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Despite local dip, KS virus cases rise

**(KAIR)--One area county is reporting a decline in the number of active coronavirus cases.**

**The Doniphan County Health Department/Home Health Monday reported 14 active cases.**

**That's down from the 27 active cases reported July 1.**

**Doniphan County began to see an uptick in confirmed, positive cases of COVID-19 in June, joining other area counties, the state, and the nation, in seeing a rise in numbers due to what health officials blamed on the faster spreading coronavirus delta variant.**

**The Kansas Department of Health and Environment Tuesday continued to show a higher number of cases in Doniphan County than reported at the local level, with 28 of the 30 cases shown by KDHE confirmed as involving the delta variant.**

**Health officials, both locally and worldwide, continue to put out the call for vaccinations despite some public obstinance.**

**KDHE Monday reported that the variant's spread continues to rise across Kansas, with the confirmed delta variant cases in the state increasing 20-percent since Friday, up 158 to 950.**

**State data cited by the Associated Press showed that Kansas averaged 440 new COVID-19 cases for the seven days ending Monday.**

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