

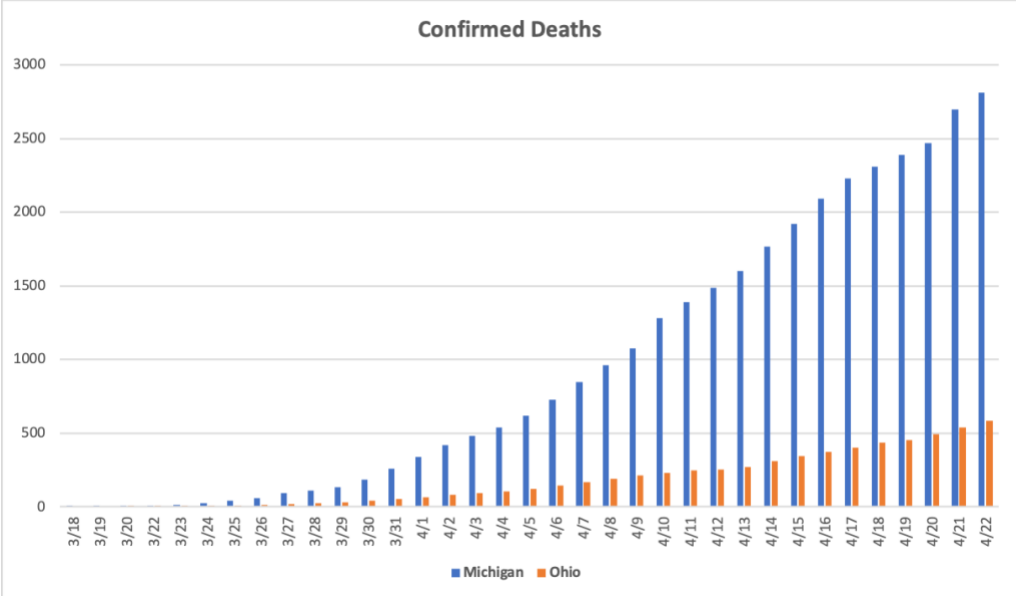
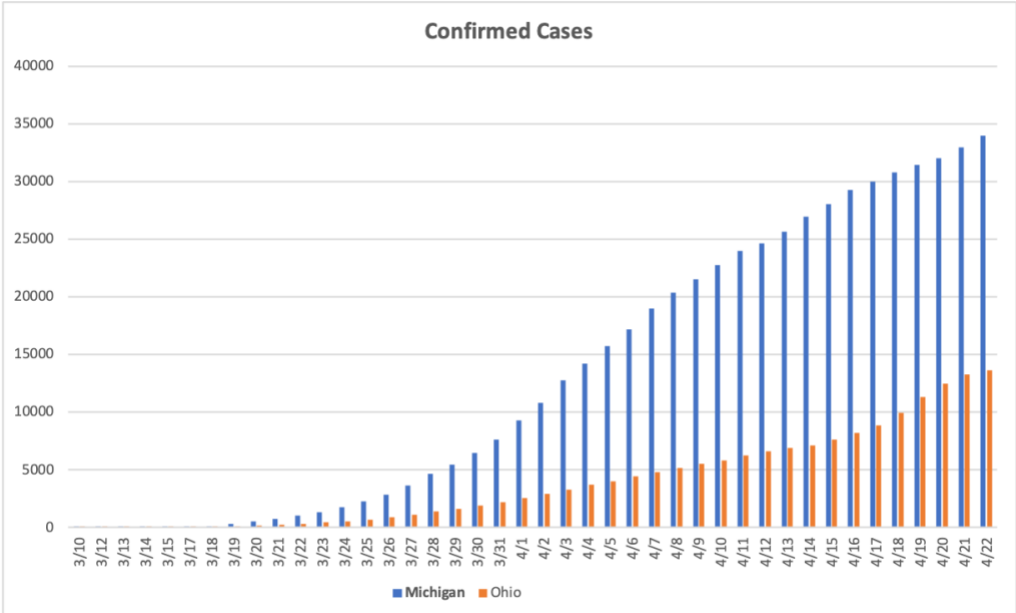


**Michigan**

Daily Cases: 999  
**Total Cases: 33,966**  
 Daily Deaths: 113  
**Total Deaths: 2,813**

**Ohio**

Daily Cases: 359  
**Total Cases: 13,609**  
 Daily Deaths: 46  
**Total Deaths: 584**



**Governor Gretchen Whitmer** issued one new Executive Order (hyperlinks below with all EOs):

- **Executive Order 2020-56** - Extends the previous order, allowing pharmacists to refill prescriptions for up to a 60-day supply and requires insurance to cover the refills.

### **Attorney General Seeks Price Freeze**

Attorney General Dana Nessel has joined a coalition of attorneys general in asking Congress to temporarily freeze the prices of medical equipment and supplies during the outbreak. The shortage of personal protective equipment and ventilators has been at the forefront of concerns in responding to the crisis. The shortages have resulted in competitive bidding among public and private entities, resulting in higher costs. "This especially hits hard for public entities who are facing budget shortfalls due to reduced revenue as a direct result of the pandemic," explained Patti Tremblay of MLC.

