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## Modeling & Forecasting COVID-19 in NM

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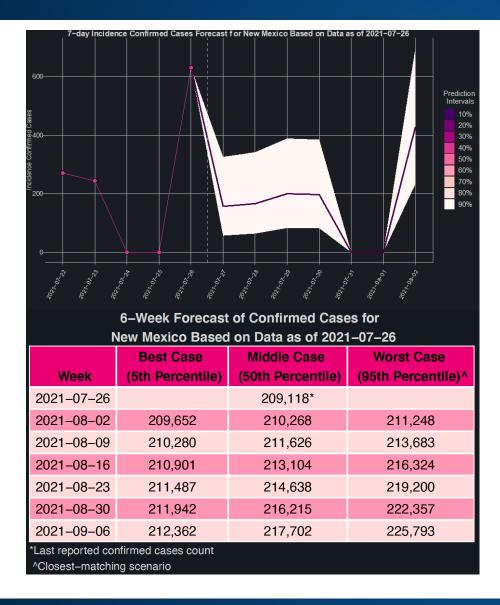
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### Short- & Long-Term Forecast for NM: Cases

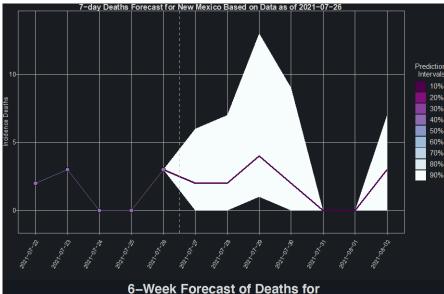


6–Week Forecast of Daily Average of Confirmed Cases for New Mexico Based on Data as of 2021–07–26						
	Best Case Middle Case Worst Case					
Week End Date	(5th Percentile)	(50th Percentile)	(95th Percentile)^			
2021-07-26		222*				
2021-08-02	74	164	306			
2021-08-09	87	194	353			
2021-08-16	85	210	397			
2021-08-23	75	215	435			
2021-08-30	65	216	466			
2021-09-06	54	214	506			
*Last reported confirmed cases count ^Closest-matching scenario						

#### So what?

The <u>daily</u> number of cases are expected to range between 306 and 397 in the next few weeks

### Short- & Long-Term Forecast for NM: Deaths



6–Week Forecast of Deaths for New Mexico Based on Data as of 2021–07–26

	Best Case	Middle Case	Worst Case			
Week	(5th Percentile)	(50th Percentile)^	(95th Percentile)			
2021-07-26		4,400*				
2021-08-02	4,407	4,415	4,427			
2021-08-09	4,419	4,432	4,447			
2021-08-16	4,432	4,448	4,467			
2021-08-23	4,445	4,464	4,485			
2021-08-30	4,459	4,480	4,505			
2021-09-06	4,472	4,496	4,523			
*Last reported deaths count						
^Closest-matching scenario						

