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## COVID-19 SPECIAL UPDATE 5.18.2020



### MICHIGAN

Daily Cases: 773  
**Total Cases: 51,915**  
Daily Deaths: 24  
**Total Deaths: 4,915**

### OHIO

Daily Cases: 426  
**Total Cases: 26,646**  
Daily Deaths: 32  
**Total Deaths: 1,504**

### INDIANA

Daily Cases: 492  
**Total Cases: 28,255**  
Daily Deaths: 14  
**Total Deaths: 1,621**

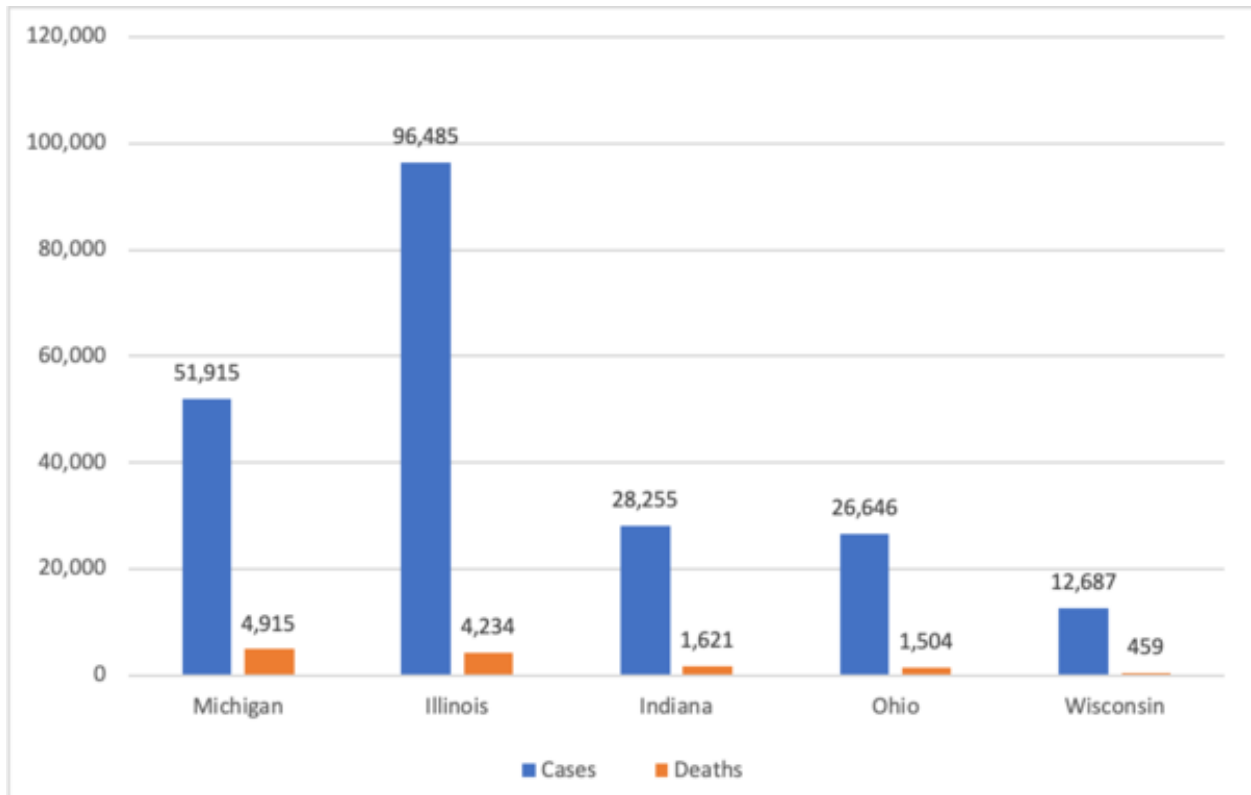
### ILLINOIS

Daily Cases: 2,294  
**Total Cases: 96,485**  
Daily Deaths: 57  
**Total Deaths: 4,234**

### WISCONSIN

Daily Cases: 144  
**Total Cases: 12,687**  
Daily Deaths: 6  
**Total Deaths: 459**

*Statistics updated 05/18/2020*



**Governor Gretchen Whitmer** issued four new Executive Order (hyperlinks below with most recent EOs):

- **Executive Order 2020- 89** - Extends restrictions on excessive price gouging of goods, materials, emergency supplies, and consumer food items.

- **Executive Order 2020- 90** - Allows laboratory research to resume under stringent precautionary measures.
- **Executive Order 2020-91**- Businesses that resume in-person work must, among other things, develop a COVID-19 preparedness and response plan.
- **Executive Order 2020-92** - Allows for a partial reopening in two regions of retail businesses, office work that cannot be done remotely, and restaurants and bars with limited seating.



## Michigan Begins to Open

Today, Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced the state will begin the process of reopening. Under Executive Order 2020-92, two regions in northern Michigan can open retail, office work that can't be done remotely, and restaurants and bars with limited seating. Specifically, Regions 6 and 8, as outlined in the governor's [MI Safe Start Plan](#). The partial reopening will take effect on Friday, May 22. Cities, villages, and townships may choose to take a more cautious course if they wish. All businesses that re-open must adopt safety measures outlined in Executive Order 2020-91.

Attorney General Dana Nessel issued a statement in response to the order. Please [click here](#) to read her statement.

## MICHIGAN ARTICLES

COVID-19 was in Michigan before the **primary election** in March, a factor which may have led to the widespread outbreak in the state. [Click here to read more.](#)

In one month, **COVID-19** killed more Michigan residents than the flu has since 2000. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **Department of Treasury** announced business taxpayers may have additional time to pay their Sales, Use, and Withholding taxes. [Click here for more information.](#)

## NATIONAL ARTICLES

What impact will COVID-19 have on the **presidential race** in November? [Click here to read more.](#)

**Tests** are finally become more widely available, however, now the problem is having enough people to take the tests. [Click here to read more.](#)

For **governors** deciding to reopen their state is a balancing game between new and old risks. [Click here to read more.](#)

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

We are sharing executive orders with you as they are announced. A complete list with links to each of the Executive Orders is [available here.](#)

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020 - 92](#) - Allows for a partial reopening in two regions of retail businesses, office work that cannot be done remotely, and restaurants and bars with limited seating.

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[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-88](#) - Creates the Return to Learning Advisory Council.

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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