	AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY		Agenda Item Number: IB
	Title:	Discussion regarding Late Night Permits	
	Presenter:	Benjamin Nielsen and Mark Koenen	
Meeting: City Council Date: October 5, 2020			
Proposed Cost: \$ (N/A)		Budgeted Amount: \$ (N/A)	Not Budgeted: <input type="checkbox"/>
Executive Summary (<i>if not budgeted please explain</i>): <p>Businesses purchasing a B or C liquor license have had the option to request a “late night permit” which allows the sale of alcohol until 1:00 am or 2:00 am. In the interest of minimizing the spread of COVID-19 amid regional metrics, Mayor Raymond Rogina issued Executive Order 2020-7 effective at midnight on August 28, 2020, and the City Council unanimously ratified this suspension of late-night permits on September 7, 2020; closing establishments at midnight consistent with the base liquor license. The fees for late night permits were returned to those liquor license holders. The discussion will determine whether to maintain status quo or reissue late-night permits to restaurants and bars, which were suspended in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.</p>			
Attachments (<i>please list</i>): COVID-19 Handout			
Recommendation/Suggested Action (<i>briefly explain</i>): <p>Consideration of COVID-19 data and current disposition of late-night permits.</p>			

MEMO

To: Mark Koenen
From: Benjamin Nielsen
Date: October 2, 2020
Re: COVID-19 statistics

Purpose:

The City of St. Charles is currently debating whether to reissue late-night permits to restaurants and bars, which were suspended in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Background:

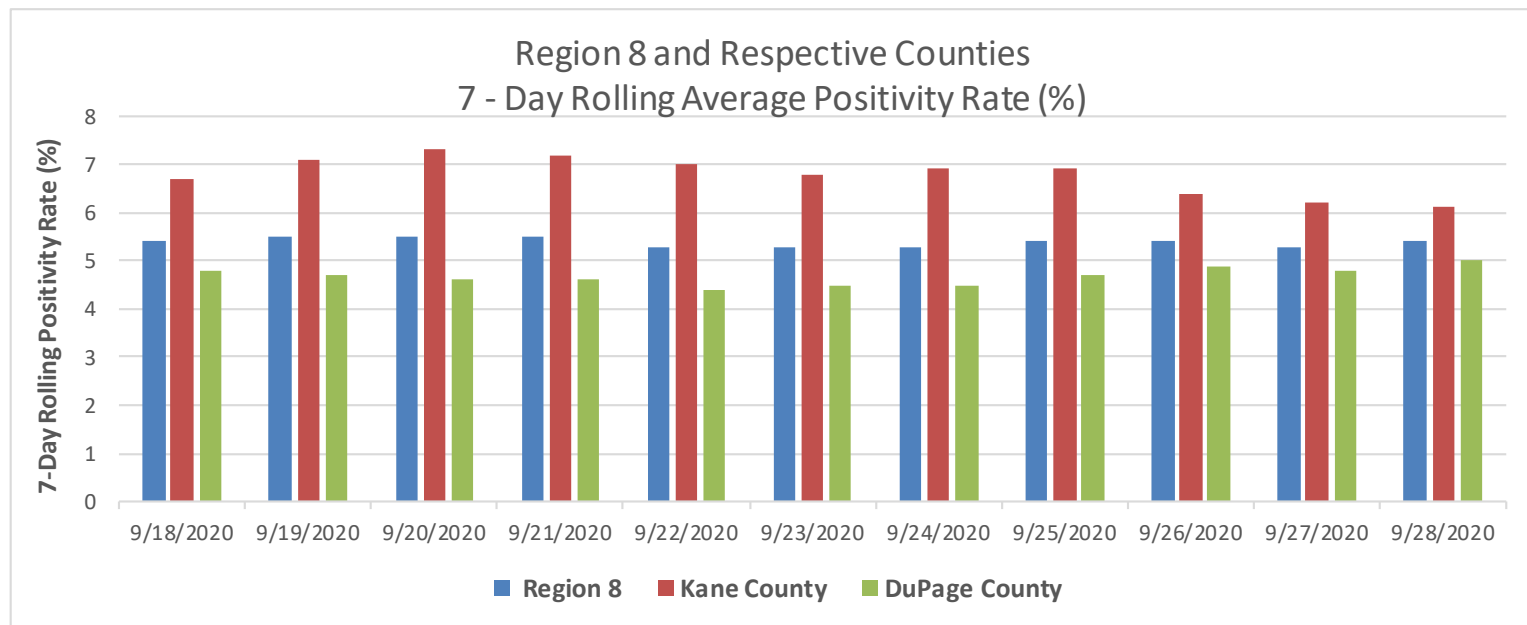
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The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has multiple metrics to determine the threat level in a particular region of the state. Region 8 (DuPage and Kane counties) has performed relatively well, but in August Kane County was designated as a “Warning” area in the state when 2 out of the 8 metrics set by the IDPH were *failed*. Kane County has since come off the warning list, but there is still concern for high levels of COVID-19 within the region. Current IDPH metrics include New Cases per 100,000, Number of Deaths, Test Positivity (%), Tests Performed, COVID Like Illness (%) Visits, Number of COVID Admissions, Cluster (%) of cases and ICU (%) Available.

