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ID	category	type	description	broadcastDate	length	Field1
4945	Health and Health Care	Spot News	Urbana's two hospitals are strongly encouraging --- but not requiring --- their employees to be vaccinated against COVID-19.	7/1/2021	:60	
4946	Agriculture	Spot News	Only one out of every 20 farmland acres in the Corn Belt has cover crops planted.	7/2/2021	:60	
4947	Women and Minorities	Spot News	The Illinois Department of Child and Family Services is enhancing training and resources to support LGBTQ+ youth in foster care.	7/2/2021	:60	
4948	Community	Spot News	Police have yet to arrest anyone following a mass shooting on the north side of Champaign on Friday.	7/5/2021	:60	
4949	Community	Interview	The new head of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield says one thing she'd like to focus on... is exploring the way Mary Lincoln is portrayed.	7/5/2021	15:00	
4950	Community	Spot News	There have been no arrests after a mass shooting at an American Legion post on the north side of Champaign on Friday afternoon. This is the latest violence in what the police chief says is fueled by illegal guns.	7/6/2021	:60	
4951	Business/Economy	Spot News	The Illinois economy is growing at its highest rate since 2015. That's according to the latest University of Illinois Flash Index.	7/6/2021	:60	

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4952	Health and Health Care	Spot News	Only one long-term facility in Champaign-Urbana is mandating their staff get vaccinated.	7/7/2021	:60	
4953	Environment	Spot News	Researchers in Fulton County are using image recognition technology to control invasive Asian carp on the Illinois River.	7/8/2021	:60	
4954	Education	Spot News	Kids who have an interest in STEM can show off and develop their skills at Camp Invention at Lake Land College taking place next week.	7/9/2021	:60	
4955	Environment	Spot News	Millions of rural residents across the Midwest are at risk of nitrate contamination in their drinking water... but might not know it.	7/9/2021	:60	
4956	Health and Health Care	Interview	The pandemic has been stressful for many families. That stress can affect a child's development -- including their language and social skills.	7/12/2021	4:00	
4957	Women and Minorities	Spot News	a new bill awaiting Governor Pritzker's signature could make it easier for undocumented students in Illinois to get their degrees.	7/13/2021	:60	
4958	Politics/Elections	Spot News	State Treasurer Mike Frerichs says Illinois is balancing its budget, even without a graduated state income tax that voters rejected last year.	7/14/2021	:60	
4959	Business/Economy	Spot News	After a year's delay due to the COVID-19 pandemic, work has begun on renovating a downtown Urbana hotel that's been closed since 2016.	7/14/2021	:60	
4960	Community	Spot News	In Champaign-Urbana, reports of stolen catalytic converters from vehicles have increased since the start of the year.	7/15/2021	:60	

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4961	Sports	Interview	Some Illinoisans are getting ready to fly to Tokyo next week for the 2020 Olympics.	7/16/2021	15:00	
4962	Health and Health Care	Interview	A new organization in Champaign-Urbana aims to provide critical support to local families -- whose babies spend their first weeks of life in the neonatal intensive care unit.	7/19/2021	4:00	
4963	Community	Spot News	An American Legion post in north Champaign was the scene of gun violence earlier this month, with one person killed and four others injured. Last (Monday) night, members of the community gathered at the same Legion post to ask questions and look for solutions.	7/20/2021	:60	
4964	Community	Spot News	The Urbana Park District culled over 100 geese at Crystal Lake Park last year. This past June, a subdivision in Urbana did the same.	7/21/2021	:60	
4965	Community	Spot News	A new statewide campaign – called “Fully Free” – aims to change the laws that restrict those with a criminal record.	7/22/2021	:60	
4966	Environment	Spot News	Climate change and globalization are threatening our food supply... by fostering more plant and animal diseases.	7/23/2021	:60	
4967	Arts and Culture	Interview	After a long year of empty stages and auditoriums during the pandemic ... local theater companies are gearing up for summer shows and their upcoming seasons.	7/23/2021	4:00	
4968	Health and Health Care	Interview	A new study explores the hassles that doctors can face -- when trying to get paid for health care services provided to patients on Medicaid.	7/26/2021	4:00	

