

## OH Gov. DeWine COVID-19 update\_9.1.2020

Tuesday, Sept. 1	118048 Confirmed Cases	124610 Total Cases (CDC)	1453 New Cases	13479 Number of Hospitalizations	2975 ICU Admissions	3879 Confirmed Deaths	4165 Total Deaths (CDC)
Monday, August 31	116666 Confirmed Cases	123157 Total Cases (CDC)	895 New Cases	13376 Number of Hospitalizations	2961 ICU Admissions	3854 Confirmed Deaths	4138 Total Deaths (CDC)
Sunday, August 30	115806 Confirmed Cases	122262 Total Cases (CDC)	922 New Cases	13317 Number of Hospitalizations	2954 ICU Admissions	3844 Confirmed Deaths	4128 Total Deaths (CDC)
Saturday, August 29	114911 Confirmed Cases	121340 Total Cases (CDC)	1216 New Cases	13288 Number of Hospitalizations	2952 ICU Admissions	3842 Confirmed Deaths	4126 Total Deaths (CDC)
Friday, August 28	113725 Confirmed Cases	120124 Total Cases (CDC)	1296 New Cases	13221 Number of Hospitalizations	2946 ICU Admissions	3819 Confirmed Deaths	4105 Total Deaths (CDC)

Updated daily at 2 p.m. - <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

### New orders/actions

- The next press conference will be Thursday, September 3.

The Governor noted that today's new case count – 1453 – is the highest count seen since the end of July. He attributed much of it to students returning to colleges and schools. Governor DeWine thanked the universities for doing their part to test and quarantine students. Governor DeWine was joined by college students from Bowling Green State University and The Ohio State University to share how their return to class has gone.

Governor DeWine again said that the opening of local schools will mean more cases and that no one should be surprised given the community spread currently in the state. He added that reports of those cases in schools will mean that schools are doing their job of tracing and reporting on positive cases. The governor added that they are still working on an order outlining how schools will report cases to local and state authorities, parents and the public. Once the order is complete, it will be posted on the state's [coronavirus website](#).

The top 10 counties by cases per 100,000 residents over the last two weeks – Putman, Darke, Jackson, Meigs, Mercer, Henry, Shelby, Butler, Montgomery, and Auglaize – continue to be mostly rural counties and spread geographically around the state – Montgomery County is the sole urban county. Spread continues to be seen from social gatherings where health protocols are not being followed.

Governor DeWine cautioned everyone to remain vigilant over the Labor Day holiday. He noted that the state's highest case numbers and test positivity rates were seen in mid-July after the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

The Governor opened the press conference by discussing highway traffic safety. July 2020 was the most deadly on Ohio's highways since 2007. He encouraged the General Assembly to pass Senate Bill 285 to make distracted driving a primary offense. DeWine was also joined by Col. Richard Fambro of the Ohio State Highway Patrol to discuss a new highway safety council that the Governor is forming by issuance of an Executive Order. Director Jack Marchbanks of the Ohio Department of Transportation also joined to discuss increased air patrol of construction zones.

Governor DeWine again addressed the most recent incidences of gun violence happening around the state. He noted multiple headlines from around the state – based on news reports over the last week. During that time period, 39 individuals were shot, 15 killed.

The Governor also commended the US Marshals and many related parties for their efforts over the weekend to locate/rescue 25 missing children in northeast Ohio, a quarter of whom were confirmed to be related to human trafficking cases.

Lt. Governor Husted announced that 951 schools will be receiving grants from the \$50 million in federal CARES Act funding for purchasing broadband and technology equipment. Applications requested \$83 million in grants - each request was fulfilled up to \$20,000, with any requests above that amount fulfilled at \$20,000 + 60% of the amount requested beyond \$20,000. The Lt. Governor also shared that the pilot program for in-school telehealth that began in March to connect students with behavioral health providers in the Switzerland of Ohio School District in Monroe County. Husted noted that the state learned many lessons about how to run such a program and developed a blueprint for any school district that would like to implement such a program - <https://innovateohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/innovate/priorities/resources/broadband/telehealth-blueprint>. The Lt. Governor also noted that the Common Sense Initiative has been streamlining the regulation of broadband – such as making sure the same terms and definitions are used throughout – using a new Artificial Intelligence tool.

