

## STAY HOME – STAY HEALTHY – STAY CONNECTED

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this report is to provide an update to city officials within Region 22 about the current COVID-19 Pandemic. It is essential to keep in mind that this information often changes rapidly. Any questions, suggestions or concerns can be directed:

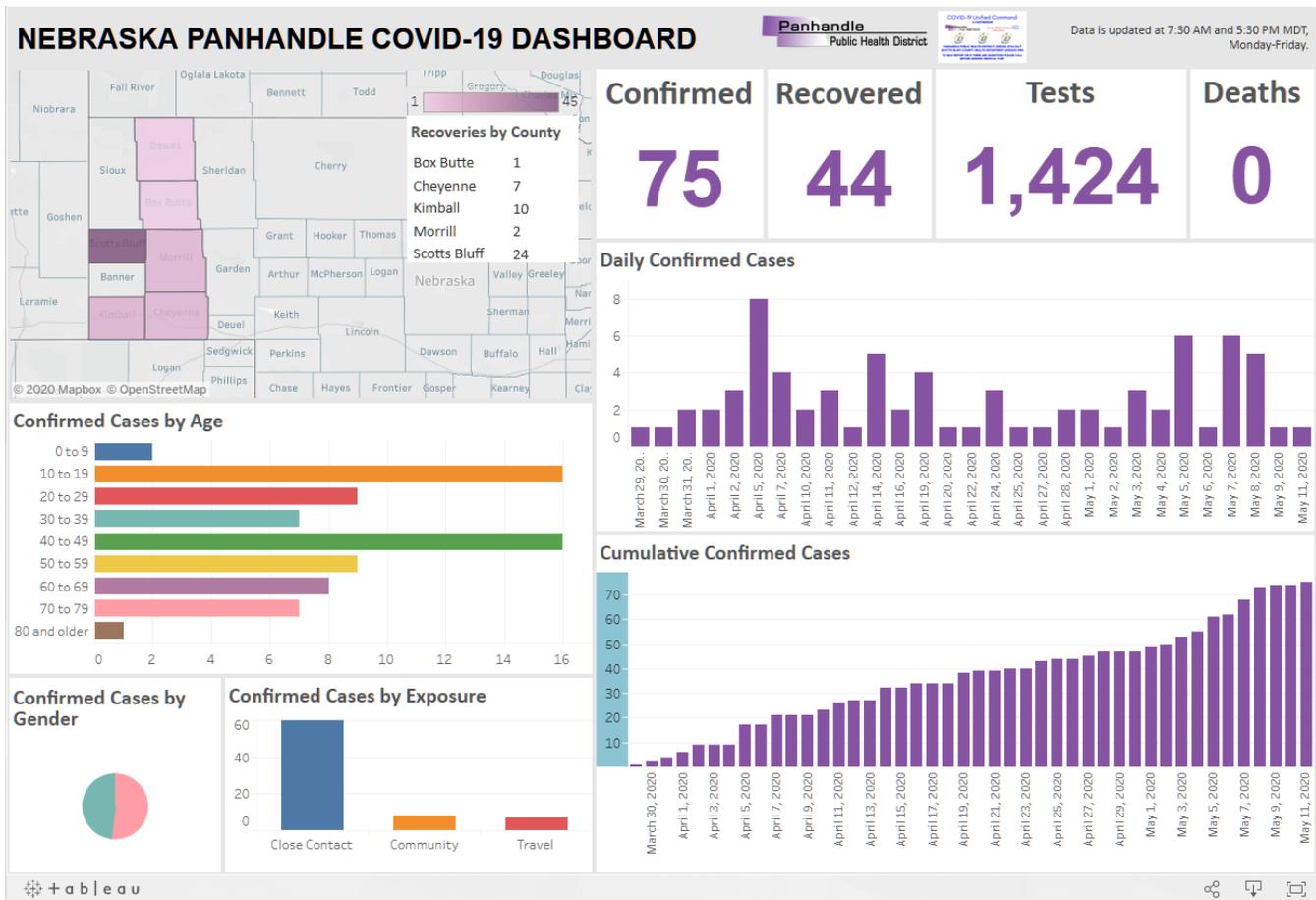
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**COVID-19 Nebraska Cases:** As of 4:45 p.m., May 11, 2020. This information is updated daily and can be found by clicking [here](#).

