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COVID-19 SPECIAL UPDATE 7.20.2020



MICHIGAN

Weekly Cases: 4,430
Total Cases: 74,152
Weekly Deaths: 51
Total Deaths: 6,126

OHIO

Weekly Cases: 9,039
Total Cases: 71,952
Weekly Deaths: 124
Total Deaths: 2,931

INDIANA

Weekly Cases: 5,169
Total Cases: 57,206
Weekly Deaths: 63
Total Deaths: 2,632

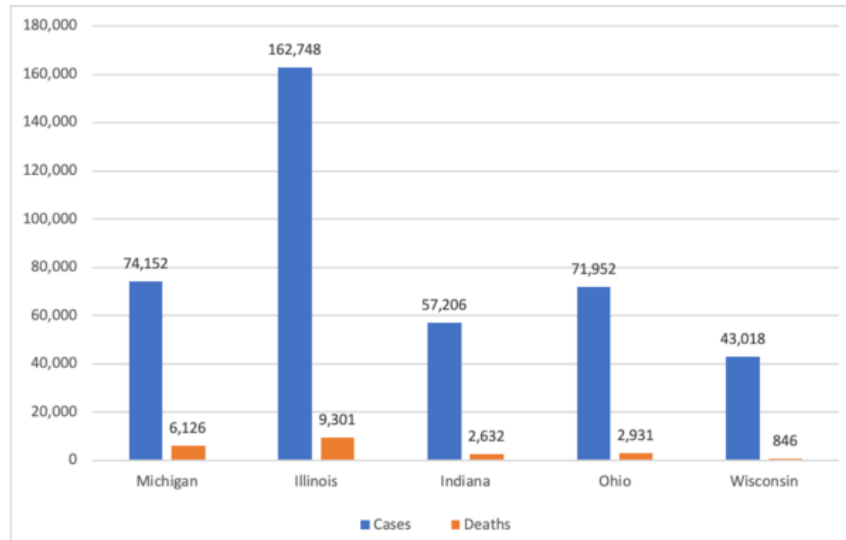
ILLINOIS

Weekly Cases: 7,949
Total Cases: 162,748
Weekly Deaths: 2,108
Total Deaths: 9,301

WISCONSIN

Weekly Cases: 6,076
Total Cases: 43,018
Weekly Deaths: 26
Total Deaths: 846

Statistics updated 07/20/2020



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

- **Executive Order 2020-151** - Extends the emergency declaration through August 11 at 11:59 p.m.
- **Executive Order 2020-152** - Extends prior order allowing student pharmacists to continue training under remote supervision.
- **Executive Order 2020-153** - Strengthens prior order requiring individuals to wear a mask while indoors or in crowded public spaces.
- **Executive Order 2020-154** - Consolidates and extends three previous orders providing temporary alternative means to conduct public meetings, administrative proceedings, and providing required notice under tax abatement statutes.



E.O. Provides Temporary Relief for Certain Administrative Rules and Procedures

Last week, Governor Whitmer signed Executive Order 2020-154, which extends and combines three prior orders. The new order:

- Allows public bodies subject to the Open Meetings Act, including boards, commissions, committees, subcommittees, authorities, councils and nonprofit boards, to use telephone- or video-conferencing methods to continue

meeting and conducting business during the COVID-19 public health crisis, so long as they follow certain procedures to ensure meaningful access and participation by members of the public body and the general public.

- Allows notice of any public hearing required to take place under a tax abatement statute to be provided electronically and by newspaper.
- Allows the Michigan Employment Relations Commission, Unemployment Insurance Agency, and other administrative hearings to be held by video conference or phone in place of in-person hearings.

MICHIGAN ARTICLES

Per **Governor Whitmer**, masks will not be required to vote in-person. [Click here to read more.](#)

The state's **high school athletic association** has stated sports will start this fall. [Click here to read more.](#)

Suppliers of virus protection items are anticipating an increase in demand as restrictions continue to ease. [Click here to read more.](#)

Governor Whitmer gave her latest press briefing on the state's response to the pandemic on July 15. [Click here to view the video.](#)

Businesses and nonprofits can apply for the Michigan Small Business Restart Program. [Click here to read more.](#)

NATIONAL ARTICLES

The pandemic is resulted in a boon to **small- and mid-sized farms**, will this continue post-pandemic? [Click here to read more.](#)

As cases continue to rise in the U.S., **other countries** are perplexed at how the U.S. is managing the pandemic. [Click here to read more.](#)

A **recent poll** shows that women over the age of 65 are most likely to wear a mask in public, with Democratic, college-educated women, wearing a mask 78% of the time. [Click here to read more results of the poll.](#)

Today **President Trump** will resume providing COVID-19 briefings. [Click here to read more.](#)

Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin stated the GOP starting point for another round of pandemic relief is \$1 trillion. [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 2020-150](#) - Any law or regulation that requires a health care professional to take an exam, be fingerprinted or take part in continuing education as a condition of obtaining or renewing a license, certification, registration is temporarily suspended.

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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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