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Public Health Officials Announce 868 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus Disease

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) today announced 868 new confirmed cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including 18 additional confirmed deaths.

- Cass County: 1 female 80s, 1 male 80s, 1 male 90s, 1 female 100+

Cook County: 1 female 40s, 1 female 50s, 1 male 60s, 2 females 70s, 1 male 80s, 2 females 90s, 1 male 90s

DuPage County: 1 male 70sGrundy County: 1 female 80s

- Kane County: 1 female 70s, 1 male 70s

- Kendall County: 1 male 70s

Scott County is now reporting a case. Currently, IDPH is reporting a total of 145,750 cases, including 7,005 deaths, in 102 counties in Illinois. The age of cases ranges from younger than one to older than 100 years. Within the past 24 hours, laboratories have reported 34,318 specimens for a total of 1,700,635. The preliminary seven-day statewide positivity for cases as a percent of total test from June 26 –July 2 is 2.6%.

Following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, IDPH is now reporting both confirmed and probable cases and deaths on its <u>website</u>. Reporting probable cases will help show the potential burden of COVID-19 illness and efficacy of population-based non-pharmaceutical interventions. See <u>CDC definition</u> of a probable case on its website. IDPH will update these data once a week.

*All data are provisional and will change. In order to rapidly report COVID-19 information to the public, data are being reported in real-time. Information is constantly being entered into an electronic system and the number of cases and deaths can change as additional information is gathered. For health questions about COVID-19, call the hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email dph.sick@illinois.gov.

News releases will be posted on the <u>DPH.illinois.gov</u> website over the holiday weekend.

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