



Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Updated November 22, 2020

The national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Mississippi State Department of Health continue to closely monitor the outbreak of respiratory illnesses caused by the novel (new) coronavirus COVID-19, and are working to limit the spread of cases nationally and in Mississippi.

Mississippi Coronavirus Hotline (7 days a week, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.): **877-978-6453**

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Home isolation is mandatory if you have tested positive for COVID-19 by [order of the State Health Officer](#). (If you are awaiting results of routine testing *not* related to exposure, you may [return to work](#) and follow the safety guidance of your employer.) If you have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19, quarantine is also important to protect others. [Find out more »](#)

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COVID-19 in Mississippi

New Cases and Deaths as of November 21

NEW CASES

779

NEW DEATHS

19

New COVID-19 related deaths reported to MSDH as of 6 p.m. yesterday. Four deaths occurred on November 20 and November 21 in the counties below.

County	Total
Desoto	1
Lamar	1
Neshoba	1
Tate	1

15 COVID-19 related deaths occurred between July 29 and November 14, identified from death certificate reports.

County	Total
Coahoma	2
Desoto	1
Franklin	1
Lee	2
Marshall	4
Neshoba	1
Oktibbeha	1
Prentiss	1
Warren	1
Yazoo	1

LTC OUTBREAKS

172

Current outbreaks in long-term care facilities only. (See [LTC facility outbreak definition](#).)

About our case counts: We currently update our case totals each day based on test results from the previous day. Outside laboratories also report positive test results to us, which are included in our totals. Repeated tests for the same individual are counted only once. County case numbers and deaths may change as investigation finds new or additional information.

County COVID-19 Data

Race and Ethnicity

- ▶ [Total COVID-19 cases and deaths by county, race and ethnicity](#) PDF
Current and past data tables, updated daily

Data Snapshots for Individual Counties

- ▶ [Weekly COVID-19 snapshots for each Mississippi county](#)

High Cases and Incidence

- ▶ [Mississippi counties ranked by weekly cases and incidence](#)

Cumulative Cases and Deaths by County

Totals of all reported COVID-19 cases for 2020, including those in long-term care (LTC) facilities.

Detailed reporting of long-term care information will resume on Monday.

The numbers in this table are provisional. County case numbers and deaths may change as investigation finds new or additional information. The data provided below is the most current available.

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Adams	1341	48
Alcorn	1427	24
Amite	507	14
Attala	1061	33
Benton	482	17
Bolivar	2375	83
Calhoun	712	13
Carroll	701	14
Chickasaw	1021	32
Choctaw	305	7
Claiborne	574	16
Clarke	881	53
Clay	862	26
Coahoma	1467	42
Copiah	1588	40
Total	143,180	3,676

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Covington	1164	34
De Soto	9527	99
Forrest	3606	85
Franklin	315	5
George	1215	23
Greene	582	22
Grenada	1358	44
Hancock	1133	37
Harrison	6801	105
Hinds	9520	193
Holmes	1242	61
Humphreys	523	18
Issaquena	109	4
Itawamba	1444	33
Jackson	6043	116
Jasper	804	21
Jefferson	335	11
Jefferson Davis	538	17
Jones	3416	87
Kemper	406	15
Lafayette	3120	47
Lamar	2738	49
Lauderdale	3340	142
Lawrence	698	14
Leake	1316	43
Lee	4770	94
Leflore	2003	89
Lincoln	1836	64
Lowndes	2275	62
Madison	4595	102
Marion	1090	46
Marshall	2065	47
Monroe	1888	77
Total	143,180	3,676

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Montgomery	719	25
Neshoba	2170	113
Newton	1028	29
Noxubee	689	17
Oktibbeha	2374	60
Panola	2103	47
Pearl River	1420	67
Perry	639	25
Pike	1599	58
Pontotoc	1925	27
Prentiss	1384	26
Quitman	476	6
Rankin	5219	96
Scott	1494	29
Sharkey	306	17
Simpson	1431	53
Smith	686	16
Stone	710	14
Sunflower	1887	54
Tallahatchie	947	27
Tate	1630	49
Tippah	1204	30
Tishomingo	1055	42
Tunica	595	19
Union	1590	25
Walthall	737	28
Warren	1717	57
Washington	3043	106
Wayne	1155	22
Webster	416	14
Wilkinson	384	22
Winston	1158	24
Yalobusha	676	26
Total	143,180	3,676

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Yazoo	1495	38
Total	143,180	3,676

Case Classifications

Mississippi investigates and reports both probable and confirmed cases and deaths according to the [CSTE case definition](#).

	Confirmed	Probable	Total
Cases	117,309	25,871	143,180
Deaths	3,233	443	3,676

Confirmed cases and deaths are generally determined by positive PCR tests, which detect the presence of ongoing coronavirus infection.

Probable cases are those who test positive by other testing methods such as antibody or antigen, and have recent symptoms consistent with COVID-19, indicating a recent infection.

Probable deaths are those individuals with a designation of COVID-19 as a cause of death on the death certificate, but where no confirmatory testing was performed.

Deaths from COVID-19 and Other Causes

This table of death counts compares COVID-19 deaths in Mississippi by week with deaths from other major causes, including contributing and underlying causes.

- ▶ [Mississippi Provisional Death Counts by Week](#)
Updated weekly

K-12 School Report

Mississippi K-12 schools make weekly reports of cases among students, teachers and staff, number of outbreaks, and teachers and students under quarantine as a result of COVID-19 exposure. An outbreak in a school setting is defined as 3 or more individuals diagnosed with COVID-19 in the same group within a 14-day period.

Note: These cases have been directly reported to MSDH by each school, and may not yet have appeared in our state and county totals of cases reported by laboratories.

- ▶ [K-12 reports of COVID-19 school cases, outbreaks and exposure](#)
Updated weekly

Long-Term Care Facility Cases and Outbreaks

Long-term care (LTC) facilities like nursing homes are considered high risk locations because their residents are older or in poor health. A single confirmed COVID-19 infection in an LTC facility resident, or more than one infection in employees or staff in a 14-day period constitutes an outbreak. Residential care facilities also represent group living facilities where COVID-19 can be easily spread. We investigate residents, staff and close contacts of infected individuals for possible exposure.

These outbreak figures are reported directly to MSDH by the facility. Many of the cases and deaths reported by facilities may not yet be included in our totals of lab-reported cases.

- ▶ [Mississippi COVID-19 cases and deaths in long-term care facilities](#) PDF
Long-term care facilities include nursing homes, personal care homes, assisted living homes, and intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disability (ICF-IID)

▶ [Mississippi COVID-19 cases and deaths in residential care facilities](#) PDF

Residential care facilities include psychiatric or chemical dependency residential treatment centers and long-term acute care facilities.

Ongoing Outbreaks in Nursing Homes

Because nursing homes report COVID-19 data directly to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS), we have replaced our usual long-term care facility report with the most recent CMS nursing home data, avoiding duplicate reporting requirements for these facilities.

Data such as illness in residents and staff, deaths in residents, as well as a number of other data elements are now publicly available on the CMS website. MSDH is providing the following links to view this data, which is reported directly by the Nursing Homes and is updated daily.

Note: Cases and deaths listed on the CMS website may not have appeared yet in our county totals, which are based on reports from testing laboratories.

