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COVID-19 RESPONSE 4-20-2020

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Iowa DOT's COVID-19 pages are available at <https://iowadot.gov/covid-19> (outside the DOT network) or <http://dotnet/covid-19/> (inside the DOT network).

Here's what we know

- Since our last update on Friday there have been an additional 827 positive cases reported for a total of 3,159 positive cases confirmed. Iowa has had 15 additional deaths for a total of 79 in the state due to COVID-19. Don't forget to check out the state's [COVID-19 website](#) (newly redesigned last week with additional data).
- We know that traffic volumes have dropped since the beginning of the pandemic. But how have they impacted crash rates and fatalities? Analysis of preliminary data shows that Iowa saw around 119 crashes per day during the 20 days immediately before the emergency declaration on March 17, compared to 65 crashes per day in the 20 days after the proclamation. This equates to a 45 percent decrease. In addition, the average fatality rate in the 20 days after the proclamation dropped by 57 percent. (Note this is based on preliminary data and not all crashes may yet be accounted for so the numbers may change slightly).

Here's what we are doing

- As a reminder if you, a member of your household or another employee are working to help support others in your community during the COVID-19 crisis please share your stories with Tracey Bramble at tracey.bramble@iowadot.us. We would love to highlight the great work our DOT family is doing during this time.
- We are continuing to find ways to deliver PPE and sanitization supplies to our employees. In addition, we are working on ways to offer additional services to customers either remotely or in ways that protect both our employees and customers from additional exposure to COVID-19. Stay tuned for more great news to share.

We will continue to keep you informed on what the Iowa DOT is doing to respond. Please stay safe, stay home when possible, and remember to practice good hygiene and social distancing!