



# Sarasota County Emergency Management

## Flash Report #86

Updates listed in blue.



May 29, 2020

**Activation Level 2: Partial**

**Event Name: COVID-19**

### Situation

As of noon today, Sarasota County is reporting 622 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 605 Sarasota County residents and 17 non-Florida residents. There have been 77 deaths reported in Sarasota County to date. Confirmed cases range in age from 0 to 104, with 252 men and 353 women testing positive. There have been 15,315 people tested for COVID-19 with a 4.1 percent positive return rate.

Sarasota county area hospitals are reporting 46% of intensive care unit (ICU) beds occupied and 59% of all available beds occupied.

The Florida Department of Health is currently reporting a total of 54,497 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Florida.

DOH Sarasota tested 43 people this morning at Resurrection House in Downtown Sarasota.

DOH Sarasota has scheduled the following COVID-19 testing opportunities next week:

Mid-County: Tuesday, June 2, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Laurel Civic Association, 509 Collins Road, Laurel

South County: Wednesday, June 3, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Heron Creek Middle School, 6501 W. Price Blvd., North Port

This community based COVID-19 testing is for anyone who is currently experiencing symptoms (fever, cough, or shortness of breath) or who works in a health care setting.

To make an appointment, please call 941-861-2883. Callers will be screened using current CDC testing criteria. Appointments are limited however more testing opportunities may be scheduled in the future. All patients must have an appointment to be tested.

A State-run, walk-up COVID-19 testing site at the R.L. Taylor Community Center is for anyone regardless of symptoms. The site operates from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

A State COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing Site at the Mall at University Town Center is for anyone 18 years or older regardless of symptoms, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

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) especially in areas of significant community-based transmission.

DOH Sarasota is monitoring community health trends on a daily basis to help identify any possible cases of COVID-19. Additionally, the department is serving as an expert resource for health care providers and the public, and working to make sure that health care providers know what to look for and what to do if they suspect COVID-19 in a patient.

DOH continues to visit all licensed long term care facilities in Sarasota County to ensure proper COVID-19 infection control guidelines as established by the CDC are being used to prevent the spread of the virus.

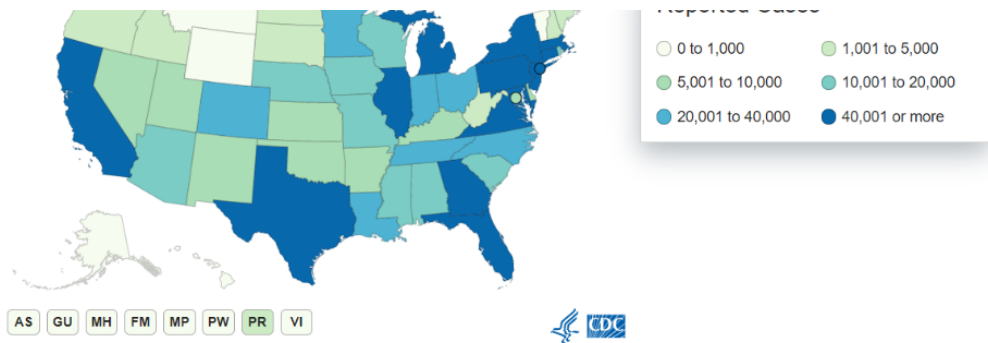
The Florida Department of Health reminds everyone that the elderly and those with underlying medical problems like high blood pressure, heart problems and diabetes are more likely to develop serious illness.

If you are sick with COVID-19 or suspect you are infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, follow the steps below to help prevent the disease from spreading to people in your home and community.

Stay home except to get medical care: You should restrict activities outside your home, except for getting medical care. Do not go to work, school, or public areas. Avoid using public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis.

### Number of COVID-19 Cases in the U.S.





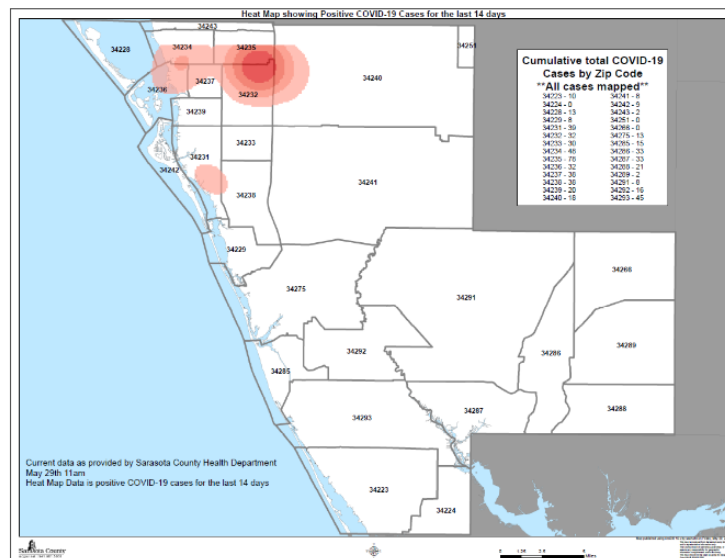
Current data as provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