- ▶ [Search for nursing home COVID-19 data](#)
- ▶ [About the CMS COVID-19 dataset](#)
- ▶ [CMS state and national COVID-19 nursing home data](#)

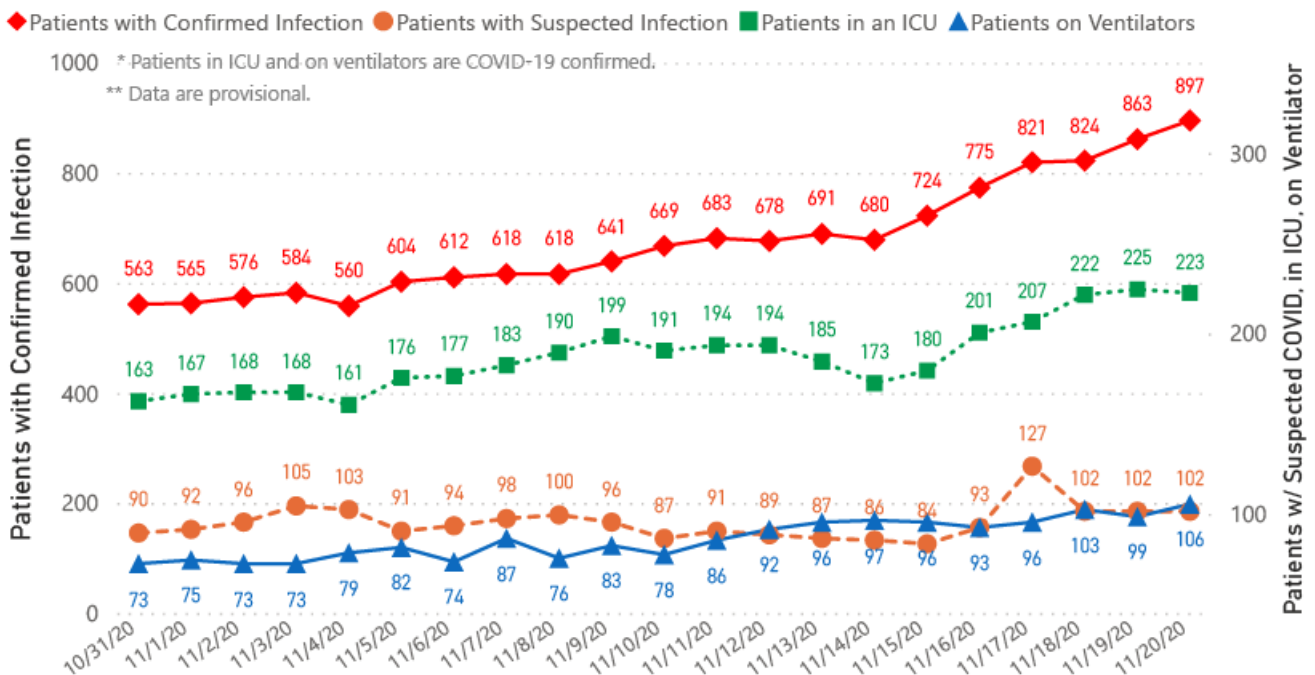
Mississippi COVID-19 Data Charts and Map

All data reports below are updated as they become available.

Hospitalizations and Bed Availability

- ▶ [Interactive charts of hospitalizations](#)

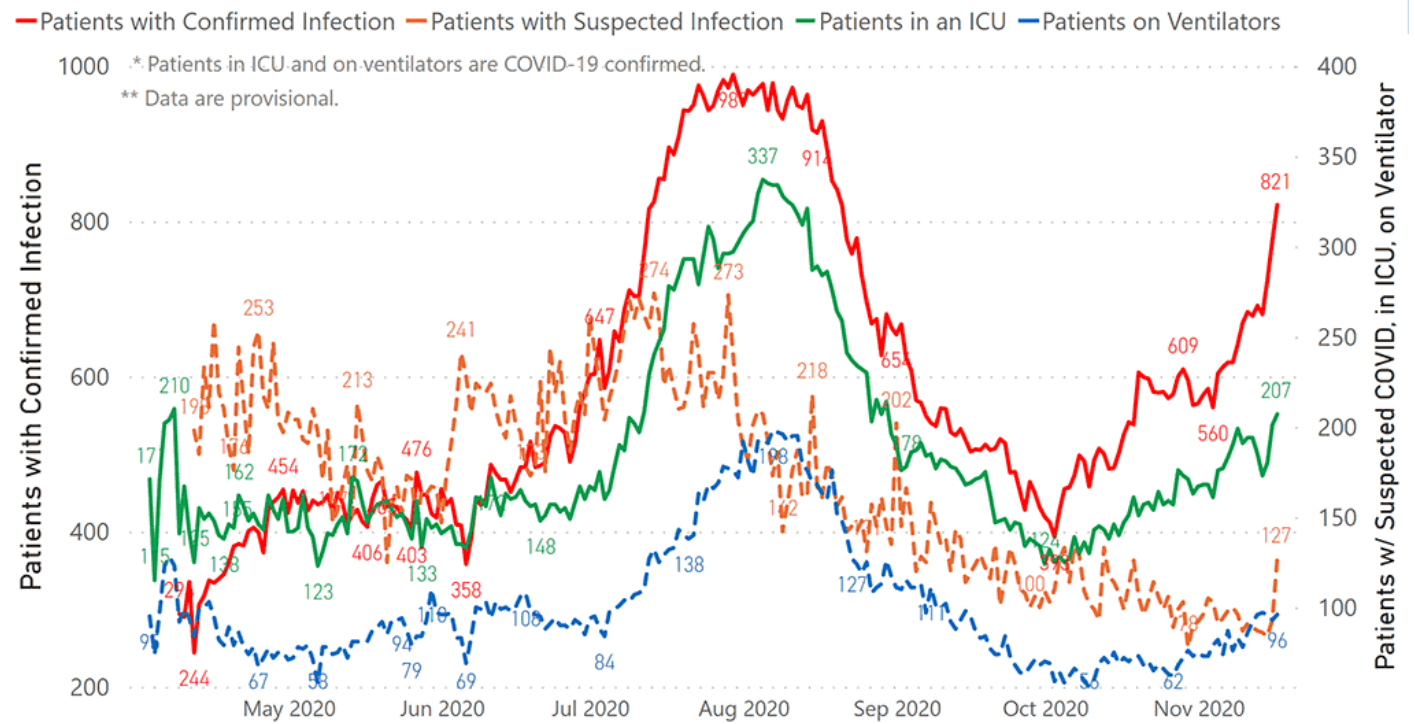
COVID-19 Hospitalizations Reported by MS Hospitals, 10/31/20-11/20/20 ^{*,**}



Hospitalization and ICU Use to Date

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COVID-19 Hospitalizations Trends, Reported by MS Hospitals as of 11/17/20 **, **



Daily Statewide Data Charts

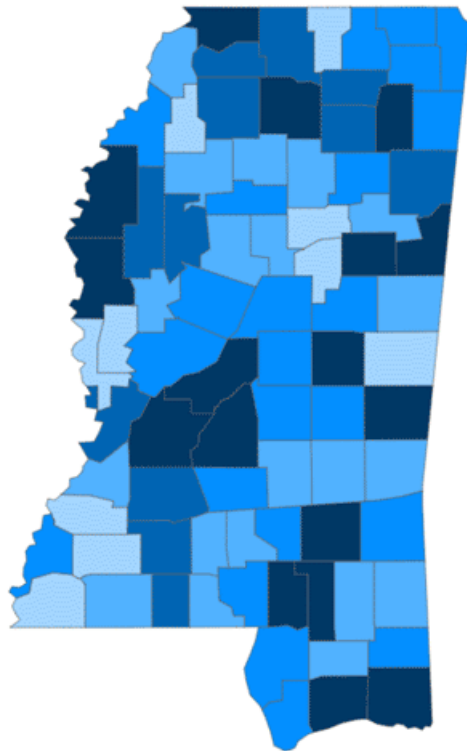
Our state case map and other data charts are also available in interactive form.

