





# 7/25/2020 Beaufort County, NC

## **COVID-19 SITREP**

The following information is as of 6 pm.

### **Case Statistics**

	Population	Total Confirmed Cases	Current Active Cases	Deaths	Recovered
		15,898,489	6,092,073	641,716	9,164,700
Worldwide	7.6 Billion	(+249,228)	(+3,139)	(+4,964)	(+241,125)
	330	4,164,226	2,718,817	146,143	1,261,624
USA	Million	(+66,956)	(+64,822)	(+959)	(+28,355)
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NC	Million	(+1,700)	<b>31,424</b> ( <del>+1</del> ,700)	<b>1,811</b> (+23)	<b>78,707</b> (0)
Beaufort Co.	47, 000	<b>266</b> ( <del>+3</del> )	<b>73</b> ( <del>+3</del> )	2	191

\*Text in red or green indicates positive / negative changes since our last update.\*

 NC has had a total 111,421 confirmed cases, with 1,811 deaths. Our state currently has 31,424 active cases and 1,168 hospitalizations.

• Beaufort County has had a total of 266 cases, with 73 currently active, and 8 currently hospitalized. All of today's newest cases are currently under investigation. Fifty-one (51) of our total positives were asymptomatic at the time of their test. Investigation of these known cases have concluded:

- (147) cases are attributed to direct contact with another known positive case.
- $\circ$  (2) cases were related to travel to a known outbreak area.
- (70) cases are attributed to community spread.
- (47) cases are still under investigation.

All active cases are self-isolating.

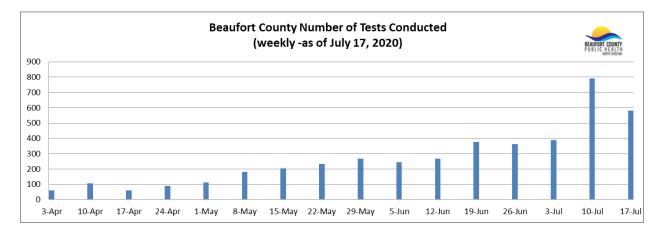




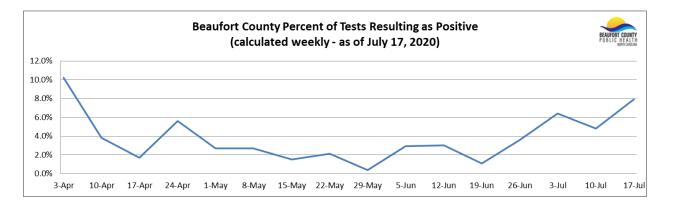
Eastern NC counties with total confirmed cases include: Bertie, (204), Beaufort (266), Bladen (523), Brunswick (1,037), Carteret (238), Camden (52), Chowan (92), Columbus (741), Craven (581), Currituck (62), Dare (176), Duplin (1,859), Edgecombe (503), Gates (36), Greene (270), Halifax (545), Hertford (228), Hyde (35), Jones (46), Lenoir (479), Martin (201), New Hanover (2,073), Northampton (284), Onslow (707), Pamlico (51), Pasquotank (295), Pender (552), Perquimans (54), Pitt (1,421) Sampson (1,374), Tyrrell (84), Washington (98), Wayne (2,217) and Wilson (1,272). Mecklenburg (19,041), Wake (9,819), and Durham (5,436) counties have the most cases.

## **Testing**

- There have been 3,844 tests completed in Beaufort County to date, with 3,411 negatives, 257 positives and 176 pending. (These are cumulative numbers and includes test performed at the Health Department and reporting private medical facilities throughout our county.) \*Nine (9) of our positive cases were tested in other counties but are Beaufort Co. residents. \*
- There were approximately 580 tests completed by Beaufort Co. agencies last week.







• The following table depicts the diversity of our county's testing efforts to date. The "Tested" column represents the number of tests completed for each demographic. The "Percent" column represents the percentage of those test in comparison to the total number of tests conducted within our county. The "Expected County" column represents the percent of our county's population for each demographic according to 2010 Census data.