**United States Totals**  
 Total cases 1,324,488  
 Total Deaths 79,756  
[Link to US CDC](#)

**Nebraska totals**  
 Positive tests 8,572  
 Negative tests 39,371  
 Total tested 48,019  
 Deaths 100

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## **National Guard Testing**

**Updated Information** – *The free drive-thru COVID-19 testing went well over the weekend. Below are the locations and the number of tests completed.*

### **Saturday, May 9**

*Sidney 8:30a-11a, 75 tests were completed.*

*Oshkosh 2:30p-5p, 76 tests were completed.*

### **Sunday, May 10**

*Bridgeport 9a-11:30a, 64 tests were completed.*

*Alliance 2p-4:30p, 70 tests were completed.*

### **Monday, May 11**

*Chadron 9a-11:30a, 95 tests were completed.*

*Gordon 2p-4:30p, 73 tests were completed.*

## **COVID Deaths at 100 in Nebraska**

**New Information** – *In Nebraska, COVID deaths reached the century mark on Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. The disease still kills mainly those with underlying medical conditions and/or the elderly. Out of the 100 cases, 85 are confirmed to be above the age of 60. Of the rest, authorities have not yet released the ages of seven of them. Hall County has the highest number of deaths at 35, followed by Douglas County at 23 deaths. Out of the 75 cases in the Panhandle, there have been no deaths due to COVID and only nine persons hospitalized. Forty-four have recovered, meaning that there are only 31 active COVID cases in the Panhandle.*

## **Youth Baseball and Softball Guidelines**

**New Information** – *The Governor announced on Monday that beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, Youth Baseball and Softball can resume under very stringent conditions. At this time, baseball and softball are the only sports being allowed. Additional guidelines for other sports will be provided as it is determined participation in those sports meet health and safety measures. Violation of these rules may mean a team is prohibited from practicing or playing games for the entire summer.*

**On June 1<sup>st</sup>**, *Schools are permitted to open weight rooms for use by all student athletes as long as they follow the same guidelines as fitness centers/clubs, gymnasiums, health clubs, and health spas. Team Organized practices for baseball and softball may begin unless circumstances dictate a change in date. Dugout use will not be allowed. Players' items should be lined up against the fence at least six (6) feet apart. Parents must remain in their cars or drop off and pick players up afterwards. Players should use their own gloves, helmets, and bats as much as possible. Coaches are responsible for ensuring social distancing is maintained between players as much as possible. This means additional spacing between players while playing catch, changing drills so that players remain spaced out, no congregating of players while waiting to bat. Players must bring their own water/beverage to consume during and after practice. No shared drinking fountains or coolers. Players must bring their own snacks to consume during and after practice. No shared/communal snacks. Coaches must sanitize shared equipment before and after each practice.*

*On June 18<sup>th</sup>, Baseball and softball games may begin unless circumstances dictate a change in date. The same guidelines apply as above for baseball and softball practices. Use of dugouts is permitted during games only. Bleachers located between the dugout and home plate should also be used to spread out players. Players should have designated spots to place their personal items. Coaches must designate an adult who is responsible for ensuring players are seated on the benches unless they are actively participating in the game. Players should use their own gloves, helmets, and bats as much as possible. Fan attendance is limited to household members of the players on the team. No use of bleachers for fans. Fans must bring their own chairs or stand. Fans should keep six (6) feet of social distancing between different household units. No fan seating or standing is allowed in the area from behind home plate to six (6) feet past the far end of each dugout. Teams to play next must be provided designated areas for player warm-ups that provide for necessary social distancing. Post-game handshakes or interaction between teams are prohibited. When games end, the leaving team must sanitize the dugout area. No post-game talks at the field are permitted. Fans and players must leave the playing area and return to their cars immediately after the game. The team to play next must remain in their designated warm up area until the prior team has finished sanitizing and is completely out of the dugout. Fans for upcoming games must remain in their cars during player warm ups. They will be permitted to come to the field once the team they are there to watch enters the dugout area. Restrooms must be cleaned and sanitized regularly while players and fans are present. Markings should be placed on the ground to ensure individuals waiting to use the restroom are spaced six (6) feet apart. Players must bring their own water/beverage to consume during and after practices and games. No shared drinking fountains or coolers. Players must bring their own snacks to consume during and after practice/games. No shared/communal snacks. Coaches must sanitize shared equipment before and after each practice and game. Concessions stands are not allowed to be open.*

### **Resources:**

To find resources from Panhandle Public Health District, click [here](#).

For Wyoming COVID-19 Information, click [here](#).

For Colorado COVID-19 Information, click [here](#).

For South Dakota COVID-19 Information, click [here](#).

To find a Comparison of COVID-19 Loan Programs – Forgiveness Terms click [here](#).

Map of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in U.S. Counties: [March 1 through Today](#).

Nebraska DHHS COVID-19 information can be found [here](#).

For information on Potential Community Exposure Sites, please click [here](#).

To read the most recent Directed Health Measure (DHM) from the Governor, click [here](#).

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