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Erie County reports 99 new positive cases of COVID-19; cumulative total is 15,783; 3 additional deaths

Erie, PA – County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper and Erie County Department of Health announce 99 new positive cases of COVID-19 and three additional deaths have been reported in Erie County as of 11:59 p.m. on Feb. 2.

The total cumulative cases of COVID-19 in Erie County since March is 15,783, with 402 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, 53% 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; 35% 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
- 38% 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 44 total COVID-19 hospitalizations with seven people on ventilators in Erie County.

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Melissa Lyon, director of the Erie County Department of Health shared updates on the ordering system for the vaccine and the health department's role in the vaccine rollout 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. 10, 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 ecdhinfo@eriecountypa.gov.

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