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4969	Women and Minorities	Spot News	Abortion rights advocates are rejecting an Illinois lawmaker's proposal to defund universities that supply abortion medication to students.	7/27/2021	:60	
4970	Environment	Feature	Relief is in sight for some rural residents of Champaign County, whose well water was contaminated by a natural gas leak. They could eventually be hooked up to a nearby public water system.	7/27/2021	4:00	
4971	Community	Spot News	The number of shooting incidents in Champaign County so far this year has surpassed the total number in 2020. These range from shots fired into the air to people killed by gunfire.	7/28/2021	:60	
4972	Environment	Spot News	At Illinois state parks, officials say balancing conservation and tourism is trickier with the increase of visitors this summer.	7/29/2021	:60	
4973	Community	Spot News	A portion of University Avenue in downtown Champaign has been renamed for a police officer killed in the line of duty earlier this year.	7/29/2021	:60	
4974	Community	Spot News	Arraignment is scheduled later today (Monday) for a Champaign man accused of killing a teenager. 55-year-old Daryl Vandyke remains in the Champaign County jail.	8/2/2021	:60	
4975	Health and Health Care	Spot News	The number of coronavirus cases is rising once again in much of central and southern Illinois. Local health officials say most cases are occurring among unvaccinated people, following a national trend.	8/2/2021	:60	
4976	Business/Economy	Spot News	The University of Illinois Flash Index showed the Illinois economy growing at a slightly slower pace in July, compared to the month before. But the	8/3/2021	:60	

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			economist who compiles the Index from state tax receipts, says that signals a plateau, not a decline.			
4977	Community	Interview	A new group led by formerly incarcerated people in Illinois has launched a campaign to end what it calls "permanent punishments" for people who have been convicted of felonies.	8/4/2021	4:00	
4978	Health and Health Care	Spot News	Local health officials are encouraging people who'd previously decided against getting the coronavirus vaccine -- to reconsider.	8/4/2021		
4979	Environment	Interview	Bald eagle populations continue to rebound in Illinois and across the country.	8/4/2021	15:00	
4980	Politics/Elections	Spot News	The three Republicans competing to run against Governor Pritzker next year were quick to denounce his order mandating masks in schools.	8/4/2021	:60	
4981	Agriculture	Interview	Illinois agriculture is mostly known for its two staple cash crops: corn and soybeans. But there are many produce growers here, too, selling their fruits and vegetables at farmers markets and to local restaurants.	8/6/2021	4:00	
4982	Arts and Culture	Interview	Illini Football and Basketball fans will hear a new fight song joining the traditional music during the upcoming season.	8/6/2021	15:00	
4983	Community	Spot News	A proposal before the Champaign County Board would create a special committee to tackle a long-standing problem --- how to replace the county's aging jail and sheriff's office in downtown Urbana.	8/9/2021	:60	

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4984	Health and Health Care	Interview	Health experts in Illinois say Governor Pritzker's statewide mask mandate for schools is a smart move.	8/9/2021	15:00	
4985	Sports	Spot News	Across Illinois this week, schools are kicking off practices for fall sports.	8/10/2021	:60	
4986	Community	Spot News	A special Champaign County Board committee has three months to come up with a plan to resolve the county's jail issues. County board members voted unanimously last (Tuesday) night to create the committee, and gave it a November deadline.	8/11/2021	:60	
4987	Politics/Elections	Interview	At least one Democrat is throwing his hat in the ring to run for the congressional seat currently held by Republican Rodney Davis ... even before he knows exactly what the district will look like.	8/12/2021	7:00	
4989	Health and Health Care	Feature	Farmers and ranchers are trusted voices in their rural towns. And because of their work with animals, they understand the science – and value – of vaccines. That could make them perfectly positioned to help nudge their vaccine-hesitant neighbors to roll up their sleeves.	8/12/2021	4:00	
4988	Environment	Spot News	A nearly stationary line of heavy thunderstorms brought flooding to parts of Champaign, Ford and McLean Counties yesterday (Thursday).	8/13/2021	:60	
4990	Health and Health Care	Interview	COVID-19 cases are rising once again in Illinois -- and most of the U.S. And the more contagious Delta variant now makes up the vast majority of new coronavirus cases.	8/16/2021	4:00	

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4991	Agriculture	Spot News	As summers get increasingly hot due to climate change, farmworkers in the Midwest will continue to face dangerous working conditions -- or lose out on income.	8/17/2021	:60	
4992	Community	Spot News	Urbana's emergency housing program is about to move from rented hotel rooms to its own apartment buildings.	8/18/2021	:60	
4993	Education	Interview	University of Illinois System President Tim Killeen says he has hopes for a safe fall semester.	8/19/2021	15:00	
4994	Community	Spot News	As Gibson City cleans up from last week's flash flood, a special fund has been set up to help people pay for the damage.	8/20/2021	:60	
4995	Health and Health Care	Interview	The percentage of available intensive care beds has dropped below 20% in Illinois... as the number of COVID hospitalizations continues to rise.	8/23/2021	4:00	
4996	Community	Spot News	A new use-of-force policy for Urbana Police is nearly twice as long as the old one ... with an emphasis on de-escalating potentially violent situations. Mayor Diane Marlin did not need city council approval for the new policy. But council members reviewed it last (Monday) night.	8/24/2021	:60	
4997	Health and Health Care	Spot News	More than a year and a half into the COVID-19 pandemic, childcare providers say they've learned a lot about operating safely.	8/24/2021	:60	
4998	Politics/Elections	Interview	An Illinois Congressman who serves on the House Intelligence Committee says the United States has failed its partners in Afghanistan.	8/25/2021	15:00	

