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### **CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) IN MCPHERSON COUNTY**

COVID-19 data in McPherson County can be found on the home page of [mcpersoncountyks.us](https://mcpersoncountyks.us), under "McPherson County COVID-19 Dashboard." This data will continue to be updated Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week. Written releases like this one will be posted once a week on Thursdays, unless needed otherwise.

After assessing current new case trends and vaccination rates in McPherson County, McPherson County Health Department (MCHD) recommends the following beginning May 6, 2021:

- No gathering limit when all persons wear masks
- Practice 6-foot distancing where possible
- If all persons in a gathering have been fully vaccinated for at least 2 weeks, masks and distancing may not be necessary
- Entities and businesses may continue to be more stringent in both private and public situations at their discretion

McPherson County is vaccinating anyone 16 years old and above for COVID-19. You may call MCHD at 620-241-1753, your local healthcare provider, or pharmacy for an appointment. You may also search for locations using [vaccinefinder.org](https://vaccinefinder.org). (16 and 17 year old individuals may only receive Pfizer vaccine at this time).

- As of May 5, 2021, according to the Kansas Immunization Registry, KSWebIZ, 14,757 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to McPherson County residents. The majority of doses administered have been Moderna (10,413), followed by Pfizer (3,798) and Johnson and Johnson/Janssen (546).
- As of May 5, 2021, according to the CDC COVID Data Tracker (<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>), 34.2% of McPherson County's population has been fully vaccinated. 44.1% of the population 18 years old and above are vaccinated and 76.6% of the population 65 years old and above are vaccinated. More information can be found on their website.

KDHE and MCHD continue to mandate a 10-day quarantine for Kansans if you have done any of the following:

- Traveled on or after May 6 to Colorado, Cabo Verde, India, Maldives or Seychelles
- Traveled on or after April 22 to Minnesota, Argentina, Aruba, Bahrain, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Sweden or Turkey
- Traveled on or after April 8 to Pennsylvania or Uruguay
- Traveled on or after March 26 to Delaware, Michigan, or Rhode Island
- Traveled on or after March 12 to the country of State of Palestine
- Traveled between April 22 – May 6 to Aruba or France
- Traveled between April 8 – May 6 to Andorra, Bermuda, Curacao, Poland or Serbia
- Traveled between March 26 – May 6 to Hungary
- Traveled between March 12 – May 6 to New Jersey or New York
- Attended/traveled to a mass gathering event out-of-state of 500 people or greater where individuals did not 6-foot distance and wear masks
- Traveled on a cruise ship or river cruise