



COVID-19 OUTBREAK

COVID-19 BRIEFING - 257.1

MAY 17, 2021

For Operational Period: May 10-16, 2021

WORLDWIDE

163,786,467 Cases

3,394,817 Deaths

UNITED STATES

33,715,951 Cases

600,147 Deaths

MICHIGAN

976,339 Cases

19,790 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

99,801 Cases

2,430 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- MDHHS is recommending that providers begin vaccinating adolescents 12 to 15 years of age following a vote by the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices supporting that recommendation. It is also recommended that the COVID vaccine can now be administered at the same time, or on the same day, as other vaccines in both children and adults.—
Michigan.gov
- Governor Whitmer announced that MDHHS has updated the Gatherings and Mask Order to align with the CDC's latest guidance on face coverings. The new order took effect on Saturday, May 15 at 9AM. On Thursday (May 13th), the CDC released updated guidance recommending "fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask or physically distance in any setting, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance."—**Michigan.gov**
- On Monday (May 10th), Governor Whitmer announced that 55% of Michiganders have received their first dose of the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine. The announcement marks the first milestone of the 'MI Vacc to Normal' plan, which would enable in-person work to resume across all employment sectors on May 24. Governor Whitmer released a video on social media congratulating Michiganders for achieving this important step and encouraged others to get vaccinated to help us get back to normal.—**Michigan.gov**
- Michiganders who meet income eligibility requirements or have been financially impacted by COVID-19 will be able to receive financial help to pay for home broadband connections and internet-enabled devices as the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rolls out the Emergency Broadband Benefit program recently approved by Congress. Federal lawmakers appropriated \$3.2 billion to help low-income households pay for home broadband service and equipment. Through the new program, eligible consumers may receive a \$50 monthly discount on their broadband bill - \$75 a month for eligible consumers living on qualifying tribal lands.—**Michigan.gov**

ACTIONS TAKEN

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

USEFUL RESOURCES

[MI COVID Alert](#)

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[Return to School Roadmap](#)

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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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