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System Slowdown Results in Larger Number Of COVID-19 Cases Reported Today

LANSING, MICH. Due to a slowdown in the reporting of electronic laboratory results, the COVID-19 case count for Oct. 15 contains additional case referrals that could have been included in yesterday's report.

Daily, tens of thousands of tests results are sent to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) electronically. These messages are processed through commercial software designed to act as an integrator that connects health reporting systems.

The evening of Oct. 14, a slowdown in the processing of messages from COVID-19 testing laboratories to the Michigan Disease Surveillance System was noted. The issue has been resolved. No information was lost due to the slowdown. The processing of confirmed cases is again fully operational

Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus.

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