

COVID-19 SPECIAL UPDATE 5.4.2020



MICHIGAN

Daily Cases: 547

Total Cases: 43,754

Daily Deaths: 29

Total Deaths: 4,049

INDIANA

Daily Cases: 583 **Total Cases: 20,507**Daily Deaths: 19 **Total Deaths: 1,151**

OHIO

Daily Cases: 305
Total Cases: 19,609
Daily Deaths: 18
Total Deaths: 975

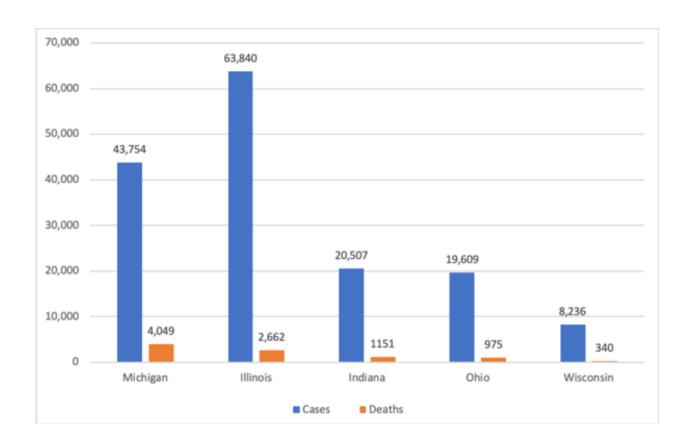
ILLINOIS

Daily Cases: 2,341
Total Cases: 63,840
Daily Deaths: 44
Total Deaths: 2,662

WISCONSIN

Daily Cases: 272
Total Cases: 8,236
Daily Deaths: 1
Total Deaths: 340

Statistics updated 05/04/2020





Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued two new Executive Orders (hyperlinks below with all EOs):

- Executive Order 2020-71 Extends a prior order requiring safety measures to protect employees and consumers at grocery stores and pharmacies through May 29.
- Executive Order 2020-72 Extend until May 31 the rules regarding entry to care facilities and requires employees to wear face coverings when they are within the facility.



Governor Creates COVID Office

Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed Executive Directive 2020-5, creating the Michigan COVID-19 Office of Accountability within the State Budget Office. The office will provide oversight of all spending addressing the crisis, and must report regularly to the governor and state budget director. The Department of Technology, Management, and Budget will designate a Chief COVID-19 Accountability Officer to lead the office.

To read the full directive, please <u>click here</u>.

MICHIGAN ARTICLES

One in three Michigan residents who tested positive for COVID-19 have made it past the critical thirty-day mark. Click here to read more.

Governor Whitmer responded to President Trump's tweet last week that she should give a little to the protestors. Click here to read more.

Kent County is opening their recycling center, five-weeks after closing due to COVID-19. Click here to read more.

Michigan received approval from **FEMA** to provide housing alternatives such as hotels and motels for homeless individuals who may need to quarantine. Click here to read more.

NATIONAL ARTICLES

President Trump will seek a payroll tax cut in the next round of aid from the federal government. Click here to read more.

House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy has a plan to reopen Congress. Click here to read more.

Congressional members and staff are returning to a new normal in Washington. Click here to read more.

In a rare agreement, **Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and Speaker Nancy Pelosi** declined an offer from the White House for rapid COVID-19 tests, requesting they be sent to where there is the greatest need. <u>Click here to read more.</u>

Experts believe COVID-19 won't lead to any lasting changes to state government, as each party is sticking to beliefs held by their side of the aisle. 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 2020-72 -Extend until May 31 the rules regarding entry to care facilities and requires employees to wear face coverings when they are within the facility. EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020 - 71 - Extends a prior order requiring safety measures to protect employees and consumers at grocery stores and pharmacies through May 29.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-70 – Allow the May 7 resumption of low-risk work, including construction, real estate, and work traditionally performed outdoors.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-69 – Expands the temporary closure on place of public accommodation through May 28.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-68 – Declares a state of emergency and a state of disaster under the Emergency Management Act through May 28.

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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