



# COVID-19 UPDATE

**Monday, November 9, 2020**

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## COVID Data Trends

Maryland hospitalizations increased by more than 20% over the last week. Governor Hogan has scheduled a press conference on Tuesday, November 9 at 5 p.m. to address the growing numbers of cases in the state. Since the outbreak began, the US has now recorded more than 10 million cases of COVID-19.

In response to the rising case numbers in our area, some school systems are pulling back on plans for in-person instruction and the University of Maryland will transition entirely to online instruction following the Thanksgiving break. Baltimore City is taking new measures to limit the spread of the virus. Baltimore Mayor Young's new order includes limiting the size of indoor and outdoor gatherings, reducing capacity at restaurants and other facilities, and requiring masks be worn in public, both indoors and outdoors.

## Key Metrics Charts

These charts provide data for the last seven days on key COVID-19 metrics that are being tracked and analyzed to identify trends and to make reopening decisions.

COVID-19 New Case Tracking							
	20715	20716	20720	20721	Bowie Cases	Prince George's Cases	Maryland Cases
<b>Today</b>	<b>513 (+10)</b>	<b>534 (+4)</b>	<b>619 (+5)</b>	<b>820 (+4)</b>	<b>2,486 (+23)</b>	<b>34,589 (+294)</b>	<b>155,371 (+1,375)</b>
8-Nov	+4	+2	+6	+7	+19	+138	+1,081
7-Nov	+2	+3	+3	+6	+14	+176	+1,410
6-Nov	+6	+3	+5	+5	+19	+249	+1,541
5-Nov	+6	+1	+1	+3	+11	+170	+1,198
4-Nov	+4	+2	+7	+3	+16	+163	+1,000
<b>3-Nov</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>2,384</b>	<b>33,488</b>	<b>147,766</b>

7-Day Positivity Rates				
	County Tests Completed	County %	State Tests Completed	State %
<b>Today</b>	<b>293,718 (+1,072)</b>	<b>6.23%</b>	<b>3,678,109 (+23,650)</b>	<b>5.05%</b>
8-Nov	+1,371	5.52%	+30,266	4.62%
7-Nov	+1,282	5.55%	+36,496	4.54%
6-Nov	+1,846	5.39%	+35,366	4.37%
5-Nov	+1,605	5.09%	+27,944	4.21%
4-Nov	+1,542	5.24%	+25,270	4.10%
3-Nov	+993	4.96%	+19,887	3.93%

Cases per 100K Persons			Infection Rates		
	County Cases per 100K	State Cases per 100K		County Infection Rate	State Infection Rate
<b>Today</b>	<b>17.85</b>	<b>18.55</b>	<b>7-Nov</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>1.20</b>
8-Nov	17.83	18.04	6-Nov	1.04	1.20
7-Nov	17.80	16.99	5-Nov	1.04	1.19
6-Nov	16.04	15.54	4-Nov	1.05	1.19
5-Nov	15.76	14.98	3-Nov	1.06	1.19
4-Nov	15.54	14.24	2-Nov	1.06	1.18
3-Nov	16.78	14.53	1-Nov	1.07	1.18
			<b>14-Day Weighted Average</b>	<b>1.07</b>	<b>1.17</b>

Key	
<b>Cases</b>	Represents the daily number of new positive cases.
<b>Positivity Rate</b>	The 7-day positivity rate is a rolling weekly average of the percent of new cases relative to the number of tests conducted. The goal is a positivity rate consistently below 5%.
<b>Cases per 100K persons</b>	Measures how widespread the virus is in a community. The goal is to have fewer than 5 new cases per 100K persons.
<b>Infection rate</b>	Shows how many people are infected by each positive case. The goal is an infection rate at or below 0.9.
<b>Data sources:</b> Except for the infection rate, all data provided here is from the State of Maryland's COVID dashboard. The infection rate is tracked by <a href="http://www.covidactnow.org">www.covidactnow.org</a> . It is subject to adjustments and may have a 1 to 3-day lag time in reporting.	

