Arkansas's death toll from COVID-19 is approaching 700 as another 320 residents test positive for the coronavirus. Gov. Asa Hutchinson announced today's (Mon) uptick brought the total to 56,894, while nine additional deaths brought the death toll to 696. Speaking in his daily briefing on the pandemic, Hutchinson said it's largely up to the public to boost the state's testing numbers.

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"...and get the test."

Arkansas received a total of 4,629 test results over the past 24 hours. Health Secretary Dr. Jose Romero stressed people who don't have symptoms of COVID-19 to get tested if they believe they've been exposed.

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Romero said asymptomatic individuals can get tested for COVID-19 at any of the Health Department's Local Health Units across the state. Pulaski County added 46 new coronavirus cases today (Mon) with 36 cases from Faulkner County and 23 from Poinsett County. The number of Arkansans hospitalized decreased by 34 today (Mon) for a total of 466, with 106 patients currently on a ventilator. As of today (Mon) Arkansas had 5,509 active cases of COVID-19.