

**Butler Borough COVID-19**

**Updated 3:00pm, December 31, 2021**

**There have been 1,209 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Butler Borough**

**Cases:**

Butler Borough:	1,209 (as of 3:00pm on 12-31-21)
Male	605
Female	604
Mean (average) Age	39.7 years
Median Age	38.0 years
Range	1 – 90
COVID-19 Related Death	11
Negative Test Results	1,127
Morris County:	66,275 (as of 3:00pm, 12-31-21)
New Jersey:	1,344,763 (as of 3:00pm, 12-31-21)
United States:	53,795,407 (as of 3:00pm, 12-31-21)

As of 3:00pm on December 31, there have been 1,209 cases of COVID-19 and 11 COVID-19-related deaths in Butler Borough. Active cases are recovering and receiving treatment as necessary. Negative test results have been reported for 1,127 individuals.

**NEW:** For the most current information regarding COVID-19 vaccination rates in Butler Borough and statewide, click the ‘New Jersey & Butler Borough Vaccination Data’ link below.

Butler Borough health officials are following all appropriate NJ Department of Health (NJDOH) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) protocols in conducting efficient and comprehensive follow up. Individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 have been contacted by Butler Borough’s Health Department, are isolated from the public per federal/state guidelines and are being monitored in accordance with NJDOH and CDC requirements to ensure compliance with all protocols in protecting our community.

Please be advised that per established guidelines, household contacts and close contacts of individuals who test positive for COVID-19 are contacted by the Butler Borough Health Department, are asked for information, and are furnished with instructions for quarantine and monitoring.

**Please note:** Federal and state law strictly prohibits the release to the public of private health information of any individual, including the name, address or any other identifying information specific to those who test positive for COVID-19. Butler Borough maintains compliance with all applicable local, county, state and federal regulations.

Persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 are isolated from the public. Persons who have been exposed to an individual with COVID-19 but do not yet have symptoms are *not* under isolation but are

advised to *quarantine* in accordance with state and federal protocols. For an easy to read summary of health actions to take whether you are sick or well, please go to this link: [COVID-19: Health Actions to Protect You and Your Family](#)

For your protection and for the protection of those around you, the New Jersey Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend:

- Continue to stay home if sick
- Comply with social distancing measures as appropriate
- Where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain, wear cloth face coverings
- Wash hands frequently
- Cough/sneeze into a tissue or your sleeve instead of hands
- Self-monitor for symptom
- If you experience symptoms (most common symptoms are fever of 100.4°F, cough, shortness of breath, new loss of smell or taste), please call your healthcare provider for guidance

Inasmuch as current data is available, Butler Borough will continue to update the public regularly regarding the status of cases within the Borough, Morris County, New Jersey and the United States.

#### Resources:

- [New Jersey COVID-19 Dashboard](#)
- [New Jersey & Butler Borough Vaccination Data](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention COVID-19 Website](#)
- [New Jersey COVID-19 Information Hub](#)
- [New Jersey Department of Health COVID-19 Website](#)
- [Butler Borough COVID-19 Resource Page](#)

#### Definitions:

**Household contact:** *Defined as a person who lives in the same household.*

**Close contact:** *Defined as a person spending a prolonged period of time (15 minutes or longer in a 24 hour period) within approximately six feet (6') of a confirmed case (i.e., caring for, living with, visiting or sharing a healthcare waiting area or room) or having direct contact with infectious secretions of a confirmed case (such as being coughed or sneezed on), in the time period from two days (48 hours) prior to onset of a case's symptoms until the beginning of isolation of the case.*

**Casual contacts:** *Defined as other persons who may have had casual contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 (i.e., sharing the same indoor environment, like a lobby or office, for a prolonged period of time; occupying the same room briefly). Please note that casual contacts will not be contacted by the Division of Health and do not need to be placed under quarantine. These persons should continue to follow all applicable orders (from State, Morris County and/or municipal government), comply with social distancing measures, maintain hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette, and self-monitor for symptoms (fever of 100.4°F or higher, cough and/or shortness of breath).*