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MICHIGAN

Daily Cases: 447
Total Cases: 44,397
Daily Deaths: 44
Total Deaths: 4,179

OHIO

Daily Cases: 463
Total Cases: 20,072
Daily Deaths: 63
Total Deaths: 1,038

INDIANA

Daily Cases: 541
Total Cases: 21,033
Daily Deaths: 62
Total Deaths: 1,213

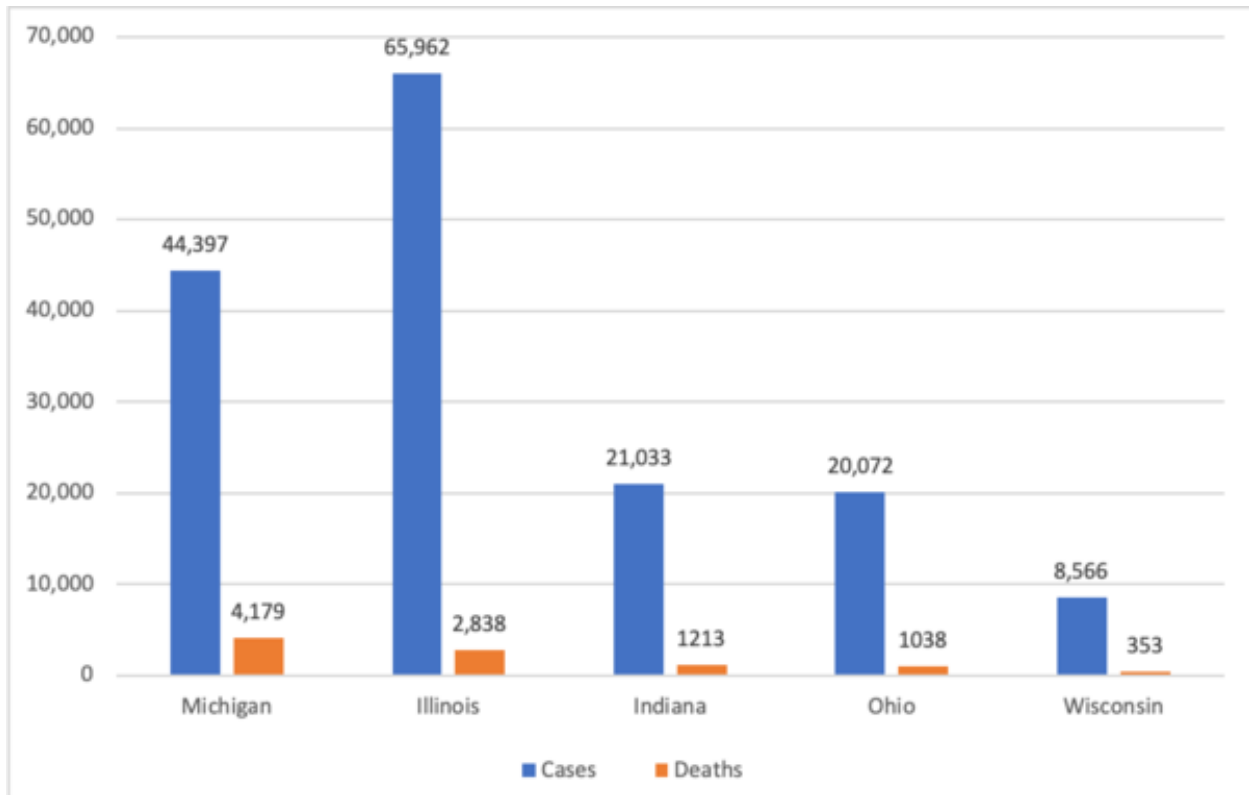
ILLINOIS

Daily Cases: 2,122
Total Cases: 65,962
Daily Deaths: 176
Total Deaths: 2,838

WISCONSIN

Daily Cases: 330
Total Cases: 8,566
Daily Deaths: 13
Total Deaths: 353

Statistics updated 05/05/2020



A Useful Resource for Thoughtful Information

MLC President Tim Ward

COVID-19 and coronavirus information is coming at us from government officials, medical personnel, talking heads, and others. Seemingly it's 24/7, through online news outlets, social media, TV news, simply everywhere we turn.

MLC provides this daily update 5 days a week in a manner designed to give you the big picture. With 3 major sections – running statistics of Midwest states, top national news, and top state news including Governor Whitmer's executive orders. We hope this allows you to stay informed and still leave plenty of time for your other interests.

However, there is another source I'd like to share with you if you are not already visiting the site. It is well researched and thoughtfully written. The site is [GatesNotes](#), the blog of Bill Gates. If information designed for "the long haul" on the topic is of interest to you, saving this one in your favorites might be the touch of sanity which can help you gain important perspective on what we're all facing together.



Attorney General Comments on Executive Orders

Last week, the legislature chose to not vote on extending prior Executive Orders requiring residents to stay-at-home and placing restrictions on places of public accommodations, which they stated was necessary for such orders to remain in effect. However, today Attorney General Dana Nessel released a statement that after conducting research, she found the Executive Orders extending both prior orders are enforceable by law enforcement officers.

To read the full letter, please [click here](#).

MICHIGAN ARTICLES

Despite strict social distancing measures, Michigan residents are still getting the virus. [Click here to read more.](#)

Republicans in the legislature state they still intend on suing Governor Whitmer over her use of executive powers. [Click here to read more.](#)

Grocery stores are starting to limit the amount of meat a customer can purchase as concerns over shortages gain traction. [Click here to read more.](#)

Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan provided an update to the city's response to the virus. [Click here to watch the video.](#)

NATIONAL ARTICLES

Congressman Paul Mitchell filed a lawsuit against Governor Whitmer, stating she has violated the rights of Michigan residents. [Click here to read more.](#)

As more states begin to lift restrictions on residents, the national projected death count has significantly increased. [Click here to read more.](#)

State collaborations to reopen states aren't working quite as originally intended. [Click here to read more.](#)

Congressional leadership is having trouble finding common ground on how to safely return to session. [Click here to read more.](#)

What is it like returning to work after a government lockdown? [Click here to read one person's account.](#)

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.](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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