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Jump in Kansas COVID-19 cases biggest in more than 6 weeks

**TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas has seen its largest jump in coronavirus cases in more than six weeks with an increase of more than 500 cases in two days.**

**The state health department on Wednesday reported a total of 12,970 cases of the novel coronavirus, up 4.1% from Monday. Gov. Laura Kelly has urged local officials to postpone lifting their last restrictions on businesses and public activities for another two weeks.**

**The state also reported an additional two deaths since Monday, bringing the total to 261 since the pandemic began in early March.**

**The state hasn't seen such a spike in new cases since the first half of May.**

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