

SITUATION REPORT	INCIDENT	OPERATIONAL PERIOD	REPORTING UNIT	FORM
External	COVID-19	START: 09/15/20 0800 END: 09/15/20 1800	PADOH	ICS 209 - Short

CLEARED FOR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**CURRENT SITUATION**

PADOH continues coordination efforts with FEMA, PEMA, and other state agencies through the Department Operations Center (DOC) to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19. DOH focus remains on Long-term care facility outbreaks and joint agency planning for potential COVID-19 impacts on the school system.

PADOH updated both the County and PA COVID-19 dashboards to provide public awareness. The county dashboard can be found here: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/County-Dashboard.aspx>

The COVID-19 dashboard can be found here:

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Dashboard.aspx>

Currently, there are **146,214 (+1,151)** positive cases and **7,875 (+6)** deaths in Pennsylvania. As of September 15, 2020, there have been positive cases at **956 (+3)** LTC/PCH facilities, 43 jails/prisons, and **331 (+1)** food industry facilities. 82% of all Pennsylvania positive cases are considered recovered. A recovered case is one that has not been reported as a death and is more than 30 days past the date of the positive test or onset of symptoms.

As of 1600 on September 15, 2020, there were **6,590,827 (+51,344)** cases in the U.S, and **29,391,667 (+264,231)** worldwide. There have been **195,386 (+1,047)** deaths in the U.S. and **930,700 (+4,951)** throughout the world.

Epidemiological investigations and contact tracing continue throughout the state to determine potential exposure of additional persons. The PA state lab has increased capacity to account for the testing surge. Commercial and medical system labs are on-line and testing for COVID-19.

CASE COUNTS**Pennsylvania Counts/Casualties and Distribution**

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County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths
Adams	749	25	Elk	66	2	Montour	161	5
Allegheny	11,358	335	Erie	1,435	37	Northampton	4,277	304
Armstrong	386	13	Fayette	750	7	Northumberland	811	44
Beaver	1,796	110	Forest	14	0	Perry	190	6
Bedford	213	6	Franklin	1,677	49	Philadelphia	30,550	1,792
Berks	6,641	386	Fulton	41	2	Pike	557	21
Blair	536	13	Greene	160	1	Potter	25	0
Bradford	114	3	Huntingdon	393	6	Schuylkill	1,044	52
Bucks	8,349	596	Indiana	553	11	Snyder	224	3
Butler	945	21	Jefferson	104	2	Somerset	195	3
Cambria	527	7	Juniata	169	6	Sullivan	10	0
Cameron	8	0	Lackawanna	2,329	215	Susquehanna	288	28
Carbon	439	28	Lancaster	7,354	447	Tioga	53	3
Centre	1,449	11	Lawrence	487	21	Union	439	6
Chester	6,321	356	Lebanon	1,857	58	Venango	77	1

Clarion	112	3	Lehigh	5,409	345	Warren	43	1
Clearfield	288	1	Luzerne	3,966	189	Washington	1,232	28
Clinton	176	5	Lycoming	596	23	Wayne	204	10
Columbia	843	35	McKean	51	2	Westmoreland	1,993	49
Crawford	257	3	Mercer	659	13	Wyoming	72	8
Cumberland	1,696	73	Mifflin	198	1	York	4,258	134
Dauphin	3,597	169	Monroe	1,766	129			
Delaware	10,967	744	Montgomery	11,710	868			

Source: PA-NEDSS & EDRS

Bed Availability Percentages by HCC Region

	Adult ICU	Medical/ Surgical	Pediatric ICU	Pediatric	Airborne Isolation
Statewide	26.1	20.2	17.1	33.5	39.7
East Central	28.8	28.0	50.0	43.1	87.3
Southwest	25.4	24.1	26.1	18.0	35.8
Keystone	27.7	14.8	11.1	34.9	50.2
North Central	26.1	45.1	N/A	60.0	71.8
Northeast	17.5	10.2	15.4	19.7	37.3
Northern Tier	29.8	27.9	N/A	48.3	44.4
Southeast	26.4	18.4	14.1	54.3	26.5

Source: CORVENA

Timeline:

August 6, 2020 – Governor Wolf recommended all Pre-K-12 school and recreational youth sports be postponed until at least January 1, 2021

August 19, 2020 – Contact Tracing Mobile App pilot program begins – app will be available early September

August 25, 2020 – Dr. Levine announced Pennsylvania's COVID-19 Mobile Response Unit, CATE (Community-Accessible Testing and Education), to provide testing and education to minority and underserved communities. Governor Wolf also presented his fall legislative agenda for COVID-19 support and recovery.

September 1, 2020 – Governor Wolf signed the second renewal of the COVID-19 Disaster Declaration for State Response and Recovery. All DHS licensed care facilities completed universal testing by the August 31, 2020 deadline.

September 3, 2020 – Secretary Levine released updated skilled nursing facility guidance, including updated routine testing strategies

September 8, 2020 – Governor Wolf announced that restaurants can increase indoor occupancy back to 50% starting September 21, 2020

Additional chronology of DOH actions and announcements is available at: <https://www.media.pa.gov/Pages/Health.aspx>

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Delivery of resources ongoing
- Continued work towards planning for site assessments and universal testing at LTC facilities
- Continued development/enhancement of the Universal Testing Request process
- Ongoing revisions/edits for COVID-19 Vaccine Plan draft

CHALLENGES

- Addressing PPE issues

- Addressing needs of LTC facilities and other congregate settings

PLANNED ACTIVITIES (NEXT 24 – 72 HOURS)

- County and Municipal Health Department calls held weekly, as needed
- Coordinate messaging and information requests from state agencies
- Disseminate a health alert (HAN) on updated CDC guidance as necessary
- Continue local and regional planning support efforts with partner state agencies

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Effective June 28, 2020, the DOC will be closed on Sundays
- Coronavirus informational webpage on PA DOH website live [here](#)
- Public inquiry resource account: RA-DHCOVIDQUESTIONS@pa.gov