

**MONO COUNTY
BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS &
MAMMOTH LAKES
TOWN COUNCIL**

**JOINT
COVID-19 UPDATE:
NOVEMBER 17,
2020**



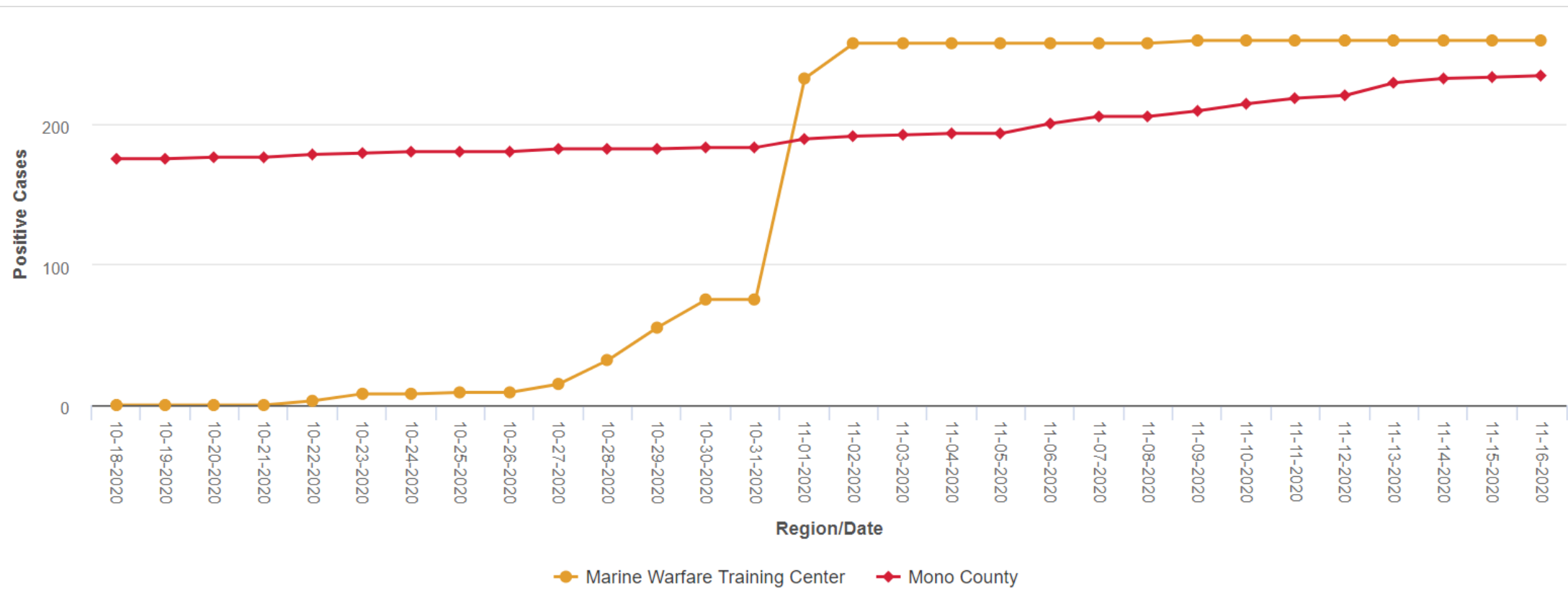
#STAYSAFETOSTAYOPEN

- We need everyone's help to ensure that we do everything we can to educate ourselves, our friends and families, and visitors to #Stay Safe To Stay Open.
- This is more than a hashtag – it needs to become a way of life.
- Mono County Health Order (October 22, 2020) supplements guidance issued by the CDPH, authorizing outdoor only, socially distanced private gatherings of up to 3 household units, (max. 12 people) with specified restrictions.
- People in Mono County including the Town of Mammoth Lakes **must wear face coverings** when they are outdoors in public spaces when maintaining a physical distance of **6 feet** from persons who are not members of the same household unit.