- ▶ [View interactive map](#)
- ▶ [View interactive epidemiological trend and syndromic surveillance](#)

The charts below are based on available data at the time of publication. Charts do **not** include cases where insufficient details of the case are known.

Mississippi COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Race with Ethnicity as of 6 pm CT, November 20, 2020

Total Cases
142,401



● 1 to 500 ● 501 to 1000 ● 1001 to 1500 ● 1501 to 2100 ● >2100

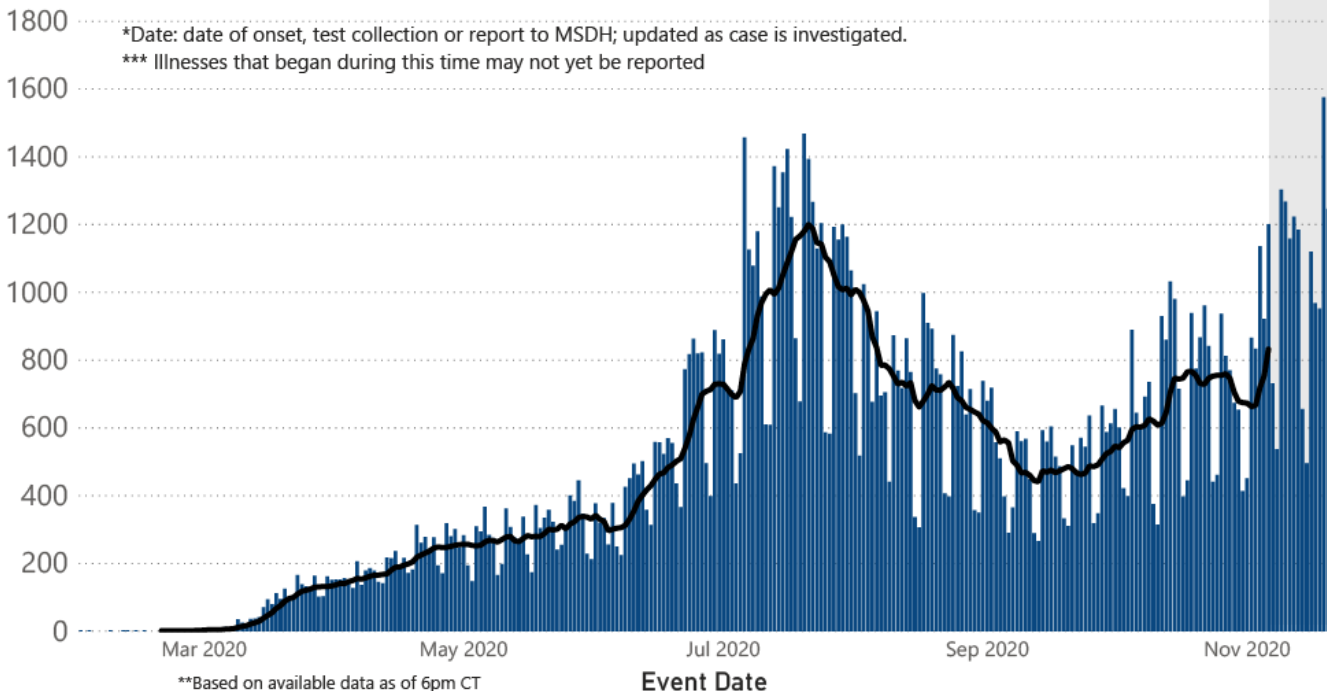
	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	655	427	42,282	47,172	1,566	782
Hispanic	22	18	197	1,151	2,148	220
Unknown Ethnicity	805	109	9,186	11,340	5,204	19,117

Total Deaths
3,657

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	65	3	1,435	1,490	18	6
Hispanic	1	0	7	20	16	1
Unknown Ethnicity	21	6	192	260	29	87

COVID-19 Cases by Date* through November 20, 2020**, Mississippi

● Cases — 7 Day Average

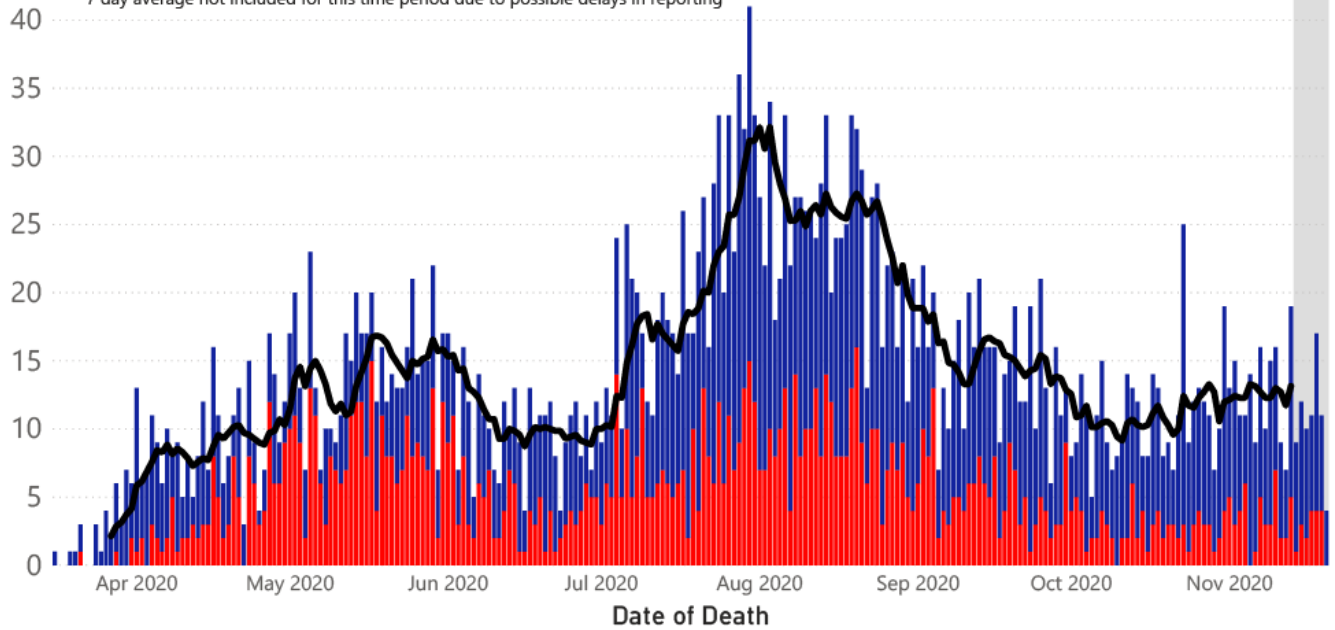


Note: Values up to two weeks in the past on the chart of Cases by Date above can change as we update it with new information from disease investigation.

