



COVID-19 OUTBREAK

COVID-19 BRIEFING - 313.1

JULY 18, 2022

For Operational Period: July 11, 2022—July 18, 2022

WORLDWIDE

557,917,904 Cases

6,358,595 Deaths

UNITED STATES

89,067,445 Cases

1,018,578 Deaths

MICHIGAN

2,287,765 Cases

34,048 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

280,337 Cases

4,167 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Current data suggest that BA.4 and BA.5 spread more easily than previous Omicron lineages and have been on the rise for weeks. BA.5 is predominant in the United States —**CDC**
- Boosters —people are protected best from severe COVID-19 illness when they stay up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines which includes getting all recommended boosters when eligible—**CDC**
- **Wayne County** community level is currently **Low**
- OWC— www.waynecounty.com/COVID19dashboard for latest community updates.
- New variants of a virus happen because the virus that causes COVID-19 constantly changes through a natural ongoing process of mutation (change). As the virus spreads it has more opportunities to change. High vaccination coverage in a population reduces the spread of the virus and helps prevent new variants from emerging —**CDC**
- COVID-19 vaccine boosters can further enhance or restore protection that might have decreased over time after your primary series vaccination—**CDC**
- You are considered up-to-date if you have completed your primary series and have received 1 booster but not recommended a 2nd booster—**CDC**
- Not all places that offer adult vaccines, like pharmacies, are able to vaccinate children under 3 however they are primarily administered at local health departments and pediatrician offices and may be a good idea to call ahead for appointments—**CDC**
- If you test positive for COVID-19 or if you have been exposed it is important that you immediately take steps to get the care you need and avoid giving COVID-19 to people around you. A person can be contagious two days before symptoms appear (or two days before test date if positive and no symptoms) through the end of the isolation period—**MDHHS**
- Wash your hands often. Use soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If you do not have soap and water use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol—**CDC**
- Globally, the number of weekly COVID-19 cases has increased for the third consecutive week, after a declining trend was observed since the last peak in March 2022. During the week of 20 to 26 June 2022, over 4.1 million cases were reported, an 18% increase as compared to the previous week —**WHO**

ACTIONS TAKEN

- The Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHOC) is at FULL ACTIVATION.

USEFUL RESOURCES

[MI COVID Alert](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Return to School Roadmap](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Wayne County](#)

Michigan.gov/coronavirus

[Small Business Best Practices](#)

[MDHHS Epidemic Orders](#)

[COVID-19 Educational Materials](#)

[Find a Vaccine Site Near You](#)

Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 and TTY 1-800-787-3224

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