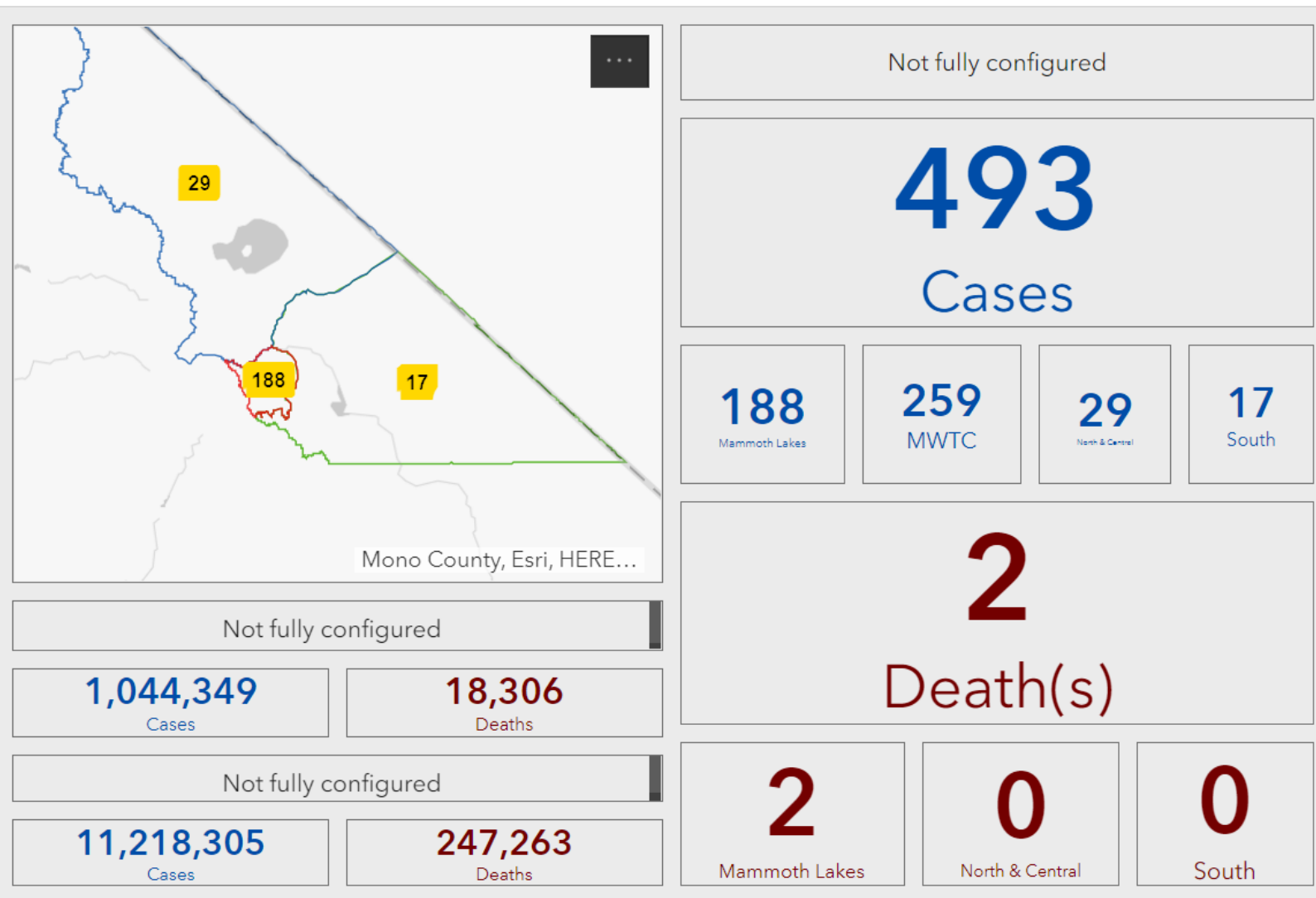
Total Positive Cases split by Mono County and MCMWTC...