COVID-19 LTCF* and Non-LTCF Deaths by Date of Death through November 20, 2020**, Mississippi

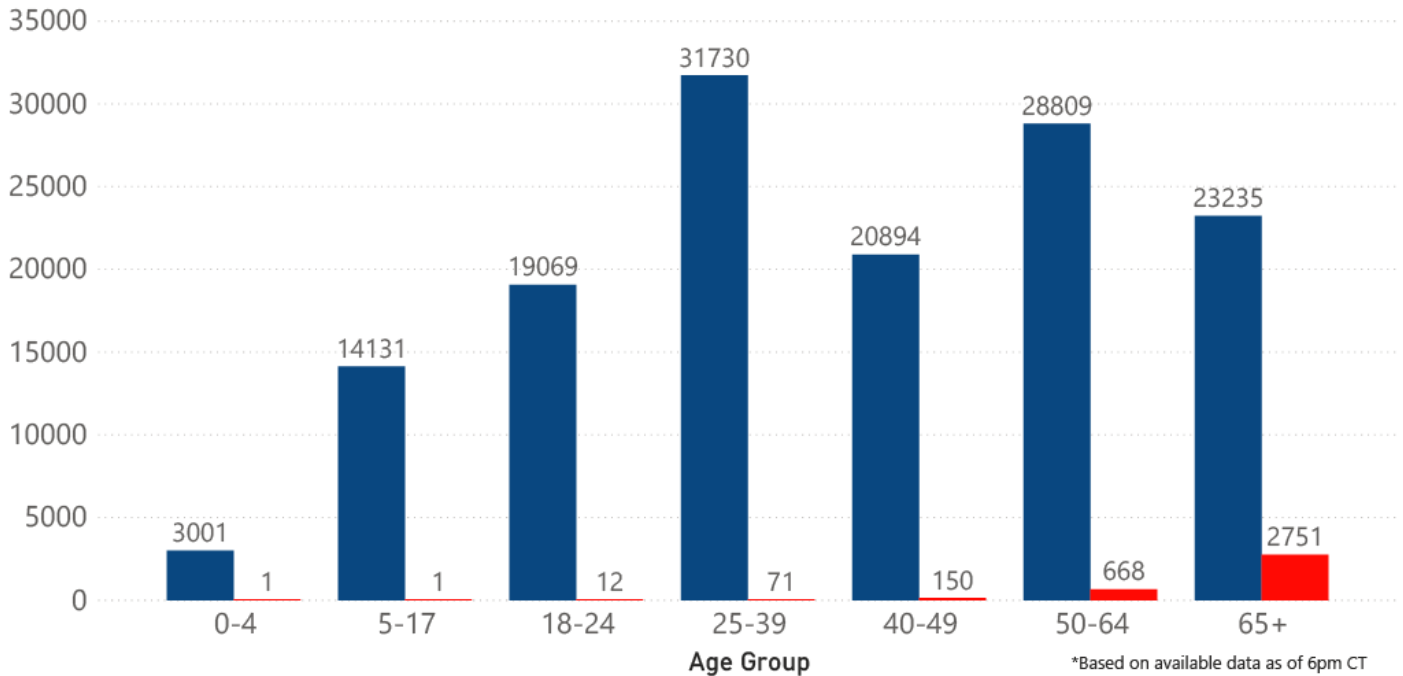
● Resident of LTCF Deaths ● Non-Resident of LTCF Deaths — 7 Day Average

45 *LTCF is Long Term Care Facility and includes Nursing Homes, ICF-IID, Assisted Living, and Personal Care Homes
 **based on available data as of 6pm CT
 ***7 day average not included for this time period due to possible delays in reporting



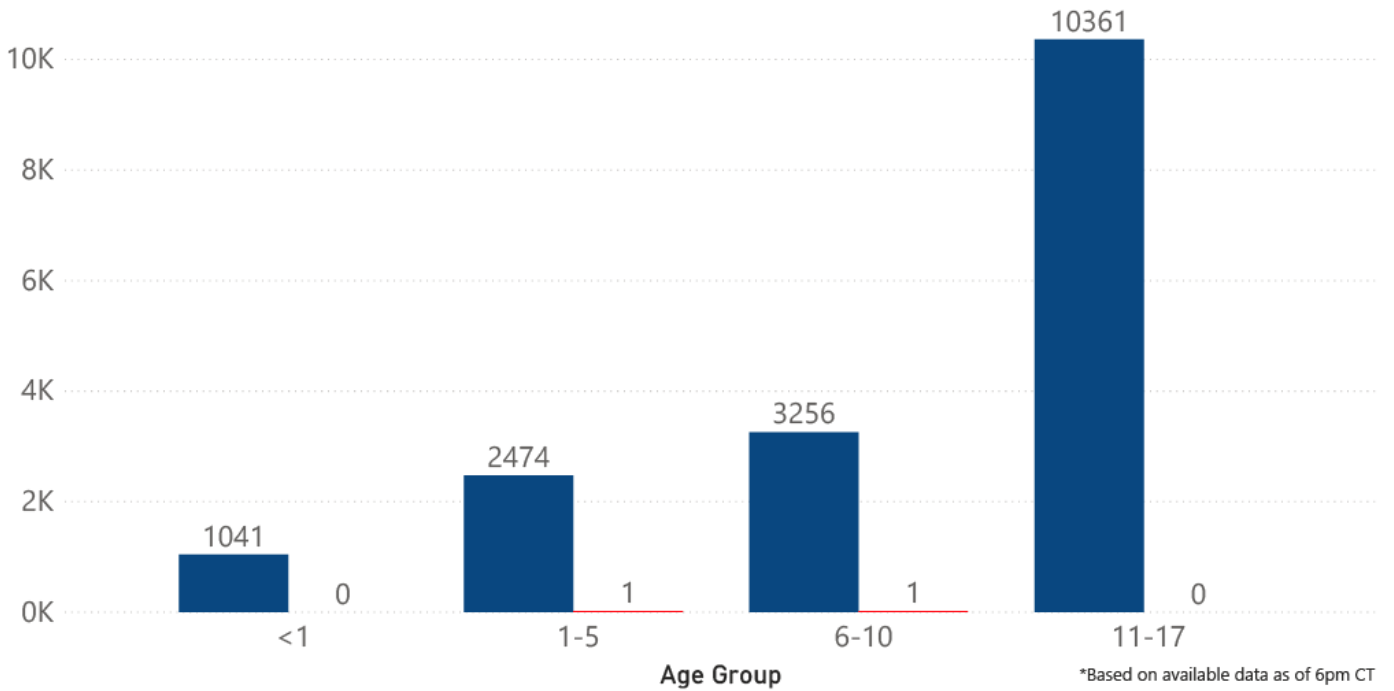
COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Age Group through November 20, 2020*, Mississippi

