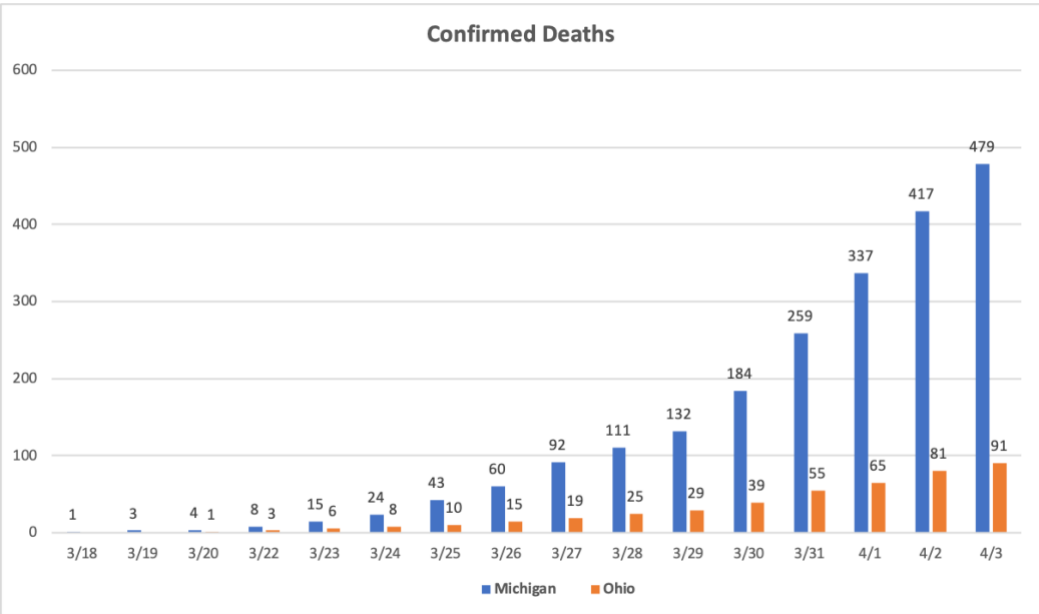
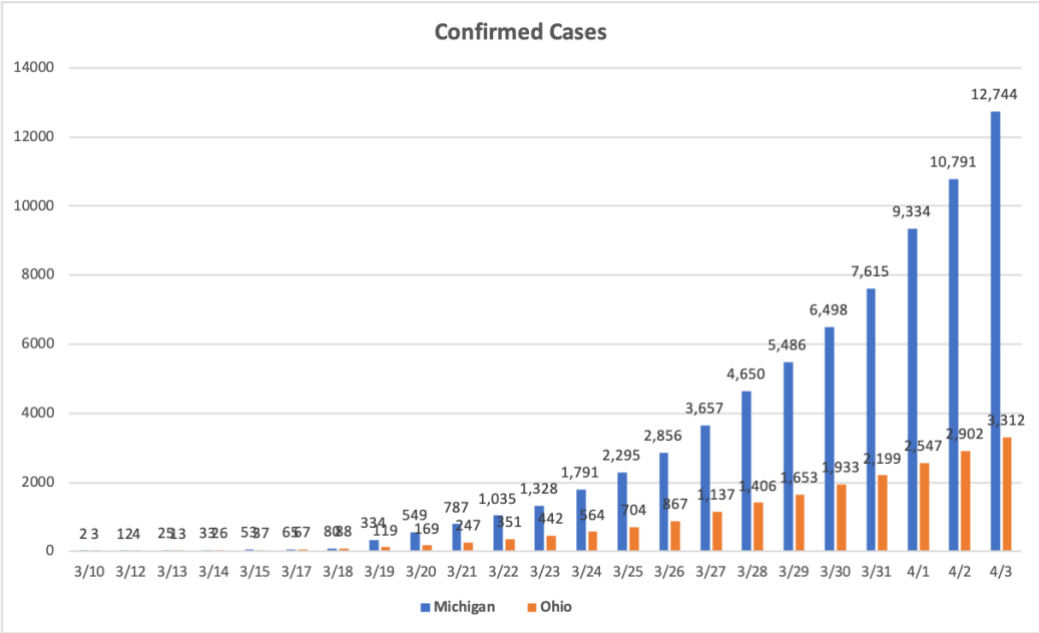




To keep you informed on what's happening at the State Capitol in response to COVID-19, we wanted to share with you the following updates.



Governor Gretchen Whitmer has issued one new executive order (hyperlinks below with all EOs):

- **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.

The **Michigan Department of Health and Human Services** issued an emergency order requiring compliance with Executive Orders. Violators could face fines up to \$1,000 and referral to licensing agencies for enforcement. [Click here to read more.](#)

Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist and former Lt. Governor Brian Calley teamed up to announce a coalition to support small businesses while seeking Federal loans. [Click here to visit the website.](#)

The **Henry Ford Health System** in Detroit is beginning the first large scale national drug trial for the effectiveness on COVID-positive patients. [Click here to read more.](#)

In response to COVID, the **Michigan Department of Health and Human Services** is seeking federal approval to changes to the state's Medicaid program. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **Michigan Supreme Court** is urging county jails to work quickly to reduce the number of people incarcerated. [Click here to read more.](#)

Nearly half of all COVID-19 cases in Michigan are in **Wayne County**. [Click here to read some of the latest data.](#)

The **Congressional Budget Office** has estimated that by this summer the national unemployment rate could hit 12%. [Click here to read more.](#)

As the jobless rate continues to increase, **Republican Senators** are beginning talks on another round of Federal aid. [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 2020-36](#) – 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 extends the state of emergency by 70 days.

[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 2020-25](#) – Allows pharmacists to refill prescriptions for up to a 60-day supply and requires insurance to cover the refills.

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

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-23](#) – Temporarily allows administrative hearings to be held by video conference or telephone, in place of in-person hearings.

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

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-21](#) – Temporary shelter in place for the state through April 13.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-20](#) – Extends the temporary restrictions on the use of public places of accommodations through April 13. The order adds hair, nail, and tanning salons to the list of restricted places.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-19](#) – Provides a temporary prohibition against entry to premises for the purpose of removing or excluding a tenant or mobile homeowner from their home.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-18](#) – Enhances restrictions on price gouging.

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

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-16](#) - Expanding childcare access during the COVID-19 emergency.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-15](#) - Temporary authorization of remote participation in public meetings and hearings and temporary relief from monthly meeting requirements for school boards.

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

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-13](#) – Temporary enhancements to operational capacity and efficiency of health care facilities.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-12](#) - Enhanced support for deliveries.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 2020 -11](#) - Temporary prohibition on large assemblages and events, along with temporary school closures.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-7](#) - Temporary restrictions on entry into health care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and juvenile justice facilities.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-4](#) - Declaration of a State of Emergency.

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.