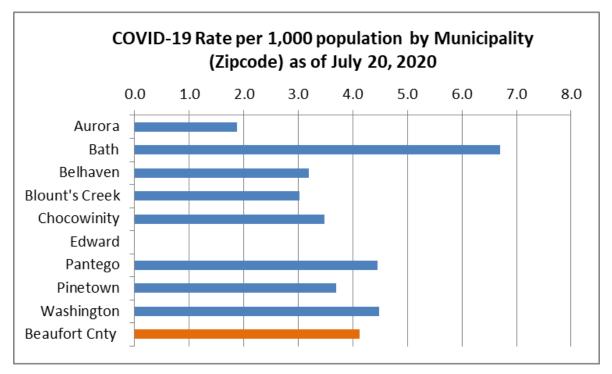
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Race Tested*		Percent		Expected County*
Black	1066	25.7%		24.8%
Hispanic	298	7.2%		8.0%
White	2724	65.6%		65.9%
Other	63	1.5%		1.3%
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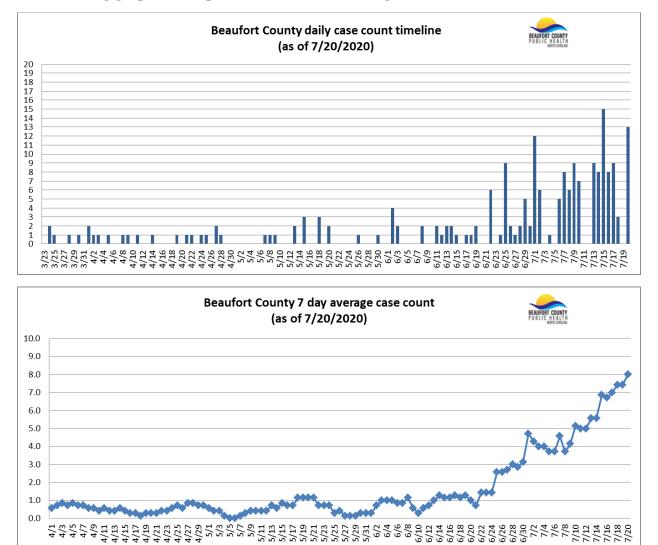


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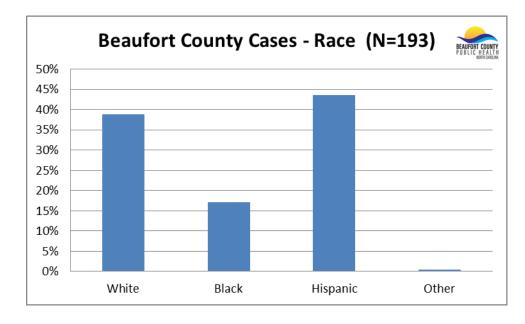


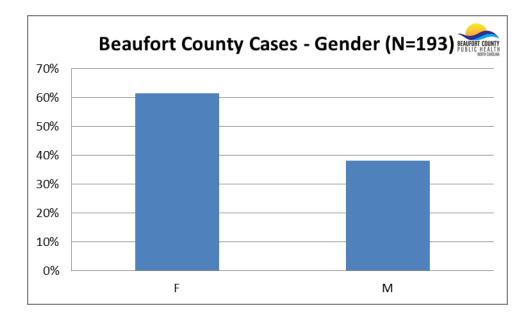


#### The following graphs are representative of data through 7/20/2020.

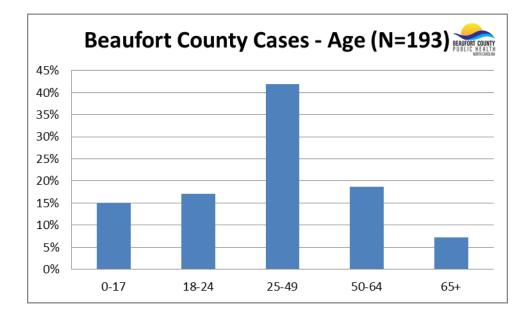


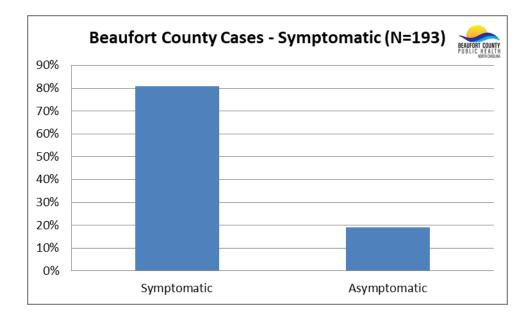


















# **Beaufort County Schools – School Openings Announcement**

Beaufort County Schools will be starting the 2020-2021 school year on a modified Plan B format for all schools except the BCS Early College High School. Parents and students of ECHS will be contacted directly about their schedule of instruction.

The modified Plan B consists of four weeks of remote instruction for all other students beginning August 17th through September 11th.

