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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Updated May 21, 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. MSDH is actively working with doctors and hospitals to quickly identify cases and respond effectively to limit this outbreak.

If you are waiting for test results, it is essential to remain at home. Do not go to work or leave home. Stay in a specific room at home and avoid contact with other family members as much as possible. These steps are important to prevent the possible spread of disease.

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Hard of hearing? Dial 711 for assistance.

Local COVID-19 testing: Find COVID-19 testing near you »

COVID-19 in Mississippi

New Cases and Deaths as of May 20

NEW CASES
255
New COVID-19 positive tests reported to MSDH as of 6 p.m. yesterday

NEW DEATHS
10
New COVID-19 related deaths reported to MSDH as of 6 p.m. yesterday

Attala	1
Carroll	1
Desoto	1
Hinds	1
Lauderdale	1
Leflore	1
Lincoln	1

Lowndes	1
Madison	1
Yalobusha	1

LTC OUTBREAKS

98

Current outbreaks in long-term care facilities. (One or more cases among staff or residents counts as an outbreak.)

About our case counts: We currently update our case totals each morning based on test results from the previous day. Outside laboratories also report positive test results to us, which are included in our totals.

County case numbers and deaths may change as investigation finds new or additional information.

Cases and Deaths by County

Totals of all reported cases since March 11, including those in long-term care (LTC) facilities.

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Adams	**179**	15	39	8
Alcorn	**12**	1	0	0
Amite	**49**	1	7	1
Attala	**257**	11	66	11
Benton	**13**	0	1	0
Bolivar	**133**	10	17	4
Calhoun	**61**	4	23	4
Carroll	**112**	9	45	7
Chickasaw	**122**	12	34	8
Choctaw	**27**	2	0	0
Claiborne	**51**	1	2	0
Clarke	**119**	16	16	7
Clay	**90**	3	0	0
Coahoma	**86**	3	0	0
Copiah	**228**	4	0	0
Covington	**123**	1	1	0
Desoto	**419**	6	14	2
Forrest	**453**	32	83	22

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Franklin	23	1	1	0
George	19	1	0	0
Greene	7	1	0	0
Grenada	66	2	14	2
Hancock	81	10	7	3
Harrison	224	6	1	1
Hinds	825	24	77	13
Holmes	333	21	71	10
Humphreys	49	5	15	3
Itawamba	80	7	34	6
Jackson	291	13	39	4
Jasper	126	3	0	0
Jefferson	40	0	0	0
Jefferson Davis	69	2	3	1
Jones	386	12	49	5
Kemper	112	10	26	6
Lafayette	110	3	37	0
Lamar	210	4	4	2
Lauderdale	637	47	162	29
Lawrence	81	0	1	0
Leake	368	7	2	0
Lee	97	5	8	1
Leflore	206	24	53	12
Lincoln	224	19	80	15
Lowndes	136	7	17	4
Madison	582	19	89	12
Marion	100	8	14	2
Marshall	68	3	2	0
Monroe	229	23	92	20
Montgomery	76	1	0	0
Neshoba	470	26	52	14
Newton	210	3	2	0
Noxubee	148	4	14	3

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Oktibbeha	**114**	8	29	5
Panola	**58**	2	0	0
Pearl River	**197**	27	44	9
Perry	**38**	2	0	0
Pike	**188**	11	14	6
Pontotoc	**26**	2	3	0
Prentiss	**37**	3	22	3
Quitman	**21**	0	0	0
Rankin	**315**	6	5	0
Scott	**569**	10	13	2
Sharkey	**7**	0	0	0
Simpson	**79**	0	4	0
Smith	**124**	10	29	7
Stone	**25**	0	0	0
Sunflower	**71**	3	0	0
Tallahatchie	**23**	1	0	0
Tate	**58**	1	2	0
Tippah	**69**	11	0	0
Tishomingo	**21**	0	1	0
Tunica	**45**	2	12	2
Union	**66**	4	19	3
Walthall	**48**	0	0	0
Warren	**138**	5	34	3
Washington	**143**	4	7	1
Wayne	**58**	0	2	0
Webster	**25**	1	0	0
Wilkinson	**80**	9	5	2
Winston	**92**	0	0	0
Yalobusha	**76**	4	24	4
Yazoo	**194**	2	7	0
Total	**12,222**	**580**	**1,590**	**289**

Long-Term Care Facility Cases and Deaths by Race

Long-term care (LTC) facilities like nursing homes are considered high risk locations because their residents are older or in poor health. Even one case of COVID-19 in these facilities among residents or employees is considered an outbreak. We

investigate residents, staff and close contacts of infected individuals for possible exposure. (Long-term care facilities include nursing homes, intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, personal care homes, assisted living facilities, long-term acute care facilities, and psychiatric or chemical dependency residential treatment centers.)