31 states report more than 10,000 cases of COVID-19

As of May 29th, 2020

## Coronavirus Density Map

Double click map to view enlarged version.



Current data as provided by:

Sarasota County Health Department

May 29th, 11am

Heat Map Data is positive COVID-19 cases for the last 14 days.

## Possible Impacts

COVID-19 is a new disease and there is limited information regarding risk factors for severe disease. Based on currently available information and clinical expertise, older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

More cases of COVID-19 are likely to be identified in the coming days, including more cases in the United States. It's also likely that person-to-person spread will continue to occur, including in communities in the United States. It's likely that at some point, widespread transmission of COVID-19 in the United States will occur.

## Timing

Symptoms may be mild to severe and may appear 2-14 days after exposure

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### Watch, Warnings, Advisories

Global Level 4 Health Advisory - Do not travel.

Public Health Advisory for Vulnerable Populations, Gatherings of Private Citizens and Density of the Workforce.

### Global Level 4 Health Advisory

The Department of State has issued a Global Level 4 Health Advisory, advises U.S. citizens to avoid all international travel due to the global impact of COVID-19.

### Travel in the United States

The CDC urges residents of New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut to refrain from non-essential domestic travel for 14 days effective immediately. This Domestic Travel Advisory does not apply to employees of critical infrastructure industries, including but not limited to trucking, public health professionals, financial services, and food supply.

### Cruise Ship Travel

CDC has issued a Level 3 Travel Health Warning for cruise ship travel. CDC recommends that all people defer travel on cruise ships, including river cruises, worldwide. That's because the risk of COVID-19 on cruise ships is high. Older adults and people with serious chronic medical conditions, such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease, should especially defer travel on cruise ships, including river cruises, because of their increased risk for severe disease.

Passengers who return from a cruise ship or river cruise voyage are advised to stay home for 14 days, monitor their health, and practice social distancing.

### Sarasota County Actions

The County Administrator extended the emergency declaration through June 5, 2020. The EOC will continue to monitor this dynamic situation and support government operations and partners to ensure resources are available when needed. If you are assigned to the EOC or are called to report, you will receive a health screening before entering the building. Please remember to complete a Daily Disaster Logs and follow submission instructions from your Disaster Log representative.

Prepared for the reopening of basketball, volleyball and shuffleboard courts, effective May 30.

DOH conducted a pop up testing site at Resurrection House in downtown Sarasota testing 43 people.

Distributed 3,500 N95, 1000 KN95s, 380 face shields, 2,070 gowns, 700 gloves and 30 gallons of hand sanitizer to over 30 assisted living facilities.

Sarasota County began accepting reservations on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 for athletic fields which are tentatively planned fields to re-open on June 1, 2020 for local, ongoing league play. Tournament play may resume after June 14 pending supporting safety plans.

Registration for Day and Specialty Camps will begin on June 8 with camp beginning on June 29.

Indoor facility reservations with Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources are cancelled until June 15th. Indoor reservations at Laurel Park, Longwood Park and Bee Ridge park are cancelled through August 9 and indoor reservations at Colonial Oaks Park and Woodmere Park are cancelled through August 16.

Governor approved the plan for legal vacation rentals reopening for Sarasota County.

Virtual Programming Website for Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources was launched.

Effective May 20, online training for virtual meetings for county staff was launched.

Lido and North Lido Beaches have reopened per City of Sarasota request.

Finalized the modified groundbreaking and ribbon cutting procedures in COVID environment.

Sarasota County issued an additional \$375,000 in Small Business Reliance Loan on May 13.

Continue to provide PIO support for State Drive-Thru Testing Site.

County owned dog parks have reopened effective May 11.

Curbside permitting services are now offered at both 1001 Sarasota Center Blvd., Sarasota and 4000 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice.

Utilities fees and service shutoffs are suspended through May 31.

