

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Breakdown of plan to reopen Illinois

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Gov. J.B. Pritzker announced Tuesday a five-phase plan to get Illinois reopened as the COVID-19 pandemic slows its toll on health care providers. The plan, from "Rapid Spread" to "Illinois Restored," splits the state up into regions and allows each region to open a different phase should the impact of the pandemic be different throughout the state. The plan also emphasizes that a region can move backward if the health metrics indicate enough risk.

Right now, according to the plan, every region of Illinois has reached the second phase, "Flattening," to some extent. In this phase, the rate of infections is still increasing but at a slower rate, and Illinoisians can resume outdoor activities, while maintaining social distancing guidelines and wearing face masks.

Here is how the plan works.

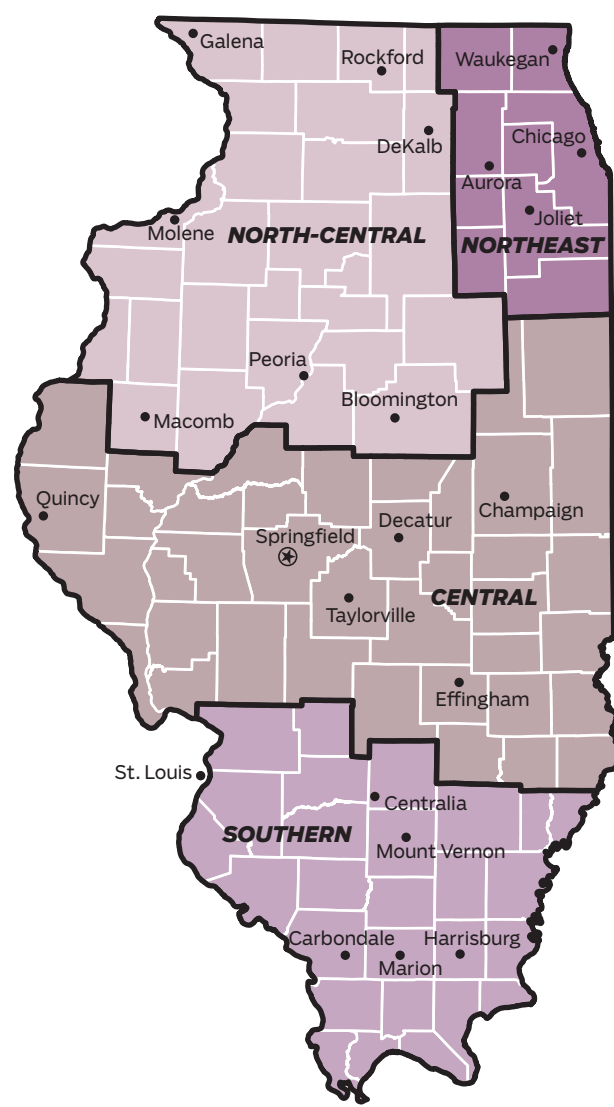


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Gov. J.B. Pritzker speaks during his daily coronavirus briefing on May 3.

How regions are organized

The four regions in the governor's plan are based on combinations of the Illinois Department of Public Health's 11 Emergency Medical Service regions. Each region would be able to move through the phases of the reopening process independent of the others.



NORTHEAST		
Cook	Kane	Lake
DuPage	Kankakee	McHenry
Grundy	Kendall	Will
NORTH-CENTRAL		
Boone	LaSalle	Putnam
Bureau	Lee	Rock Island
Carroll	Livingston	Stark
DeKalb	Marshall	Stephenson
Fulton	McDonough	Tazewell
Henderson	McLean	Warren
Henry	Mercer	Whiteside
Jo Daviess	Ogle	Winnebago
Knox	Peoria	Woodford
CENTRAL		
Adams	Edgar	Mason
Brown	Effingham	Menard
Calhoun	Fayette	Montgomery
Cass	Ford	Morgan
Champaign	Greene	Moultrie
Christian	Hancock	Platt
Clark	Iroquois	Pike
Clay	Jasper	Richland
Coles	Jersey	Sangamon
Crawford	Lawrence	Schuyler
Cumberland	Logan	Scott
De Witt	Macon	Shelby
Douglas	Macoupin	Vermilion
SOUTHERN		
Alexander	Jefferson	Randolph
Bond	Johnson	Saline
Clinton	Madison	St. Clair
Edwards	Marion	Union
Franklin	Massac	Wabash
Gallatin	Monroe	Washington
Hamilton	Perry	Wayne
Hardin	Pope	White
Jackson	Pulaski	Williamson

What can open? What stays closed?

The governor's plan allows for more activities to open up as the coronavirus slows its spread. Here is a breakdown of changes, phase by phase.

CATEGORY	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4	PHASE 5
Health care	COVID-19 health care and emergency health care procedures only	Elective health care procedures, with IDPH approval	Health care providers open, with IDPH approval	All open	All open
Gatherings	Essential gatherings must be 10 or fewer. No nonessential gatherings	Essential gatherings must be 10 or fewer. No nonessential gatherings	All gatherings of 10 or fewer allowed	Gatherings of 50 people or fewer allowed, following CDC guidelines	Large gatherings of all sizes can resume
Schools	Remote learning. Schools, universities closed.	Remote learning. Schools, universities closed.	Remote learning. Schools closed.	All schools, universities can open	All schools, universities can open
Child care	Must be 10 or fewer and for essential workers	Must be 10 or fewer and for essential workers	Limited child care and summer youth activities can open	Child care can open with guidance	All open
Restaurants	Open for drive-thru, pickup and delivery	Open for drive-thru, pickup and delivery	Open for drive-thru, pickup and delivery	Open with capacity limits	All open
Nonessential businesses	Nonessential businesses are operating from home	Nonessential businesses are operating from home	Employees can return to work	Employees can return to work	All open
Essential retail	Open with restrictions	Open with restrictions	Open with restrictions	Open with restrictions	All open
Nonessential retail	Closed	Open for delivery and curbside pickup	Open with capacity limits	Open with capacity limits	All open
Manufacturing	Essential only	Essential only	Nonessential with distancing	All open with distance	All open
Travel	Emergency travel and nonessential travel allowed but discouraged	Emergency travel and nonessential travel allowed but discouraged	All allowed, following CDC guidance	All allowed, following CDC guidance	All allowed, following CDC guidance
Health clubs	Closed	Closed	Can provide limited training and activities	Open with capacity limits	All open
Personal care	Closed	Closed	Allowed with guidance	Open with capacity limits	All open
Outdoor activities	Distanced outdoor activities	Some state parks; outdoor activities like boating, fishing and golf allowed	State parks open, activities with 10 or fewer allowed	All allowed	All allowed
Entertainment venues	Closed	Closed	Closed	Movies and theaters can open with capacity limits	Large events and festivals can resume

Steps for regions to open up

To move up from one phase to another, a region must meet improved health benchmarks. Regions could also move backward.