TOTAL POSITIVE CASES: 493 (BASE: 259 / MONO COUNTY: 234)

Mono County and CA Case Summary By Area

MONO COUNTY CASES BY REGION

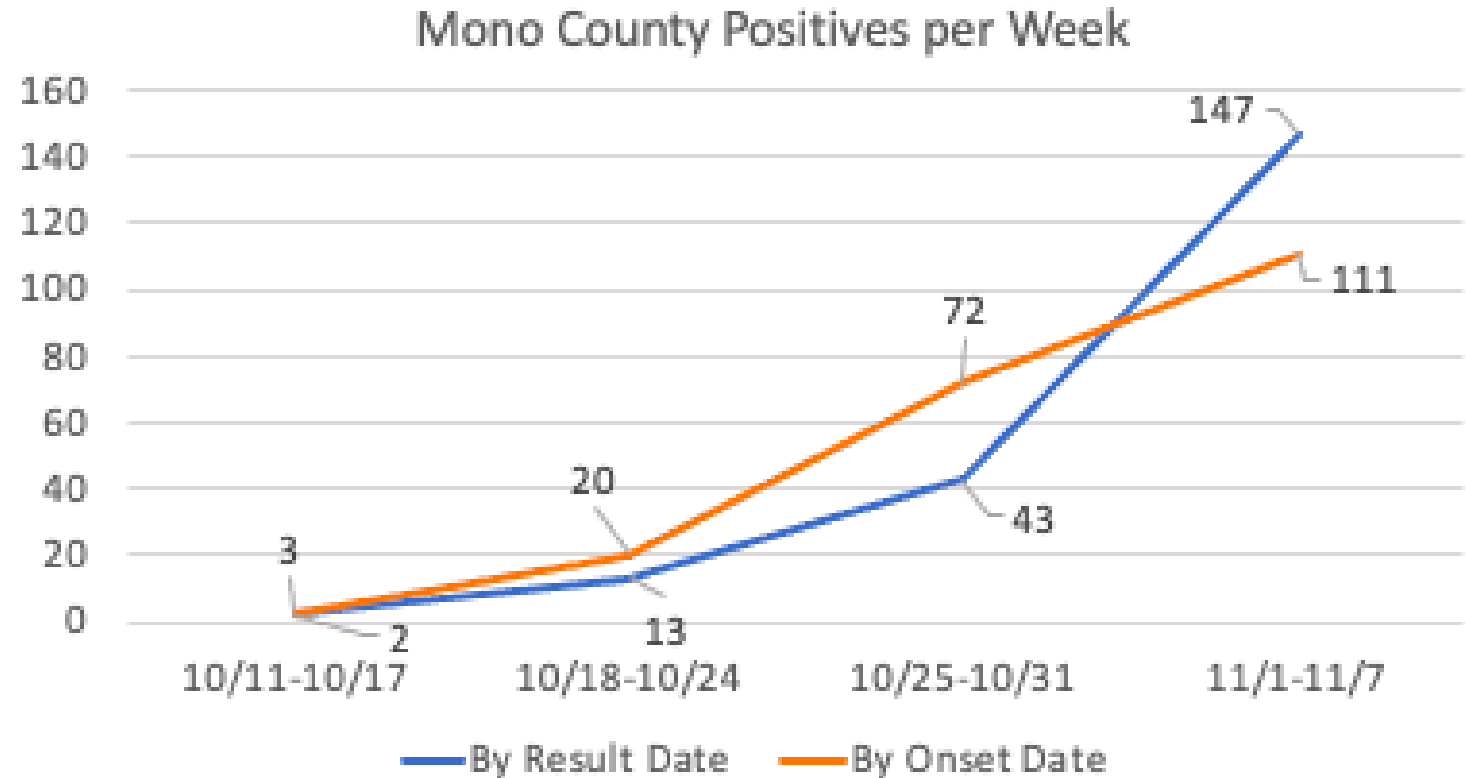


As of November 17, 2020

30-DAY METRICS

(INCLUDES BASE CASES)

TESTED – 2,185
POSITIVE – 206
POSITIVITY RATE – 9.43%



Week	Tests	Positives	% Rate
10/11-10/17	205	3	1.46%
10/18-10/24	234	20	8.55%
10/25-10/31	442	72	16.29%
11/1-11/7	1304	111	8.51%

