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Ohio Department of Health Receives All Allocated PPE from the Strategic National Stockpile

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COLUMBUS — A critical part of our state's effort to contain and stop the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is to ensure our healthcare providers, Emergency Medical Services, law enforcement, and long-term care workers have the equipment they need to protect themselves and those they serve.

The increase in people with respiratory symptoms visiting hospitals and needing care is straining our healthcare system's supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Ohio requested early and has received our shipment of PPE from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS). PPE includes gowns, gloves, goggles, and masks. Ohio's allocation of materiel to the locals was informed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance on the allocation of critical resources during a pandemic.

All shipments have been received by ODH and all will be sent to county locations to ensure local PPE needs are met. Here are the total numbers from the SNS:

	Gowns	Coveralls	Gloves	Face Shields	Surgical Masks	N95 Masks
SNS Ohio supplies	107,670	552	493,575	131,808	672,100	271,450

"The supplies we received, and the state's reserve will not meet the immediate or future needs of Ohio's healthcare providers and first responders," said ODH Director Amy Acton, M.D., MPH. "This shortage is why our message has been to conserve. Industries with PPE are encouraged to donate what they have to their local Emergency Management Agencies."

PPE supply inventory is never static as there is always stock coming in and stock going out from different vendors. As a result, these numbers can constantly change.

For more information on COVID-19, please visit coronavirus.ohio.gov.

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