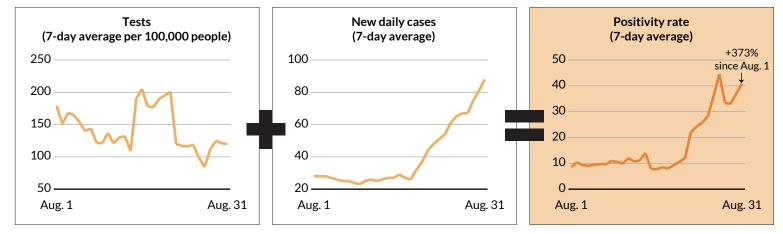
Boone's 'double whammy': Fewer tests, more cases create positivity rate spike in August

Boone County's seven-day average positivity rate for COVID-19 **rose by more than 370%** last month. Why the jump? Fewer tests were administered, and the number of new positive cases went up.



Note: The positivity rate is the percentage of tests that come back positive.

Sources: Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health & Human Services, U.S. Census Bureau