Lt. Governor Husted also unveiled a PSA from 99-year old WWII veteran Jim Martin asking everyone to wear a mask.

### Upcoming Calfee events

If you missed a prior webinar and would like to catch up, please visit: [Calfee Webinars](#)

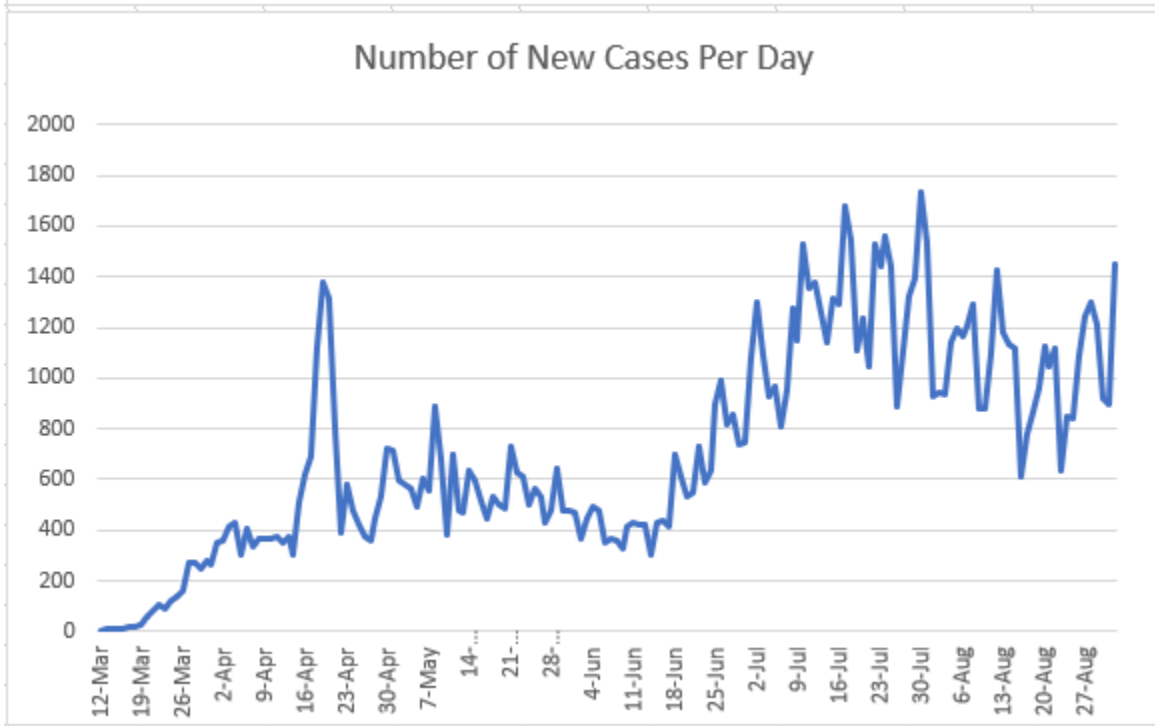
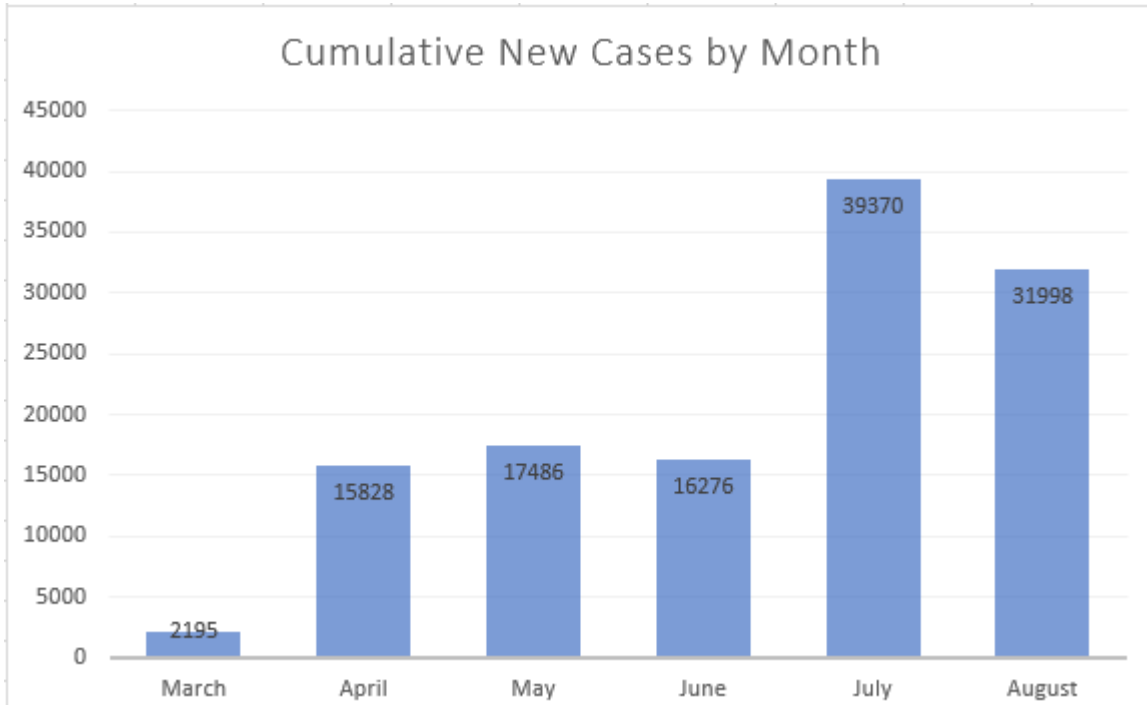
### Other items of note

