



# COVID-19 OUTBREAK

## COVID-19 BRIEFING - 281.1

NOVEMBER 8, 2021

For Operational Period: November 2, 2021—November 8, 2021

### WORLDWIDE

250,742,353 Cases

5,067,409 Deaths

### UNITED STATES

47,336,577 Cases

775,218 Deaths

### MICHIGAN

1,309,655 Cases

23,975 Deaths

### OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

137,194 Cases

3,041 Deaths

## SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- As the United States reopens its international borders Monday to travelers from 33 countries who have proof of vaccination and a recent negative coronavirus test, airlines are bracing for an “onslaught” of passengers as families and binational couples prepare to reunite following months of separation. The change in U.S. travel restrictions comes as the Biden administration revs up its focus on vaccination, recently finalizing a rule that will require companies with more than 100 employees to mandate coronavirus vaccination for their workers or do regular testing by Jan. 4, 2022.—**The Washington Post**
- The Biden administration is bracing for an onslaught of challenges to its coronavirus vaccine-or-test mandate for private sector businesses. Administration officials insist they are on solid legal footing, but it’s not stopping business groups, religious organizations and GOP state attorneys general from filing a barrage of lawsuits or Republican lawmakers from threatening legislative actions. The Labor Department on Thursday released the sweeping vaccine-or-test mandate, which President Biden had previously announced was coming. The requirement applies to businesses with at least 100 employees, and the agency set a Jan. 4 deadline for companies to comply. Biden has indicated he is running out of patience with Americans who refuse to get vaccinated against the coronavirus, and the rule is meant to force the issue in order to make workplaces safer. Within hours of the rule’s publication on Thursday, GOP governors and attorneys general promised lawsuits were forthcoming. By Friday, nearly all of them had either filed their own suit or joined an existing one. Republicans are framing the battle over vaccination mandates as a debate over civil liberties. The New York Times — **The Hill**
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention signed off on the coronavirus vaccine for children 5 to 11 years old on Nov. 2. About 28 million additional children are now eligible for the two-shot regimen, issued three weeks apart. Children are contracting covid-19, the illness caused by the coronavirus. And whether it makes children ill themselves or they spread infection to other people in the community, vaccines can help stave off deadly mutations and prevent serious illness, experts said. **The Washington Post**

## ACTIONS TAKEN

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

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