

From the Pennsylvania Department of Health

Dauphin County now has 3,144 COVID19 cases, including 161 deaths and 8 inpatients.

Dauphin County's healthcare providers report 22 of 65 ventilators are in use, including by 2 of the COVID19 inpatients.

Long Term Care Facilities have reported 810 (including 161 employees) and 145 of the County's COVID19 cases (25.76%) and deaths (90.06%), respectively.

Dauphin County's rolling 14-day data is reflected in the following table:

ROLLING 14-DAY COVID-19 STATISTICS, DAUPHIN COUNTY, PA											
DATA REPORTED DATE	NEGATIVES TO DATE	NEGATIVES DAILY	POSITIVES TO DATE	POSITIVES DAILY	TESTS TO DATE	TESTS DAILY	POS RATE TO DATE	POS RATE DAILY	% POP TESTED TO DATE	DEATHS TO DATE	DEATHS DAILY
24-Aug	33123	339	3144	22	36267	361	8.67	6.09	13.09	161	0
23-Aug	32784	303	3122	18	35906	321	8.69	5.61	12.96	161	0
22-Aug	32481	181	3104	31	35585	212	8.72	14.62	12.84	161	0
21-Aug	32300	247	3073	10	35373	257	8.69	3.89	12.77	161	0
20-Aug	32053	502	3063	29	35116	531	8.72	5.78	12.67	161	0
19-Aug	31551	445	3034	20	34585	465	8.77	4.3	12.48	161	0
18-Aug	31106	175	3014	19	34120	194	8.83	9.79	12.31	161	1
17-Aug	30931	258	2995	13	33926	271	8.83	4.8	12.24	160	0
16-Aug	30673	300	2982	19	33655	319	8.86	5.96	12.15	160	0
15-Aug	30373	332	2963	23	33336	355	8.89	6.48	12.03	160	0
14-Aug	30041	300	2940	26	32981	326	8.91	7.98	11.9	160	0
13-Aug	29741	309	2914	41	32655	350	8.92	11.71	11.78	160	1
12-Aug	29432	290	2873	23	32305	313	8.89	7.35	11.66	159	0
11-Aug	29142	383	2850	21	31992	404	8.91	5.2	11.55	159	0
14 DAY AVERAGE or DIFF	3981	311.71	294	22.50	4275	334.21	-0.30	7.11	12.32	2	0.14
NOTE: % POP TESTED IS TESTS TO DATE PER 277,097											

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 24, 2020

**Department of Health Provides Update on COVID-19, 426 Positives
Bring Statewide Total to 129,474**

Harrisburg, PA - The Pennsylvania Department of Health today confirmed as of 12:00 a.m., August 24, that there are 426 additional positive cases of COVID-19, bringing the statewide total to 129,474. All 67 counties in Pennsylvania have cases of COVID-19.

The number of tests administered within the last 7 days between August 17 and August 23 is 157,052 with 4,588 positive cases. There were 14,973 test results reported to the department through 10 p.m., August 23. These results represent the total number of tests administered.

There are 7,579 total deaths attributed to COVID-19, an increase of 1 new death reported. County-specific information and a statewide map are available on the [COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#).

“The mitigation efforts in place now are essential as the new school year approaches and we work to ensure our children can get back to learning,” Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine said. “Wearing a mask, practicing social distancing, and following the requirements set forth in the orders for bars and restaurants, gatherings and telework will help keep our case counts low. Together, as Pennsylvanians, we each have a part to play in working to ensure that cases of COVID-19 remain low.”

Mask-wearing is required in all businesses and whenever leaving home. Consistent mask-wearing is critical to preventing the spread of COVID-19.

There are 645 patients who have a positive serology test and either COVID-19 symptoms or a high-risk exposure, which are considered probable cases and not confirmed cases. There are 1,433,364 patients who have tested negative to date. Of the patients who have tested positive to date the age breakdown is as follows:

- 1% are ages 0-4;
- Nearly 2% are ages 5-12;
- Nearly 4% are ages 13-18;
- Nearly 10% are ages 19-24;
- Nearly 38% are ages 25-49;
- Nearly 23% are ages 50-64; and
- Nearly 24% are ages 65 or older.

Most of the patients hospitalized are ages 65 or older, and most of the deaths have occurred in patients 65 or older. More data is available [here](#).

The department is seeing significant increases in the number of COVID-19 cases among younger age groups, particularly 19 to 24-year-olds. [An alert was sent to healthcare providers](#) about the changing COVID-19 case demographics, as there are more cases in younger age groups than in those 50-64 and 65+. The following regions saw significant increases among 19 to 24-year-olds in each month from April to present in August:

- SE – Nearly 5 percent of cases in April to nearly 18 percent of cases so far in August;
- NE – 6 percent of cases in April to approximately 17 percent of cases so far in August;
- SW – Approximately 5 percent of cases in April to nearly 12 percent of cases so far in August;
- SC – Approximately 7 percent of cases in April to approximately 12 percent of cases so far in August;

- NW – Nearly 7 percent of cases in April to nearly 10 percent of cases so far in August; and
- NC – Approximately 7 percent of cases in April to approximately 9 percent of cases so far in August.

In nursing and personal care homes, there are 20,730 resident cases of COVID-19, and 4,394 cases among employees, for a total of 25,124 at 919 distinct facilities in 61 counties. Out of our total deaths, 5,127 have occurred in residents from nursing or personal care facilities. A county breakdown can be found [here](#).

Approximately 9,341 of our total cases are amongst health care workers.

For the latest information for individuals, families, businesses and schools, visit “Responding to COVID-19” on [pa.gov](#).

Currently, all 67 counties are in the green phase of reopening.

The Wolf Administration stresses the role Pennsylvanians play in helping to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Cover any coughs or sneezes with your elbow, not your hands.
- Clean surfaces frequently.
- Stay home to avoid spreading COVID-19, especially if you are unwell.
- If you must go out, you are required to wear a mask when in a business or where it is difficult to maintain proper social distancing.

Updated Coronavirus Links: Press Releases, State Lab Photos, Graphics

- [Daily COVID-19 Report](#)
- [Press releases regarding coronavirus](#)
- [Latest information on the coronavirus](#)
- [Photos of the state’s lab in Exton](#) (for download and use)
- [Coronavirus and preparedness graphics](#) (located at the bottom of the page)

- [Community preparedness and procedures materials](#)
- [Map with the number of COVID-19 cases](#)

All Pennsylvania residents are encouraged to sign up for AlertPA, a text notification system for health, weather, and other important alerts like COVID-19 updates from commonwealth agencies. Residents can sign up online at www.ready.pa.gov/BeInformed/Signup-For-Alerts.