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The New Mexico Department of Health county map update for March 24 shows McKinley County has moved to the Turquoise Level as of March 24.

It joins Catron, De Baca, Hidalgo, Lea, Los Alamos, Quay, Roosevelt, San Juan, Santa Fe, Sierra, Socorro and Union.

The updated statewide COVID19 map for the two-week period beginning March 24 shows 13 counties in turquoise, ten in green, ten in yellow and none at the red level.

Counties that met both of the health metric thresholds and may operate at the <u>Green Level</u> beginning March 24 are: Chaves, Colfax, Curry, Eddy, Guadalupe, Lincoln, Mora, Rio Arriba, Taos and Torrance.

Counties that met one of the health metric thresholds and may operate at the <u>Yellow Level</u> beginning March 24 are: Bernalillo, Cibola, Dona Ana, Grant, Harding, Luna, Otero, Sandoval, San Miguel and Valencia.

Counties at the Turquoise Level have **both** a new COVID-19 case incidence rate of no greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent four-week period, and

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an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent four-week period less than or equal to 5%.

Essential businesses (non-retail): No capacity restrictions but operations must be limited to only those absolutely necessary to carry out essential functions

Essential retail spaces: 75% of maximum capacity (indoor and outdoor)

Food and drink establishments (if NM Safe Certified): 75% of maximum capacity for indoor dining; 75% of maximum capacity for outdoor dining

Close-contact businesses: 75% of maximum capacity; no restrictions on outdoor spaces

Large entertainment venues: 33% of maximum capacity for any indoor/enclosed space on premises; 75% of any outdoor space on premises

Recreational facilities: 50% of maximum capacity of any indoor/enclosed space on the premises; 75% of any outdoor space on premises

Bars and clubs: 33% of maximum capacity of any indoor/enclosed space on premises; 75% of any outdoor space on premises, where applicable

**All other businesses: 75% of maximum capacity indoors; no restrictions on outdoor spaces

Houses of worship: May hold religious services, indoors or outdoors, or provide services through audiovisual means, but may not exceed 75% of the maximum capacity of any enclosed space on the premises

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Places of lodging: No maximum occupancy restrictions for those that have completed NM Safe Certified training; 50% of maximum occupancy for all others; 15 guests maximum for vacation rentals

Mass gatherings limit: 150 persons, or 200 vehicles