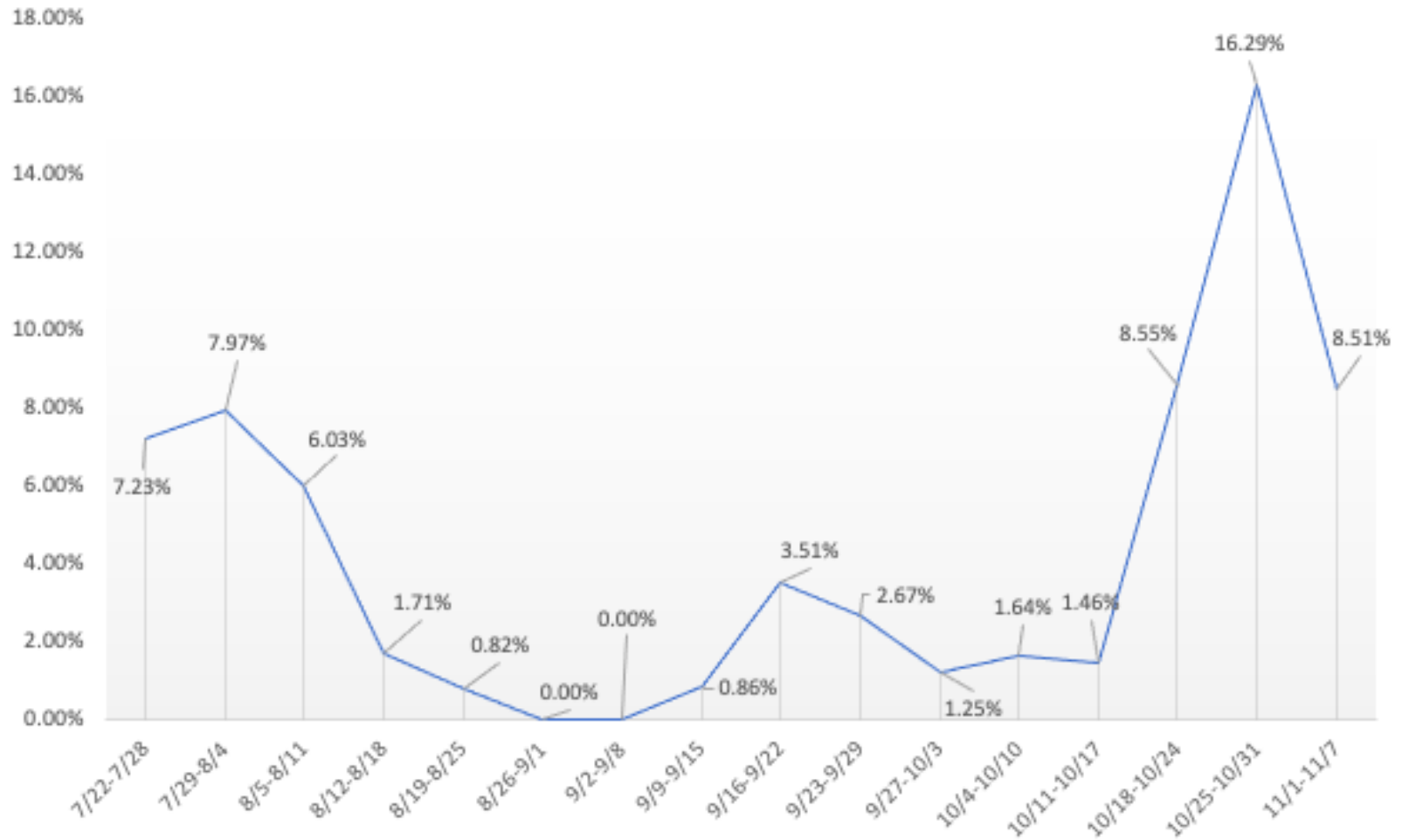
MONO COUNTY METRICS

Mammoth Hospital Status

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