	6–Week Forecast of Daily Average of Deaths							
	for N	for New Mexico Based on Data as of 2021–07–26						
		Best Case	Middle Case	Worst Case				
	Week Start Date	(5th Percentile)	(50th Percentile)^	(95th Percentile)				
	2021-07-26		2*					
	2021-08-02	0	2	6				
	2021-08-09	0	2	6				
	2021-08-16	0	2	6				
	2021-08-23	0	2	6				
	2021-08-30	0	2	6				
	2021-09-06	0	2	6				
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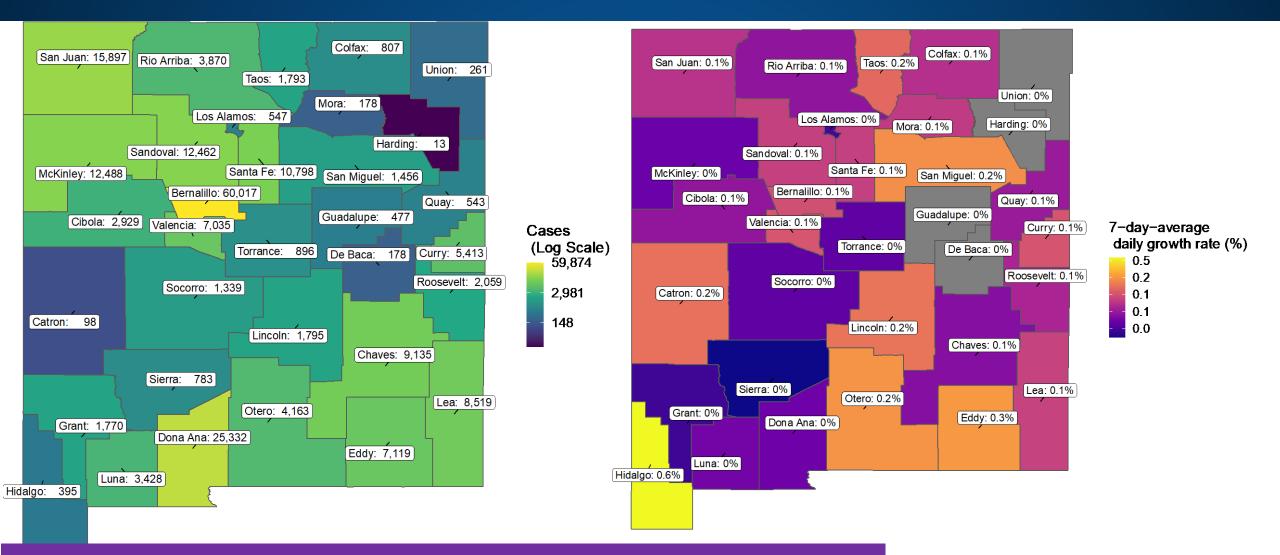
The <u>daily</u> number of deaths are expected to range between 2 and 6 in the next few weeks

## **Growth Rate for NM**



#### So what? As of July 25<sup>th</sup>, the average growth rate in NM is at 0.089% (<u>up</u> as two weeks ago)

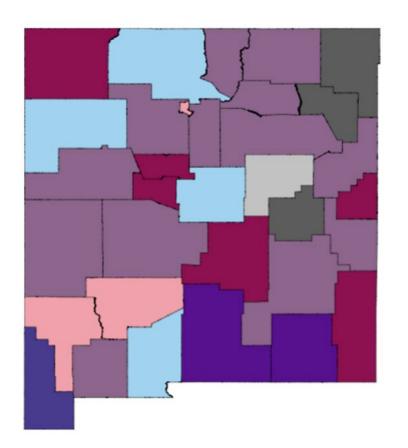
#### Cumulative Cases & Daily Growth Rate for NM: July 26

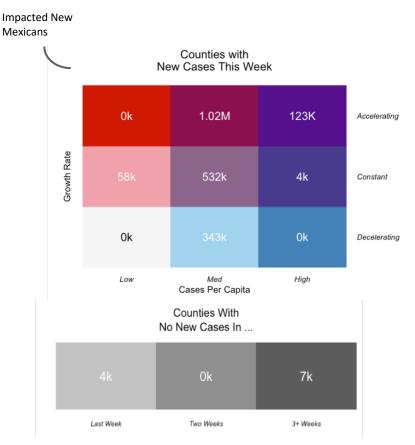


So what? A few counties are seeing growth in case counts

\*Growth rate is in cumulative cases

## Weekly Growth Rate for NM: Another View (July 26)





#### So what?

- Most people in New Mexico are living in a county that is medium per-capita case counts with accelerating growth
- Otero, Eddy, Curry, Lea, Lincoln, San Juan, Valencia are accelerating

Number of New Mexicans living in regions with particular combinations of per capita case counts and 7-day growth rates

Low <10 cases/100k per week Med 10-99 cases/100k per week High >100 cases/100k per week

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# Variants in New Mexico Bette Korber, 7/25/2021

New Mexico, like everywhere else, is moving towards a Delta Epidemic

To get a notion of the phenotypic changes in the Delta variant, please see : B. Li, et al. 2021. Viral infection and transmission in a large well-traced outbreak caused by the Delta SARS-CoV-2 variant. Virological. <u>https://virological.org/t/viral-infection-and-transmission-in-a-large-well-traced-outbreak-caused-by-the-delta-sars-cov-2-variant/724</u>