

IEM's AI Modeling: Short-term COVID-19 Projections**Date: 11/12/20**

Leveraging over 15 years of support to HHS for medical consequence modeling and our proprietary artificial intelligence (AI) models, IEM believes that our Coronavirus model outputs can be used to assist localities and their medical facilities to better prepare for an increase in hospitalizations, to better plan for and locate drive-through testing facilities, and to determine where increased levels of transmission may be occurring.

We have been refining our AI model over the past month and are confident in its ability to provide accurate 7-day projections that can be used for operational and logistical planning.

AI-based Model Background

IEM is currently using an AI model to fit data from various sources and project new cases of COVID-19. We do not assume the average number of secondary infections (R-value) stays the same over time. IEM's AI model finds the best R-value over time to evaluate how it changes over the course of the outbreak. The IEM modeling team is running ~11 million simulations to fit each state's data and using the best fit for the R-value to project new cases over the next 7 days. The AI models are executed on a daily basis to evaluate the changing dynamics of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our projections have typically been within 10%, and are often within 5%, of actual confirmed cases.

The projections shown in this document are based on data pulled in as of 11/12/20 9 a.m.

Please provide any feedback or send any questions that you might have to us. We are continually updating and improving the model, so your feedback is critical.

Also, if you have more current or refined data for your State, Commonwealth or Territory that you would like IEM to factor in, please let us know.

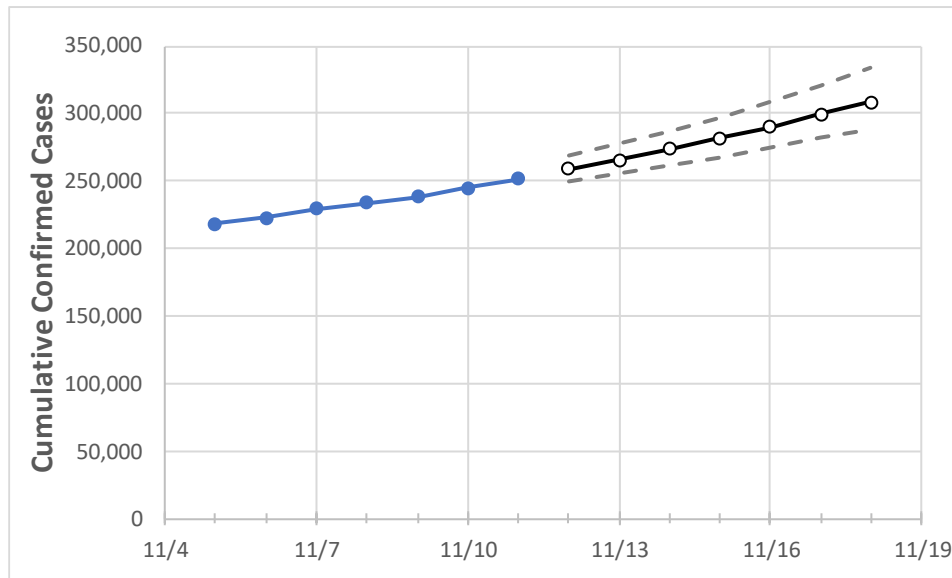
IEM's Modeling Lead

Dr. Prasith "Sid" Baccam is a **Computational Epidemiologist expert** at IEM with more than **20 years of experience in medical consequence modeling and simulation of disease outbreaks** and medical consequences following hypothetical attacks with biological agents or emerging infectious diseases. He develops key simulation models and decision support tools at IEM, specializing in public health, disaster response, and medical countermeasures (MCM) to enhance data-driven decision making and improve modeling assumptions.

Upon receiving his **Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics and Immunobiology** at Iowa State University, Dr. Baccam worked as a Postdoctoral Research Associate at Los Alamos National Laboratory where he focused on researching viral and immunological modeling. After his stint at Los Alamos, Dr. Baccam has served as Task Lead in multiple public health projects have allowed him to develop expertise as a mathematical biologist and a leader on high-performance modeling and simulation teams.

He has worked with state and local public health officials as well as Federal agencies, including **HHS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (**CDC**), and the Department of Homeland Security (**DHS**). Dr. Baccam has published numerous papers on public health response models and implications on policy and has been invited to participate in workshops and symposiums held by the Institute of Medicine (now the National Academy of Health). His modeling results have been briefed to the **Executive Office of the President** and informed two presidential policy actions.

