

# CITY OF BISMARCK DAILY BULLETIN

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### INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- For further information and resources, and help, click the “Learn More” button below.



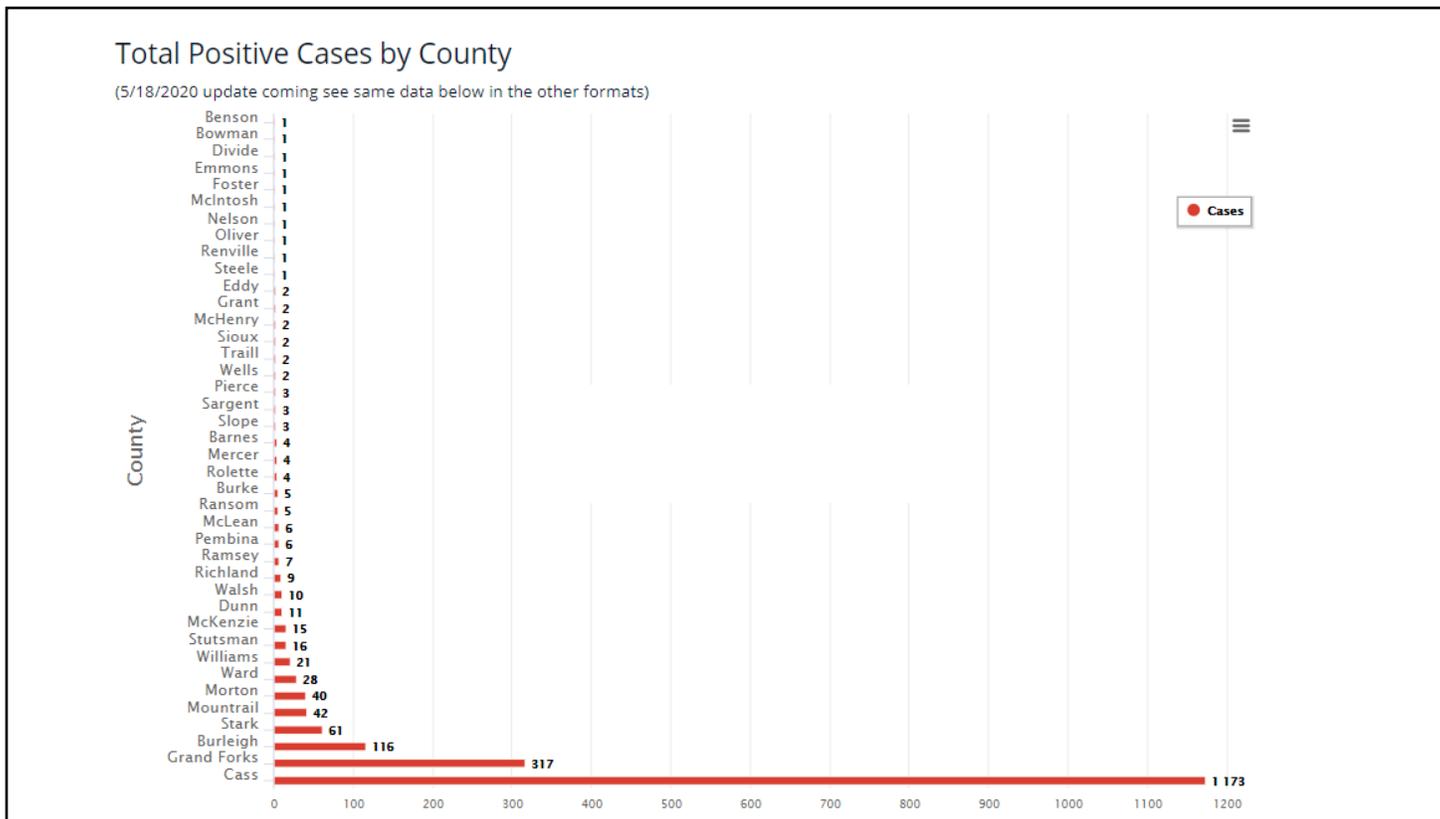
## COVID-19 CASE REPORTS

As of **May 18**, **Burleigh County** still has the **third highest** number of **positive cases**.

