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Public Health Officials Announce 2,356 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus Disease

State reports more than 56,000 tests in one day

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) today announced 2,356 new confirmed cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including 17 additional confirmed deaths.

- Cook County: 1 female 20s, 1 male 30s, 1 male 40s, 2 females 60s, 2 males 60s, 1 male 70s, 1 female 80s, 1 female 90s, 1 male 90s
- Douglas County: 1 male 80s
- Iroquois County: 1 female 80s
- Kane County: 1 male 50s
- Madison County: 1 male 60s
- Sangamon County: 1 female 80s
- Winnebago County: 1 male 90s

Currently, IDPH is reporting a total of 218,285 cases, including 7,874 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 56,766 specimens for a total of 3,649,685. The preliminary seven-day statewide positivity for cases as a percent of total test from August 15 – August 21 is 4.3%. 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 127 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 [website](#). 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. For health questions about COVID-19, call the hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email dph.sick@illinois.gov.

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