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## Public Health Officials Announce 1,382 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus Disease

**SPRINGFIELD** – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) today announced 1,382 new confirmed cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including 8 additional confirmed deaths.

- Cook County: 1 female 20s, 1 female 40s, 1 male 40s, 1 male 50s, 1 female 60s, 2 males 60s
- Pulaski County: 1 male 60s

Currently, IDPH is reporting a total of 194,080 cases, including 7,636 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 41,354 specimens for a total of 3,073,988. The preliminary seven-day statewide positivity for cases as a percent of total test from August 2 – August 8 is 4.1%. As of last night, 1,488 people in Illinois were reported to be in the hospital with COVID-19. Of those, 322 patients were in the ICU and 114 patients with COVID-19 were on ventilators.

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. 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. Information for deaths previously reported has changed, therefore, today's numbers have been adjusted. For health questions about COVID-19, call the hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email <a href="mailto:dph.sick@illinois.gov">dph.sick@illinois.gov</a>.

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