

County Official Actions in Response to COVID-19 as of December 9

Information was collected through a survey in collaboration with the Kansas Association of Counties and is supplemented with online searches for published orders, announcements on social media and local news sites. Counties that have adopted restrictions are indicated in this table; however, official actions that use only the language of guidance (e.g., “should” or “recommend”) are not considered restrictions. For mask orders, counties that either adopted an order by official action or did not take official action to opt out of the state mask order are considered to have a restriction in place and are so indicated in this table. Cities that adopted a mask ordinance are included at the end of the table. Counties that adopted policies for both public health restrictions and masks in one action have only been linked only once in the table below. Counties and cities may have policies in place that were not identified by this approach and therefore are not identified properly in the table. Information will be monitored, and the table updated as needed.

Number of Kansas counties with public health restrictions = 70 (66 of these counties have a mask order in place)
 Number of Kansas counties with no public health restrictions (but might have recommendations or guidelines) = 35



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TOTAL:		70	66	29	15	4	7	9	7	3	16	1	16	3	1	
Allen	State mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 24, the Allen County Commission discussed the second state mask order and decided to take no specific action, allowing it to stand. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Allen County Commission had taken no action to opt out of the first state mask order, thereby allowing it to stand. 	✓	✓													
Anderson	No mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 23, the Anderson County Commissioners voted to opt out of the second state mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Anderson County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 															
Atchison	State mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 2, the Atchison County Health Department chose to uphold the first state mask order. READ MORE Local restrictions in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective through January 26, mass gatherings of more than 20 individuals are prohibited. All businesses can open if able to maintain at least 6 feet of distance, follow fundamental cleaning and public health practices and avoid instances in which groups of more than 20 individuals per 1,000 square feet are in one location and unable to maintain a 6-foot distance. Personal service businesses may open if written customer record is kept and appointments are spaced. Fitness centers and health clubs may open, but locker rooms must be closed except as necessary to use restroom facilities, adhere to mass gathering limit, must keep a visitor record, must clean equipment between use, and maintain social distancing in group classes. Retail sales establishments, including retail food, theaters, museums and indoor leisure spaces may open if adhere to mass gathering limits in retail shopping space and customers maintain social distancing. Golf courses and recreational facilities may open, provided they maintain social distancing and adhere to mass gathering limits. Order is enforced pursuant to K.S.A. 65-129b(a)(2). The following are exempt from this order: federal, state and local government operations; religious gatherings as long as socially distance; schools; facilities associated with disaster response; and hospital and medical facilities including nursing homes, long-term care and assisted living facilities. READ MORE 	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓			

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Ellis	<p>State mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 23, the Ellis County Commission took no action and let the second mask order stand. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Ellis County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 	✓	✓													
Ellsworth	<p>Local mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until rescinded, the Ellsworth County Commission passed a resolution effective November 11 requiring masks or face coverings for all indoor properties open to the public within Ellsworth County and for outdoor activities or events within the county where social distancing cannot be maintained between non household members, and established enforcement authority and prescribed fines for violations of this order. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Ellsworth County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On October 19, the Ellsworth County Commission passed a gathering size limit of 20 people, excluding religious institutions, hospitals, and polling places. The limit is effective until rescinded. READ MORE 	✓	✓	✓									✓			
Finney	<p>Local mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective through December 31, the Finney County Commission passed a resolution opting out of the second state mask order and adopting a local mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 6, the Finney County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 	✓	✓													
Ford	<p>No mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 24, the Ford County Commission adopted an order opting out of the second state mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 3, the Ford County Commission had adopted an order opting out of the first state mask order. 															
Franklin	<p>State mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 2, the Franklin County Commissioners and County Administrator acknowledged the state mask order and began distributing masks to businesses. READ MORE <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until rescinded, Franklin County will remain in Phase Three of the Ad Astra Plan with the following modification: carnivals are prohibited. READ MORE 	✓	✓	✓												✓
Geary	<p>Local mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until rescinded, the Geary County Commission passed a resolution effective October 18 requiring masks or face coverings for persons over age 2 inside any indoor or outdoor public space, in line, obtaining services, waiting for a ride share and any other situation where prolonged exposure can occur. READ MORE <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until rescinded, the Geary County Commission passed a resolution effective October 18 that prohibits large public gatherings of 100 or more people, orders large venues to remain closed, requires business to comply with CDC sanitation guidance, and places restrictions on businesses and special events. All restaurants and bars were required to screen each employee before each shift, and include asking about symptoms, travel, contact, and checking temperatures. Bars and restaurants/dine-in were limited to seated areas only and dance floors shall be closed. All seated parties must be 6 feet apart or a partition shall divide. Special events must submit paperwork to the Health Department seven days prior to the event and develop an infection control plan with the Health Department to be approved by the Local Health Officer. Enforcement is pursuant to K.S.A. 65-129b. 	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓		✓		✓		