SCAT has suspended service of Routes 4, 11, and 18 and has began On Demand Services for public transportation for essential trips such as employment, medical appointments, pharmacy and grocery shopping.

All visitations at Admin. and BOB are by appointment only. Visitor prescreenings are being conducted prior to entrance.

### Key Points

CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies) especially in areas of significant community-based transmission.

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. As a reminder, the Department always recommends everyday preventive actions to help impede the spread of respiratory diseases, including:

Avoiding close contact with people who are sick

Staying home when you are sick and avoiding contact with persons in poor health;

Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;

Covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then disposing of the tissue;

Washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom, before eating, after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing; - If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty;

Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

### Essential Elements of Information

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Florida Resident Cases

Declared

Local State of Emergency

Declared

State of Emergency

Declared

Federal Emergency

Level 1

State EOC Activation

1729185

USA Cases

1282

02/10 05/20

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**1583**  
Non-Florida Resident Cases

**03/16 - 03/29**  
Schools Closed

**25531**  
Currently Monitored

**8965**  
Text Alert Opt-ins

**808**  
Contact Center Calls  
Answered Daily Total M-F

**5871347**  
Global Cases

**2413**  
Florida Deaths

**147**  
Parks Open

**11**  
Libraries Closed

**05/29/20**  
LSE Expiration

**23 seconds**  
Contact Center Wait Time

**984944**  
Number of People Tested (FL)

**Activated**  
Fire - DOC

**Activated**  
Health Department - DOC

**Partial**  
Parks - DOC

**Partial**  
Libraries - DOC

**Partial**  
Public Utilities - DOC

**Directors**

Finance and Administration requests all directors to help procurement prioritize requests.

Reminder for all departments to send any communications through communications@scgov.net.

Public Records Request continue to come in and departments are responsible for responding in a timely fashion.

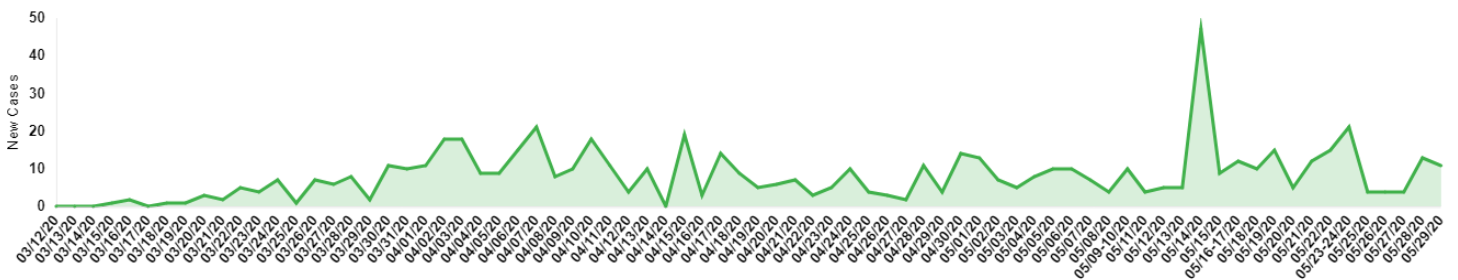
All personnel should ensure staff is situationally aware of the spread of COVID-19 and personal protective measures to reduce or prevent influenza like illnesses. Any information regarding employee communications and messaging coordinate with Sarasota County Human Resources Department. All department and agencies with potential press releases coordinate with Sarasota County Communications Department by calling 861-NEWS or news@scgov.net. If the situation escalates, Flash Reports will be replaced with Situation Reports.

**All Agencies and Partners**

Please ensure that all field personnel that do not receive e-mail communications are informed of daily updates and are provided the Florida Department of Health and CDC information links to ensure proper protective measures are taken.

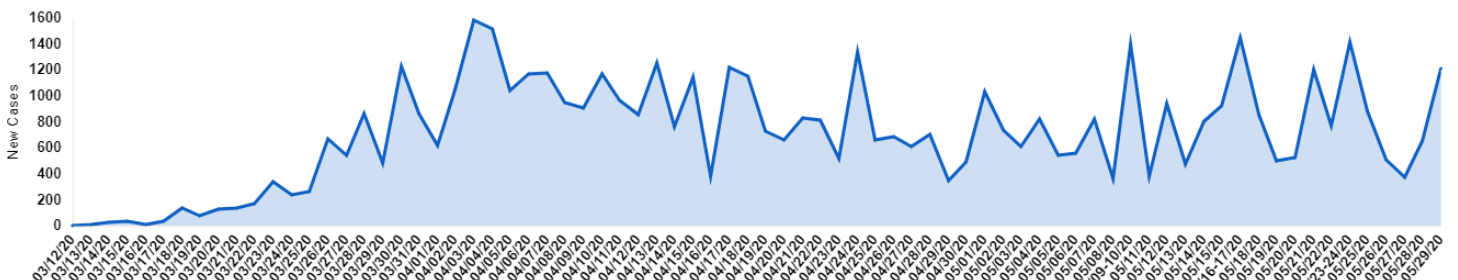
For COVID-19 text updates from Sarasota County Government, text SRQCOVID19 to 888777.

