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## COVID-19 SPECIAL UPDATE 5.19.2020



### MICHIGAN

Daily Cases: 435  
**Total Cases: 52,350**  
Daily Deaths: 102  
**Total Deaths: 5,017**

### OHIO

Daily Cases: 460  
**Total Cases: 27,106**  
Daily Deaths: 52  
**Total Deaths: 1,556**

### INDIANA

Daily Cases: 481  
**Total Cases: 28,705**  
Daily Deaths: 57  
**Total Deaths: 1,678**

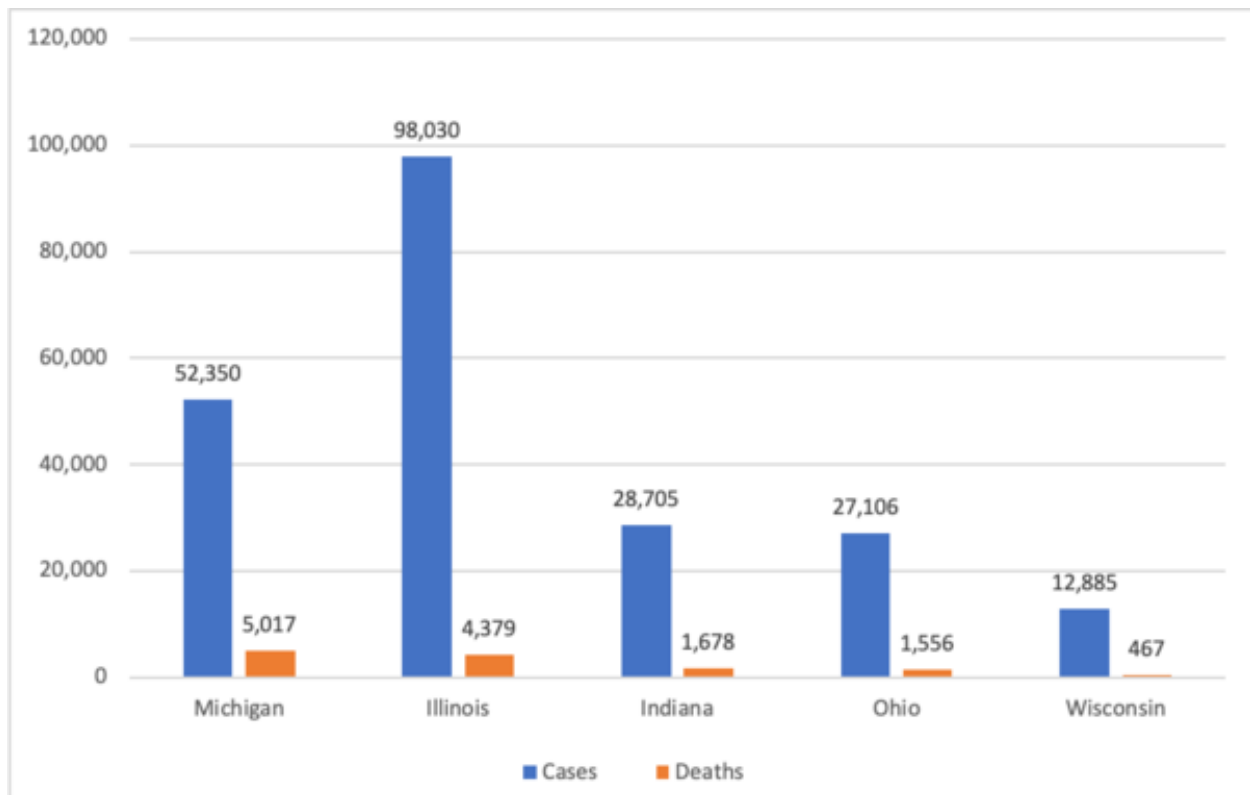
### ILLINOIS

Daily Cases: 1,545  
**Total Cases: 98,030**  
Daily Deaths: 145  
**Total Deaths: 4,379**

### WISCONSIN

Daily Cases: 198  
**Total Cases: 12,885**  
Daily Deaths: 8  
**Total Deaths: 467**

*Statistics updated 05/19/2020*



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

- **Executive Order 2020-93** - Extends a prior order allowing pharmacists to dispense emergency refills of prescriptions for up to 60 days' worth of supplies and requires insurers to cover up to 90 days' worth of supply.



## All Voters to Receive Absentee Voter Applications

In an effort to allow Michigan residents to continue proper social distancing, Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson announced her department will mail absentee voter applications to all registered voters in the state. The applications will be for both the primary election in August and the general election in November. Once a voter fills out the application, they can either mail it or take a picture and email it to their local clerk.

While the pandemic is ongoing, Michigan voters showed their preference for voting by mail during the election earlier this month. The May 5 election had record turnout and 99% of those who participated voted via mail.

## MICHIGAN ARTICLES

Before a business may reopen, there are certain **regulatory requirements** they must meet. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **City of Detroit** has launched a website to provide small businesses with tools to operate safely and successfully. [Click here to visit the site.](#)

Michigan has received **\$35 million in federal funding** to help residents struggling to afford their utility bills during the pandemic. [Click here to read more.](#)

Despite earlier issuing an Executive Order banning all plant tours, **Governor Gretchen Whitmer** is welcoming President Trump's visit to a PPE plant in Ypsilanti this week. [Click here to read more.](#)

The ban on **non-essential travel** between Canada and the US is extended through June 21. [Click here to read more.](#)

## NATIONAL ARTICLES

As **state and local governments** voice growing concern over budget shortfalls, there's a bipartisan Congressional effort to provide \$500 billion in aid. [Click here to read more.](#)

The latest study has **death rates tripling** by the end of the year. [Click here to read more.](#)

Three states have seen a **rising number of cases** since reopening. [Click here to read more.](#)

During a **Senate Banking hearing** today, Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell defended the administration's response to the pandemic. [Click here to read more.](#)

Will politics play a role in deciding who gets the **vaccine** first? [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 2020-93](#) - Extends a prior order allowing pharmacists to dispense emergency refills of prescriptions for up to 60 days' worth of supplies and requires insurers to cover up to 90 days' worth of supply.

[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.

[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 - 90](#) - Allows laboratory research to resume under stringent precautionary measures.

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020 -89](#) - Extends restrictions on excessive price gouging of goods, materials, emergency supplies, and consumer food items.

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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