













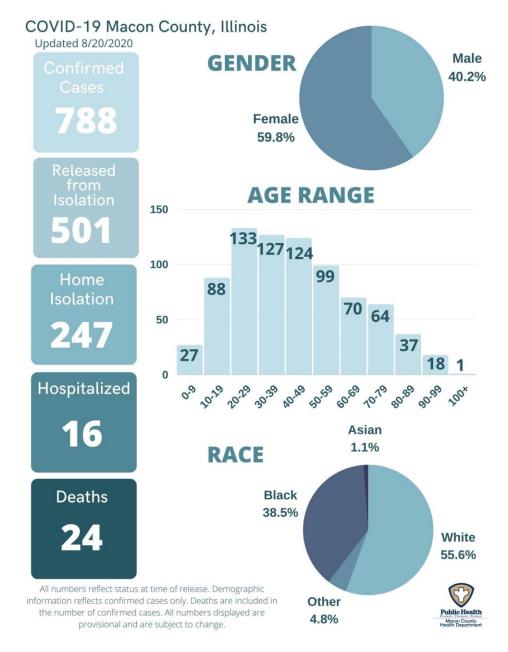


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Crisis Communication Team Press Update

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



Since the previous release, we have had 5 newly-confirmed cases of COVID-19. Therefore, our overall number is 788 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. <u>People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms</u>. 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.

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