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Butte County COVID-19 Dashboard to Receive Major Updates

BUTTE COUNTY, Calif. – As a result of large scale data cleaning and reconciliation project, Butte County Public Health (BCPH) announces that two major updates will be made to the [Butte County COVID-19 Dashboard](https://buttecounty.net/publichealth) by 4:00 pm today.

The first update will impact the total number of COVID-19 cases *reported to date* in Butte County. The public will notice a large increase in the total number of cases - **these added cases are not new cases**. Instead, these cases represent those that were reported late, misclassified, transferred from other jurisdictions, or otherwise missed. A total of 457 previous cases will be added to the dashboard today.

The second update will change how cases are displayed on the dashboard to more accurately reflect transmission patterns in the county and to better align with reporting methods used by the California Department of Public Health. All new cases will now be displayed on the dashboard using the episode date instead of the date reported to BCPH. Episode date is the date of illness onset or, if illness onset date is unknown, the date the person had a positive lab specimen collected.

For more information about COVID-19 in Butte County or to view the dashboard, please visit: www.buttecounty.net/publichealth.

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