

# Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 12.2.2020



[CDC recommends](#) that all decisions about implementing school-based strategies should be made locally, in collaboration with local health officials who can help determine the level of transmission in the community. DHEC is providing this county-level data about disease transmission to support decision-making at the local level. It is not meant to be a stand-alone document.

## Metrics and Categorizations:

- **Two - week Incidence Rate:** the number of new cases in the prior two weeks (November 18 – December 1, 2020) per 100,000 people. This metric provides the recent incidence of COVID-19 infections in that county. Categorization (# cases/100,000 people):
  - **Low: 0 – 50**
  - **Medium: 51 – 200**
  - **High:  $\geq$  201**
- **Trend in Incidence Rate:** whether the two-week incidence rate is increasing, decreasing, or stable compared to the previous two weeks. For purposes of this assessment, consider the trends to be equivalent to:
  - **Decreasing by at least 10% = Low**
  - **Stable = Medium**
  - **Increasing by at least 10%= High**
- **Two-Week Percent Positive Rate:** the percentage of individuals who tested positive out of the number of individuals tested with a molecular (swab, or PCR) test in the last two weeks for each county. The metric takes into consideration the number of tests performed for residents of the county in the previous two weeks. Categorization:
  - **Low:  $\leq$  5.0%**
  - **Medium: 5.1% - 9.9%**
  - **High:  $\geq$  10.0%**

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## How to Calculate the Disease Activity for your County:

I. Locate your county on the following table and read across for each of the three categories listed: incidence rate, trend in incidence rate, and percent positive.

**1) Example: Laurens County**

- 1) Incidence Rate = High
- 2) Trend in Incidence Rate = High
- 3) Percent Positive Rate = High

II. If the rates are the same in each of the three categories, as they are in the example of Laurens County, then the overall disease assessment is as it appears

**1) Example: Laurens County = High**

III. If the rates are not the same in each category, take the average of them.

**1) Example: Lexington County:**

- 1) Incidence Rate = High
- 2) Trend in Incidence Rate = Medium
- 3) Percent Positive Rate = High
  - 1) There are two metrics that are High and one that is Medium, so the disease activity level overall is High

**2) Example: Colleton County:**

- 1) Incidence Rate = Medium
- 2) Trend in Incidence Rate = Low
- 3) Percent Positive Rate = High.
  - 1) There is one metric that is High, one that is Medium, and one that is Low; so the disease activity level overall is Medium.

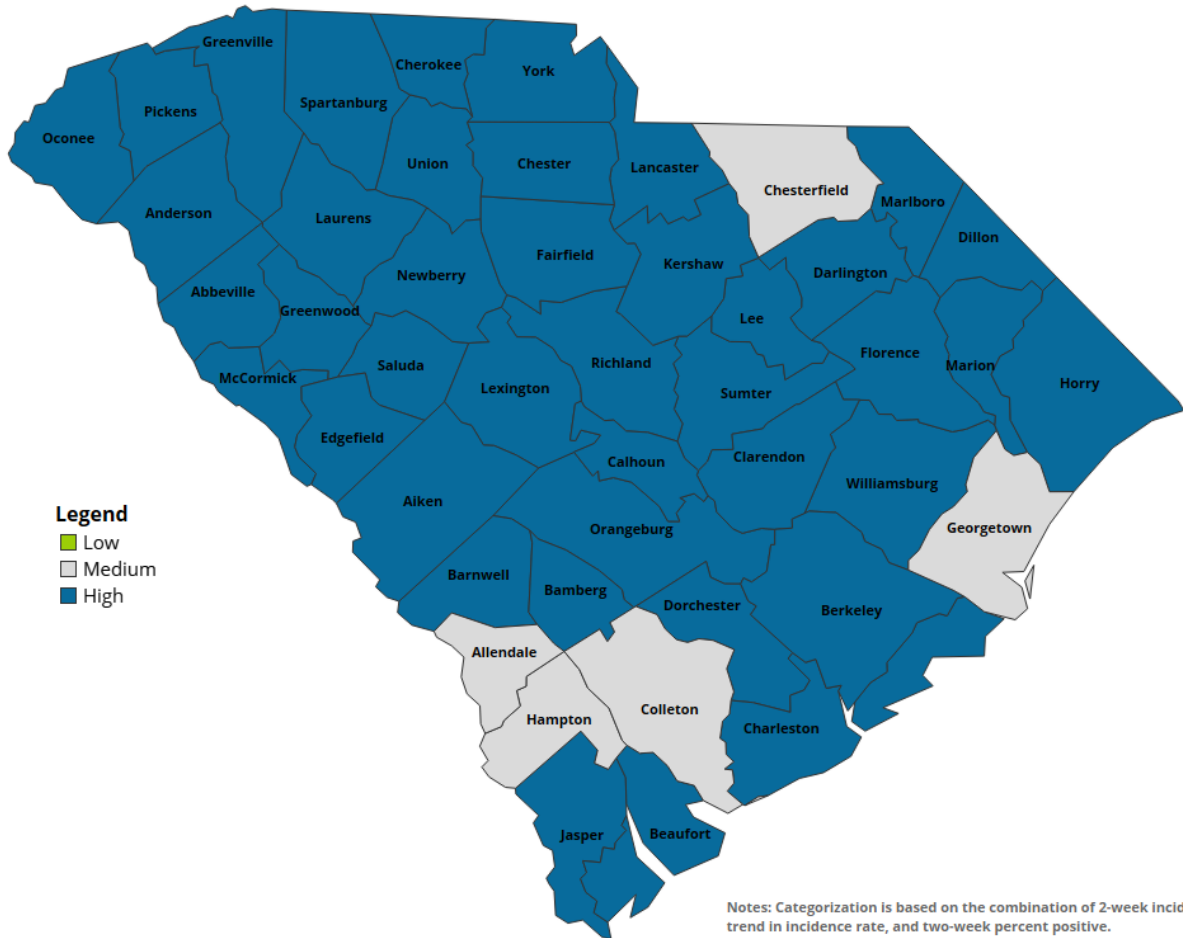
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## COVID-19 Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 11:59 PM on 12/11/2020



