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Public Health Officials Announce 1,893 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus Disease

State reports more than 54,000 tests in one day

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) today announced 1,893 new confirmed cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including 6 additional confirmed deaths.

- Cook County: 1 female 40s, 1 male 40s, 1 female 50s, 1 male 80s, 1 male 90s
- Iroquois County: 1 male 60s

Currently, IDPH is reporting a total of 220,178 cases, including 7,880 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 54,351 specimens for a total of 3,704,036. The preliminary seven-day statewide positivity for cases as a percent of total test from August 16 – August 22 is 4.2%. As of last night, 1,449 people in Illinois were reported to be in the hospital with COVID-19. Of those, 339 patients were in the ICU and 117 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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