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Morton	State mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 23, the Morton County Commission voted to not opt out of the second state mask order, thus allowing it to stand. READ MORE Previously, on July 6, the Morton County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 	✓	✓													
Nemaha	State mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 12, Nemaha County rescinded its previous resolution and adopted an order allowing the state mask order to go into effect immediately. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Nemaha County Commission had adopted an order opting out of the first state mask order. 	✓	✓													
Neosho	No mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 19, the Neosho County Commission passed a resolution opting out of both of the state mask orders. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Neosho County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 															
Ness	No mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 23, the Ness County Commission passed a resolution opting out of the second state mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Ness County Commission had adopted an order opting out of the first state mask order. Local restrictions in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective November 25, the Ness County Commission passed a resolution that does not require masks to be worn but imposes a mass gathering limit of 100 people. READ MORE 															
Norton	State mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until December 31, the Norton County Commission adopted a resolution following the second state mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 1, the Norton County Commission had decided to not enforce the first state mask order. 	✓	✓													
Osage	No mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective November 23, the Osage County Commission passed a resolution opting out of the second state mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Osage County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 															
Osborne	State mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 23, Osborne County Commission took no action, allowing the second state mask order to go into effect. READ MORE Previously, the Osborne County Commission had taken no action regarding the first state mask order, allowing it to go into effect. 	✓	✓													
Ottawa	Local mask order in place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until rescinded, the Ottawa County Commission passed a resolution adopting a local mask order with an enforcement mechanism levying fines of \$25 for the first violation, \$50 for the second violation, and \$100 for the third and subsequent violations. This order will be reviewed every two weeks. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Ottawa County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. 	✓	✓										✓			

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Sedgwick	<p>Local mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until January 9, the Sedgwick County Local Health Officer issued a local mask order and included a \$500 fine for failure to comply. READ MORE Previously, on July 3, the Sedgwick County Commission initially had opted out of the first state mask order. However, on July 24, the county adopted a local mask order. <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective until January 9, the Sedgwick County Local Health Officer issued a public health order with the following restrictions: social distancing must be maintained in public spaces, and mass gatherings are limited to 25 individuals. Bars, restaurants, gyms, and fitness centers are limited patrons to 100 or 50 percent of the fire code capacity, whichever is less. Bars and restaurants must be vacated by 11pm and remain closed until at least 5am. Fitness centers and health clubs must frequently clean common touchpoints. Retail stores shall be limited to 50 percent of the fire code capacity. Personal services businesses like nail salons, barber shops, hair salons, tattoo parlors, and dentists cannot have walk-ins and must only serve customers appointment only. Fairs, festivals, carnivals, parades, trade shows, exhibitions, and other similar events shall not occur. All recreational and youth organized sports events may occur, but shall be limited to a maximum of 2 attendees per participant. This includes an enforcement mechanism fining violators up to \$500. 	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓				
Seward	<p>No mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 23, the Seward County Commission passed a resolution opting out of the second state mask order. READ MORE Previously, on July 2, the Seward County Commission had passed a resolution opting out of the first state mask order. <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 16, the Seward County Commission passed a resolution limiting indoor gathering size to 50 individuals and outdoor gathering size to 100 individuals. Religious activities are exempt. READ MORE 	✓		✓												
Shawnee	<p>Local mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective July 6, the Shawnee County Commission passed a resolution adopting a local mask order. READ MORE <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 19, the Shawnee County Commission issued a resolution and reaffirmed an order issued on November 12 by the Local Health Officer imposing restrictions including: gatherings of 10 or more people are prohibited. Mass events, both indoor and outdoor, shall be limited to no more than 100 participants or 50 percent of the total capacity, whichever is smaller. Bars and restaurants can only operate between the hours of 6am to 9pm, seven days a week. Restaurants can provide drive-through, curbside, or home delivery services outside of those hours. Personal services businesses that provide a service that inhibits the donning of a mask for either party are prohibited. Entertainment venues can only operate if they can pre-assign seats or adopt other measures to respect social distancing and mass gathering size. In gyms and fitness centers, staff shall be present during operating hours, people and equipment shall allow for social distancing, be cleaned thoroughly between uses, sharing of equipment shall be minimized and shower and locker rooms are allowed and must be cleaned frequently. All organized adult and youth sports and athletic activities that require in person gatherings are not allowed. Public swimming pools can only operate at 50% capacity, people with symptoms should not enter, must perform daily disinfection. Real estate showing and open houses subject to mass gathering and social distancing requirements. For childcare and summer camps, must perform enhanced cleanings daily, assure social distancing and limit mass gathering, children shall be cared for by same caregiver each day (if possible), limit mixing children, and parents and caregivers shall not enter the facility except during pickup and drop off times. There is an enforcement provision that levies a civil penalty up to \$2,500 per violation. READ MORE 	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			

