



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**September 8, 2020**

**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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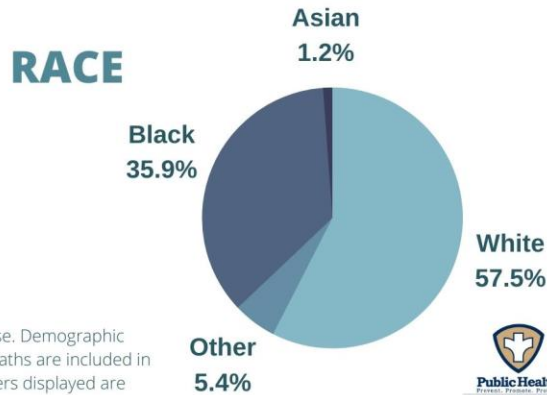
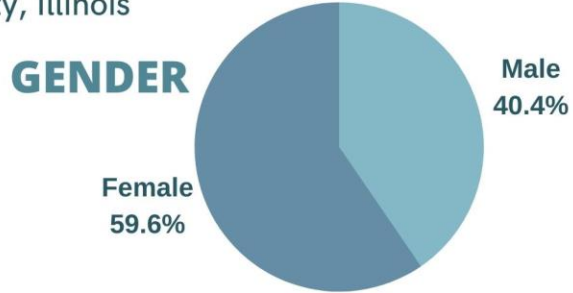
Confirmed Cases  
**1,130**

Released from Isolation  
**637**

Home Isolation  
**452**

Hospitalized  
**9**

Deaths  
**32**



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.



The Joint Crisis Communication Team is saddened to announce the passing of three Macon County residents with COVID-19. One resident was a male in his 60s. Two residents were males in their 70s. Our team would like to extend our sincere condolences to the families and friends of each of these people, and we ask that they are given respect and privacy as they mourn the loss of their loved ones.

As depicted in the infographic released today, there have been 13 newly-confirmed cases of COVID-19. Since the start of the pandemic, 1,130 Macon County residents have tested positive for COVID-19. There have been 31,474 Macon County residents tested for COVID-19.

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

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

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