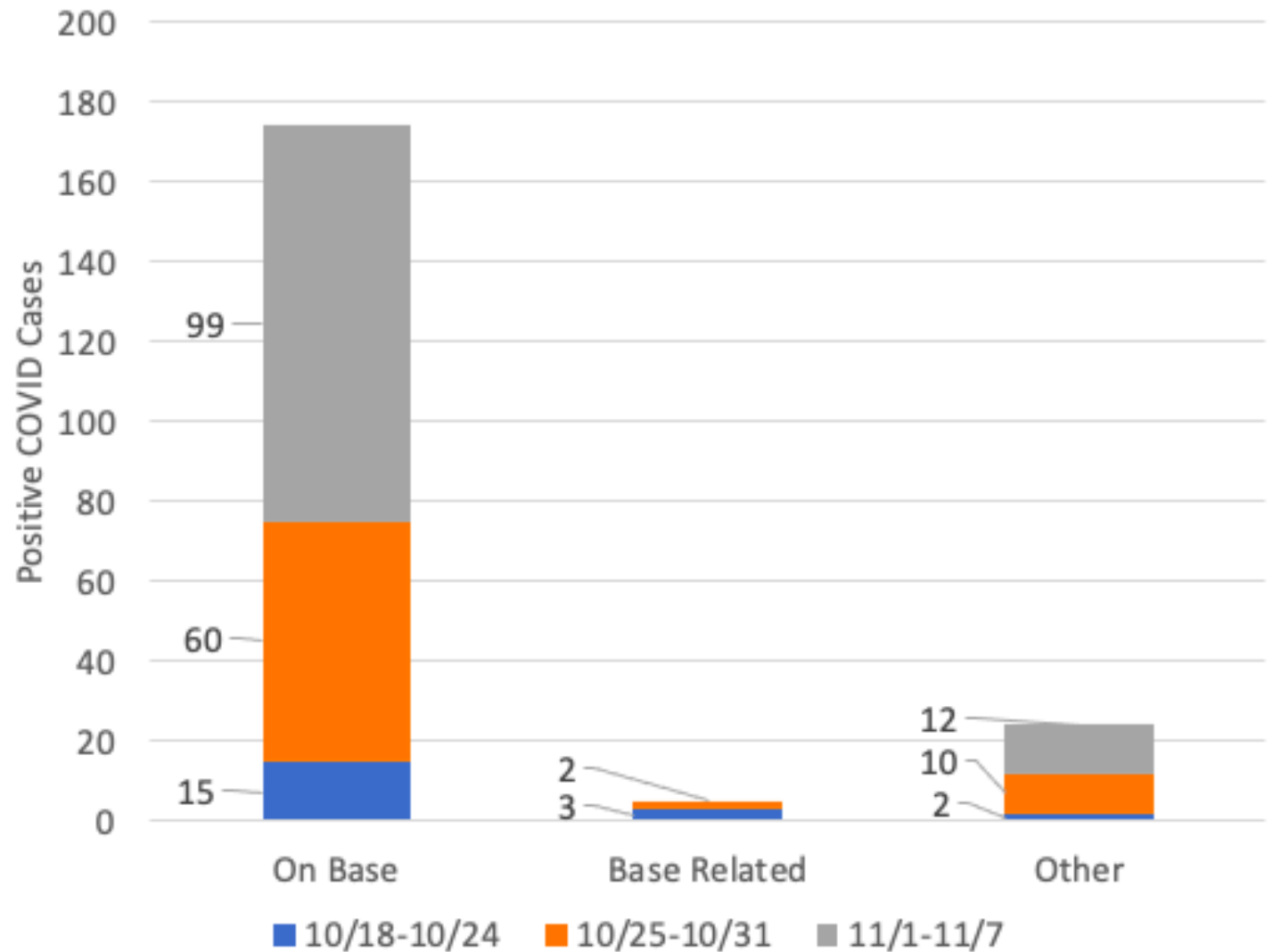
ABLE TO CARE FOR ANY PATIENTS REQUIRING ADMISSION

