



# COVID-19

## REOPENING UPDATE

Summary (updates highlighted in yellow)

**Date: Friday, August 14, 2020**

### Today's COVID-19 Numbers

<b>Bowie Confirmed Cases:</b> 1,595 (+16) 20715: 313 (+1) 20716 380 (+4) 20720 408 (+4) 20721 494 (+7)	<b>Prince George's County Confirmed Cases:</b> 24,442 (+141) <b>Total Deaths:</b> 766 (+0) <b>Ever hospitalized:</b> 3,554 (+35) <b>Ranking:</b> 29th in the nation for highest number of cases.	<b>Maryland Confirmed Cases</b> 98,875 (+715) <b>Deaths</b> 3,631 (+11) Released from Isolation: 5,986 (+24) = 6%
<b>Testing</b> <b>MD Tests Completed:</b> 1,557,609 (+24,137) <b>Negative Tests:</b> 1,011,398 (+14,464) <b>MD Daily Positivity Rate:</b> 4.18% <b>PGC Daily Positivity Rate:</b> 5.77%	<b>Maryland Hospitalizations Data Tracker</b> Currently Hospitalized: 457 -2.7% Acute Care: 350 -2.5% Intensive Care 107 -3.6% Ever Hospitalized 13,508 13.6%	
<i>* These figures represent changes in the last 24 hours.</i>		

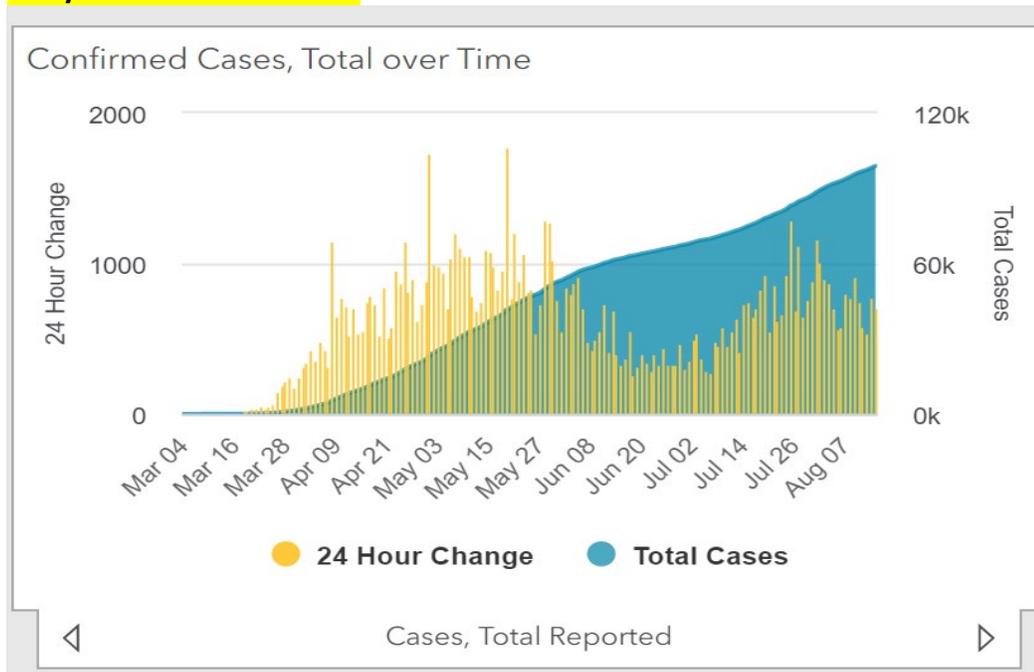
Source: Maryland COVID-19 dashboard

Visit the [Prince George's County COVID-19 dashboard](#) to view data for all zip codes in the County and the [Maryland dashboard](#) for statewide data.

### COVID-19 Data

Ten states currently have positivity rates above 10%, including Texas which saw a decrease from 20% to 16% today. The Maryland Department of Health dashboard reports 314 active outbreaks around the state as of 8/13, including 119 in nursing homes. However, for the most part, the numbers of patients involved in these outbreaks are very low. Prince George's County's positivity rate is still over 5%, but progress continues. The County has experienced decreasing numbers of COVID-related deaths over the last few weeks and today no deaths were reported.

## Maryland Cases Over Time



Source: State of Maryland. Visit the [Maryland COVID-19 Dashboard](#) to view an interactive version of this chart. Hover over the chart on the state site to see the number of new cases for a specific day.

## Prince George's County Fund Helps Small Businesses Impacted by the Pandemic

Prince George's County is accepting applications for the Legacy Fund, a \$1 million grant from the Greater Washington Community Foundation. The grant provides access to capital for small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The application period ends on August 28. Grants are for up to \$10,000, and can be used to support operating expenses including payroll, suppliers, rent, and other business costs. For more information, visit <https://fscfirst.com/legacy-fund/>

## Metro Expanding Operations

Metro is finalizing plans to restore most rail and bus service to pre-COVID-19 levels across the region. To support the effort, thousands of frontline Metro employees will transition to new work schedules as the region continues its gradual recovery and more customers are expected. Metrorail service changes take effect August 16, resulting in 87 of 91 Metrorail stations being open. On August 23, new Metrobus schedules will take effect across the region, including the restoration of bus service on routes that have not had service in months. Details at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com).

## COVID-19 Hourly Employee Relief Fund

Employ Prince George's (EPG) provides financial assistance to hourly workers who were making less than \$19 an hour before losing their job due to the pandemic. Assistance is in the form of a \$200 EPG Visa Cash Card. The Bowie City Council recently voted to make a \$20,000 donation to this fund. The next gift card giveaway in Bowie will be in late September, but you must apply now to be eligible. Learn more about this program and how to apply at [www.employpg.org/covid19](http://www.employpg.org/covid19).

## Teen Smokers and E-Cigarette Users Have Increased Risk for COVID-19

A recent study reported in the *Journal of Adolescent Medicine* Says Teen Smokers and E-Cigarette Users Have Higher Risk of Contracting COVID-19. The findings from a national sample of adolescents and young adults show that e-cigarette users and those who use both cigarettes and e-cigarettes are significant underlying risk factors for COVID-19. Source: [https://www.jahonline.org/article/S1054-139X\(20\)30399-2/fulltext](https://www.jahonline.org/article/S1054-139X(20)30399-2/fulltext)

## Prince George's County's Face Covering Order



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# COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Prince George's County Face Covering Executive Order



All persons must wear a face covering inside all indoor retail stores or business establishments including gyms and large chain retail establishments.

### Face coverings must cover the nose and mouth



### Retail and Business Establishments

must take all steps to ensure customers wear face coverings and also have frequent announcements during operating hours.

### Face Covering Exceptions

The Order does not require face coverings for individuals in an indoor retail or business establishment if:



Due to a bona fide disability or medical condition, it would be unsafe for the person to do so



Impedes communication by persons who have a hearing impairment or other disability where the mouth is essential



Would subject the person to an unsafe working condition determined by workplace safety guidelines



While seated at a table at an establishment and consuming food or beverages



To receive medical services requiring access to the face, mouth, or head



While in the water at a swimming pool

Any person age two (2) years old or younger



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