Michigan State Projections



	Actual Confirmed Cases On:					Projected Cases For:					
	11/8	11/9	11/10	11/11	11/12	11/13	11/14	11/15	11/16	11/17	11/18
Michigan	233,691	238,308	245,252	251,872	258,720	265,959	273,609	281,692	290,232	299,252	308,778

Note: The State's projection shows a "best estimate" curve (the solid line with circles) and the dotted lines are the upper and lower estimates around that best estimate. Our projections have typically been within 20%, and are often within 10%, of actual confirmed cases.

Michigan Counties

	Actual Confirmed Cases On:					Projected Cases For:					
	11/8	11/9	11/10	11/11	11/12	11/13	11/14	11/15	11/16	11/17	11/18
Genesee	8,670	8,831	8,998	9,323	9,554	9,796	10,050	10,315	10,593	10,884	11,189
Ingham	5,605	5,711	5,789	5,945	6,047	6,155	6,268	6,387	6,512	6,643	6,782
Kent	19,480	19,972	20,884	21,313	21,968	22,658	23,384	24,147	24,951	25,796	26,685
Livingston	2,918	2,985	3,115	3,244	3,361	3,485	3,616	3,756	3,904	4,061	4,228
Macomb	23,083	23,498	24,286	24,953	25,621	26,337	27,103	27,923	28,801	29,740	30,744
Monroe	2,758	2,829	2,951	3,062	3,175	3,297	3,430	3,574	3,730	3,899	4,082
Oakland	30,354	30,859	31,563	32,406	33,139	33,918	34,745	35,623	36,555	37,545	38,595
Washtenaw	6,602	6,694	6,838	6,980	7,095	7,212	7,332	7,456	7,582	7,711	7,843
Wayne	46,045	46,513	47,363	48,200	48,959	49,762	50,610	51,506	52,453	53,453	54,510

Some recipients of our daily COVID-19 short-term (7 day) projections have requested projections of demand for: hospital bed, intensive care unit (ICU) beds, and mechanical ventilation. We realize that different states and localities will have different characteristics for hospital demand of COVID-19 cases, and we are presenting the best assumptions we could find for those medical demands based on scientific literature and health data reporting. Specifically:

- **Beds:** For hospitalization, we use a range of 10% and 20% of cases require hospitalization based on CDC's report ([MMWR, March 18, 2020](#)) and state reports of COVID-19 cases.
- **ICU:** The CDC report found that 24% of hospitalized cases require ICU care.
- **Ventilators:** Based on clinical data from China and state reports, we assume that 50% of ICU cases require a ventilator.

If you have other estimates for these assumptions, please share them with us as we work to refine our modeling, assumptions, and data on a daily basis.

The medical demands shown in the table assume 20% of **cumulative** confirmed cases require hospitalization. To get the medical demand for the assumption that 10% of confirmed cases require hospitalization, simply divide the demand by 2.

Michigan Medical Demands by County

	Actual Confirmed Cases On:				Projected Cases (Hospitalized) [ICU] {Ventilator} For:											
	11/8	11/9	11/10	11/11	11/13				11/15				11/17			
Genesee	8,670	8,831	8,998	9,323	9,796	(1,959)	[470]	{235}	10,315	(2,063)	[495]	{248}	10,884	(2,177)	[522]	{261}
Ingham	5,605	5,711	5,789	5,945	6,155	(1,231)	[295]	{148}	6,387	(1,277)	[307]	{153}	6,643	(1,329)	[319]	{159}
Kent	19,480	19,972	20,884	21,313	22,658	(4,532)	[1,088]	{544}	24,147	(4,829)	[1,159]	{580}	25,796	(5,159)	[1,238]	{619}
Livingston	2,918	2,985	3,115	3,244	3,485	(697)	[167]	{84}	3,756	(751)	[180]	{90}	4,061	(812)	[195]	{97}
Macomb	23,083	23,498	24,286	24,953	26,337	(5,267)	[1,264]	{632}	27,923	(5,585)	[1,340]	{670}	29,740	(5,948)	[1,428]	{714}
Monroe	2,758	2,829	2,951	3,062	3,297	(659)	[158]	{79}	3,574	(715)	[172]	{86}	3,899	(780)	[187]	{94}
Oakland	30,354	30,859	31,563	32,406	33,918	(6,784)	[1,628]	{814}	35,623	(7,125)	[1,710]	{855}	37,545	(7,509)	[1,802]	{901}
Washtenaw	6,602	6,694	6,838	6,980	7,212	(1,442)	[346]	{173}	7,456	(1,491)	[358]	{179}	7,711	(1,542)	[370]	{185}
Wayne	46,045	46,513	47,363	48,200	49,762	(9,952)	[2,389]	{1,194}	51,506	(10,301)	[2,472]	{1,236}	53,453	(10,691)	[2,566]	{1,283}

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