

The Eclipse

A total solar eclipse will pass over Arkansas on April 8th, 2024, casting a shadow over two-thirds of the state. An estimated 1.5 million people are expected to visit the state to view the eclipse.

What to Know

Many people are expected to visit the state for the event. It is essential to be prepared for this. Below are some tips for staying safe and healthy for this event.

- Mass Gatherings: Large event venues must secure food vendor permits and adhere to the <u>Mass Gathering Rule</u>. This includes emergency services coordination, waste management, and ensuring access to potable water.
 - This applies to gatherings over 1,000 people staying 24+ hours, excluding stadiums, fields, arenas, amusement parks, and government fairgrounds.

See <u>Mass Gathering Rule Exemptions</u> for more information.



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- Supplies: Anticipate increased demand and possible supply chain disruptions. Ensure your venue or business is well-stocked to handle the surge in visitors and maintain smooth operations.
- Food Safety: Report foodborne illnesses promptly to ensure public health. Utilize the ADH Food Establishment Complaint and Feedback Webpage for reporting and access resources for maintaining food safety standards.
 - Environmental Health:
 - ADH.foodsafe@arkansas.gov
 - 501-661-2171
 - Outbreak Prevention & Response:
 - ADH.Foodborne@arkansas.gov
 - 501-661-2381

Helpful Links for More Info:

- cdc.gov/foodsafety
- healthyar.info/FoodSafe



Food Complaint Form

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