● Cases ● Deaths



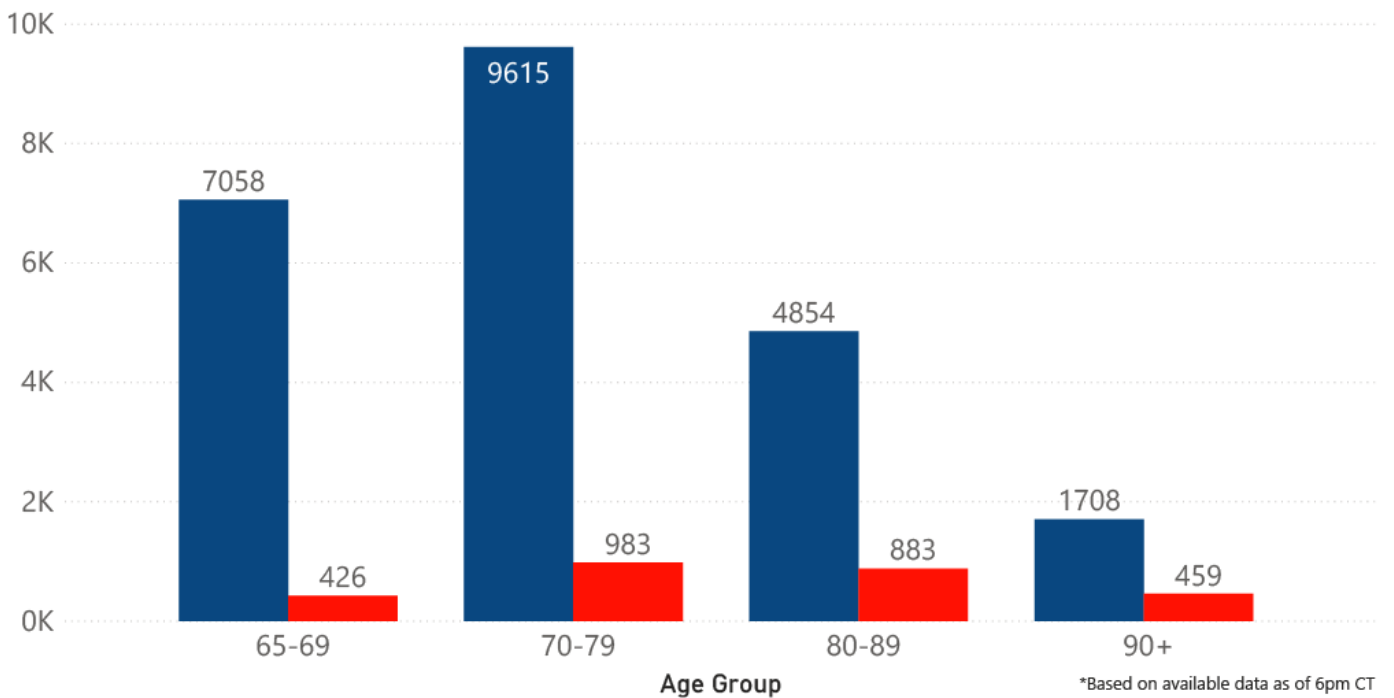
COVID-19 Pediatric Cases and Deaths by Age Group through November 20, 2020*, Mississippi

● Cases ● Deaths



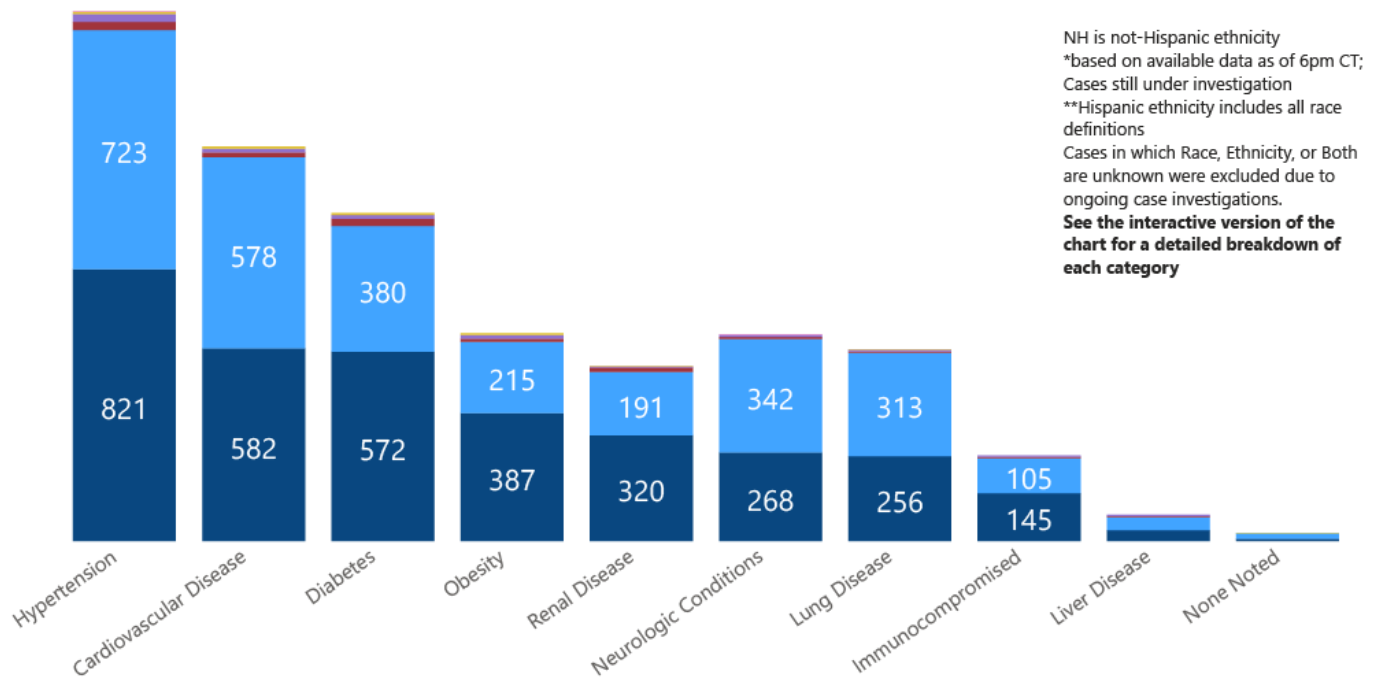
COVID-19 Geriatric Cases and Deaths by Age Group through November 20, 2020*, Mississippi

