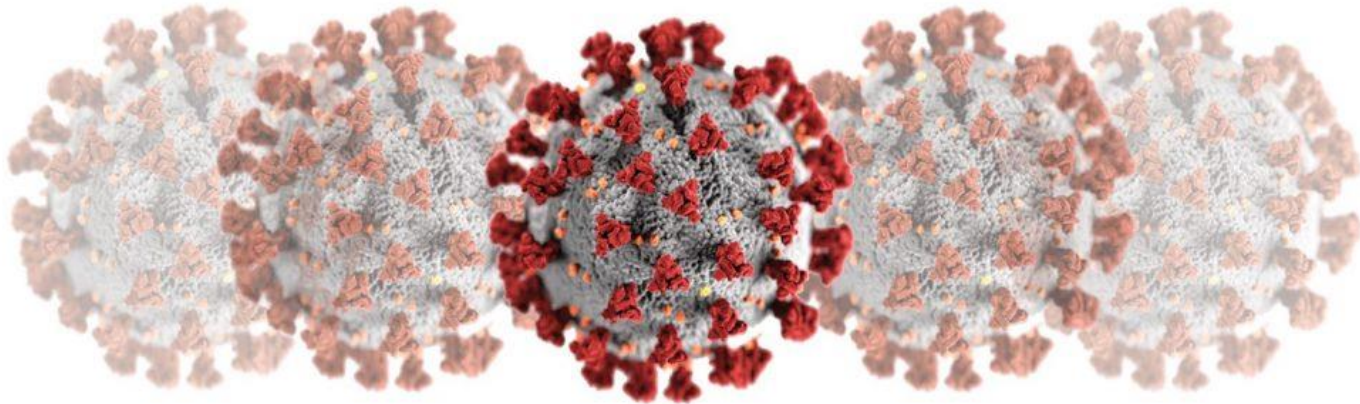


Coronavirus: Public Health Measures for Business

May 19, 2020



COVID-19 Declared a Public Health Emergency



WHO Global Public Health Emergency

An **extraordinary event that constitutes a public health risk** to other States through the international spread of disease

AND

potentially **requires a coordinated international response**

Previous declarations

2019 for Ebola
2016 for Zika
2014 for Ebola



US Public Health Emergency

A disease or disorder **presents a public health emergency**

OR

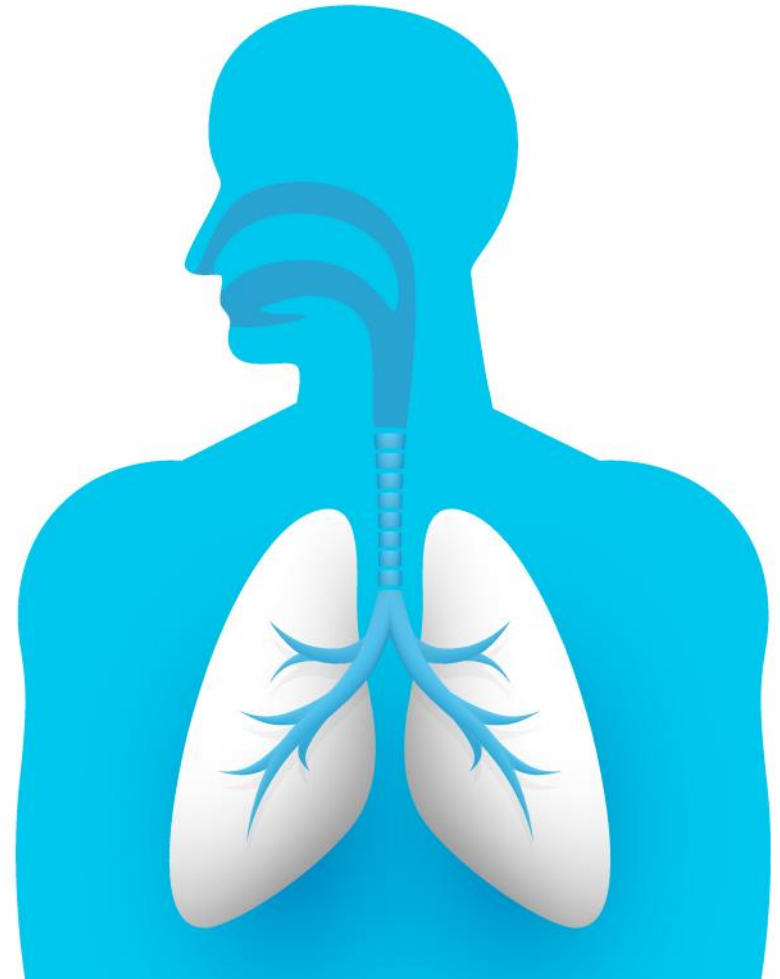
That a **public health emergency**, including significant outbreaks of infectious disease or bioterrorist attacks, **otherwise exists**