- **Statewide Positive Cases:** 1931
- **New Burleigh County Positive Cases:** 7 (Since reported here on 5/15/20)
- **Total Burleigh County Positive Cases:** 116
- **Statewide Total Hospitalized:** 133
- **Statewide Total Deaths:** 44

Special Note: The first positive pregnant case in ND was confirmed April 2, 2020. ([CDC Guidance for Pregnant Women](#))

Sourced from [ND Department of Health](#). Click the link to learn more!



## COVID-19 RECOMMENDATIONS

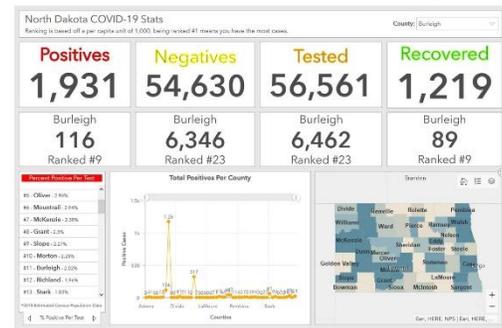
Everyone has an individual responsibility for the health and safety of our community during this COVID-19 pandemic.

- Wash Your Hands Often
- Stay home and avoid all non-essential travel
- Avoid touching your face
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Wear a cloth mask
  - The [CDC recommends](#) wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies). Cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children younger than 2 years of age, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces
- Keep physical distance and avoid gatherings



## BISMARCK-BURLEIGH PUBLIC HEALTH (BBPH) UPDATE

- The ND Department of Health (NDDOH) is working to provide data per county regarding COVID-19 testing. Microsoft Dynamics is being used for positive case management and contact tracing work across the state of North Dakota. Data Scientists from the NDDOH will have the capability to pull information from Dynamics into Microsoft Power BI, a data and analytics reporting tool, which will capture demographics data and map clusters of cases by County. This will be useful for those of us working at the local level looking for data trends in our County.

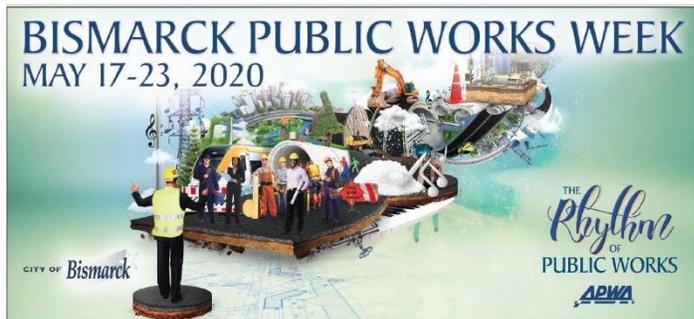


1Burleigh County COVID-19 Rankings 5/18/20

## CITY OF BISMARCK AND LOCAL NEWS

- National Public Works Week Recognized May 17 - 23**

This week, May 17th – 23<sup>rd</sup>, is recognized as National Public Works Week, and Mayor Bakken has issued a



proclamation to pay tribute to our public works professionals and employees, and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our health, safety and quality of life, and the well-being of the people of the City of Bismarck. Thank you to all of our public works teams for the important work they do! Visit our Facebook page at [BismarckND.Gov](http://BismarckND.Gov) as we feature each of the many aspects of Public Works this week! [See details.](#)

- Bismarck Mandan Business Impact of COVID-19 Survey Round 3**

Input from business owners and organizational executives has been extremely valuable as the COVID-19 pandemic evolves. Business owners, executives and managers in the Bismarck-Mandan are encouraged to respond to the survey by May 20. Responses are absolutely confidential and findings will be reported in aggregate. Survey results will be used to inform local and state elected officials, government agencies, and others regarding COVID-19 impacts and needs. Please take a few minutes to respond [here](#) today!

