



# COVID-19 OUTBREAK

## COVID-19 BRIEFING - 243.1

FEBRUARY 08, 2021

For Operational Period: February 01-07, 2021

### WORLDWIDE

107,751,933 Cases

2,328,754 Deaths

### UNITED STATES

27,611,403 Cases

474,933 Deaths

### MICHIGAN

620,685 Cases

15,854 Deaths

### OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

62,568 Cases

2,022 Deaths

## SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Volunteers and police officers in several parts of England began knocking on people's doors to hand out COVID-19 testing kits to try to halt the spread of a highly infectious variant that originated in South Africa. The testing surge was announced by the government on Monday (Feb. 1) after 11 people in different regions tested positive for the variant without having any links to people who had travelled to South Africa. In total, Britain has found 105 cases of the variant. The campaign will involve testing 80,000 people across eight different areas—where the 11 concerning cases were found.—**Reuters**
- The Biden Administration announced additional steps to increase the vaccine supply to states to 10.5 million doses nationwide and provide reimbursement to states for actions to combat COVID-19. The administration has also granted 100 percent retroactive coverage until August 2020 for state National Guard efforts related to COVID-19 response activities.—**Michigan.gov**
- In an effort to reach more Michiganders in need of COVID-19 testing and other public health services, the MDHHS is partnering with Wayne State University and Wayne Health to provide mobile COVID-19 testing. MDHHS is also seeking to expand this program to four other communities in the coming months. This new program allows three mobile units to move between sites and serve communities at the highest risk. Locations are chosen in part to help address racial and ethnic disparities that had existed prior to the pandemic and were exacerbated by the virus – a focus of the Racial Disparities Task Force.—**Michigan.gov**
- MDHHS updated its current [epidemic order](#) to allow contact sports to resume as of Monday, Feb. 8, provided masks are worn during practices and competition. If masks cannot be worn, participants must be regularly tested for COVID-19 consistent with guidelines issued by MDHHS. Safety protocols like wearing masks and testing will help keep kids, coaches and families safe and allow our schools to remain open for in-person instruction. The order remains in effect through Monday, March 29.—**Michigan.gov**

## 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](#)

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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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