- The House refused to concur in Senate amendments to House Bill 606, the civil liability immunity legislation earlier this afternoon. A conference committee – composed of Reps. Rick Carfagna (R-Westerville), Bill Seitz (R-Cincinnati) and Richard Brown (D-Canal Winchester), and Sens. Matt Huffman (R-Lima), John Eklund (R-Chardon) and Cecil Thomas (D-Cincinnati) – has been appointed.
- Former House Speaker Larry Householder (R-Glenford) said he is innocent of federal charges against him involving the passage of nuclear bailout legislation HB 6 (Callender-Wilkin) and defended passage of the bill as he showed up for Tuesday's House Session. "I'm not going to cause any problems. I'm just coming here to participate and vote for the people of my district and do my job," Householder told reporters.
- At least 6,014,000 cases of COVID-19 have been reported in the United States. The disease caused by the novel coronavirus has killed at least 180,000 people in the United States since February. The average daily death toll had declined from more than 2,000 per day in April to 456 per day in early July. But as people began to resume more normal activities, new COVID-19 cases soared, and deaths soon followed. By August the virus was killing an average of more than 1,000 people each day.
- New York Mayor Bill de Blasio announced he would delay the start of school by nearly two weeks amid pressure from teachers and principals, who feared there was not enough time to ensure that schools

were safe. His announcement came as the United Federation of Teachers, which represents the city’s teachers, was threatening to strike if New York did not comply with its health and safety demands, including universal testing and allowing union inspectors to scrutinize school buildings.

Ohio COVID-19 Data Curves

The following are graphic representations of reported cases using Ohio Department of Health data and expanded CDC definitions.



Friday – 2,134,656 tested – 24,706 new tests reported  
 Saturday – 2,164,697 tested – 30,041 new tests reported  
 Sunday – 2,190,404 tested – 25,707 new tests reported

Monday – 2,237,613 tested – 47,209 new tests reported  
Tuesday – 2,263,107 tested – 25,494 new tests reported

**Note:** For an archive of all COVID-19 related First Alerts from Calfee, which are separate from these emails and focused on specific business topics, please visit the Calfee COVID-19 Resource Center:  
<https://www.calfee.com/covid-19-resource-center>