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# COVID-19 OUTBREAK

## COVID-19 BRIEFING - 211.1

DECEMBER 05, 2020

For Operational Period: December 04-06, 2020

### WORLDWIDE

67,493,591 Cases  
1,543,629 Deaths

### UNITED STATES

15,159,529 Cases  
288,906 Deaths

### MICHIGAN

426,576 Cases  
10,321 Deaths

### OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

44,456 Cases  
1,420 Deaths

## SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Studies have found that vaccines for some pathogens, like pneumococcal bacteria, are to induce better immunity than the natural infection does. Early [evidence](#) suggests that the COVID-19 vaccines may fall into this category. Volunteers who received the Moderna shot had more antibodies — one marker of immune response — in their blood than did people who had been sick with COVID-19.—**The New York Times**
- Dr. Deborah Birx, the White House Coronavirus response coordinator, warned that the escalating coronavirus surge is likely to be the most trying event in U.S. history, as hospital systems around the country strain to combat its mounting daily death toll. "This is not just the worst public health event. This is the worst event that this country will face, not just from a public health side," said Dr. Brix.—**CNBC**
- COVID-19 is affecting hundreds of workers throughout the Henry Ford Health System. Henry Ford Health said 576 of about 33,000 employees are out of work because they either have COVID-19 or been exposed to coronavirus. Henry Ford Health System Executive Vice President and Chief Clinical Officer Dr. Adnan Munkarah said they are in quarantine. "We are very concerned with the staffing shortage," Munkarah said. Two of its six hospitals are more than 90% full.—**Click on Detroit**
- Governor Whitmer announced that the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is making Economic Injury Disaster Loans of up to \$2 million available to eligible small businesses, agricultural cooperatives, and nonprofits impacted by frost and freeze that occurred in May of this year. SBA extended the loans following the Secretarial Disaster Declaration obtained by Governor Whitmer from U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Sonny Perdue in September.—**Michigan.gov**

## ACTIONS TAKEN

- The Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHOC) is at FULL ACTIVATION.

## USEFUL RESOURCES

[Holiday Safety](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Return to School Roadmap](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Wayne County](#)

[Michigan.gov/coronavirus](#)

[Small Business Best Practices](#)

[MDHHS Epidemic Orders](#)

[COVID-19 Educational Materials](#)

[Prevent Flu](#)

**Disaster Distress Helpline:** 1-800-985-5990

**National Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-800-799-7233 and TTY 1-800-787-3224

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