**New Cases in Sarasota**



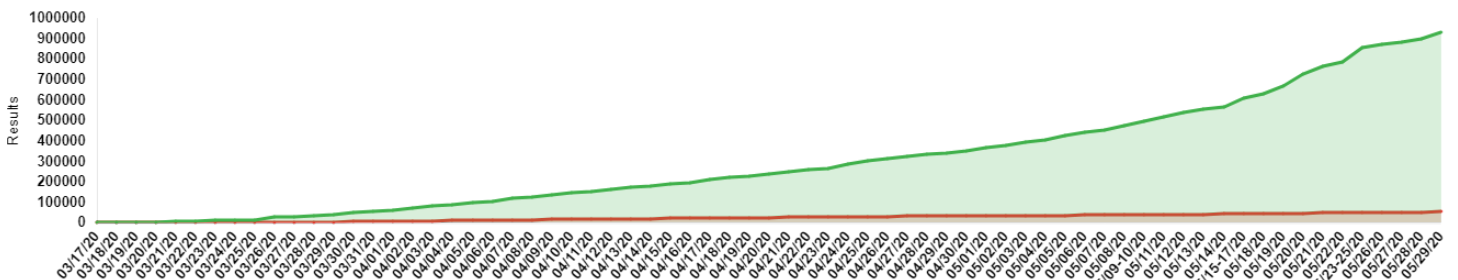
Date \*Effective 5/9 weekends tracked as one entry

**New Cases in State of Florida**



Date \*Effective 5/9 weekends tracked as one entry

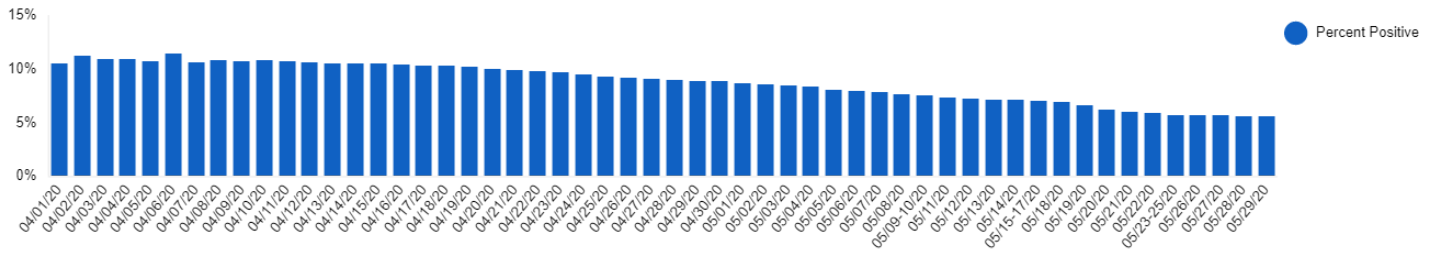
**Negative vs. Positive Results in State of Florida**



Date \*Effective 5/9 weekends tracked as one entry

● Negative ● Positive

### Positivity Rate - Florida



### Total Florida Cases by Region

67

Total Counties

622

Sarasota County

53114

Florida Residents

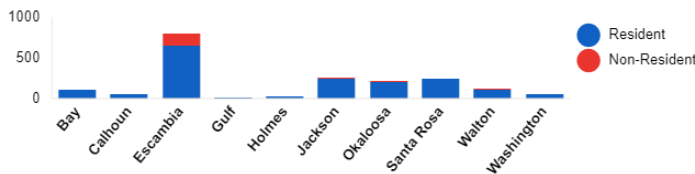
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Non-Resident

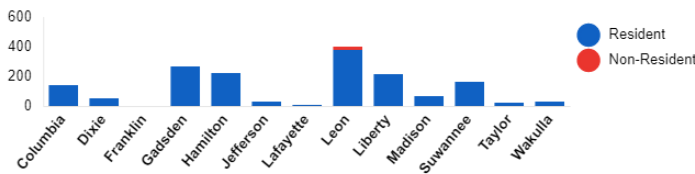
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Total

