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## Erie County reports 20 new positive cases of COVID-19 for cumulative total of 891

Erie, PA – County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper and Erie County Department of Health announce 20 new positive cases of COVID-19 have been reported in Erie County as of 12:01 a.m. on July 29. Eight of the new cases are related to required testing at long-term care facilities.

The total cumulative cases of COVID-19 in Erie County is 891, with 751 recovered cases, 122 active cases, 16,738 negatives and 18 deaths recorded in NEDSS.

Updated data can be found on the [chart](#) on the “Positive Cases in Erie County” page on [eriecountypa.gov](#).

Of the cumulative cases, 59% are female and 41% are male. The breakdown of cases by race/ethnicity is as follows:

- 57% White residents
- 27% African American/Black residents
- 7% Asian residents
- 3% Other
- 7% Unknown

Ten percent of the cases are Hispanic, of any race; 81% are not Hispanic; and 9% are unknown.

The age breakdown of the cumulative cases looks like this:

- 3% are ages 0-4
- 2% are ages 5-9
- 6% are ages 10-18
- 16% are ages 19-24
- 40% are ages 25-49
- 19% are ages 50-64
- 14% are ages 65 and older

Note: Percent values of each breakdown may not total 100 due to rounding.

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Melissa Lyon, director of the Erie County Department of Health, joined the County Executive today to provide an update on influenza B and COVID-19 and urged everyone to get their flu shot this year.

Kathy Howard, director of operations at Community Health Net, also provided an update on testing at that facility and their telehealth practices. Currently, Community Health Net is only testing symptomatic patients, but people without insurance are encouraged to call Community Health Net for more information.

Consistent with Wednesday updates, the County Executive reminds everyone to complete the 2020 Census.

Erie County is at 70% completion, and the City of Erie is at 61%. Residents can visit [my2020census.gov](https://my2020census.gov) or call 844-330-2020 to complete the census.

Community members have opportunities to complete their 2020 Census at Corry's Farmers Market on Friday, July 31, or on Monday they can go to Erie Free Store and Little Italy Farmers Market.

All questions related to COVID-19 symptoms and enforcement should be directed to Erie County Department of Health at 814-451-6700 or [ecdhinfo@eriecountypa.gov](mailto:ecdhinfo@eriecountypa.gov).

For more information related to COVID-19 including fact sheets, business resources, family resources, videos, translations, guidance and more, visit [eriecountypa.gov](https://eriecountypa.gov) and the social media accounts for [Erie County, Pa.](#), and [Erie County Department of Health](#).

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