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### **Public Health Officials Announce 1,880 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus Disease**

**SPRINGFIELD** – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) today announced 1,880 new confirmed cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including 11 additional confirmed deaths.

“Today is a solemn day in Illinois as we’ve now lost 8,000 lives to COVID-19,” said Governor JB Pritzker. “As we mourn the family, friends and neighbors who have been taken too soon, let’s do our part to prevent more senseless tragedy. Wear a mask. Watch your distance. Wash your hands. Every action counts.”

- Cook County: 1 male 60s
- Jackson County: 1 male 70s
- Jersey County: 1 female 70s
- Lake County: 1 male 90s
- Madison County: 1 female 70s, 1 male 90s
- McHenry County: 1 male 50s
- Moultrie County: 1 male 70s
- Richland County: 1 male 80s
- Rock Island County: 1 male 60s
- Will County: 1 male 60s

Currently, IDPH is reporting a total of 231,363 cases, including 8,008 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 48,784 specimens for a total of 3,973,089. The preliminary seven-day statewide positivity for cases as a percent of total test from August 22 – August 28 is 4.0%. As of last night, 1,563 people in Illinois were reported to be in the hospital with COVID-19. Of those, 349 patients were in the ICU and 134 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](mailto:dph.sick@illinois.gov).

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