### Prince George's County Metrics

Key Metrics	Current status*	Goal
Positivity rate	<b>6.23%</b>	Remain below 5%
Cases per 100K	<b>17.85</b>	New cases below 5 per 100K (low risk)
Infection rate	<b>1.03</b>	Low risk range (<.9)

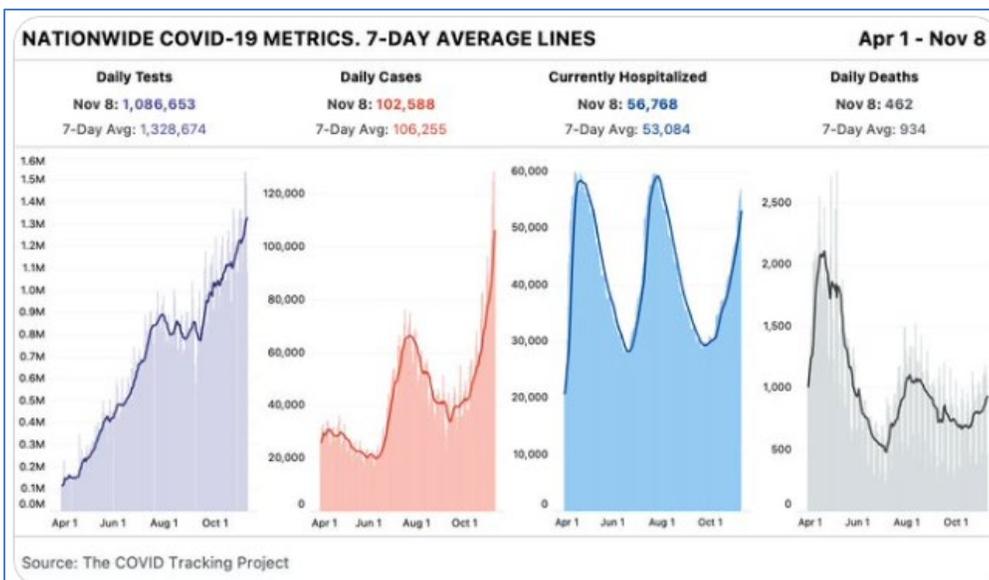
(\*) Green represents a decrease in these figures. Red represents an increase and black signifies no change.

## Maryland Hospitalizations

Weekly Summary of Hospitalizations and Deaths					
	Prince George's Hospitalizations to Date	Maryland Hospitalizations to Date	Currently Hospitalized in Maryland	Prince George's County Deaths	Maryland Deaths
<b>Today</b>	<b>4,159 (+12)</b>	<b>17,833 (+103)</b>	<b>707 (+7.9%)</b>	<b>871 (+1)</b>	<b>4,221 (+9)</b>
8-Nov	+0	+103	655 (+3.6%)	+1	+11
7-Nov	+0	+90	632 (+3.7%)	+0	+7
6-Nov	+0	+102	609 (+3.5%)	+4	+6
5-Nov	+4	+72	588 (-1.1%)	+1	+10
4-Nov	+9	+51	595 (+5.8%)	+1	+10
3-Nov	4,129	17,312	562	863	4,162

## A Look at Nationwide Metrics

The graphic below provides a nationwide look at four key metrics - new tests, new confirmed cases, hospitalizations, and new deaths.



## Food Giveaways

The City of Bowie's final food distribution event is this **Saturday, November 14 at Grace Lutheran Church on Belair Drive from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.** or until all food is given away. Each family will receive non-perishable items, including ingredients for a selection of meals. Funding for this program comes from the CARES Act.

Recipients should bring identification, a piece of mail addressed to your City of Bowie address, and a mask and remain in their vehicle when they arrive. Staff will verify eligibility, and volunteers will load food into vehicles. For your safety, volunteers will wear masks and gloves.

*Note: Only City of Bowie residents are eligible for this program. Each recipient will be required to show identification and a piece of mail with a Bowie address on it in order to participate.*

## Food Giveaway for Seniors

County Council Chair Todd Turner will host a “Senior Grab & Go” Thanksgiving Meal Giveaway for his constituents on Thursday, November 19 in the parking lot of the Bowie Senior Center. Hours are 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To be eligible for the giveaway, you must register for the event. The registration deadline is Thursday, November 12, 2020. You can find a link to the registration form at [www.cityofbowie.org/food](http://www.cityofbowie.org/food). Registration can also be taken over the telephone by calling Evelyn Archie in the Chair Turner’s Office at 240-619-9775.