Percent Positive Rate by Week



MONO COUNTY METRICS

Mono County COVID Positives Breakdown



BLUEPRINT FOR A SAFER ECONOMY



- On November 16, Mono County was reassigned to Tier 2 (Red) or ‘Substantial’
- Mono County metrics used to determine Tier Status:
 - **18.4** case rate/100,000
 - **5.3%** testing positivity rate

Measure	Higher Risk → Lower Risk of Community Disease Transmission***			
	Widespread Tier 1	Substantial Tier 2	Moderate Tier 3	Minimal Tier 4
Adjusted Case Rate for Tier Assignment** (Rate per 100,000 population* excluding prison cases^, 7 day average with 7 day lag)	>7	4-7	1-3.9	<1
Testing Positivity^ (Excluding prison cases^, 7 day average with 7 day lag)	>8%	5-8%	2-4.9%	<2%

SUMMARY STATUS OF MONO COUNTY RED BUSINESS SECTOR OPERATIONS



- *Critical Infrastructure*
 - Open with modifications
- *Hair Salons and Barbershops*
 - Open indoors with modifications
- *Personal Care Services*
 - Open indoors with modifications
- *All Retail*
 - Open indoors with modifications - Max. 50% capacity
- *Restaurants*
 - Open indoors with modifications - Max. 25% of capacity, or 100 people, whichever is fewer
- *Bars, Breweries and Distilleries*
 - No meal provided – Closed
 - Meal is provided – Open with Restaurant modifications and capacity limits
- *Museums*
 - Open indoors with modifications - Max. 25% capacity
- *Places of Worship*
 - Open indoors with modifications - Max. 25% of capacity, or 100 people, whichever is fewer
- *Movie Theaters*
 - Open indoors with modifications - Max. 25% of capacity, or 100 people, whichever is fewer
- *Hotels and Lodging*
 - Can Open Fitness Centers - 10% capacity
 - Indoor Pools Closed
 - Mono County Order for Town of Mammoth Lakes in effect
- *Gyms and Fitness Centers*
 - Max 10% capacity
 - Indoor Pools Closed
- *Family Entertainment Centers (including Bowling Alleys & Climbing Walls)*
 - Outdoor Only

BLUEPRINT TIER ASSIGNMENTS – EMERGENCY BRAKE

- On Monday, November 16 Governor Newsom announced the utilization of the state’s “emergency brake” built into California’s Blueprint for a Safer Economy.
- Due to an unprecedented surge in the rate of increase of cases of COVID-19 in every region of the state, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) implemented immediate changes to its tier assignment process.

What’s New

- Tier assignments may occur any day of the week and may occur more than once a week when CDPH determines immediate action is needed.
- Counties may be moved back more than one tier if CDPH determines a need for intensive intervention.
 - Key considerations include the rate of increase in new cases and/or test positivity, public health capacity, and other epidemiological factors.
- Counties may move with one week of worsening metrics (as opposed to the usual two weeks during times of stability).

BLUEPRINT TIER ASSIGNMENTS – EMERGENCY BRAKE

- The most recent reliable data will be used to complete the assessment.
- In light of the extreme circumstances requiring immediate action, counties will be required to implement any sector changes the day following the tier announcement.
- County requests for tier adjudication will not hold the county in the current tier during adjudication. Given the current environment of rapidly escalating cases and widespread disease transmission across California, tier adjudication requests are unlikely to be approved unless unique, extreme circumstances and data are submitted justifying how the county is not impacted by the statewide increases.

Key Messages

California is experiencing an unprecedented rate of increase of new cases of COVID-19 statewide.

- This is the fastest our cases have gone up. They are going up in every region of the state.

The state's goal is to preserve our health care capacity.

- We need to make sure that patients can get access to care they need.
- We must do everything we can to keep hospitals from being overrun.

BLUEPRINT TIER ASSIGNMENTS – EMERGENCY BRAKE

Key Messages...continued:

Given how quickly cases are increasing, CDPH will likely run case and testing positivity data again later this week to see if additional counties require intervention.

