

COVID-19 UPDATE 08/28/20 6:00 PM:

Forty-four new lab-confirmed cases and six new probable cases in Perry County, MO since 08/26 update. Sixteen additional recoveries.

New cases 8/27: 31 lab-confirmed cases and 3 probable cases

New cases 8/28: 13 lab-confirmed cases and 3 probable cases

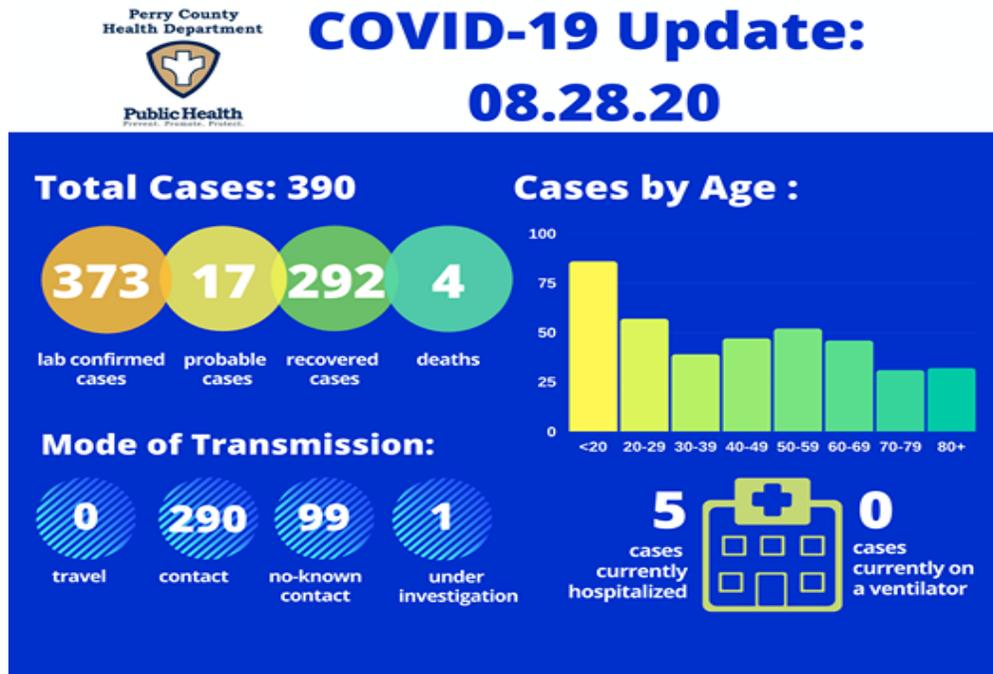
Active Cases: 94

Yesterday we experienced our largest single day increase of COVID-19 cases. The majority of our new cases over the last week are in our 0-20 age group. Our investigations currently indicate that the majority of exposure and spread in this demographic has occurred outside the classroom setting. While we have been able to connect many of our cases, Thursdays increase in cases contained several positives that were outside of this demographic and with no apparent known contact to a positive case. Increases in cases that we cannot connect epidemiologically is an indicator of community spread. Increases in community spread are extremely concerning as we cannot identify and respond to what is causing this transmission. We will continue to monitor incoming cases over the weekend for evidence of further community spread. Due to the increase of community transmission, we are trending to a moderately high level of COVID-19 risk for our county.

Not only do we use raw numbers and calculated averages and percentages in our determinations for risk, we are currently fortunate enough to many times identify, isolate, and respond to areas and hot spots of concern. However, our work to contain spread goes to waste when we do not get corporation and help from those we are working so hard to protect. At this time, we are desperately asking everyone to social distance, wear a mask, if you are sick – stay home, and limit social gatherings and unnecessary exposures. Furthermore, if you are a positive case or have been identified as a close contact, follow guidelines and stay home. We were able to come together as a community earlier this year to help reduce the spread. Our friends, families, and neighbors need us to do this again.

For the most up to date Missouri data, visit:

<https://health.mo.gov/.../heal.../communicable/novel-coronavirus>





COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL

PERRY COUNTY, MO



Daily Change in Case Status:

