



COVID-19 Survey Results: Logan Correctional Center

The John Howard Association (JHA) is an independent citizen correctional oversight organization that goes into prisons to monitor conditions of confinement and treatment of people who are incarcerated; we fight for a fair and humane system and for government transparency and accountability. For 119 years we have been the eyes and ears of the public inside Illinois' prisons, reporting what we see, hear and learn inside facilities and using this information to recommend policy and practice changes and advocate for system reform.

It is critical that we know and understand how people in prison are experiencing the COVID-19 health crisis and what the government must do to meet the health needs of people in prison. To further this end, JHA launched a special system-wide COVID-19 survey to enable us to hear directly from those who are in prisons about prison conditions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The survey results reported herein indicate how 1,019 people imprisoned at Logan Correctional Center responded to survey items contained within the COVID-19 survey during the time frame of April 24th to May 20th 2020. As of April 24th, 2020, there were 1,478 people imprisoned at Logan. Thus, this sample of survey respondents consists of 68.94% of Logan's prison population. COVID-19 surveys that were completed after May 20th will be accounted for in JHA's work and analyses conducted in the future, but are not reported below.

JHA provided prison administrators with enough survey packets (COVID-19 survey, informed consent notice/instruction sheet, and business reply envelope addressed to JHA) so that every person imprisoned at Logan had an opportunity to participate in the COVID-19 survey if they chose to do so. Because some people who submitted a survey did not answer all questions within the survey, the count of people who responded to each question is less than the overall sample of 1.019.

The results of the surveys JHA collected from people imprisoned at Logan Correctional Center are tabulated on the pages that follow.

Tables of Results by Individual Survey Items:

Q1: How did you get information from		
IDOC about COVID 19 prevention?		
Paper bulletin on unit	353	34.64%
Inmate info channel on	277	27.18%
TV		
Verbal communication	196	19.23%
by staff		
Other	230	22.57%
I did not get this	140	13.74%
information		
Total does not add to 100% for this question because more than one answer could be selected		

Q2: Did you have enough soap to regularly wash your hands in the last week?			
No 322 32.26%			
Yes	648	64.93%	
Unsure	28	2.81%	
Total	998	100%	
No response: 21 (2.06%)			

Q3: How often did you get cleaning chemicals from IDOC to clean your cell/sleeping area in the last week (examples: soap, bleach, Citral Green or peroxide)?				
Once a day 78 7.83%				
2 to 3 times last week	31	3.11%		
Once last week 49 4.92%				
None	838	84.14%		
Total 996 100%				
No response: 23 (2.26%)				

Q4: Did you get enough cleaning chemicals to thoroughly clean your		
cell/sleeping area in the last week?		
No, I did not get enough	78	7.92%
to make cell clean		
Yes	83	8.43%
Unsure	14	1.42%
No, I did not get any	810	82.23%
cleaning chemicals		
Total	985	100%
No response: 34 (3.34%)		

Q5: Did the common areas you have access to get cleaned at least two times a day in the last week (examples: dayrooms, showers)?				
No 227 23.33%				
Some areas cleaned, but	449	46.15%		
not all				
Yes, all areas were	239	24.56%		
cleaned				
Unsure	58	5.96%		
Total 973 100%				
No response: 46 (4.51%)				

Q6: Have you tried to get medical care because of COVID-19 in the last week?		
No, because I did not	48	4.96%
want to		
No, because I was not	747	77.17%
sick		
Yes, but no response	144	14.88%
from staff		
Yes, and staff responded	29	3.00%
Total	968	100%
No response: 51 (5.00%)		

Q7: Would you tell IDOC staff (medical or security) if you were sick because of COVID-19?				
No	76 7.62%			
Yes	822	82.45%		
Unsure	99	9.93%		
Total	997	100%		
No response: 22 (2.16%)				

Q8: Did you go to yard at least once in the last week?			
No, not allowed to 975 98.88%			
No, did not want to	8	0.81%	
Yes	3	0.30%	
Total	986	100%	
No response: 33 (3.24%)			

Q9a: Did the inmates around you follow
good health practices in the last week
by washing their hands often?

No	323	32.79%
Yes	370	37.56%
Unsure	292	29.64%
Total	985	100%
No response: 34 (3.34%)		

Q9b: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by covering their mouth with inside of arm when coughing/sneezing?

No	468	47.76%
Yes	257	26.22%
Unsure	255	26.02%
Total	980	100%
No response: 39 (3.83%)		

Q9c: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by cleaning shared items after use (example: phones)?

No	472	48.51%
Yes	338	34.74%
Unsure	163	16.75%
Total	973	100%
No response: 46 (4.51%)		

Q9d: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by staying at least 6 feet away from others when possible?

No	642	65.78%
Yes	248	25.41%
Unsure	86	8.81%
Total	976	100%
No response: 43 (4.22%)	-	

Q10a: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by washing your hands often?

your hands often?		
No	10	1.01%
Yes	977	98.89%
Unsure	1	0.10%
Total	988	100%
No response: 31 (3.04%)		

Q10b: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by covering your mouth with inside of arm when coughing/sneezing?

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No	29	2.93%
Yes	950	95.86%
Unsure	12	1.21%
Total	991	100%
No response: 28 (2.75%)		

Q1oc: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by cleaning shared items after use (example: phones)?

No	234	23.90%
Yes	722	73.75%
Unsure	23	2.35%
Total	979	100%
No response: 40 (3.93%)		

Q10d: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by staying at least 6 feet away from others when possible?

No	366	37.54%
Yes	582	59.69%
Unsure	27	2.77%
Total	975	100%
No response: 44 (4.32%)		

Q11: Could you take a shower at least 3 times last week? No 116 11.72% Yes 874 88.28% Total 990 100% No response: 29 (2.85%)

Q12: Did you get laundry service in the last week (whites and blues)?		
No, was not offered	90	9.28%
No, do not want to use	31	3.20%
laundry service		
Yes, and my laundry was	673	69.38%
cleaned		
Yes, but they did not use	176	18.14%
detergent		
Total	970	100%
No response: 49 (4.81%)		

Q13: Did you get at least one free phone call in the last week?		
No	660	69.04%
Yes	183	19.14%
Yes, but the call cut out early	54	5.65%
This does not apply to me	59	6.17%
Total	956	100%
No response: 63 (6.18%)		

Q14: Did you get a free video visit in the last week?		
No	694	71.47%
Yes, and it worked	50	5.15%
Yes, but bad service/ cut	59	6.08%
short		
This does not apply to	168	17.30%
me		
Total	971	100%
No response: 48 (4.71%)		

Q15: Could you send and get mail in the last week?		
No	65	6.74%
Yes	876	90.78%
This does not apply to	24	2.49%
me		
Total	965	100%
No response: 54 (5.30%)		

Q16: Did commissary run on schedule this week?		
Yes, full shop	12	1.26%
Yes, limited shop	535	56.26%
Yes, but not my unit's shop week	52	5.47%
No	352	37.01%
Total	951	100%
No response: 68 (6.67%)		

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