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Public Health Officials Announce 2,742 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus Disease

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) today reported 2,742 new confirmed cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including 13 additional confirmed deaths.

- Clay County: 1 female 80s, 1 female 100+
- Cook County: 1 female 50s, 2 males 60s, 1 female 70s
- Douglas County: 1 male 80s
- Fayette County: 1 male 70s
- Monroe County: 1 female 80s
- Peoria County: 1 male 70s
- Richland County: 1 male 80s
- Rock Island County: 1 female 60s
- Will County: 1 male 70s,

Currently, IDPH is reporting a total of 321,892 cases, including 8,997 deaths, in 102 counties in Illinois. The age of cases ranges from younger than one to older than 100 years. The preliminary seven-day statewide positivity for cases as a percent of total test from October 5 – October 11 is 4.3%. Within the past 24 hours, laboratories have reported 47,579 specimens for a total of 6,355,261. As of last night, 1,764 people in Illinois were reported to be in the hospital with COVID-19. Of those, 377 patients were in the ICU and 153 patients with COVID-19 were on ventilators.

Following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, IDPH is now reporting separately both confirmed and probable cases and deaths on its [website](#). Reporting probable cases will help show the potential burden of COVID-19 illness and efficacy of population-based non-pharmaceutical interventions. IDPH will update these data once a week.

*All data are provisional and will change. In order to rapidly report COVID-19 information to the public, data are being reported in real-time. Information is constantly being entered into an electronic system and the number of cases and deaths can change as additional information is gathered. Information for deaths previously reported has changed, therefore, today's numbers have been adjusted. For health questions about COVID-19, call the hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email dph.sick@illinois.gov.

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