

## Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

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### Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Illinois Test Results

Positive (Confirmed)	1285
Deaths	12
Total Persons Tested*	9868

\*Total # of persons reported electronically for testing of COVID-19 at IDPH, commercial or hospital laboratories.  
All numbers displayed are provisional and subject to change.  
Information regarding the number of persons under investigation updated on March 23, 2020.  
Information to be updated Daily.

### COVID-19 Illinois Positive Cases

\*Some data has yet to be provided by commercial laboratories (including counties). IDPH is working with commercial labs to obtain the necessary data. As that information is identified, the map will be updated appropriately.

The Illinois Department of Public Health, local health departments, and public health partners throughout Illinois, and federal agencies, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), are responding to an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel coronavirus called COVID-19 that was first identified in December 2019 during an outbreak in Wuhan, China. COVID-19 has spread throughout the world, including the United States, since it was detected and was declared a public health emergency for the U.S. on January 31, 2020 to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to the threat. The World Health Organization announced March 11, 2020 that the spread of coronavirus qualifies as a global pandemic.

In addition, Gov. JB Pritzker issued a disaster proclamation March 9, 2020 regarding COVID-19 that gives the state access to federal and state resources to combat the spread of this newly emerged virus.

The first case of COVID-19 in the United States was reported January 21, 2020 and the first confirmed case in Illinois was announced January 24, 2020 (a Chicago resident). The first cases outside Chicago and Cook County were reported March 11, 2020 in Kane and McHenry counties. The current count of cases of COVID-19 in the United States is available on the CDC webpage at [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html). Illinois case totals and test results are listed below.

Person-to-person spread of COVID-19 appears to be mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It also may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes. Signs and symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Preliminary data suggest older adults and people with underlying health conditions or compromised immune systems seems to be at greater risk of developing serious illness from the virus.

If you are sick and have respiratory symptoms, such as fever, cough, and shortness of breath, stay home unless you need medical attention. Remain in your home until you feel better and have no symptoms. Keep in mind there is no treatment for

COVID-19 and people who are mildly ill can isolate at home. While at home, as much as possible, stay in a specific room and away from other people. Those who need medical attention should contact their health care provider who will evaluate whether they can be cared for at home or need to be hospitalized.

This is a rapidly evolving situation and information will be updated as needed here and on the CDC website at [cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html).

For general questions about COVID-19 and Illinois' response and guidance, call 1-800-889-3931 or email [DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV](mailto:DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV).

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## **Governor Issues Disaster Proclamation**

JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, in the interest of aiding the people of Illinois and the local governments responsible for ensuring public health and safety issues a Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation in response to the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) situation.

This proclamation will assist Illinois agencies in coordinating State and Federal resources, including the Strategic National Stockpile of medicines and protective equipment, to support local governments in preparation for any action that may be necessary related to the potential impact of COVID-19 in the State of Illinois.

[Read proclamation](#)

## **Latest Executive Orders Related to COVID-19**

### **Executive Order Number 10**

**STAY AT HOME** — All individuals must stay at home, with exceptions for essential activities, essential government functions, and essential businesses and operations. All non-essential business and operations must cease, aside from Minimum Basic Operations. Business can continue with employees working from home. Local government units across the state must halt all evictions, and gatherings of more than 10 people are prohibited.

[Executive Order Number 20-10 \(Spanish\)](#)

### **Executive Order Number 9**

**TELEHEALTH** — All health insurers regulated by the Department of Insurance are required to cover telehealth services and reimburse providers at the same rate as in-person visits and are prohibited from imposing any cost-sharing for in-network providers.

[Executive Order Number 20-09](#)

### **Executive Order Number 8**

**SECRETARY OF STATE OPERATIONS** — During the duration of the disaster proclamation and 30 days thereafter, the urgent need to address the expiration of vehicle registrations, driver's licenses, permits, parking decals, Illinois identification cards and hearings pursuant to the Illinois Vehicle Code is suspended, as are the filing of statements of economic interest.

[Executive Order Number 20-08 \(Arabic\)](#) [\(Polish\)](#) [\(Chinese\)](#) [\(Spanish\)](#) [\(Hindi\)](#)

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