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Local virus cases impact counties

(KAIR)--On Friday, Atchison County confirmed a two-case increase of COVID-19, bringing the County's total to 61.

According to a release from Atchison County Emergency Management Director Wes Lanter, One of the patients is in their 70's, while the other is in their thirties. Both are isolating at home.

There are currently two cases hospitalized in Atchison County.

52 have recovered.

Meanwhile, in Jackson County, two employees of the county clerk's office have tested positive for COVID-19, forcing its other two employees to quarantine just days before the primary election.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick has COVID-19. Mick says members of the Jackson County Elections Board are filling in to ensure the county's election goes forward Tuesday.

The Kansas Secretary of State's office said Friday it is unaware of any other election office in Kansas whose staff has been quarantined. The secretary of state's office has told local officials that individuals cannot be turned away from voting for not wearing a mask.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

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