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Crisis Communication Team Press Update

As of today's release, the Joint Crisis Communication Team (CCT) reports the following numbers:

COVID-19 Macon County, Illinois

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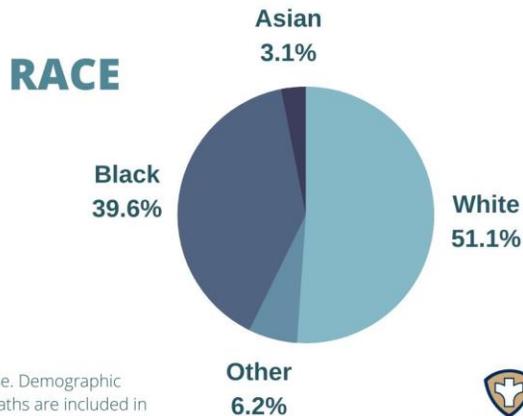
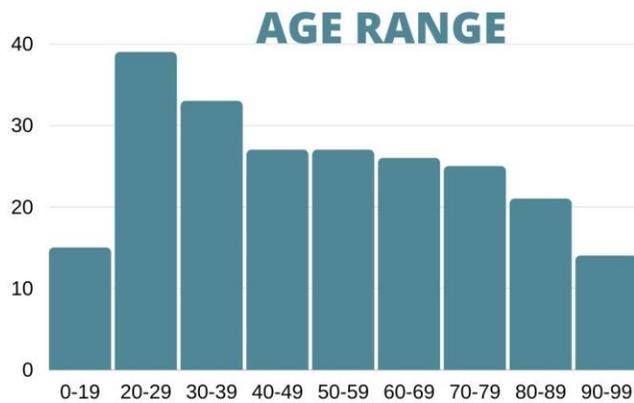
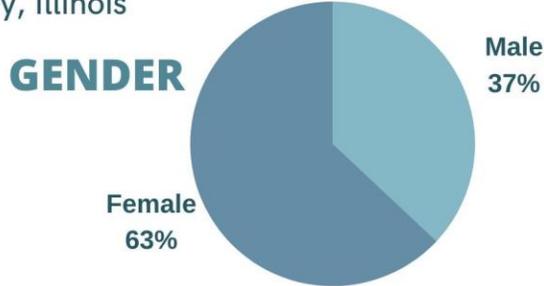
Confirmed Cases
227

Released from Isolation
179

Home Isolation
24

Hospitalized
2

Deaths
22



All numbers reflect status at time of release. Demographic information reflects confirmed cases only. Deaths are included in the number of confirmed cases. All numbers displayed are provisional and are subject to change.



Please note that the number of tests performed will be reported each Monday and Friday. Thus far, 7,258 tests have been performed in Macon County. Since yesterday's release, we have had zero newly-confirmed cases of COVID-19. Therefore, our overall number remains at 227 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Macon County.

We encourage all community members to implement social distancing and face covering best practices to limit the spread of COVID-19. People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms. If you experience symptoms of COVID-19 with which you are concerned, please call your primary care physician first. Do not show up at a hospital emergency room or doctor's office unless it is a true emergency.

Individuals without a primary care physician can call:

- DMH Medical Group: (217) 876-2856
- HSHS Medical Group Patient Advocate: 844-520-8897
- Crossing Healthcare: (217) 877-9117
- SIU: (217) 872-3800

For COVID-19 screening, please call one of the following:

- Crossing Healthcare: (217) 877-9117
- HSHS St. Mary's Hospital 24/7 COVID-19 Hotline: (217) 464-2966
- HSHS Medical Group offers free virtual assessments for COVID-19 at www.anytimecare.com.

Anyone entering healthcare facilities should be prepared to be screened before entering.

PSA: Camp Safely

Camping is a fun way to get family and friends together to enjoy the outdoors. Take a few minutes to help ensure your camping trip is safe and healthy.

- Ask your health care provider if you are up-to-date on recommended vaccinations before your camping trip. Make an appointment to get them if needed.
- Pack healthy snacks, water, adequate clothes, and a first-aid kit.
- Never leave a campfire unattended. Before you leave, be sure you put out your campfire completely.
- Put on protective gear, such as helmets, sturdy shoes, and life jackets, depending on the activity.
- Prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. Never use fuel-burning equipment, such as gas stoves, heaters, lanterns, and charcoal grills, inside or near a tent, camper, or other enclosed shelter.
- Some wild animals carry diseases that are dangerous to people. Enjoy watching wild animals from a safe distance in their natural surroundings.
- Put on insect repellent containing 20% or more DEET.
- Wear light colored clothing so you can see ticks better. Check yourself, your family, and your pets for ticks, and remove them promptly.

- Protect yourself from the sun. Put on sunscreen with at least SPF 15, and cover up with clothing, a wide-brimmed hat, and sunglasses.

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