

UPDATE: COVID-19 Information for Saratoga County May 21, 2020

Ballston Spa, NY — The Saratoga County Department of Public Health Services today announced the most current stats on COVID-19 in Saratoga County.

- Confirmed cases of COVID-19: 436
- Deaths: 15
- Recovered cases: 358
- Active cases: 64
- Hospitalizations: 4
- Total tested: 9,018

What businesses should consider prior to reopening

The Capital Region has started the reopening process. This will take place in phases, and not all businesses will be allowed to reopen immediately. A breakdown of the businesses that are included in each phase can be found [here](#).

As we begin phase one, it is important that businesses have their safety plans in place. Templates can be found [here](#).

Every business should be thinking about the following things:

- Physical spacing and incorporating distancing where possible
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Health screening process for employees
- Cleaning protocols and supplies
- Log of people in the building (employees and visitors)

Mask Information

As we begin to reopen, it is important to continue wearing a mask when out in public. There is a proper way to put on, wear and take off a face mask or covering. The CDC has provided a flyer you can [find here](#) on best practices. Remember that children under two years old should not wear a face mask for safety reasons. If you need to make a face covering, you can view the [CDC website here](#) for instructions on how to make a homemade face covering.

Additionally, reusable masks have been distributed to each municipality in the county, and residents can contact their local Town or City Hall to see if they are still available.

Data Dashboard enhanced

The dashboard now includes more comprehensive information and charts on positive cases. A link to the data dashboard, which is updated on weekdays, can be found at the top of the Saratoga County Department of Public Health Services' COVID-19 website, located [here](#).