## Food Programs

There are a variety of programs underway in Bowie and in the surrounding community to help make sure that no one goes hungry during these uncertain times. We have gathered the information together on a new page on our website so that it is easy to find and easy to navigate. If you are in need of food or know someone who is experiencing food insecurity, we encourage you to visit [www.cityofbowie.org/food](http://www.cityofbowie.org/food).

## Other News

### Upcoming Virtual Meetings & Other Events

- 11/13 – Free drive thru flu vaccination clinic for ages 3+ at the Senior Center
- 11/10 – Bowie Advisory Planning Board Hearing re: Expansion of EZ Storage on Gallant Fox La.
- 11/11 – **Veterans Day. City government closed.** No trash or recycling collection.
- 11/12 – Master Plan Update meeting
- 11/13 – Flu Clinic at the Senior Center
- 11/14 – Food Aid at Grace Lutheran Church

Visit [www.cityofbowie.org/calendar.aspx](http://www.cityofbowie.org/calendar.aspx) for more information and links to the virtual meetings.

### Free Flu Shot Clinic

As the COVID case numbers are climbing, getting a flu shot is one of the ways you can help to keep yourself healthy and to prevent putting additional strain on healthcare resources and facilities.

For this reason, the City of Bowie and the Prince George’s County Health Department have joined forces to provide a free drive-thru flu clinic this Friday, November 13, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. It takes place at the Bowie Senior Center, located at 14900 Health Center Drive.



**FIGHT THE FLU**  
GET A FLU SHOT

**FREE DRIVE-THRU FLU SHOT CLINICS**  
**November 7 & 13, 2020**  
Bowie Senior Center  
14900 Health Center Dr., Bowie, MD  
10 am - 2 pm

**Flu shots available for adults & children age 3 and older.**

For questions contact 301-809-2300

**How it works:**

- Vaccines provided on a first come, first served basis
- Wear clothing that allows easy access to your upper arms
- Masks required for ages 3+
- Minors (under 18) require parent or guardian signature of consent
- Drive-thru event ONLY - no walk-ups, please

### **Bowie Reads Aloud**

Below is a list of read aloud book videos that have been produced for the community. We're adding more videos every week, so be sure to visit [www.cityofbowie.org/bowiereadsaloud](http://www.cityofbowie.org/bowiereadsaloud) soon to see what's new.

### **Leaf Collection Underway**

The City of Bowie Curbside Vacuum Leaf Collection Program begins November 2 and runs through mid-December. Every single-family neighborhood will have two collections during that time.

**The schedule is posted by week this year, rather than by specific date.** You can view the 2020 schedule at [www.cityofbowie.org/leaves](http://www.cityofbowie.org/leaves) to see which two weeks your neighborhood will have leaf collection.

Due to limited availability of the equipment the city usually leases for this program, crews will be working longer hours on more days to get the job done. By assigning a pickup week rather than a pickup date, the crews can be more efficient with their time and will have more flexibility in how they move through the neighborhoods during each week.

Leaves should be raked to the curb (but not in the street), by 7 a.m. on Monday of your scheduled week. Each afternoon, the progress will be posted on the city website at [www.cityofbowie.org/leaves](http://www.cityofbowie.org/leaves). It will show each neighborhood scheduled for that week and whether it has been completed. Please note that once the truck passes through your street, they will not return to it again that week.

We appreciate your understanding as we adapt to another modification in service for this year. Please call the Public Works Department at 301-809-2344 if you have questions about the Curbside Leaf Collection Program.

Please note: If you prefer to bag your leaves, they will be picked up on Wednesdays with yard waste. Use paper yard waste bags (no plastic bags).

View the collection schedule at [www.cityofbowie.org/leaves](http://www.cityofbowie.org/leaves).