- As of November 16, California has 41 counties in Purple, 11 counties in Red, 4 counties in Orange, and 2 counties in Yellow.
- Since there was no forward movement, CDPH did not use its health equity metric for this tier assignment.

The emergency brake does not alter the state guidelines governing school re-openings.

- Schools that have already re-opened when a county was in a less restrictive may remain open if that county moves to the Purple tier.
- Schools that have not re-opened may provide in-person instruction if either local school and health officials decide to open elementary schools under the elementary school waiver process, or school officials decide to conduct in-person instruction for a limited set of students in small cohorts.
- Otherwise, schools may not reopen for in-person instruction until the county has been in the substantial (Red) tier for two weeks.

STATE ISSUES UPDATED TRAVEL ADVISORY



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor

Travel Advisory for Non-Essential Travel [\[1\]](#)

1. Persons arriving in California from other states or countries, including returning California residents, should practice [self-quarantine](#) for 14 days after arrival. These persons should limit their interactions to their immediate household. This recommendation does not apply to individuals who cross state or country borders for essential travel. [\[2\]](#)
2. Californians are encouraged to stay home or in their region and avoid non-essential travel to other states or countries. Avoiding travel can reduce the risk of virus transmission and bringing the virus back to California.

[\[1\]](#) “[Non-essential travel](#)” includes travel that is considered tourism or recreational in nature.

[\[2\]](#) “[Essential travel](#)” includes: work and study, critical infrastructure support, economic services and supply chains, health, immediate medical care, and safety and security.

STATE ISSUES UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR THE PREVENTION OF COVID-19 TRANSMISSION FOR GATHERINGS



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Governor

- Updated Guidance for the prevention of COVID-19 transmission for gatherings from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) on November 13, 2020 provides guidelines for Californians to gather outside their household, and replaces the October 9, 2020 and other prior gatherings guidance.
- Gatherings are defined as social situations that bring together people from different households at the same time in a single space or place. When people from different households mix, this increases the risk of transmission of COVID-19.
- Mono County Health Order (October 22, 2020) supplements guidance issued by the CDPH. Within Mono County, all persons must comply with both the State and local gathering Guidance and Orders. Violations may be punishable by law.
- Gatherings of up to 12 people from a maximum of 3 households should only be outdoors, and with precautions (face masks and distancing).

STATE ISSUES UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR THE USE OF FACE COVERINGS



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Governor

- The November 16, 2020 guidance supersedes face coverings guidance released on June 18, 2020. This updated guidance mandates that a face covering is required at all times when outside of the home, with some exceptions. Mono County Order (June 29, 2020)
- **Individuals are exempt from wearing face coverings in the following specific settings:**
 - Persons in a car alone or solely with members of their own household.
 - Persons who are working in an office or in a room alone.
 - Persons who are actively eating or drinking provided that they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet away from persons who are not members of the same household or residence.
 - Persons who are outdoors and maintaining at least 6 feet of social distancing from others not in their household. Such persons must have a face covering with them at all times and must put it on if they are within 6 feet of others who are not in their household.
 - Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.

STATE ISSUES UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR THE USE OF FACE COVERINGS...cont.




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- Workers who are required to wear respiratory protection.
- Persons who are specifically exempted from wearing face coverings by other CDPH guidance.

The following individuals are exempt from wearing face coverings at all times:

- Persons younger than two years old. These very young children must not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance. Such conditions are rare.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.



Next Bilingual Community Conversation

Thursday, November 19

5:30 p.m.

MONO COUNTY COVID-19 LOCAL INFORMATION & RESOURCES



MonoHealth.com/
Coronavirus

MONO COUNTY
COVID-19 Resource Portal

- Website: [MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus](https://monohealth.com/coronavirus)
- Spanish: <https://monohealth.com/coronavirus-es>
- Email COVID19Help@mono.ca.gov
- Town Short-term Rental Hotline: (760) 965-3671 or tot@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov
- Town Code Compliance: (760) 965-3672 or codecompliance@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov
- Mono County COVID-19 Violations: covid19violations@mono.ca.gov.
- COVID-19 “Week in Review” issued **every Friday**