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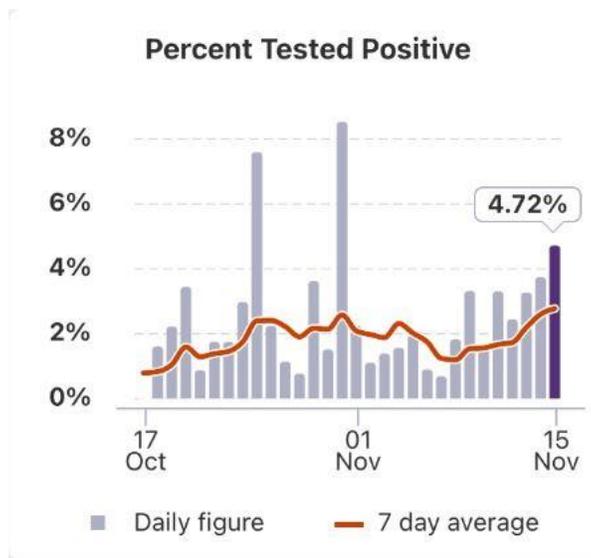
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COVID-19 Trends in Livingston County

Mount Morris, NY, November 23, 2020 — The Livingston County Department of Health (LCDOH) reports that, as of November 23, 2020, there are 48,133 negative and 649 positive cases of COVID-19 in Livingston County. Of these positive cases, 73 are currently active.

“Our daily positivity rate – the percent tested positive – increased from around 1% in mid-October to close to 5% in mid-November,” stated Jennifer Rodriguez, Livingston County’s Public Health Director. “Along with increasing positivity rates, we are seeing a dramatic rise in the number of contacts. These are people who have been exposed to the positive cases and must quarantine. Currently, there are roughly 600 Livingston County residents in quarantine.”



Source: COVID Alert NY

LCDOH data reveals that recent positive cases have often involved the college age group, with mini-clusters reported at SUNY Geneseo and Elim Bible Institute and College in Lima. Another mini-cluster was traced to a large social gathering in a neighboring county.

“With the holiday season upon us, we encourage Livingston County residents to choose wisely as they decide to attend social gatherings. We are seeing more ‘living room spread’ of COVID-19 as folks gather in smaller, indoor settings during this time of year,” said Rodriguez.

The Alpine Manor – an assisted living home for older adults in Lima – has also experienced a recent mini-cluster of positive COVID-19 cases. “These types of clusters are especially worrisome because they often involve populations that are more vulnerable,” said Rodriguez.

County Administrator Ian M. Coyle stated, “As a county government, we remain steadfast in our support of first responders, nurses and essential staff and thank them for their tireless efforts during this pandemic. I encourage friends and neighbors to work together to protect the vulnerable and those most at risk as, in doing so, you protect the essential workforce as well. You may be impacted from the virus, carry it, be without symptoms and spread it to someone who will be negatively impacted. People should assume the virus is everywhere and act accordingly with public health top of mind. Please remember to stay home if you are sick. Wash and disinfect your hands regularly, wear a mask, and maintain social distance to help stop the spread of COVID-19.”

If you have a fever, cough or trouble breathing, please call your health care provider for an assessment of your symptoms. If you feel as though you may have had exposure to COVID-19, please call LCDOH at 585-243-7270. Call 1-877-280-6775 if you would like general information on COVID-19 or to learn how to volunteer. Livingston County Mental Health has created a help line for community members who need someone to talk to during these stressful times. This is a free and confidential service. Please call 585-243-7251, Monday – Friday from 9:00AM – 5:00PM. For COVID-19 information, visit Livingston County’s dedicated [COVID-19 Webpage](#) and join us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and our [YouTube Channel](#).

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