- Normal Parking Enforcement Operations to Resume on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

Since restrictions have loosened up regarding how businesses can operate and it is anticipated things will continue to move towards normal operations, normal parking enforcement operations will resume. Read the message from Chief of Police Draovitch [here](#).

- Bismarck Mayor's Prayer Breakfast to be Held June 25**

The Bismarck Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be held Thurs., June 25, from 7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. The breakfast will take place at the Ramada Bismarck, 1400 E. Interchange Ave., Bismarck. Reservations are required and must be made in advance by Noon, June 19, 2020. Find more information and how to make your reservation [here](#).

- Bismarck Offers Virtual Option for Public Meeting Attendance and Participation**

Due to ongoing concerns with COVID-19 the City of Bismarck is encouraging citizens to provide their comments for Bismarck City Commission agenda items by alternative methods. [View the details.](#)

- Remember live meeting coverage of government meetings** is available for viewing on Government Access Channels 2 & 602HD or listen to the meeting at Radio Access 102.5 FM Radio, or stream [Government Access](#) and [Radio Access 102.5](#).

- Building Inspections Services Division COVID-19 Protocol Developed**

The City of Bismarck Building Inspections Services Division is working hard to continue to provide inspections services during this unprecedented time. [More details here.](#)

- **Stay Connected with the City of Bismarck Mobile App** Download Bismarck’s mobile app to stay connected to official city resources, news, and information from your smart phone, tablet or other hand-held devices. [Sign up today!](#)
- The Burleigh County Courthouse is restricting public access due to COVID-19. Contact them at 701-355-1350 or [website](#) for instructions regarding alternate communications (phone, email, website, mail, drop box).

## SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES



- **Mayor Bakken’s City Update**  
Facebook Live Video held on the City of Bismarck’s Facebook Page ([@BismarckNDGov](#)) every Monday morning at 10:00 AM
- **Bismarck Police Department: “Coffee with a Cop”**  
Facebook Live Video held on the Bismarck Police Department’s Facebook Page ([@bismarckpolice](#)) every Thursday morning at 10:00 AM
- **Follow Along**  
We encourage the public to follow Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health on [Facebook](#) , [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) And the City of Bismarck on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), or visit the City of Bismarck [web site](#).

## EXECUTIVE ORDERS

- April 29, 2020 – **Burgum Provides North Dakota Smart Restart Protocols for Businesses Resuming or Continuing Operations** Read the Executive Order [here](#). The business restrictions under Executive Order 2020-06.3 expired Thursday, April 30. It has been replaced with an order allowing those businesses to reopen under Phase 1 rules in the [North Dakota Smart Restart](#) plan.
- Find [more Executive Orders](#) related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## NORTH DAKOTA STATE GOVERNMENT NEWS

- May 18, 2020 – **Insurance Commissioner Issues Bulletin Addressing Coverage for COVID-19 Testing, Including Antibody Testing**  
Insurance Commissioner Jon Godfread today announced the issuance of Bulletin 2020-10 addressing coverage for COVID-19 (coronavirus) testing in response to Executive Order 2020-03 by Governor Doug Burgum. Read the full details [here](#).
- May 18, 2020 – **Survey Seeks Public Comment About Use of Education Aid**  
North Dakota State School Superintendent Kirsten Baesler is asking for public suggestions about the best uses for federal education aid that was recently approved by Congress. Find more information and how to participate in the survey [here](#).
- May 15, 2020 – **Wentz, Duhamel, Tigirlily to Headline ND Class of 2020 Celebration**  
Governor Doug Burgum and State School Superintendent Kirsten Baesler announced Friday that Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Carson Wentz, actor Josh Duhamel and Nashville recording artists, Tigirlily will participate in a May 30 statewide celebration of North Dakota’s high school Class of 2020. Read the details [here](#).
- Find more information about the state’s COVID-19 response [here](#) and find [recent news releases](#).