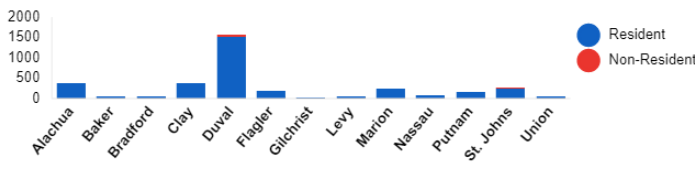
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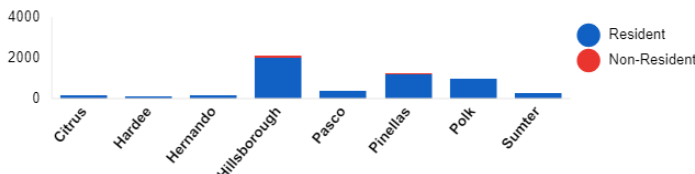
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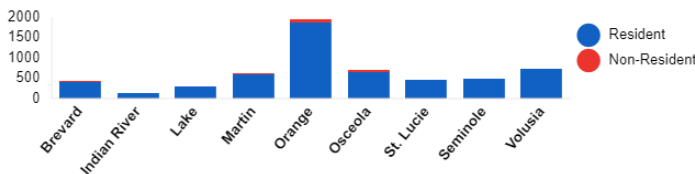
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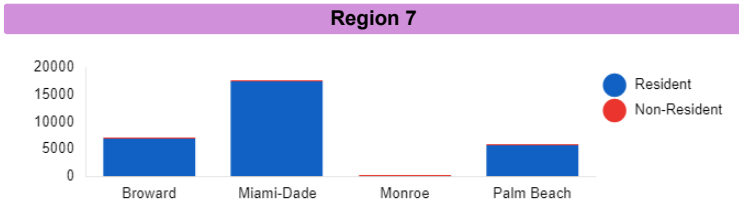
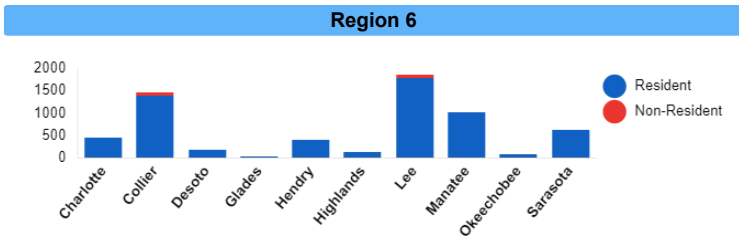


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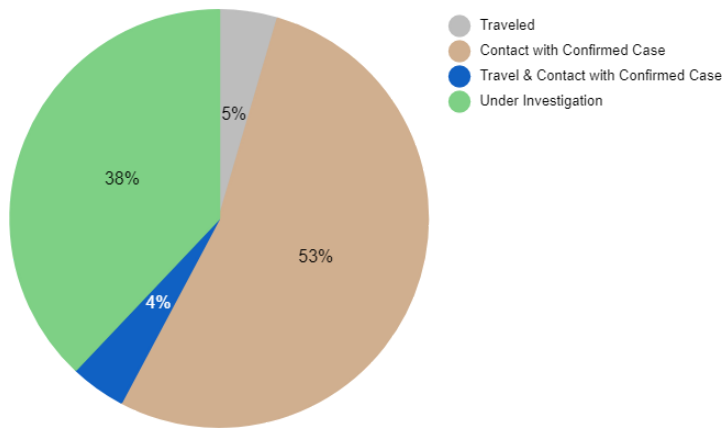
### Florida Cases by Census