State of Illinois Update:

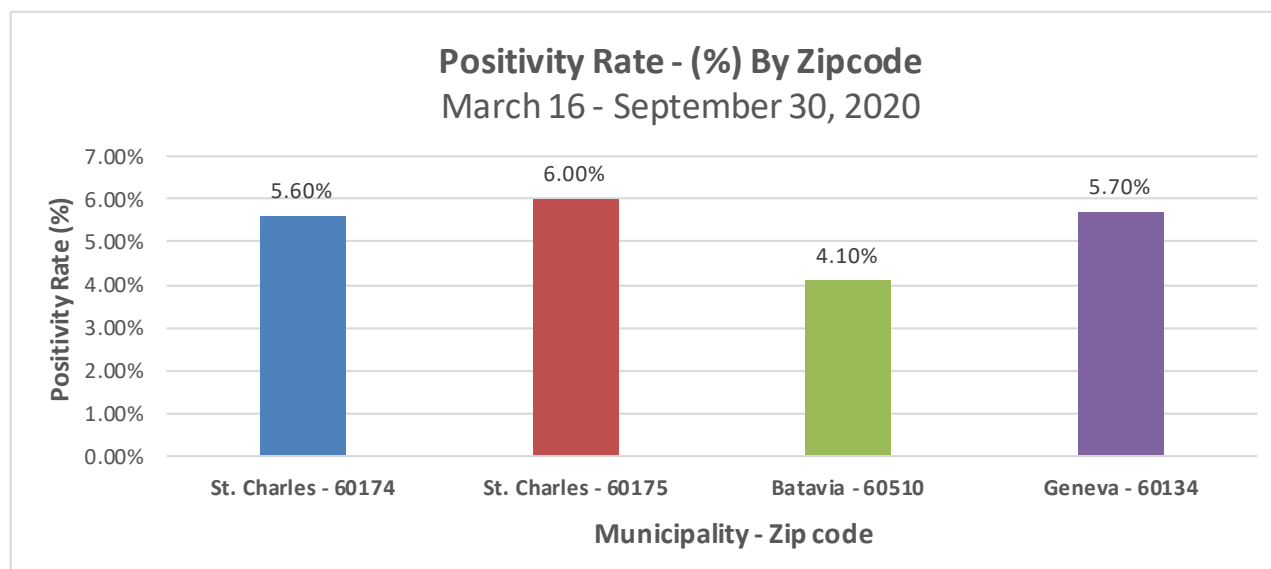
As of October 2, 2020, the State of Illinois has a positivity rate of approximately 3.8% when averaging the prior seven days, and this has remained relatively stable since the middle of June. In comparison to other states surrounding the great lakes, Illinois is performing significantly better than Indiana (who is now in phase 5) and Wisconsin.

