KS virus cases rise by 500

(KAIR)--Kansas is reporting a 500-case increase in confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 statewide.

According to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment on Thursday, the state now has 4,238 confirmed cases in 80 counties. That's up from Wednesday's count of 3,378 in 78 of the state's 105 counties.

The figures also show the state has experienced 129 virus-related deaths to date.

According to a release from KDHE, Thursday's increase "is due to delays in report entry from some communities and positives found at Lansing Correctional Facility."

On Wednesday, Atchison County confirmed it's 10th positive case, but the KDHE statistics don't immediately reflect that confirmation.

Locally, Leavenworth County continues to have the highest number of cases with 356.

Pottawatomie County has increased to 13 cases, while Jefferson County has 9. Doniphan County has 3 cases, Jackson County has 2, and Nemaha County has 1.

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