Previous declarations

Natural disasters
Opioid crisis
Zika

Symptoms of COVID-19

- **Fever**
- **Lower respiratory symptoms:**
 - **Cough**
 - **Shortness of Breath**
- **Chills**
- **Headache**
- **Muscle pain**
- **Sore throat**
- **New loss of taste or smell**

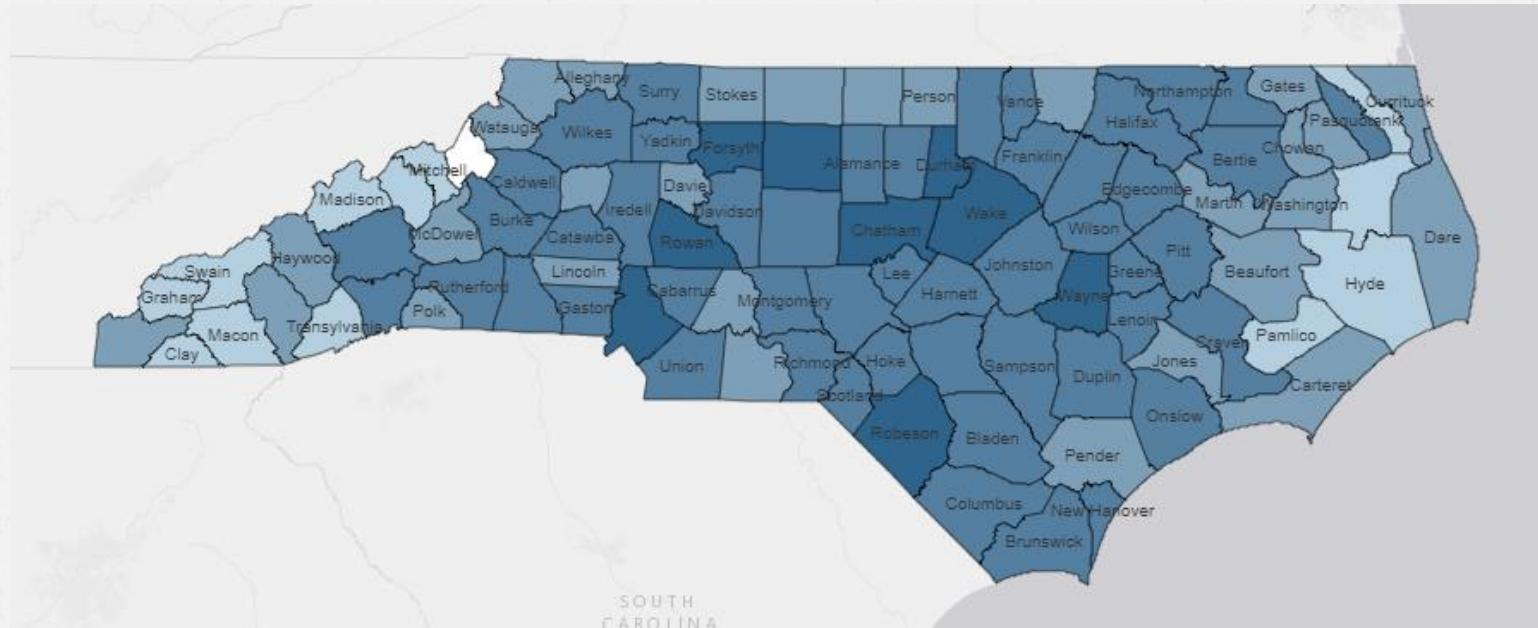


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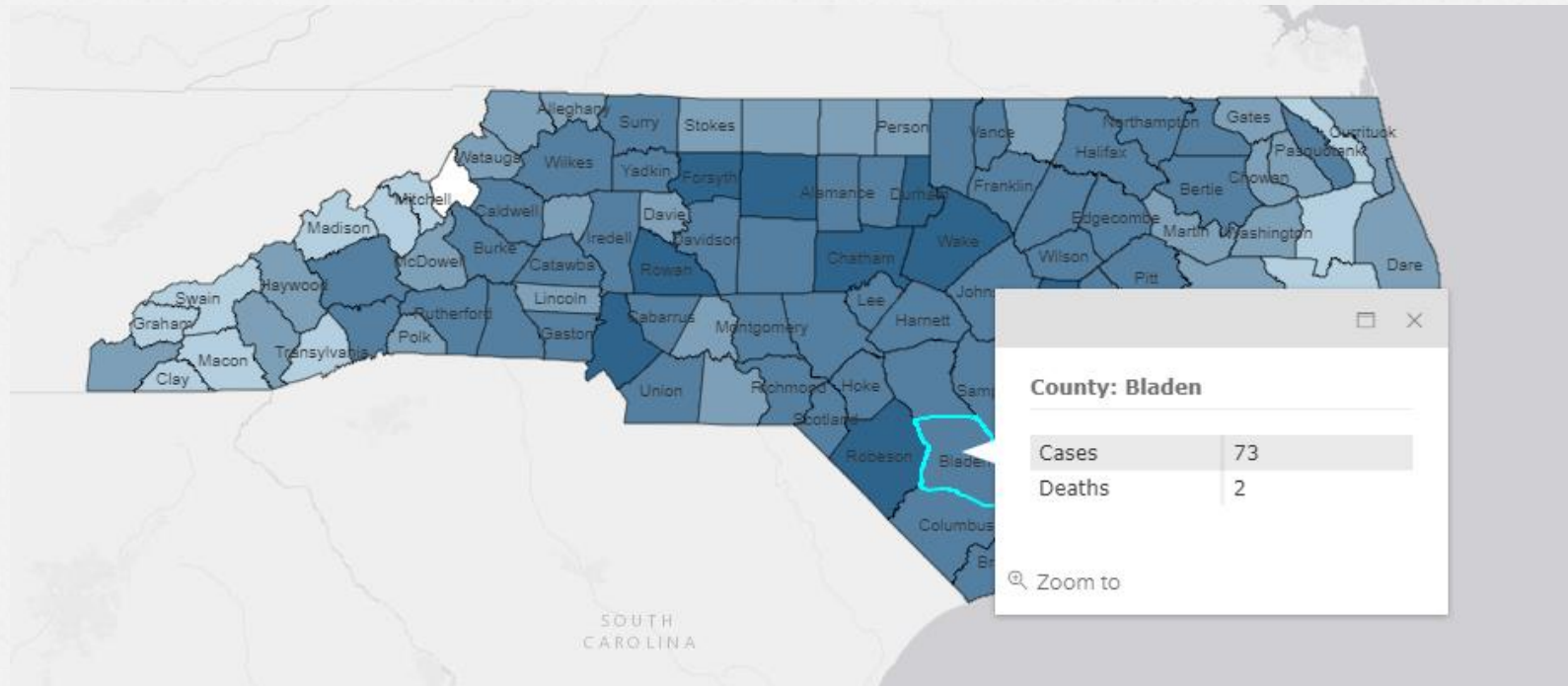
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<https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard>