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4999	Women and Minorities	Interview	Illinois's State Police director says he's committed to improving diversity, from command personnel to the cadet class.	8/26/2021	15:00	
5000	Agriculture	Spot News	The pandemic has changed the way we buy and consume food.	8/27/2021	:60	
5001	Health and Health Care	Interview	About a quarter of all K-through-12 school districts in Illinois have now signed up to use the University of Illinois' saliva-based coronavirus test.	8/30/2021	4:00	
5002	Agriculture	Spot News	The Farm Progress Show -- one of the largest agriculture trade shows in the country -- is back in person for the first time since before the pandemic.	8/31/2021	:60	
5003	Agriculture	Feature	The heat of summer reminds us to appreciate things like shade, air conditioning and water. That's especially true on farms across the country, where it can be a struggle to keep livestock cool enough.	8/31/2021	4:00	
5004	Community	Spot News	Family, friends and fellow police officers said farewell to University of Illinois police lieutenant Aaron Landers Tuesday, at a funeral held at the Vineyard Church in Urbana.	8/31/2021	:60	
5005	Health and Health Care	Interview	With most Illinois children now back to in-person learning, child psychologists are encouraging schools to keep an eye out for kids who need extra support.	9/1/2021	15:00	
5006	Women and Minorities	Spot News	The Supreme Court decided Wednesday night not to block a new Texas law that bans abortion once a fetal heartbeat can be detected. That's about six weeks. Officials at Planned Parenthood Illinois Action say they are preparing to help patients from Texas.	9/3/2021	:60	

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5007	Community	Spot News	Kids are back in school – but many are having trouble GETTING there. Illinois Newsroom’s student journalist Luis Velazquez has more on the nationwide school bus driver shortage.	9/3/2021	:60	
5008	Health and Health Care	Spot News	Some hospitals in Illinois have announced they’re increasing their minimum wage to 15 dollars an hour -- ahead of the 2025 state deadline to do so.	9/6/2021	:60	
5009	Business/Economy	Spot News	After rising to its highest level in six years, the Flash Index of the Illinois economy declined by two-tenths of a point in July and again in August. But the economist who compiles the index still isn’t worried.	9/7/2021	:60	
5010	Community	Interview	Advocates say a new Illinois law will help make walking and biking safer in communities across the state.	9/8/2021	15:00	
5011	Politics/Elections	Interview	As the U-S contends with its messy withdrawal from Afghanistan, Senator Dick Durbin says American forces should have left that country years earlier.	9/9/2021	15:00	
5012	University of Illinois	Spot News	In-person campus tours resumed Tuesday at the University of Illinois, sixteen months after they were stopped during the early part of the pandemic.	9/9/2021	:60	
5013	University of Illinois	Spot News	Most University of Illinois students don’t remember the attacks on September 11, 2001. However, as we near the twentieth anniversary, they say it’s still important to commemorate the events of that day.	9/9/2021	:60	
5014	Community	Interview	Here in Central Illinois, the Champaign Fire Department will hold a 9/11 Memorial Ceremony tomorrow (Saturday) at 8-46 a-m on the northeast corner of West Side Park in Champaign.	9/10/2021	7:00	

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5015	Agriculture	Spot News	The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced today (THURS) it's making a big investment in renewable energy in rural America.	9/10/2021	:60	
5016	Health and Health Care	Interview	The V-A hospital in Danville has started accepting non-veteran patients who can't find a nearby hospital bed.	9/13/2021	4:00	
5017	Community	Spot News	An 8-K race in Champaign-Urbana over the weekend was a chance for hundreds of runners and walkers to remember those they had lost.	9/13/2021	:60	
5018	Community	Spot News	Illinoisans spent part of the weekend honoring those lost in the September 11th attacks 20 years ago. Dozens of first responders and residents gathered in Champaign's West Side park on Saturday.	9/13/2021	:60	
5019	Politics/Elections	Interview	President Biden's order mandating COVID-19 vaccines for large private employers has brought for calls for clarity from the business sector, and outright opposition from some Republican governors. But an Illinois State University professor says there's nothing unusual about the approach.	9/14/2021	15:00	
5020	University of Illinois	Spot News	The University of Illinois class of 2025 is the largest class so far with more than 83-hundred undergraduate students. Director of Undergraduate Admissions Andy Borst says the number of non-resident and international students who accepted offers exceeded their expectations.	9/15/2021	:60	
5021	Community	Interview	The Champaign County Forest Preserve District has chosen a new executive director. Lorrie Pearson will begin her new role on September 27th.	9/16/2021	4:00	