Region 8 Summary:



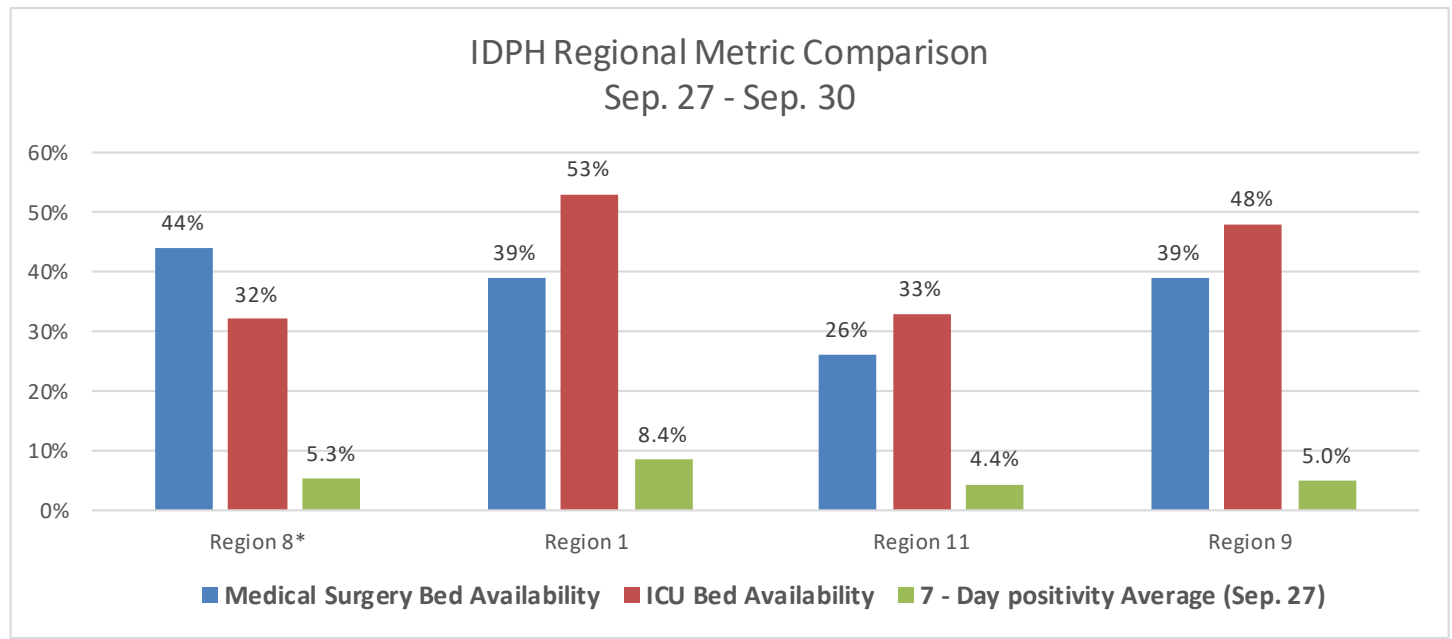
This graph shows the 7-day rolling average positivity rate within Region 8 and the counties that comprise it (DuPage and Kane). The chart shows that Kane County currently has a higher positivity rate than DuPage County, and most likely due to the high vulnerability rates of COVID-19 in Aurora and Elgin.

Tri-Cities Positivity Rate by Zip Code:



This graph above details the summative positivity rate in respective zip codes within each municipality.

Region Comparison:



Region 8* - (DuPage, Kane)

Region 1 – (Boone, Carroll, Dekalb, Jo Daviess, Lee, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside, Winnebago)

Region 11 – (Chicago)

Region 9 – (Lake, McHenry)

The graph above analyzes hospitalization metrics that the state uses to compare regions. If *Medical Surgery Bed Availability* or *ICU Bed Availability* is below 20%, the state designates this as *warning* status. The state metrics also stipulate that if the *7-Day positivity rate average* is above 8%, then *warning* status will be issued. Currently, Region 1 has been targeted as a *warning* area, due to increased positivity rates over the past few weeks, which results in more strict regulation from the state regarding restaurants and bars. Chicago is performing slightly better than Regions 1, 8, and 9 for the 7-day positivity average.

Resources Used:

“America's COVID Warning System.” *Covid Act Now*, covidactnow.org/us/il/?s=1095243.

“Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).” *Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) / IDPH*, www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19.

“COVID-19 Statistics.” *COVID-19 Statistics / IDPH*, www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/covid19-statistics.

“Illinois Regional COVID-19 Resurgence Criteria.” *Illinois Regional COVID-19 Resurgence Criteria / IDPH*, www.dph.illinois.gov/regionmetrics?regionID=8.