● Cases ● Deaths



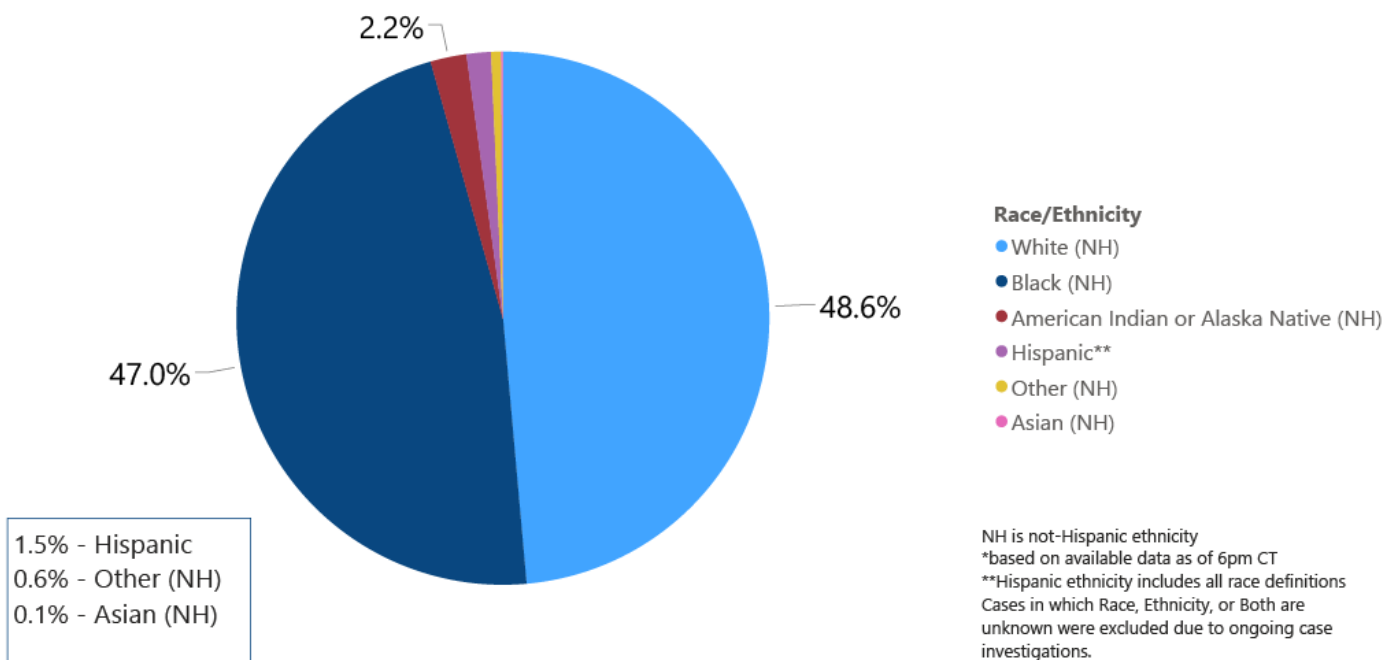
COVID-19 Underlying Conditions in Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi

Race/Ethnicity ● Black (NH) ● White (NH) ● American Indian or Alaska Native (NH) ● Hispanic** ● Other (NH) ● Asian (NH)



NH is not-Hispanic ethnicity
 *based on available data as of 6pm CT; Cases still under investigation
 **Hispanic ethnicity includes all race definitions
 Cases in which Race, Ethnicity, or Both are unknown were excluded due to ongoing case investigations.
See the interactive version of the chart for a detailed breakdown of each category

COVID-19 Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi



Race/Ethnicity
 ● White (NH)
 ● Black (NH)
 ● American Indian or Alaska Native (NH)
 ● Hispanic**
 ● Other (NH)
 ● Asian (NH)

NH is not-Hispanic ethnicity
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COVID-19 Hospitalized Cases by Age through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi



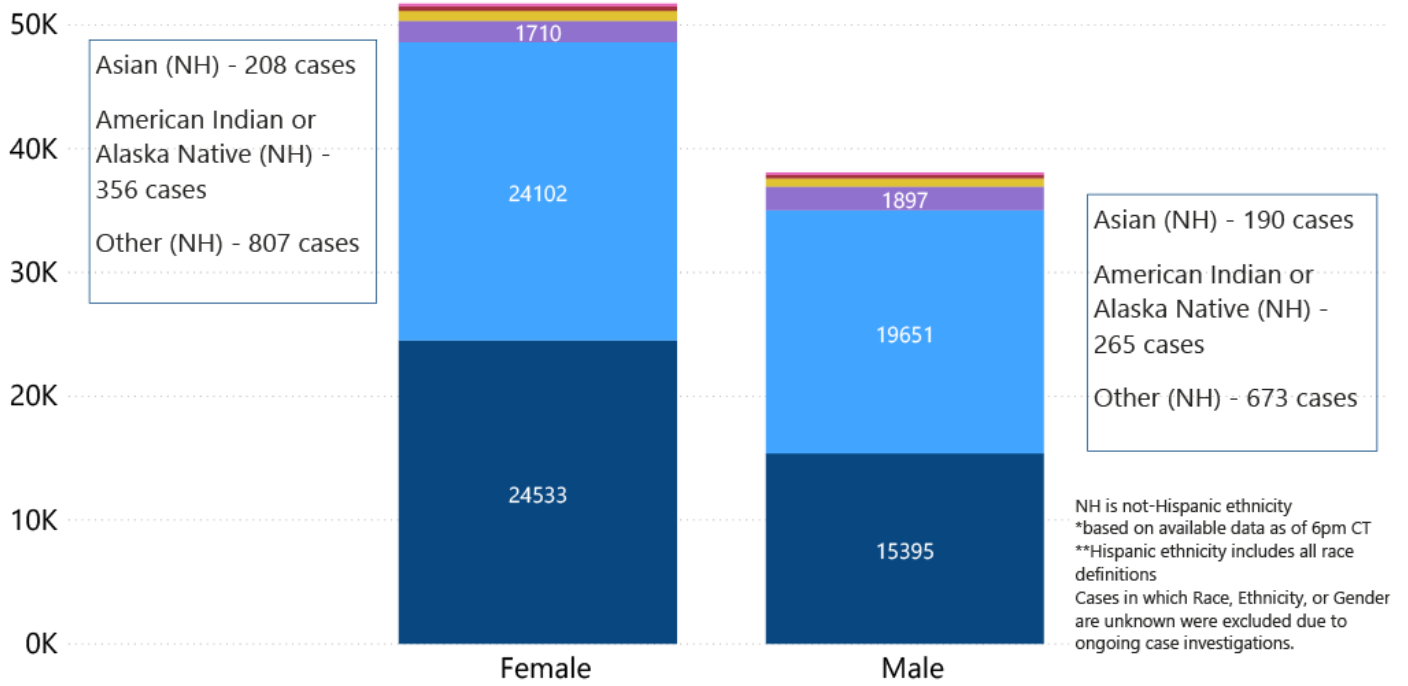
COVID-19 Cumulative Hospitalizations- Investigated Cases November 15, 2020 *



* Cases in which hospitalization is unknown were excluded due to ongoing case investigations; based on available data as of 6 pm CT

COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity and Gender through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi

Race/Ethnicity ● Black (NH) ● White (NH) ● Hispanic** ● Other (NH) ● American Indian or Alaska Native (NH) ● Asian (NH)

