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Rock Island County Health Department reports 2 deaths; 135 new cases of COVID-19

The Rock Island County Health Department reports two additional deaths from COVID-19: a woman in her 70s who had been hospitalized and a man in his 80s who had been living in a long-term-care facility. The total number of deaths is 341.

“We offer our condolences to the loved ones of these residents,” said Janet Hill, chief operating officer and public information officer of the Rock Island County Health Department.

“As we celebrate the American worker this Labor Day weekend, let’s remember the dedicated medical, pharmacy, and public health personnel who have been working at maximum capacity for more than 18 months,” Hill said. “People in these professions chose this work because they want to help people. However, we also need thousands of eligible Quad Citizens to help themselves by getting vaccinated as soon as possible. Our shot is now to end this pandemic.”

The health department also reports 135 new cases of COVID-19 since our last report on Wednesday. The total number of cases is now 16,679. Currently, 48 patients are hospitalized in the county with the virus. The average age of newly infected patients is 35.

The new cases are

- 2 women in their 80s
- 3 women in their 70s
- 4 women in their 60s
- 7 women in their 50s
- 13 women in their 40s
- 11 women in their 30s
- 16 women in their 20s
- 3 women in their teens
- 4 girls in their teens
- 6 girls younger than 13
- 1 girl infant 1 or younger
- 1 man in his 80s
- 4 men in their 70s
- 6 men in their 60s
- 4 men in their 50s
- 12 men in their 40s
- 12 men in their 30s
- 6 men in their 20s
- 3 boys in their teens
- 16 boys younger than 13
- 1 boy infant 1 or younger

No additional information regarding these cases is available due to federal privacy laws.

We all must continue to work to prevent further spread of COVID-19 by:

- Getting vaccinated as soon as you can. Visit [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) to find your shot. RICHD offers walk-in vaccines on Tuesdays (Moderna and Johnson & Johnson) and Fridays (Pfizer). The hours for both days are 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m.
- Staying home when you are sick.
- Wearing a face covering. As of Monday, a mandate from Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker requires that everyone 2 and older wear a mask in public indoor spaces, regardless of vaccination status. The CDC recommends that everyone age 2 and older wear a mask in counties of high or substantial transmission.
- Keeping 6 feet of physical distance from others in public if you have not been fully vaccinated
- Washing your hands frequently.

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