

Chris's Corner: Show us the Data

This is not a political opinion. This is an economic, business driven opinion.

The fact that our hospitality industry is still locked down under over cautious restrictions is a real economic disaster and is crushing small business unfairly.

Our representatives and others, not the media, have repeatedly asked Governor Wolf and Health Secretary Levine to release the contract tracing data that demonstrates that bars and restaurants are major contributors to the ongoing Covid19 "crisis" and they have refused to do so.

Why wouldn't you release the data if in fact it supports your policies? Seriously?

The only reason you wouldn't release the data is that it refutes it.

Maryland released contract tracing data this week and I would suspect the virus and data trends don't respect state boundaries.

Their data shows that only 12% of infections were contracted in bars and restaurants. Maryland has been utilizing contact tracing way longer than Pennsylvania.

This 12% means that for two people who've tested positive the only, single, place they've had in common is a particular bar or restaurant.

The same thing holds true for every other data segment.

The bottom line is you can contract this anywhere and to single out a single industry for a prolonged period is just wrong.

Yes, this is hurting my business and, more importantly my customers and my employees. Plus, the school shutdown is as well.

I guess we are just lucky and thankfully we are following all protocols and them some, because we are in hospitals, nursing homes, rehabs, jails and prisons on a daily basis and, thus far, been infection-free.

<https://scotteblog.com/2020/07/30/covid-19-contact-tracing-shows-surprising-results-in-maryland-bars-and-restaurants-do-not-appear-to-be-a-main-part-of-the-issue/>