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Wyandotte	<p>Local mask order in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective June 30, Wyandotte County implemented its own mandate requiring masks. READ MORE <p>Local restrictions in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 16, Wyandotte County passed another resolution including the following restrictions: gatherings of 10 or more people are prohibited. Places where people gather including entertainment venues, recreational facilities and places of public amusement, parties, informal gatherings, meetings, parades, fairs, sporting events, etc. must limit the number of individuals (staff and customers) in the facility, building or room to 50 percent of the lowest occupancy load on the certificate of occupancy of the facility, building or room (whichever is lower). All businesses must assure customers and all employees maintain 6 feet of distance between each other. Restaurants and all other such businesses licensed to serve food, drink, and/or alcohol, shall limit the number of occupants to no more than 50 percent of building occupancy, and shall close the business between hours of 10pm and 6am. Parties in these establishments are limited to 8 or fewer people. Any law enforcement officer is ordered through this resolution to assist in the execution or enforcement of this order. Violation of this order is a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by a maximum fine of \$500 and a 30-day jail sentence. READ MORE 	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓				

Source: KHI analysis of survey conducted in collaboration with the Kansas Association of Counties supplemented by searches of published orders, meeting minutes, press releases or announcements on social media or in a local newspaper. Data as of December 9.

City Mask Orders as of December 9

CITY	COUNTY	CITY OFFICIAL ACTION
Concordia	Cowley	The Concordia City Commission enacted an ordinance requiring masks be worn in public spaces and the enforcement of quarantine and isolation orders. Violating of the ordinance will be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$25 plus court costs for a first violation,\$50 plus court costs for a second violation and \$100 plus court costs upon a third or subsequent violation. READ MORE
Dodge City	Ford	Effective until February 15, the Doge City Commission enacted Ordinance No. 3746 requiring masks in public. Any person, business, organization, or non-profit association convicted of violating the ordinance will rceive a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$25.00. No court costs are assessed as a result of a conviction pursuant to this ordinance. READ MORE
Emporia	Lyon	Effective until rescinded, the City of Emporia enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the state mask order with the following modifications: a violation shall be punished by a fine of \$25 upon a first conviction, by a fine of \$50 upon a second conviction, and by fine of \$100 upon a third or subsequent conviction, plus court costs. READ MORE
Garden City	Finney	Effective until December 16, 2020, the Garden City Commission enacted ordnince NO. 2884-2020 requiring masks in public. A person, business, organization, or association convicted of a violation of this ordinance is fined \$10 for a first conviction, \$25 for a second conviction, and \$50 upon a third or subsequent conviction. No court costs are assessed as a result of a conviction. READ MORE
Goessel	Marion	On November 17, the Goessel City Council enacted Ordinance #289 requiring masks be worn in public settings. READ MORE