### **Michigan Articles**

The **Department of Health and Human Services** is requesting Federal approval of changes to allow Medicaid enrollees to receive home or community-based care. [Click here to read more.](#)

**Lt. Governor Gilchrist** spoke about the racial disparities among those effected by the virus. [Click here to watch the video.](#)

Twenty-five percent of staff at the **Michigan Attorney General's office** is being laid off. [Click here to read more.](#)

**Governor Whitmer** is expected to announce a layoff of state employees due to budget pressures resulting from declining revenue. [Click here to read more.](#)

On Monday, **Governor Whitmer** spoke out against those opposing her stay-at-home order, stating the pandemic requires sacrifices. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **Department of Health and Human Services** will begin requiring long-term care facilities to submit daily updates to the state. [Click here to read more.](#)

**The State** has received over \$2 million in Federal funding for mental health services in response to the virus. [Click here to read more.](#)

The City of Lansing has released a FAQ in relation to COVID-19 and city services such as voting, parking, parks and recreation. [Click here to read the full document.](#)

### **National Articles**

**The government response** to COVID-19 isn't as large scale as it needs to be and is falling short of what is necessary. [Click here to read more.](#)

A **second wave of COVID-19** is expected this winter and its anticipated to be worse than the current pandemic. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **FDA** released information on the Coronavirus Treatment Acceleration Plan, which includes 72 current clinical trials. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **Justice Department** is considering taking legal action against governor's who they feel are infringing on citizen's rights. [Click here to read more.](#)

Each **state has their own plan** to reopen their state and those vary in all types of manners, such as when schools, businesses, and government will reopen. [Click here to read a synopsis of where each state currently stands.](#)

After working towards a plan to allow for remote voting, the **House** has scrapped their plan to vote this week on enacting the rule. [Click here to read more.](#)

#### **Description and Links to Governor Whitmer's Executive Orders Related to COVID-19:**

While we have been sharing these executive orders with you as they were announced, the following is a complete list with links to each of the Executive Orders (**new orders are highlighted**):

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-56](#) – Extends the previous order, allowing pharmacists to refill prescriptions for up to a 60-day supply and requires insurance to cover the refills.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-55](#) – Creates the Michigan Coronavirus Task Force on Racial Disparities.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-54](#) – Extends the prohibition on evictions or demanding possession of premises for nonpayment through May 15.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-53](#) – Extends the restrictions through May 15 on excessive pricing of goods, materials, emergency supplies, and consumer food items.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-52](#) – Temporarily suspends requirements for in-person examinations for renewals of pesticide certificates.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-51](#) – Extends the expansion of childcare access during the COVID-19 emergency through May 13.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-50](#) – The state will work with long-term care facilities to establish regional hubs, which will provide higher levels of care and services.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-49](#) – Extends until May 12 the authority for the departments to waive or defer certain requirements in order to expedite the process of bringing additional care facilities online.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-48](#) – Extends until May 12 the ability for local boards, commissions, councils, nonprofit boards, and others, to meet utilizing telephones or video conferencing.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-47](#) – Temporarily extends the expiration of driver's licenses, state id cards, and commercial vehicle registration that expires during the emergency declaration.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-46](#) – Tasks the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to initiate a spirits buy-back program for bars and restaurants.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-45](#) – Extends the allowance of certain state administrative hearings to be held by video conference or phone in place of in-person hearings through May 11.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-44](#) – Extends the relief from weight and other delivery-related restrictions for vehicles carrying essential supplies to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 through May 11.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-43](#) – Extends the prior restrictions on the use of public places of accommodations through April 30. This includes restaurants, gyms, theaters, and more.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-42](#) – Extends the stay-at-home order through the end of April.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-41](#) – Allows the use of electronic signatures, remote notarizations, remote witness attestations and acknowledgments, and remote visitations.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-40](#) – Waives International Fuel Tax Association credentialing requirements for motor carriers delivering certain products.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-39](#) – Suspends certain requirements regarding licensing and regulation of emergency medical services.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-38](#) – Allows public bodies to defer portions of FOIA requests that would require workers to report to work in-person.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-37](#) – Renews the previous restrictions on entry into care facilities and juvenile justice facilities, extending it until May 3.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-36](#) – Prohibits employers from firing or disciplining an employee who stays home if they or someone close to them tests positive for COVID-19.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-35](#) – Orders K-12 schools to remain closed for the remainder of the school year.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-34](#) – Provides clarity on the earlier order placing temporary restrictions on non-essential veterinary services.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-33](#) – Declares a state of disaster for Michigan and expands the state of emergency.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-31](#) – Suspends the April 1 requirement for lower vapor pressure gasoline.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-30](#) - Relaxes the scope of practice laws, allowing qualified physician assistants, nurses, and other health care providers to help combat COVID-19.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-29](#) – Details the Department of Correction’s risk-reduction protocols and encourages county jails and local lockups to adopt them.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-28](#) – Requires the reconnection of water service to residences that have had their water shut off.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-27](#) – Allows the Department of State to assist local jurisdictions in mailing absentee ballot applications to every registered voter for the May 5 election.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-26](#) – Moves all April tax filing deadlines to July.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-24](#) – Provides clarity on how the expansion of eligibility for unemployment benefits will work.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-22](#) – Extends the deadline to complete the canvass of the March 10 primary to April 24.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-17](#) – Provides temporary restrictions on non-essential medical and dental procedures.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-14](#) - Temporary extension of deadline to redeem property for nonpayment of delinquent property taxes.

Additionally, the following website is a source for updated information from the administration: <https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus>.

While these are very uncertain times, please know that the MLC Team is available to answer your questions. Additionally, we will provide regular updates as more information becomes available.

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