North Carolina Data



Bladen County Data



North Carolina Trends

o https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/NCDHHS_0514.pdf

Business and Employers: General Recommendations

- o Sick & Symptomatic Employees
- o Cleaning and Sanitizing
- o Social Distancing
- o Transactions
- o Signage
 - Not to enter if not feeling well
 - Social distancing
- o Hygiene



Know Your Ws: Wear, Wait, Wash

The NC Department of Health and Human Services is asking people to remember these three things as we stay strong and continue to flatten the curve and slow the spread of COVID-19.

[Learn More →](#)

If you leave home, know your Ws!



WEAR



WAIT



WASH

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

o **Face Coverings**

- Everyone who leaves their home or may be near non-family/household members
- Broad exposure to customers or employees
- Disinfection team members

o **Face Shields**

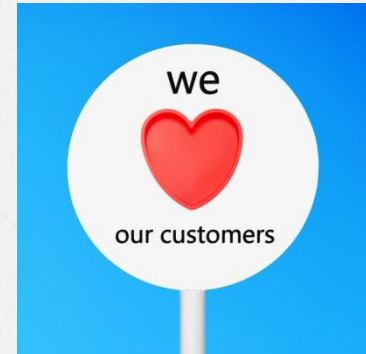
- Not necessary unless you work in healthcare/manufacturing

o **Gloves only if:**

- Perform disinfection of common surfaces
- Handle trash
- Handle food

Customer Interactions

- o Encourage social distancing
- o Limit cash handling
- o Encourage use of debit/credit, other contactless payment
- o Add clear shields at point of transaction
- o Place registers 6 feet apart with hand sanitizer/wipes
- o Consider one-way isles
- o Disinfect point of sale equipment after each customer (including pens)



Employee and Customer Protection

- o Stay home if sick!
- o Conduct daily symptom screening of employees
- o Perform frequent cleaning/disinfection
- o Encourage use of face coverings for employees/customers
- o Social distancing
- o Discourage use of others' phones, desks, offices, etc.
- o Provide hand sanitizer/disinfecting wipes in public areas

References/Resources

- o CDC

- [Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers
Cleaning and Disinfecting Your Facility](#)
- [Print Resources](#)

- o NCDHHS





















- <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/guidance>

- o OSHA

- [Guidance on Preparing Workplaces](#)

- o Chatham County

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- [CDC Information for Communities, Schools, Workplaces and Events](#) 
 - Includes information for keeping workplaces, establishments and public services and infrastructure safe.
- [CDC's Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools, and Homes](#) 
- [CDC Resources for Businesses and Employers](#) 
 - Includes guidance for the aviation, bus, rail and transit industries and information for critical workers.
- [USDA COVID-19 Federal Rural Resource Guide](#) 
- [NC Executive Orders](#)  related to COVID-19
- [NC Department of Commerce Resource Guide](#) 
- [NCDEQ Demystifying Cleaning in the Age of COVID-19 Webinar and Presentation](#) 
- [CDC - COVID-19 and Funerals](#) 
- [CDC and OSHA Interim Guidance for Meat and Poultry Processing Employers and Workers](#) 
 - Recommendations for Food Processing Facilities ([Spanish](#) , [Swahili](#) , [Haitian-Creole](#) )
 - COVID-19 Update Form for Food Processing Employees ([English](#) , [Spanish](#) , [Arabic](#) , [Haitian-Creole](#) , [Kinyarwanda](#) , [Nepali](#) , [Swahili](#) )
- [NCDHHS Mitigation of Outbreaks Associated with Meat and Poultry Processing Plants](#)  (May 13, 2020)
- [NCDHHS Interim COVID-19 Recommendations for Farms, Packhouses and Related Facilities](#)  (April 24, 2020)

Reopening Your Business:

A Guide for Safely Opening and Operating Your Business

