OH	5	31,365	Non-core	99	316	10.1%	Yellow
Harrison County, OH	39067 OH	5	15,040	Non-core	49	326	14.3%	Yellow
Henry County, OH	39069 OH	5	27,006	Non-core	49	181	30.6%	Yellow
Highland County, OH	39071 OH	5	43,161	Non-core	245	568	4.5%	Green
Hocking County, OH	39073 OH	5	28,264	Large fringe metro	68	241	4.4%	Green
Holmes County, OH	39075 OH	5	43,960	Non-core	135	307	7.4%	Yellow
Huron County, OH	39077 OH	5	58,266	Micropolitan	485	832	9.7%	Yellow
Jackson County, OH	39079 OH	5	32,413	Micropolitan	69	213	7.2%	Yellow
Jefferson County, OH	39081 OH	5	65,325	Small metro	1,284	1,966	14.7%	Red
Knox County, OH	39083 OH	5	62,322	Micropolitan	90	144	8.9%	Yellow
Lake County, OH	39085 OH	5	230,149	Large fringe metro	3,116	1,354	7.7%	Yellow
Lawrence County, OH	39087 OH	5	59,463	Medium metro	179	301	7.8%	Yellow
Licking County, OH	39089 OH	5	176,862	Large fringe metro	534	302	10.7%	Red
Logan County, OH	39091 OH	5	45,672	Micropolitan	294	644	7.1%	Yellow
Lorain County, OH	39093 OH	5	309,833	Large fringe metro	2,527	816	5.4%	Yellow
Lucas County, OH	39095 OH	5	428,348	Medium metro	16,715	3,902	6.3%	Yellow
Madison County, OH	39097 OH	5	44,731	Large fringe metro	1,569	3,508	0.9%	Green
Mahoning County, OH	39099 OH	5	228,683	Medium metro	3,830	1,675	1.9%	Green

Marion County, OH	39101 OH	5	65,093	Micropolitan	306	470	4.6%	Green
Medina County, OH	39103 OH	5	179,746	Large fringe metro	462	257	13.6%	Yellow
Meigs County, OH	39105 OH	5	22,907	Non-core	63	275	6.3%	Yellow
Mercer County, OH	39107 OH	5	41,172	Micropolitan	311	755	10.9%	Yellow
Miami County, OH	39109 OH	5	106,987	Medium metro	98	92	3.1%	Green
Monroe County, OH	39111 OH	5	13,654	Non-core	69	505	20.3%	Yellow
Montgomery County, OH	39113 OH	5	531,687	Medium metro	11,061	2,080	4.3%	Green
Morgan County, OH	39115 OH	5	14,508	Non-core	41	283	26.8%	Yellow
Morrow County, OH	39117 OH	5	35,328	Large fringe metro	213	603	6.6%	Yellow
Muskingum County, OH	39119 OH	5	86,215	Micropolitan	261	303	13.0%	Yellow
Noble County, OH	39121 OH	5	14,424	Non-core	112	776	1.8%	Green
Ottawa County, OH	39123 OH	5	40,525	Micropolitan	220	543	10.0%	Yellow
Paulding County, OH	39125 OH	5	18,672	Non-core	51	273	11.8%	Yellow
Perry County, OH	39127 OH	5	36,134	Large fringe metro	129	357	2.3%	Green
Pickaway County, OH	39129 OH	5	58,457	Large fringe metro	477	816	6.1%	Yellow
Pike County, OH	39131 OH	5	27,772	Non-core	155	558	5.2%	Yellow
Portage County, OH	39133 OH	5	162,466	Medium metro	987	608	11.1%	Red
Preble County, OH	39135 OH	5	40,882	Non-core	92	225	18.5%	Yellow
Putnam County, OH	39137 OH	5	33,861	Non-core	115	340	8.7%	Yellow
Richland County, OH	39139 OH	5	121,154	Small metro	816	674	5.4%	Yellow
Ross County, OH	39141 OH	5	76,666	Micropolitan	611	797	3.1%	Green
Sandusky County, OH	39143 OH	5	58,518	Micropolitan	255	436	5.9%	Yellow
Scioto County, OH	39145 OH	5	75,314	Micropolitan	2,853	3,788	5.2%	Yellow
Seneca County, OH	39147 OH	5	55,178	Micropolitan	766	1,388	2.9%	Green
Shelby County, OH	39149 OH	5	48,590	Micropolitan	53	109	7.5%	Yellow
Stark County, OH	39151 OH	5	370,606	Medium metro	753	203	15.1%	Red
Summit County, OH	39153 OH	5	541,013	Medium metro	4,450	823	14.0%	Red
Trumbull County, OH	39155 OH	5	197,974	Medium metro	1,980	1,000	5.1%	Yellow
Tuscarawas County, OH	39157 OH	5	91,987	Micropolitan	168	183	15.5%	Yellow
Union County, OH	39159 OH	5	58,988	Large fringe metro	505	856	4.4%	Green
Van Wert County, OH	39161 OH	5	28,275	Micropolitan	210	743	9.5%	Yellow
Vinton County, OH	39163 OH	5	13,085	Non-core	30	229	0.0%	Green
Warren County, OH	39165 OH	5	234,602	Large fringe metro	704	300	13.4%	Red
Washington County, OH	39167 OH	5	59,911	Micropolitan	1,603	2,676	9.6%	Yellow
Wayne County, OH	39169 OH	5	115,710	Micropolitan	324	280	8.0%	Yellow
Williams County, OH	39171 OH	5	36,692	Non-core	284	774	4.9%	Green
Wood County, OH	39173 OH	5	130,817	Medium metro	836	639	4.5%	Green
Wyandot County, OH	39175 OH	5	21,772	Non-core	49	225	8.2%	Yellow