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Erie County reports 121 new positive cases of COVID-19; cumulative total is 15,106

Erie, PA – County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper and Erie County Department of Health announce 121 new positive cases of COVID-19 have been reported in Erie County as of 11:59 p.m. on Jan. 26.

The total cumulative cases of COVID-19 in Erie County since March is 15,106, with 365 total deaths reported in NEDSS (reconciled). Updated data can be found on the [chart](#) on the “Positive Cases in Erie County” page on [eriecountypa.gov](#).

Of the cumulative cases, 54% are female and 46% are male.

The breakdown of cumulative cases by race/ethnicity is as follows:

- 51% White residents
- 7% African American/Black residents
- 3% Asian residents
- 1% Other
- 39% Unknown

Three percent of the cases are Hispanic, of any race; 36% are not Hispanic; and 62% are unknown.

The age breakdown of the cumulative cases looks like this:

- 1% are ages 0-4
- 1% are ages 5-9
- 8% are ages 10-18
- 12% are ages 19-24
- 37% are ages 25-49
- 22% are ages 50-64
- 19% are ages 65 and older

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

As of this morning, there were 56 total COVID-19 hospitalizations with seven people on ventilators in Erie County.

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Charlotte Berringer, director of community health services at the Erie County Department of Health and Dr. Anthony Snow, medical director for the Erie County Department of Health, shared updates on [testing](#) and the vaccine during today's press briefing.

The Erie County Department of Health released this [FAQ document](#) on the COVID-19 vaccine. More vaccine information can be found on the websites for the [Pennsylvania Department of Health](#) and the [CDC](#).

All residents are reminded to wear a mask over their nose and mouth when near anyone who does not live inside their home, keep a 6-foot distance from others, stay home as much as possible – and definitely when feeling ill, wash hands frequently, and limit activities outside of their homes.

The next press briefing will take place Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 3 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to take the safe choices pledge at [eriecountypa.gov](#).

All questions related to COVID-19 should be directed to Erie County Department of Health at 814-451-6700 or ecdinfo@eriecountypa.gov.

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