0 Counties have **Low** Recent Disease Activity  
5 Counties have **Medium** Recent Disease Activity  
41 Counties have **High** Recent Disease Activity

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County	Incidence Rate (per 100,000)		Trend in Incidence Rate	Percent Positive	
Abbeville	High	322.1	High	High	20.7%
Aiken	High	328.3	High	High	20.0%
Allendale	Medium	103.6	Low	High	11.7%
Anderson	High	524.3	Medium	High	23.2%
Bamberg	High	255.9	High	High	15.6%
Barnwell	High	254.0	High	High	12.7%
Beaufort	High	273.8	High	High	10.6%
Berkeley	Medium	190.0	High	High	11.6%
Calhoun	Medium	185.5	High	High	16.5%
Charleston	High	257.7	High	Medium	9.8%
Cherokee	High	429.3	Low	High	18.3%
Chester	High	629.6	High	High	21.6%
Chesterfield	Medium	197.2	Medium	High	15.1%
Clarendon	High	269.7	High	High	12.0%
Colleton	Medium	151.3	Low	High	10.9%
Darlington	High	274.7	High	High	14.7%
Dillon	High	315.0	High	High	15.8%
Dorchester	High	246.3	High	High	12.1%
Edgefield	High	352.2	Medium	High	14.7%
Fairfield	High	322.2	Low	High	13.3%
Florence	High	428.8	High	High	14.7%
Georgetown	Medium	186.7	Medium	High	12.3%
Greenville	High	605.3	High	High	17.7%
Greenwood	High	367.2	High	High	15.4%
Hampton	Medium	124.9	Low	Medium	9.8%
Horry	High	346.8	High	High	14.5%
Jasper	High	229.4	High	High	12.8%
Kershaw	High	238.9	Medium	High	10.3%
Lancaster	High	423.4	Medium	High	17.4%
Laurens	High	438.6	High	High	21.7%
Lee	High	213.9	Medium	High	12.9%
Lexington	High	308.6	Medium	High	11.9%
Marion	High	241.4	Medium	High	11.3%
Marlboro	High	470.9	High	High	18.5%
McCormick	High	306.5	High	High	13.7%
Newberry	High	351.2	Low	High	14.9%
Oconee	High	739.2	High	High	23.1%
Orangeburg	High	319.1	High	High	18.1%
Pickens	High	837.0	High	High	22.4%
Richland	High	338.9	High	Medium	9.8%
Saluda	Medium	166.1	High	High	14.8%
Spartanburg	High	477.5	High	High	19.9%
Sumter	High	308.3	High	High	14.0%
Union	High	479.6	High	High	24.8%
Williamsburg	High	247.0	Medium	High	10.5%
York	High	546.7	High	High	17.8%