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As of yesterday's report, Greenwood County had 2 additional confirmed cases in the county for a total of 2,246 cases confirmed since 21 March. *Remember this is only those which have been confirmed and is for those who were tested a minimum of two days ago. This means there are others who have been tested and are in quarantine awaiting results. Additionally, an individual can be asymptomatic, (contagious but shows no symptoms), and may choose not to be tested.*

The first 2,106 cases in Greenwood County were reported over 15 days ago, so there are 2,106 individuals who should have recovered from the virus. Additionally, Greenwood County has had 65 confirmed deaths due to the virus. This brings Greenwood County's remaining estimated total of active confirmed cases to 75. *DHEC does not track recovered individuals by county, so this number is an estimate based on the following: Most individuals recover from the virus within this time frame.*

From 21 September until 5 October (2 weeks), Greenwood has had 91 confirmed cases out of a population of 70,811. This equates to an incident rate of 128.5 per 100,000 individuals which is rated as **medium** by SCDHEC. (Low = 50 or less; Medium = 51 - 200; High = 201 or more)

SCDHEC reported an additional 545 new confirmed cases in the state for a total of 147,116. Also, they reported 4 new confirmed deaths in the state for a total of 3,258. Please click this link to see the deaths by county. For additional information on underlying conditions or other information in this section, please call DHEC at 1-855- 472- 3432. *SCDHEC has begun providing a number of probable cases and deaths. I will only be providing the confirmed numbers. Once a probable case or death is confirmed, they will add it to their confirmed total and I will report it.*

SCDHEC reported 7,189 of 9,471 inpatient beds are in use for an 75.9% usage rate statewide. Of the 7,189 beds in use, 593 are occupied by patients who either have tested positive or are under investigation for COVID-19. This is 8.3% of the beds in use.

As of 4 October, Greenwood County has 127 of 206 hospital beds in use which is 61.7% utilization rate. As of 2 October, Self Regional reported 9 COVID-19 patients with 2 in ICU. Of these, 1 patient is on ventilation.

SCDHEC has created a dashboard which tracks the COVID-19 cases in K-12 schools within SC. Please click this link to see the numbers of reported cases by school.

SCDHEC is finding an increased rate of individuals who do not have symptoms and don't know they are infectious as they have expanded testing. This increases the risk of spreading the virus. Over the past couple of weeks, Greenwood County has seen the number of cases of COVID-19 increase. In some cases, this was the result of individuals not social distancing or wearing masks. It is important we slow the spread of the virus by keeping 6 feet apart, washing our hands, avoiding large gatherings, remaining home when sick and **wearing face coverings** when in public facilities which do not allow for social distancing.

To view additional state level data see DHEC's COVID-19 webpage.

To view additional county level data see DHEC's SC County-level data for COVID-19.

The following are the dates and locations for COVID-19 mobile test sites in Greenwood County. Self Regional events will be from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

8 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional
12 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional
14 October: 1310 Cambridge Avenue East, Greenwood, Carolina Health Centers, American Legion #224; 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
15 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional
19 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional
22 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional
26 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional
28 October: 415 Riley Road North, Hodges, Carolina Health Centers, Little River Multicultural Center; 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
29 October: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional