



**Quad Cities COVID-19 Coalition
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Current COVID-19 case count:

Scott County – 1,765

Deaths in Scott County - 14

Rock Island County – 1,842

Currently in hospital – 12

Deaths in Rock Island County – 40

COVID-19 Updates:

Many Quad Citians continue to experience prolonged loss of power due to the severe weather that hit the area on Monday, August 10.

“The Quad Cities comes together during times of crisis, and the events of this week are no exception,” said Nita Ludwig, administrator, Rock Island County Health Department. “However, we must remember COVID-19 public health precautions as we help each other.”

“As residents continue the clean-up process — and assist their neighbors, family, and friends — we encourage all residents to wear a mask, social distance from those outside of your household, and practice good handwashing with soap and water or hand sanitizer when out and about,” said Edward Rivers, director, Scott County Health Department.

Testing

Individuals experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (fever, cough, shortness of breath, headache, new loss of smell or taste, nausea or diarrhea) should consider options for COVID-19 testing:

- Contact their health care provider
- Find a community-based testing option:
 - Scott County: visit www.TestIowa.com to sign-up for testing through the Scott County TestIowa site (now extended additional weeks)
 - Rock Island County: Drive-up site August 19-30 at the TaxSlayer Center, 1201 River Drive, Moline (9am-5pm)
- Access testing through local health clinics, including: Genesis Health System Convenient Cares, UnityPoint Health – Trinity Express Cares, and Community Health Care Inc.

Self-Isolate While Waiting for Results

Individuals being tested for symptoms of COVID-19 are urged to self-isolate while waiting for their test results. If the result is positive, your local health department will contact you with more information.

#TogetherQC Pledge

The QC COVID-19 Coalition continues to encourage residents, community partners, and businesses to take the #TogetherQC Pledge to mask up and social distance to help reduce the impact of COVID-19 on the health, economic, and social systems in the Quad Cities. Information on the #TogetherQC campaign can be found at www.togetherqc.com.