An analysis of line of duty deaths (LODDs) based on data compiled by the Officer Down Memorial Page (ODMP) found that COVID-19 killed 76 law enforcement officers in the line of duty from March through July 2020.* This represented 50% or more of all LODDs in 15 states, territories, and the District of Columbia. A majority of these officers were 50 years of age or older, in line with general population trends. As of August 8, 2020, ODMP recorded 157 total LODDs in 2020, a 65% increase as compared to the previous year – COVID-19 being the single highest cause of 2020 LODDs.

ODMP’s numbers are based on public submissions to their page, which are evaluated against their criteria for inclusion using information compiled from user submissions, media accounts, and correspondence with the officer’s agency. These statistics include any law enforcement officer who dies as a result of COVID-19 that is a direct result of the officer’s law enforcement duties.

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**COVID-19 LODDs as a Percentage of Total LODDs by State**

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**COVID-19 LODDs by Age Group**

- 30-39: 8%
- 40-49: 8%
- 50-59: 22%
- 60+: 46%
- Not Available: 16%

**COVID-19 LODDs by Month**

- March: 37%
- April: 25%
- May: 11%
- June: 5%
- July: 3%

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*ODMP data accessed August 8, 2020. This information is subject to revision due to ongoing evaluation of COVID-19 associated LODDs.
Map of COVID-19 LODDs**

**Map includes available state and county-level information regardless of agency type.

Additional Resources

Access the following resources for more information for law enforcement agencies on responding to COVID-19 and supporting employee health and resiliency.

- National Police Foundation’s COVID-19 Resources for Law Enforcement
- Real-Time COVID-19 Law Enforcement Impact Situational Awareness Dashboard
- IACP Law Enforcement Information on COVID-19
- Public Safety Officer’s Benefits Program
- CRI-TAC COVID-19 Library of Resources
- CRI-TAC Fact Sheet on Law Enforcement Officer Exposure to COVID-19
- CRI-TAC Law Enforcement Officer Sickness from COVID-19
- CRI-TAC Officer Wellness and Resiliency During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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