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Yolo County Placed on the State's County Data Monitoring List

(Woodland, CA) – As of July 8, Yolo County was placed on the State's [County Data Monitoring List](#) for exceeding the [metrics](#) related to elevated disease transmission and limited hospital capacity for three consecutive days due to recent increases in confirmed Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases over the past two weeks.

- For elevated disease transmission, the County exceeded the case rate of more than 100 cases per 100,000 residents over a 14-day period. As of July 8, Yolo County reported a case rate of 117.2 per 100,000 residents. (Note: State data differs slightly from data reported on the County's attestation dashboard because the State counts cases based on episode data rather than date reported to the health department.)
- For limited hospital capacity, the County exceeded the metric for having less than 20% of staffed ICU beds available. As of July 8, Yolo County has 0% of staffed ICU beds available.

Drivers for the exceedances include community transmission due to social and family gatherings, workplace transmissions and the increase in widespread testing at skilled nursing facilities. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has already begun working with the local health department to review plans and protocols, assess gaps and needs, and determine if any additional steps or interventions may be needed. The State will then continue to work with the County and monitor local data to ensure improvement over a 14-day period.

To address the drivers for the exceedances, Yolo County will be working closely with CDPH to evaluate local case data, increase disease investigation and contact tracing, continue public messaging on social distancing and face covering orders, target educational outreach, and maintain support of long-term care and congregate community facilities. A process is already established to place patients in need of an ICU bed if none are available in Yolo County. In addition, the County has already started to address drivers by [preemptively closing sectors on July 3](#) that the State is requiring counties on the County Monitoring List to close and by increasing implementation of [enforcement measures on July 7](#) that focus on non-complying businesses and organizations. If necessary, the County may also consider other mitigation strategies, such as rollbacks or further restrictions on activities.

To learn more about the metrics related to the State's County Data Monitoring, [click here](#). To see the complete list of counties on the State's List and what key actions are identified, [click here](#). For information about the County's COVID-19 dashboards, visit: <https://www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus-dashboard>. Residents can also call Yolo 2-1-1 for resource information. For additional updates follow Yolo County on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/YoloCounty/> or Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/YoloCountyCA>.

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