County	% of cases by Census	Total	Resident	Non-Resident
Liberty	2.54968%	213	213	0
Hamilton	1.53174%	221	220	1
Hendry	0.92095%	387	387	0
Dade	0.64930%	17641	17450	191
Gadsden	0.58914%	269	265	4
Jackson	0.53432%	248	242	6
Desoto	0.44999%	171	171	0
Palm Beach	0.38516%	5765	5671	94
Collier	0.37776%	1454	1380	74
Calhoun	0.37575%	53	53	0
Suwannee	0.37373%	166	161	5
Martin	0.37329%	601	589	12
Madison	0.37311%	69	65	4
Broward	0.35718%	6975	6807	168
Hardee	0.33783%	91	89	2
Dixie	0.29122%	49	49	0
Manatee	0.25344%	1022	1015	7
Escambia	0.24850%	791	644	147
Lee	0.23969%	1847	1786	61
Charlotte	0.23609%	446	444	2
Washington	0.21199%	54	54	0
Jefferson	0.20357%	29	27	2
Union	0.20345%	31	31	0
Putnam	0.19994%	149	149	0
Glades	0.19550%	27	27	0
Columbia	0.19530%	140	139	1
Sumter	0.19106%	253	252	1
Osceola	0.18310%	688	643	45
Bradford	0.18084%	51	51	0
Clay	0.17058%	374	371	3
Okeechobee	0.16600%	70	69	1
Duval	0.16299%	1561	1503	58
Flagler	0.15815%	182	177	5
Walton	0.15391%	114	99	15
Monroe	0.14550%	108	97	11
Sarasota	0.14340%	622	605	17
Hillsborough	0.14056%	2069	2010	59
Alachua	0.14050%	378	359	19
Orange	0.13958%	1945	1863	82
St. Lucie	0.13677%	449	439	10
Leon	0.13659%	401	376	25
Polk	0.13480%	977	966	11
Volusia	0.13104%	725	711	14
Santa Rosa	0.13021%	240	237	3
Pinellas	0.12697%	1238	1188	50
Highlands	0.11297%	120	118	2

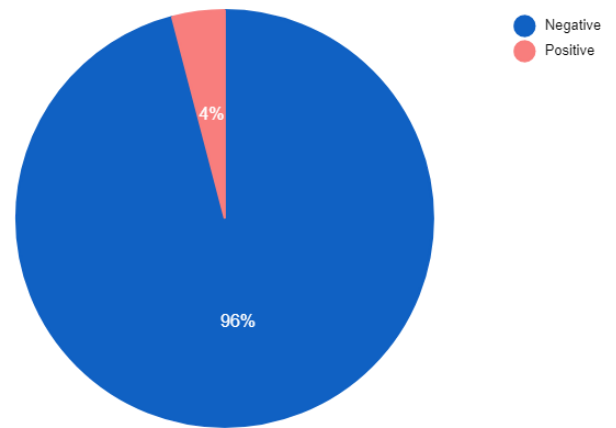


Seminole	0.10194%	481	474	7
Okaloosa	0.09823%	207	199	8
Wakulla	0.09781%	33	31	2
Holmes	0.09685%	19	19	0
Baker	0.09586%	28	28	0
St. Johns	0.09521%	252	242	10
Lafayette	0.09499%	8	8	0
Taylor	0.08809%	19	19	0
Nassau	0.08350%	74	67	7
Citrus	0.08018%	120	120	0
Lake	0.07927%	291	277	14
Indian River	0.07629%	122	111	11
Levy	0.07469%	31	31	0
Pasco	0.06806%	377	367	10
Brevard	0.06795%	409	398	11
Marion	0.06647%	243	238	5
Gilchrist	0.06458%	12	12	0
Hernando	0.05827%	113	109	4
Bay	0.05609%	98	96	2
Franklin	0.01649%	2	1	1
Gulf	0.00733%	1	1	0

### COVID-19 Case Overview in State of Florida

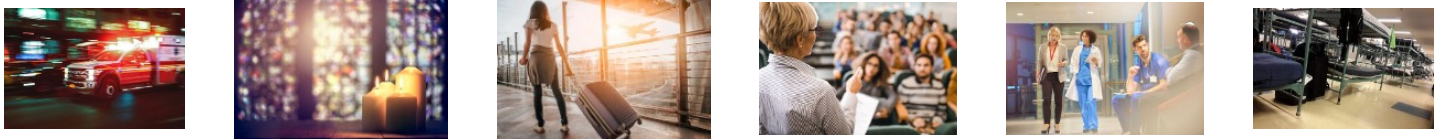


### Number of People Tested in Sarasota County



**2114** Traveled     
 **24850** Contact w. Confirmed     
 **2002** Travel and Contact w. Confirmed     
 **17713** Under Investigation     
 **14688** Negative     
 **622** Positive

**First Responder**     
**Faith Based**     
**Travel**     
**Higher Education**     
**Healthcare**     
**Homeless Shelters**



**Correctional Facilities**     
**Schools**     
**Businesses**     
**Mass Gatherings**     
**Retirement Communities**



**Executive Order**     
**Emergency Declaration**     
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**Public Health Emergency Declaration**





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