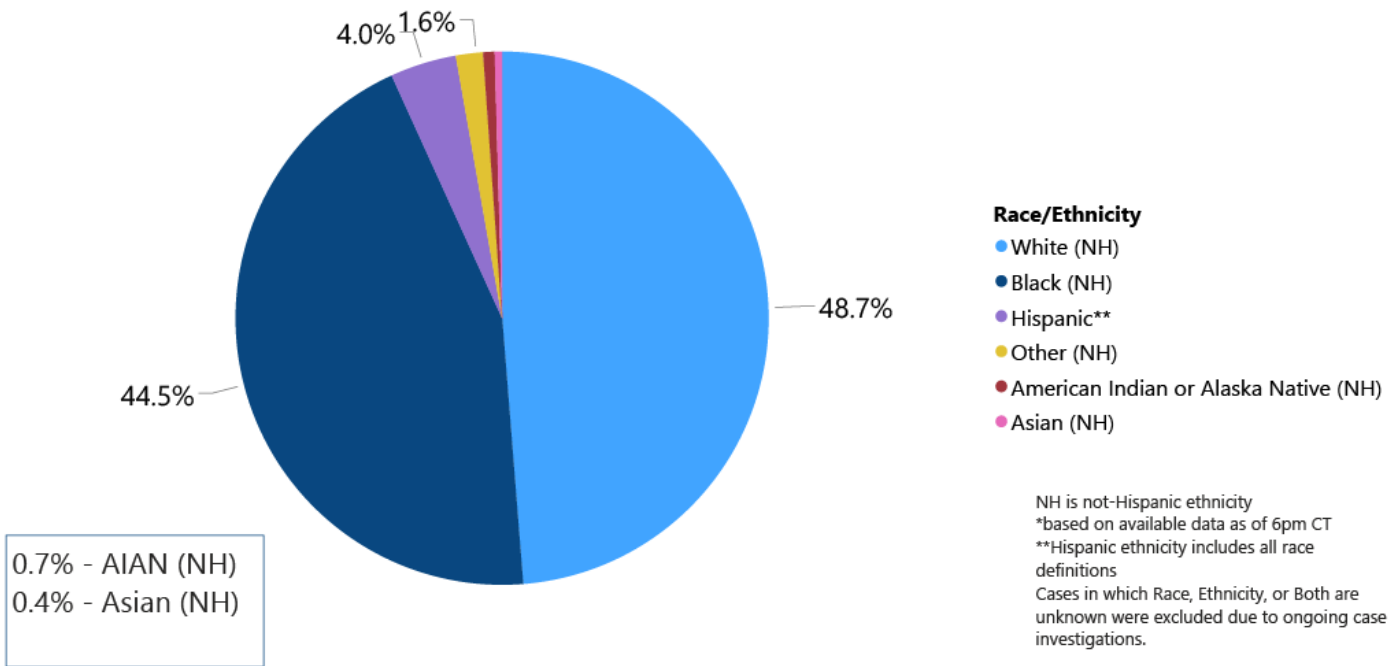


COVID-19 Deaths by Race and Gender through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi

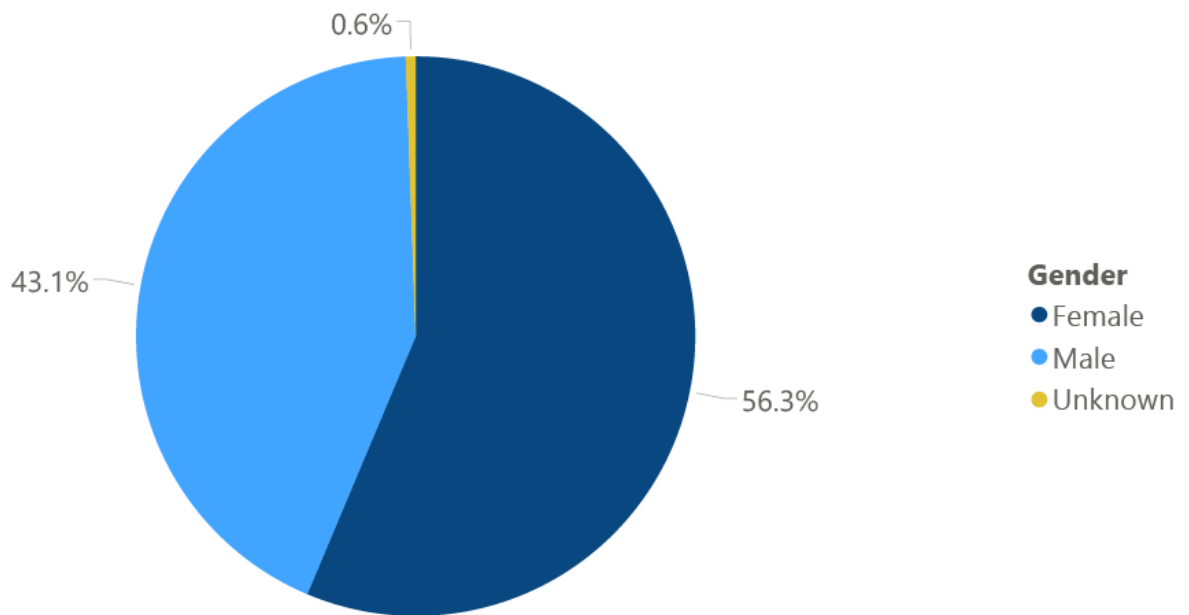
Race ● Black ● White ● American Indian or Alaska Native ● Other ● Asian



COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi



COVID-19 Cases by Gender through November 15, 2020*, Mississippi



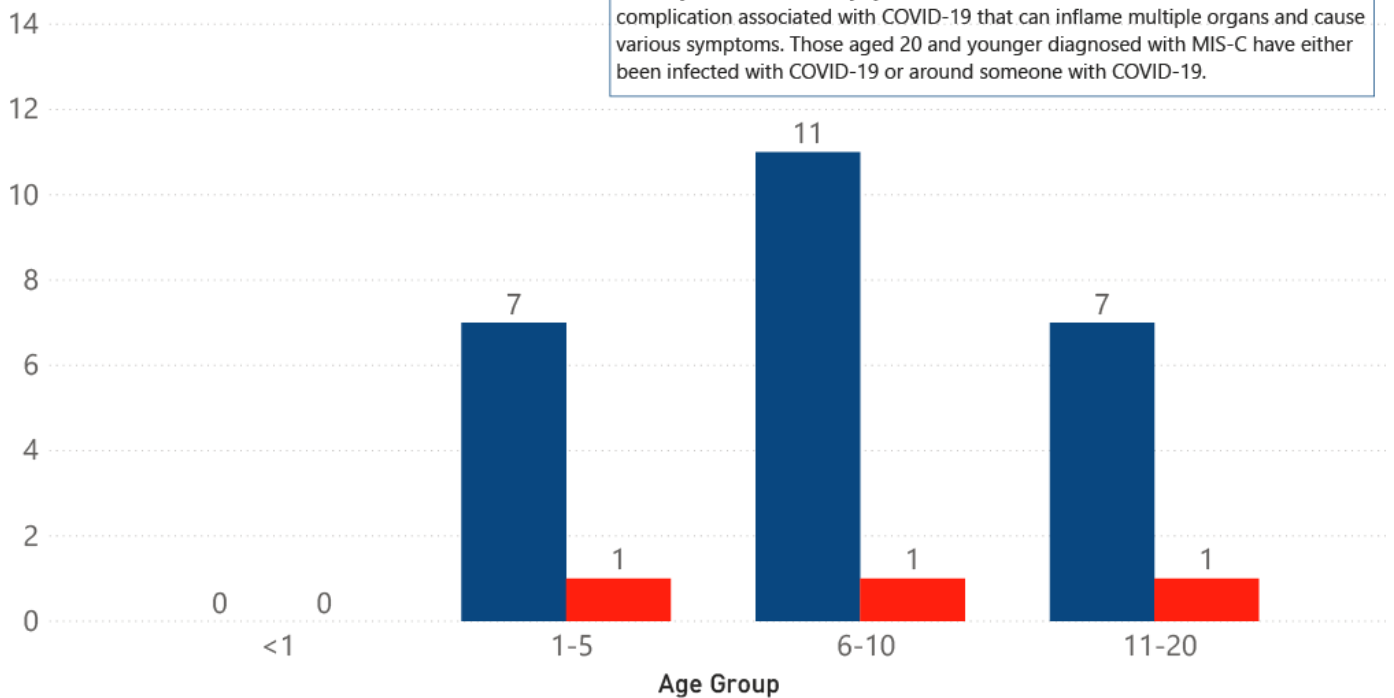
*Based on available data as of 6pm CT

Weekly Pediatric MIS-C Cases and Deaths

[Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children \(MIS-C\)](#) is a rare but serious condition associated with COVID-19 that causes inflammation in many body parts, including the heart and other vital organs.

MIS-C* Cases and Deaths by Age Group through November 15, 2020, Mississippi

● MIS-C Cases ● MIS-C Deaths



Weekly High Case and High Incidence Counties

Tracking counties with recent high numbers of COVID-19 cases, adjusted for population, provides insight on where local outbreaks are most serious, and where protective measures should be increased. For more accurate reporting, these weekly charts include sample collection dates only up to seven days in the past to allow for case investigation and delays in lab test reports.

Cases counts in these charts is based on the date of illness onset. If the date of illness is not known, the date the test sample was taken, or the date of test result reporting is used instead. Counts are adjusted as cases are investigated.

Counties are ranked by highest weekly case counts, and by weekly incidence (cases proportional to population). A separate table ranking all counties is also available. **All tables updated weekly.**

► [Full tables of counties ranked by weekly incidence and cases](#) PDF

COVID-19 High Incidence MS Counties Over 2 Week Period (October 26- November 8, 2020*)

County	Cases (October 26-November 8)	Cases per 100,000 (October 26-November 8)	Cases to Date (through November 8)	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
CARROLL	78	784.2	586	5891.2	15%
TATE	193	681.5	1418	5006.9	16%
MARSHALL	238	674.3	1737	4921.5	16%
MONTGOMERY	63	644.5	622	6363.2	11%
BENTON	53	641.7	423	5121.7	14%
PONTOTOC	194	603.0	1700	5283.8	13%
WINSTON	100	556.9	968	5391.3	12%
DESOTO	1010	546.1	8363	4521.9	14%
ITAWAMBA	121	517.3	1293	5528.0	10%
LEE	416	486.9	4069	4762.6	11%
PRENTISS	122	485.6	1214	4831.6	11%
ALCORN	178	481.7	1221	3304.2	17%

*based on available data as of 6pm CT
 Cases based on test date. Cases without test date excluded due to ongoing investigations.
 Table will be updated weekly. A one week lag is used for reporting.

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DESOTO	1010	546.1	8363	4521.9	14%
HARRISON	667	320.5	6191	2975.3	12%
JACKSON	658	458.2	5531	3851.2	14%
HINDS	522	225.2	8602	3710.3	6%
RANKIN	425	273.7	4515	2907.8	10%
LEE	416	486.9	4069	4762.6	11%
LAUDERDALE	330	445.2	2878	3882.6	13%
MARSHALL	238	674.3	1737	4921.5	16%
MADISON	230	216.4	4115	3872.1	6%
LAMAR	210	331.5	2545	4017.8	9%
JONES	198	290.8	3175	4662.4	7%
FORREST	197	263.0	3315	4426.1	6%

*based on available data as of 6pm CT
 Cases based on test date. Cases without test date excluded due to ongoing investigations.
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Syndromic Surveillance

Emergency department visits by those with symptoms characteristic of COVID-19, influenza and pneumonia, updated weekly.

Percentage of Emergency Department and Clinic visits for CLI, ILI, and Pneumonia Cases Weekly Statewide Summary, January 4, 2020 - November 14, 2020



*The graph represents syndromic surveillance data from emergency department visits, reported electronically by hospitals throughout the state, that are consistent with COVID-19-Like Illness (CLI), Influenza-Like Illness (ILI), and Pneumonia. Based on available data as of 6pm CT. Graph will be updated weekly.

Estimated Recoveries

Presumed COVID-19 cases recovered, estimated weekly (does not include cases still under investigation).

COVID-19 Presumed Recovered Cases through November 15, 2020, Mississippi

116,683

Presumed Recovered*

*Reflects Provisional Estimates. Presumed Recovered if:

- 1) It has been 14 days or more since the case tested positive, if they were not hospitalized
- 2) It has been 21 days or more since the case tested positive, if they were hospitalized or hospitalization was unknown.

All deaths excluded. Presumed recovered counts will be updated weekly.

- ▶ [COVID-19 cases in the United States \(CDC\)](#)
- ▶ [U.S. COVID-19 Tracker \(CDC\)](#)
- ▶ [COVID-19 Global Case Map \(Johns Hopkins University\)](#)

COVID-19 Testing

Statewide Combined Testing as of November 14

COVID-19 testing providers around the state include commercial laboratories as well as hospital labs. Combined with testing done by the MSDH Public Health Laboratory, the figures provide a complete picture of all Mississippi testing. (Updated weekly)

PCR testing detects current, active COVID-19 infection in an individual.

Antibody (serology) testing identifies individuals with past COVID-19 infection based on antibodies they develop one to three weeks after infection.

Antigen testing is another way to identify current COVID-19 infection.

	Total tests	PCR	Antibody	Antigen
MSDH Public Health Laboratory	124,935	123,693	1,242	0
Other testing providers	1,089,000	895,908	47,100	145,992
Total tests for COVID-19 statewide	1,213,935	1,019,601	48,342	145,992

MSDH Individuals Tested as of November 21

MSDH Public Health Laboratory (MPHL) testing totals as of 3 p.m. These totals are for tests performed at the MPHL only.

- Total individuals tested by the MPHL: **86,383**
- Total positive individuals from MPHL tests: **9,513**

Getting Tested for COVID-19

The MSDH Public Health Laboratory, its partners, and private providers are testing statewide for COVID-19.

Anyone with symptoms of fever, severe cough or severe chest pains – especially those who are older or in poor health – should make arrangements for testing with their doctor or one of the many healthcare providers now performing testing. Healthcare providers can assess your health history and symptoms, and perform testing for COVID-19 as needed. MSDH is also helping conduct free drive-up testing sites in many parts of the state. **Always call ahead to the testing provider for instructions on safely being examined before you visit for your test.**

- ▶ [Find a COVID-19 testing provider near you](#)

Prevention and Guidance for Individuals and the Community

- ▶ [Preventive steps to take, recommendations, guidance and general information on COVID-19](#)

Get COVID-19 e-mail updates daily with our free newsletter:



Related resources

- ▶ [IT IS REAL: COVID-19 as Told by Survivors](#)
- ▶ [Local COVID-19 Testing Providers](#)
- ▶ [COVID-19 Guidance and Prevention for Individuals and the Community](#)

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