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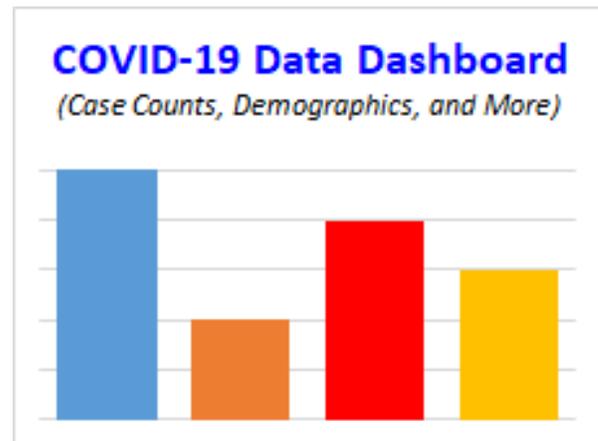
### COVID-19 Daily Report Saturday, April 18, 2020

#### Positive COVID-19 Test Results

We have no positive test results to report today.

#### COVID-19 Case Counts/County

County	Confirmed Cases	Probable Cases	County Total
Bonneville	16	8	24
Clark	0	0	0
Custer	2	0	2
Fremont	2	2	4
Jefferson	4	1	5
Lemhi	0	0	0
Madison	5	1	6
Teton	7	1	8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>49</b>



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#### COVID-19 Q & A of the Day

**Question:** How long does the COVID-19 virus survive on surfaces?

**Answer:** A study published in the New England Journal of Medicine on 3/17 found that SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, could last up to four hours on copper, up to 24 hours on cardboard, and two to three days on plastic and stainless steel. Another study published in The Lancet on 4/2 found the virus could last for three hours on printing and tissue paper, and up to one day on treated wood or cloth. It also found that the virus lasted three days on glass and banknotes and six days on stainless steel and plastic—



SOURCE: NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE

far longer than the New England Journal of Medicine study found. Lastly, The Lancet study also found the virus remained on the outside of a surgical mask for seven days. However, keep in mind these results were produced in a lab. The virus likely breaks down much more quickly in the environment due to its sensitivity to sunlight and temperature, says Dr. Albert Ko, Department Chair and Professor of Epidemiology and Medicine at the Yale School of Public Health.