Presumably students will then be partially attending schools each week along with continued remote instruction outside the school building. Parents and students will be informed when students attend onsite and when they continue remote instruction. More specific details will be released soon concerning these assignments. Here is an example of the weekly schedule:

Group A Students: Monday/Tuesday in school instruction, Wednesday/Thursday/Friday remote learning

Group B Students: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday remote learning, Thursday/Friday in school instruction

There will be additional information communicated soon regarding the Open House, learning protocols, device pickup, and learning expectations for each school. Please monitor the website and/or social media account of your child's school.

# **<u>Re-Opening Timeline / Guidelines</u>**

Below is a summary of our states plan for a phased reopening. Please note that these timelines / guidelines are subject to change based on case trends and / or additional executive orders.







#### Phase II (Will begin at 5pm Friday, 5/22 and continue through 5pm Friday 8/7)

Governor Cooper has announced that North Carolina's Phase II "Safer at Home" order has been extended for 3 additional weeks (thru 8/7).

Restaurants and Personal Care Services must follow safety protocols including the potential need to reduce capacity. (Bar & Fitness Centers will remain closed under Executive Order 141)

Requires face coverings in public spaces when 6 ft of distancing isn't possible.

#### Additional information about Phase II can be found using the following link.

https://co.beaufort.nc.us/departments/human-services/public-health/2019-coronavirus-covid-19/phase-two-resources

#### Additional Business / Employer Guidance can also be found by using the following link.

https://co.beaufort.nc.us/departments/human-services/public-health/2019-coronavirus-covid-19/beaufort-county-resources/business-employer-guidance

The Governor and the N.C. Restaurant and Lodging Association also introduced **Count on Me NC**, a free online training program to help restaurants, hotels, and other businesses learn the best ways to protect customers and employees from COVID-19, which can be found at: <u>https://countonmenc.org/</u>

#### Phase III (Could begin Aug 7th, 2020)

Increased capacity at Restaurants, Bars, Other Businesses & Entertainment Venues.

Further increase the number of people allowed at gatherings.

### **Mitigation Efforts**

- Beaufort County's EOC is fully activated to provide support for essential county and municipal functions.
- The City of Washington closed the following city office buildings to the public until further notice:







- o City Hall
- o Bobby Andrews Recreation Center
- George H. and Laura E. Brown Library
- Grace Martin Harwell Senior Center
- Moore Aquatic and Fitness Center Reopen with limited hours. Members only. Reservations are strongly encouraged. Fitness Room remains closed.
- Susiegray McConnell Sports Complex Open for baseball and softball practices/games under the guidelines provided by the Governor.
- Beaufort County Schools will continue to serve meals Monday Friday at the following locations.

The locations for these student meals are:

- Cornerstone Family Worship Center -1918 West 5th Street, Washington Contact: Tiana Payne Church: 252-946-6109
- Temple of Joy -96 Hill Road Chocowinity NC Contact: Apostle Georgette Redmond: Church: 252-975-6580 Cell: 917-7223
- Ware Creek Baptist Church 2302 Maules Point Road, Blunts Creek Contact: Bishop Charles Smith: Cell: 252-622-1924 Bishop Charles Tyson, Pastor
- Fresh Anointing Church of God 820 Hwy 33 East, Aurora NC Cell 252-364-7493
- River Road Estates
- Northeast Elementary School
- Eastern Elementary School
- John Cotton Tayloe Elementary School
- Chocowinity Primary School
- SW Snowden Elementary School
- Belhaven Civic Center parking lot
- Salvation Army parking lot in Washington
- Washington Police Substation at 9th street

Any child can have a breakfast and lunch.

This lunch will be served in a "drive-thru" setting so no one has to leave their car or enter the school building. Parents and family members may pick up these meals for their students whether or not the students are with them. We will just need the names of the students receiving the meals. Any student of any school can pick up a meal at any site.







Additional feeding sites have also been established at the following churches.

 BeeBe Chapel CME-239 Cherry Run Road, Washington, NC
 Contact: Pastor Joneice Carroll (252) 947-1125
 Feeding Times: 11:00am-12:30pm

Cornerstone Family Worship Center -1918 West 5th Street, Washington, NC
 Contact: Pamela Collins (252) 833-9829 Church: (252) 946-6109
 Feeding Times: 10:30am-12:00pm

Fresh Anointing Church of God - 820 Hwy 33 East, Aurora NC
 Contact: Bishop Charles Tyson- Cell: (252) 364-7493
 Feeding Times: 10:30am-12:30pm

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 Ware Creek Missionary Baptist - 2302 Maules Point Road, Blount's Creek Contact: Bishop Charles Smith: Cell: (252) 622-1924 Feeding Times: 10:30am-12:30pm

 Zion Temple FWB Church-2 Swamp Road, Pantego, NC
 Contact: Raleigh & Loretta Younger-(252) 943-7268 (Raleigh) (252) 943-4975 (Loretta)
 Feeding Times: 10:30am-12:00pm

- Families who need help finding meals for their children ages 18 and younger can text "FOODNC" to "877-877".
- The following Executive Orders have been issued for North Carolina.
  - EO 147: Takes effect on June 26<sup>th</sup> and extends Phase II "Safer at Home" orders and requires the use of face coverings.
  - EO 146: Extends certain transportation-related provisions in previous executive orders.

