

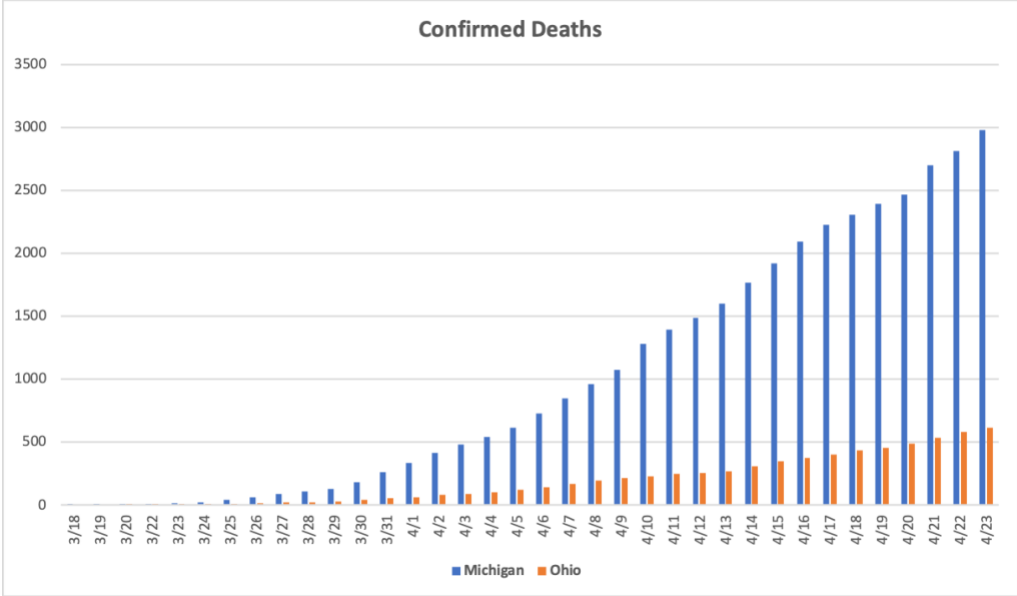
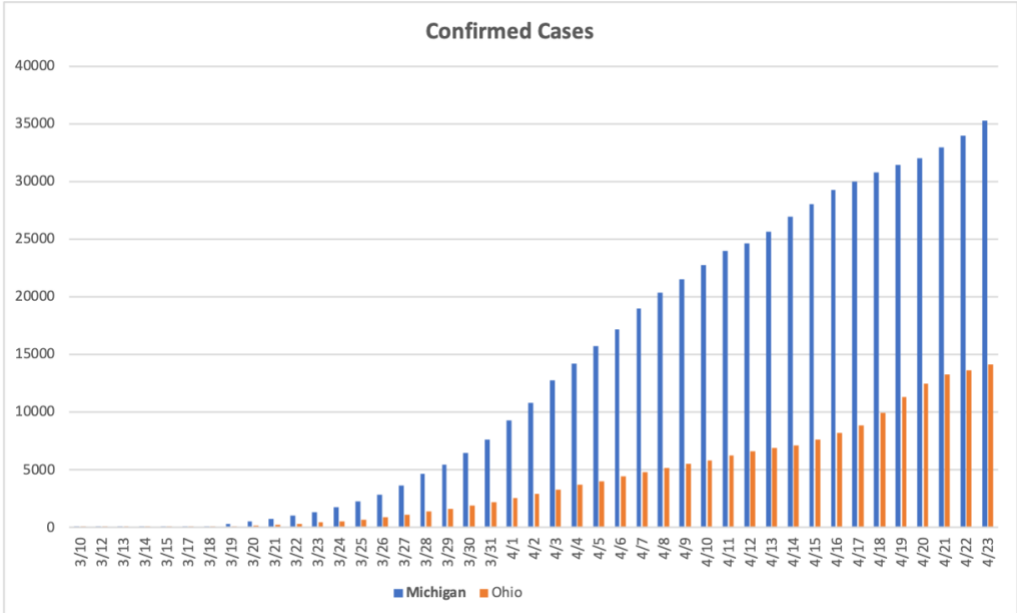


Michigan

Daily Cases: 1,325
Total Cases: 35,291
 Daily Deaths: 164
Total Deaths: 2,977

Ohio

Daily Cases: 533
Total Cases: 14,142
 Daily Deaths: 34
Total Deaths: 618



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

- **Executive Order 2020-57** – Expands eligibility for unemployment benefits.
- **Executive Order 2020-58** – Extends the deadline of case-initiation of civil and probate matters.

Governor Expands Unemployment Eligibility

Yesterday, Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed Executive Order 2020-57, expanding eligibility for unemployment benefits during the pandemic. The order expands the state's workshare program, which she hopes will help employers reduce layoffs. It also extends unemployment benefits to workers who voluntarily left a job after accepting new employment but were unable to start their new position due to the pandemic. Additionally, it allows anyone with an active unemployment claim to receive up to 26 weeks of benefits, suspends the requirement for an individual seeking unemployment to request a registration and work search waiver, and expands cost-sharing with employers to reduce layoffs. Due to the overwhelming demand on the agency, the order also allows Unemployment Insurance Agency retirees to keep their retirement benefits if they return to work to process unemployment claims or serve on the Occupational Health and Safety Commission.

Michigan Articles

Governor Whitmer plans on extending the current stay-at-home past May 1, when it is currently set to expire. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **Department of State** has temporarily laid off 60% of its workforce. [Click here to read more.](#)

Under new guidelines, all essential workers can get tested for COVID-19 and residents with symptoms can be tested without a doctor's order. [Click here to read more.](#)

In April alone, **restaurants** in the state are expected to lose \$1.2 billion in sales. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **Unemployment Insurance Agency** has paid out over \$1 billion in benefits to an estimated 820,000 unemployment Michigan residents. [Click here to read more.](#)

National Articles

There are **five key parts** of the latest round of federal aid, which passed the Senate earlier this week. [Click here to read more.](#)

Experts are concerned that some **states are reopening** too soon. [Click here to read more.](#)

Some of the states seeing the highest unemployment numbers are states that helped **President Trump** win the presidency in 2016. How will that impact his chances this November? [Click here to read more.](#)

State and local governments are asking the federal government for additional funding to help fill budget shortfalls. [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 2020-58](#) – Extends the deadline of case-initiation of civil and probate matters.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-57](#) – Expands eligibility for unemployment benefits.

[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 2020-22](#) – 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.

To keep up-to-date on the latest information in and around the capitol, follow [MLC on Twitter](#) or [Like us on Facebook](#).