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5022	University of Illinois	Spot News	Yesterday (WEDNESDAY) was the deadline for University of Illinois students, staff, and faculty to request to be exempt from the university's COVID-19 vaccine mandate. University officials say more than 16-hundred members of the campus community have asked to opt out of vaccinations.	9/16/2021	:60	
5023	Women and Minorities	Spot News	The University YMCA in Champaign will host an information session this weekend to help local DACA recipients—sometimes called “Dreamers”—learn about renewing the work permits that allow them to stay in the country.	9/17/2021	:60	
5024	Environment	Interview	This week, Governor J.B. Pritzker signed a historic piece of legislation. The Climate and Equitable Jobs Act will transform Illinois' energy sector over the next 30 years – in the hopes of bringing the state to 100% carbon-free energy by the year 2050.	9/17/2021	4:00	
5025	Women and Minorities	Interview	A new document from the University YMCA's New American Welcome Center... outlines steps for making Champaign County more inclusive toward immigrants.	9/20/2021	4:00	
5026	Arts and Culture	Spot News	More than 50 artists and local businesses gathered this weekend for the Champaign-Urbana Black and African Arts Festival.	9/20/2021	:60	
5027	Government	Spot News	The Champaign County Board votes Thursday on salaries for four countywide elected officials for the next four years --- including a raise for the county clerk, and a deep pay cut for the county executive.	9/21/2021	:60	

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5028	Women and Minorities	Spot News	September is suicide prevention month and while the number of suicides has dropped 5 percent over the past few years in the U.S. overall, it has increased among people of color.	9/22/2021	:60	
5029	Community	Spot News	Officials at the Refugee Center in Champaign say they're planning to accept between five and ten families of Afghan refugees in the next few months.	9/22/2021	:60	
5030	Arts and Culture	Spot News	Today is the start of the three-day cultural events festival "Pygmalion". This is the first time since 2019 that the series of performances in Urbana has been in person—after going virtual last year.	9/23/2021	:60	
5031	Health and Health Care	Spot News	Public health officials in Champaign-Urbana say COVID-19 booster shots will be available for local residents over 65 or at high risk for COVID—now that the FDA has authorized the use of the shots for those people.	9/23/2021	:60	
5032	Education	Spot News	New state data shows that a dozen Illinois schools continue to face penalties from the state because they won't require masks in the classroom.	9/23/2021	:60	
5033	Environment	Interview	The basic goal of the Illinois Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy is to cut those nutrient loads almost in half. But according to its most recent report... nutrient levels have gone up again.	9/24/2021	4:00	
5034	Women and Minorities	Interview	The future of DACA, or the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, is uncertain... as a legal battle plays out in Texas between the Biden administration and a judge who ruled that DACA is unlawful.	9/24/2021	4:00	

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5035	Community	Spot News	Uniting Pride's annual C-U Pride Fest is this week. This year the theme is "What the Health? Fighting. Surviving. Thriving."	9/24/2021	:60	
5036	Business/Economy	Spot News	This week, local officials are hosting Urbana Shop Local Week, featuring a social media campaign aimed at increasing support for local businesses.	9/24/2021	:60	
5037	Health and Health Care	Interview	Vaccination rates among Black and Latino residents have ticked upwards in recent months in Champaign County.	9/27/2021	4:00	
5038	University of Illinois	Spot News	Many University of Illinois students say they want to see the university divest from companies that produce fossil fuels. On Friday, some of those students gathered around the Alma Mater statue on the Urbana campus to make their voices heard.	9/27/2021	:60	
5039	Community	Spot News	Attendees at Saturday's 12th annual C-U Pride Fest vendor fair in Urbana say they are happy to be back in person this year.	9/27/2021	:60	
5040	Government	Spot News	County Executive Darlene Kloeppel is asking the Champaign County Board to discuss her new proposal for county board districts at their October 12th Committee of the Whole meeting.	9/28/2021	:60	
5041	Women and Minorities	Spot News	Fraternalities and campus organizations at the University of Illinois are hoping to educate the public about Hispanic history and culture during Hispanic Heritage Month.	9/29/2021	:60	

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5042	University of Illinois	Spot News	Students, faculty and staff at the University of Illinois were required to be vaccinated against COVID-10 by September fifteenth—unless they had a medical or religious exemption.	9/30/2021	:60	
5043	Community	Interview	September is National Suicide Prevention Month. But for Sebastian Klein, working to combat suicide is a year-round mission.	9/29/2021	4:00	