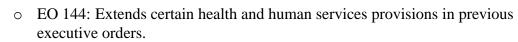


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- EO 143: Addresses disparities in communities of color that historically have had less access to health care, housing, economic opportunity and more.
- $\circ~$  EO 142: Extends the prohibition of utility shut-offs and implements a moratorium on evictions.
- EO 141: Lifts the statewide Stay at Home Order and moves the state to a Safer At Home recommendation. Allows restaurants to resume dine-in services, and Barbers, Salons and Personal Care businesses to open.
- EO 139: Provides additional regulatory flexibility to help ensure capacity in the state's health care system and improve its ability to effectively respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- EO 138: Effective 5 p.m. May 8, 2020, eases some restrictions on travel, business operations and mass gatherings.
- EO 135: Extends until May 8, North Carolina's Stay At Home (Executive Order 121) as well as other orders regarding the closures of restaurants for dine-in service, bars and other close-contact businesses
- EO 134: Allows furloughed employees to be eligible for unemployment benefits.
- EO 133: Extends certain provisions in previous executive orders that are related to transportation.
- EO 131: Addresses three issues: requires retail stores that are still operating to implement new social distancing policies to make shopping safer for customers and employees; makes earlier COVID-19 guidelines mandatory for nursing facilities, and recommends other long-term care facilities to do the same; speeds up the process to get benefits to people out of work.
- EO 130: Provides more access to health care beds, expands the pool of health care workers and orders essential childcare services for workers responding to the crisis.
- EO 124: Prohibits utilities including electric, gas, water and wastewater services from disconnecting people who are unable to pay during this pandemic and







prohibits them from collecting fees, penalties or interest for late payment. The order applies for the next 60 days and gives residential customers at least six months to pay outstanding bills.

- EO 121: A statewide "Stay at Home" order has been issued. This order will
  restrict travel to essential activities only. (ie. Travel for items such as, groceries,
  food, medications, household supplies, essential workers, etc.) This order will
  also limit gatherings to less than 10 people.
- EO 120: Extended school closures through May 15<sup>th</sup>. This order also imposes restrictions on the following businesses; Bingo Parlors, Bowling Alleys, Indoor Exercise Facilities, Health Clubs, Indoor / Outdoor Pools, Live Performance Venues, Movie Theaters, Skating Rinks, Spas, Gaming and businesses which allow gaming activities.
- EO 119: Lifting restrictions on local Health Departments, childcare facilities, and commerce transport. This order also restricting various functions of DMV to include:
  - Driver's License Office will operate by appointment only.
  - Closing of all Drivers License Office that are on insufficient size to maintain social distancing.
  - Extending office hours at locations that are of sufficient size.
  - Postpone all DMV related hearings for 60 days.
- EO 118: Restricting dine-in services at all restaurants / bars. These businesses will continue to be allowed to provide carry-out and delivery services.

### **Resources**

#### "Check My Symptoms"

NCDHHS has created a "Check My Symptoms" tool that will help you check your symptoms online and determine if you will be recommended to be tested for COVID-19. After you enter your symptoms, if it is recommended that you get tested, you will receive a list of nearby testing sites via email or text. This is an informational tool to help you determine if you may need to be tested; however it is not a physician order. Testing sites may require their own screening. The "Check My Symptoms" tool can be accessed using the following link.

https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/about-covid-19/testing/find-my-testing-place







#### "Find My Testing Place"

Find testing location near you by using the following link:

https://ncdhhs-covid19-dtra.powerappsportals.us/

We have created a resource page that can accessed at <u>https://co.beaufort.nc.us/departments/human-services/public-health/2019-coronavirus-covid-19</u>.

This resource page contains guidance for businesses, long term care facilities, families, and more.

We are here to offer support and answer any questions or concerns. We are encouraging all community partners to share accurate information and promote it within your businesses, communities, and elsewhere. Beaufort County's website and Facebook page are great ways to stay up to date on accurate information.

Thank you,



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