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### Gov. Beshear Urges Kentuckians to Keep Thanksgiving Celebrations Small, Safe as Cases Surge

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Nov. 25, 2020)** – Today, Gov. Andy Beshear reported 3,408 new COVID-19 cases and again asked all Kentuckians to follow safety precautions during Thanksgiving as cases surge in the commonwealth and across the country.

“Thanksgiving is one of my favorite holidays, and usually we get together with about 15 people,” said Gov. Beshear. “This year, we just can’t do that. I’m really disappointed, like all of us are, but protecting my parents, my kids, our neighbors and all of our health care workers has to come first. I’m grateful for all Kentuckians who are sacrificing this year to keep each other safe.”

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [recommends](#) Americans avoid Thanksgiving travel. In addition, the Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH) recommends the following for celebrating Thanksgiving safely:

- English: [Full Guidance](#); [One-Pager](#); [Single Slide](#)
- Spanish: [Full Guidance](#); [One-Pager](#); [Single Slide](#)
- Recorded PSAs (in partnership with [radiolex.us]RadioLex): [Bosnian](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Japanese](#), [Korean](#), [Persian](#), [Russian](#), [Spanish](#)

## Case Information

As of 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Gov. Beshear reported the following COVID-19 numbers:

- New cases today: 3,408
- New deaths today: 26
- Positivity rate: 8.88%
- Total deaths: 1,835
- Currently hospitalized: 1,734
- Currently in ICU: 409
- Currently on ventilator: 216

Top counties with the most positive cases today are: Jefferson, Fayette, Kenton, Boone, Warren, Hardin and Madison. Each county reported 100 or more new cases.

The red zone counties for this week can be found [here](#). Community leaders, businesses, schools and families in these counties should all follow [red zone reduction recommendations](#).

Those reported lost to the virus today include a 60-year-old woman from Barren County; an 82-year-old man from Christian County; a 94-year-old woman from Daviess County; a 62-year-old man from Edmonson County; an 87-year-old man from Floyd County; a 91-year-old woman from Hancock County; a 90-year-old man from Hardin County; two women, ages 67 and 89, and three men, ages 62, 68 and 79, from Jefferson County; an 83-year-old man from Jessamine County; a 61-year-old woman from Lewis County; a 74-year-old woman and a 91-year-old man from Martin County; a 73-year-old woman from McLean County; a 98-year-old woman and a 66-year-old man from Monroe County; an 84-year-old man from Ohio County; two men, ages 79 and 87, from Oldham County; a 56-year-old woman from Spencer County; two women, ages 77 and 86, and a 77-year-old man from Warren County.

The Governor again reminded Kentuckians that receiving one negative COVID-19 test result days before a gathering [can't guarantee](#) that you won't infect others at that event.

## More Information

To view the [full daily report](#), [incidence rate map](#), [new statewide requirements](#), testing locations, long term-care and other congregate facilities update, school reports and [guidance](#), [red zone counties](#), [red zone recommendations](#), the White House

Coronavirus Task Force reports for Kentucky and other key guidance visit, [kycovid19.ky.gov](https://kycovid19.ky.gov).

New [requirements](#) impact restaurants, bars, social gatherings, indoor fitness and recreation centers, venues and theaters, professional services and schools. See the full executive orders [here](#) and [here](#).

Audio public service announcements about the new requirements (created in partnership with [radiolex.us]RadioLex) are published here

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