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Hays	Ellis	Effective until such time that there is a seven-day average of new cases of COVID-19 per day in Ellis County of 5 or fewer for 14 consecutive days as reported by the Ellis County Local Health Officer or until the statewide State of Disaster Emergency relating to COVID-19 mitigation measures lapses or is revoked or rescinded, whichever occurs first, the City of Hays enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the state mask order with the following modifications: children ages 8 and younger are exempt; a violation shall be punished by a fine of \$25 upon a first conviction, by a fine \$50 upon a second conviction, and by fine of \$100 upon a third or subsequent conviction, plus court costs. READ MORE
Hiawatha	Brown	Effective until rescinded, the City of Hiawatha enacted Ordinance No.2090 requiring masks in public. Any person, business, organization or nonprofit violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine \$25 for a first conviction, \$50 for a second conviction, and \$100 upon a third or subsequent conviction. No court costs shall be assessed. READ MORE
Hillsboro	Marion	Effective until January 26, the Governing Body of Hillsboro enacted Ordinance No. 1322 requiring masks in public settings. Any person, business, organization or non profit violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine \$25 for a first conviction, \$50 for a second conviction, and \$100 upon a third or subsequent conviction. READ MORE
Independence	Montgomery	Adopted on November 19, the Governing Body of Independence adopted Resolution No. 2020-083 endorsing Executive Order No. 20- 68 and encouraging all residents of the City to follow the included guidelines. Additionally, the resolution recommends all businesses, offices, shops, manufacturing and similar facilities post signs at all entrances that requires employees, customers and visitors to their establishment to wear face masks as outlined in Executive Order No. 20-68. READ MORE
Lansing	Leavenworth	Effective until January 31, 2021 the City of Lansing enacted Ordinance No. 1050, requiring masks be worn in public. The first conviction for violation of the order shall be punished by a fine of \$5, second conviction by a fine of \$10, and third or subsequent conviction by a fine of \$20. Court costs are also applied. READ MORE
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	On November 17, the Leavenworth City Commission convened a special session and adopted Ordinance 8154, requiring masks in public, with an expiration date of 11:59 pm January 31, 2021. READ MORE
Lindsborg	McPherson	Effective until rescinded by City Council action, the City of Lindsborg enacted Ordinance No.5267 requiring masks in public. Any person, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine \$25 for a first conviction, \$50 for a second conviction, and \$100 upon a third or subsequent conviction. READ MORE
Lyons	Rice	Effective until rescinded, the Lyons City Commission enacted an ordinance adding a new section to the city code which requires face mask in public spaces. Violation of the mask requirement is an infraction is punished by a \$10 fine per occurrence. Court costs are not levied. READ MORE
Manhattan	Riley	Effective through December 31, the City of Manhattan enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the statewide mask order with the following modifications: a violation shall be punished as follows with a fine of \$5 for the first conviction, with a fine of \$10 for the second conviction and with a fine of \$20 for the third or subsequent violation. READ MORE
Marion	Marion	Effective until December 31, the City of Marion enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the state mask order with the following modifications: for a person, firm or corporation, the first conviction shall be punished by a fine of \$25, second conviction by a fine of \$50, and third or subsequent conviction by a fine of \$100. READ MORE
Marysville	Marshall	Effective through January 17, the Governing Body of the City of Marysville enacted ordinance NO. 1894 requiring masks in public. A person found in violation of the ordinance shall be punished with a fine of \$20, while a business shall be punished with a fine of \$50. No court costs shall be assessed as a result of conviction. READ MORE
McPherson	McPherson	On October 26, the Governing Body of the City of McPherson reinstated the City mask order that had previously expired. READ MORE
Minneola	Clark	On November 23, a community note was published announcing the adoption of a city mask ordinance, which will be reviewed at the next meeting. READ MORE
Moundridge	McPherson	Effective until January 11 following an extension by the Moundridge Governing Body, ordinance #997 requires masks be worn in public settings when social distancing cannot be maintained. READ MORE
Osawatomie	Miami	Effective until rescinded, the City of Osawatomie enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the state mask order with the following modifications: a violation shall be punished by a fine of no less than \$25 upon a first conviction, by a fine of no less than \$50 upon a second conviction and by a fine of no less than \$100 upon a third or subsequent violation. READ MORE
Paola	Miami	Effective until rescinded, the City of Paola enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the state mask order with the following modifications: a violation shall be punished by a fine of no less than \$25 upon a first conviction, by a fine of no less than \$50 upon a second conviction and by a fine of no less than \$100 upon a third or subsequent violation. READ MORE
Parsons	Labette	Effective until rescinded, the City of Parsons enacted an ordinance similar to the state mask order with the following modifications: no age exemption, a violation by an individual shall be punished with a warning for the first offense, with a \$15 fee for the second offense, and a third offense could be fined \$50 plus \$90 in court costs. An amendment was passed on August 4 exempting persons age 5 years and under and not requiring students attending schools to comply as long as students follow mask policy issued by their school administration. READ MORE
Salina	Saline	Effective until rescinded, the City of Salina enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the state mask order with the following modifications: any person, business, organization, or non-profit association violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of no less than \$25.00 upon a first violation, a fine of no less than \$50.00 upon a second violation, and a fine of no less than one hundred \$100.00 upon a third or subsequent violation. Each occurrence of a violation of this ordinance shall be considered a separate and distinct violation. READ MORE
Winfield	Cowley	Effective until rescinded, the City of Winfield enacted an ordinance nearly identical to the statewide mask order with the following modifications: a violation shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$25 for the first violation; not exceeding \$50 for the second violation and not exceeding \$100 for each additional violation. READ MORE

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