▸ View a table by county of Mississippi COVID-19 cases in long-term care facilities PDF

Mississippi Cases and Deaths Tables

▸ Mississippi COVID-19 cases by county, race and ethnicity PDF
▸ Mississippi COVID-19 deaths by county, race and ethnicity PDF
▸ Mississippi counties ranked by weekly cases and incidence

Mississippi COVID-19 Map and Charts

Data Overviews as of May 20

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

▸ View interactive map
▸ View interactive epidemiological trend and syndromic surveillance
▸ View interactive hospitalization chart

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, May 20, 2020
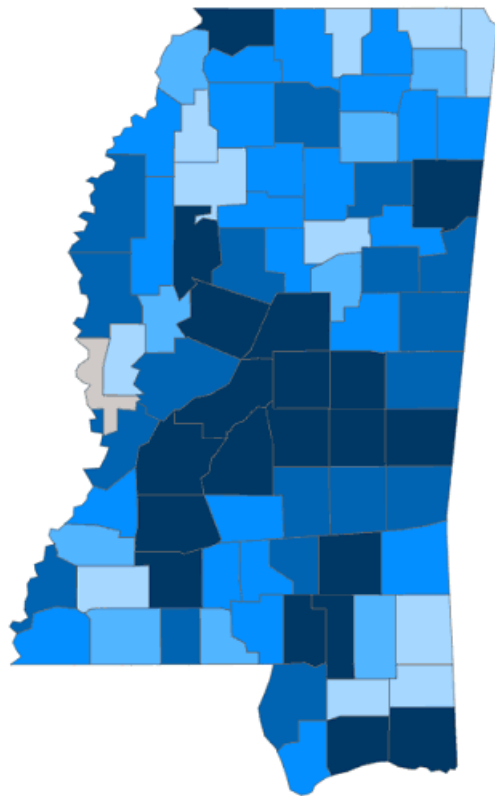
Legend: ● 1 to 25 ● 26 to 50 ● 51 to 100 ● 101 to 200 ● >200

Total Cases
12,222

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	138	44	6142	3315	121	18
Hispanic	4	1	21	162	480	16
Unknown Ethnicity	292	5	493	387	145	438

Total Deaths
580

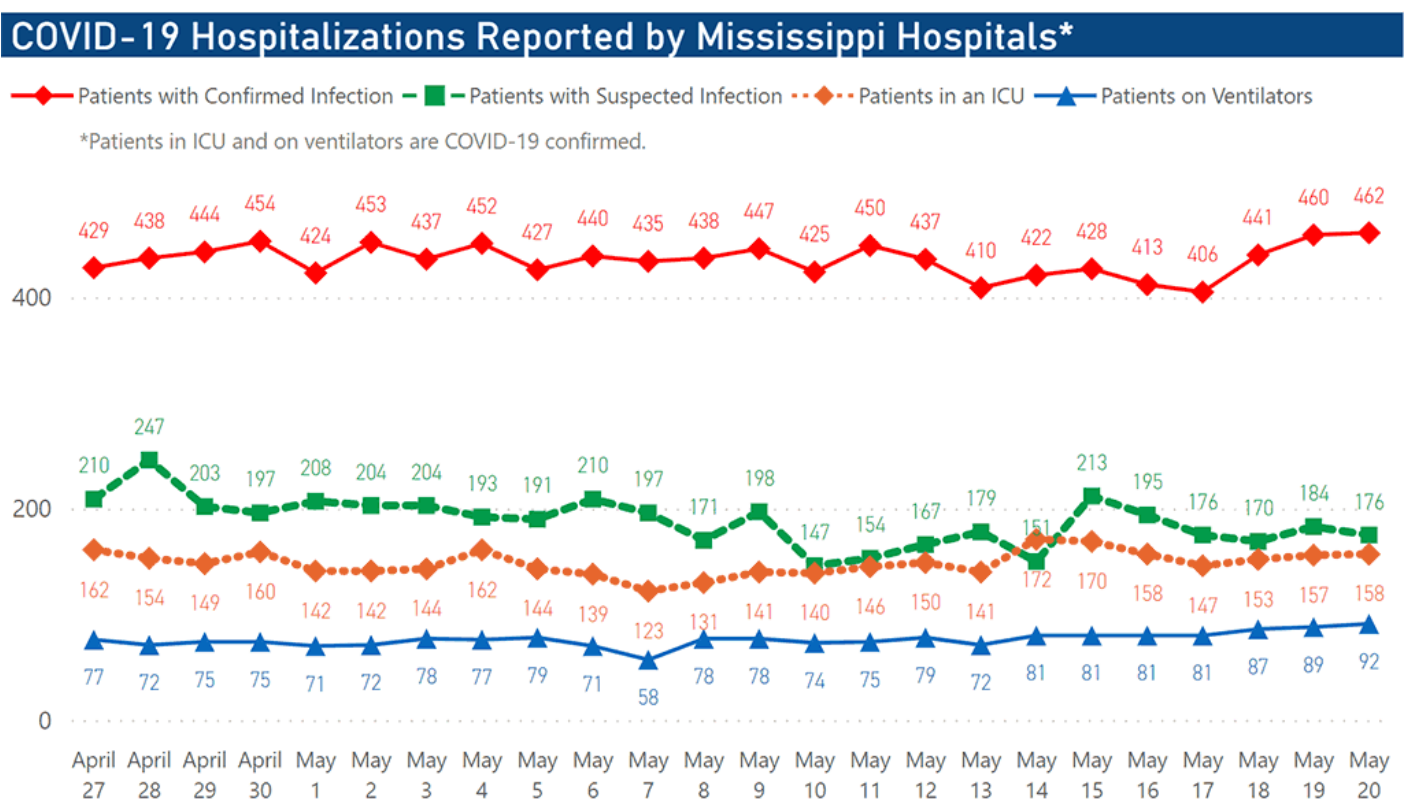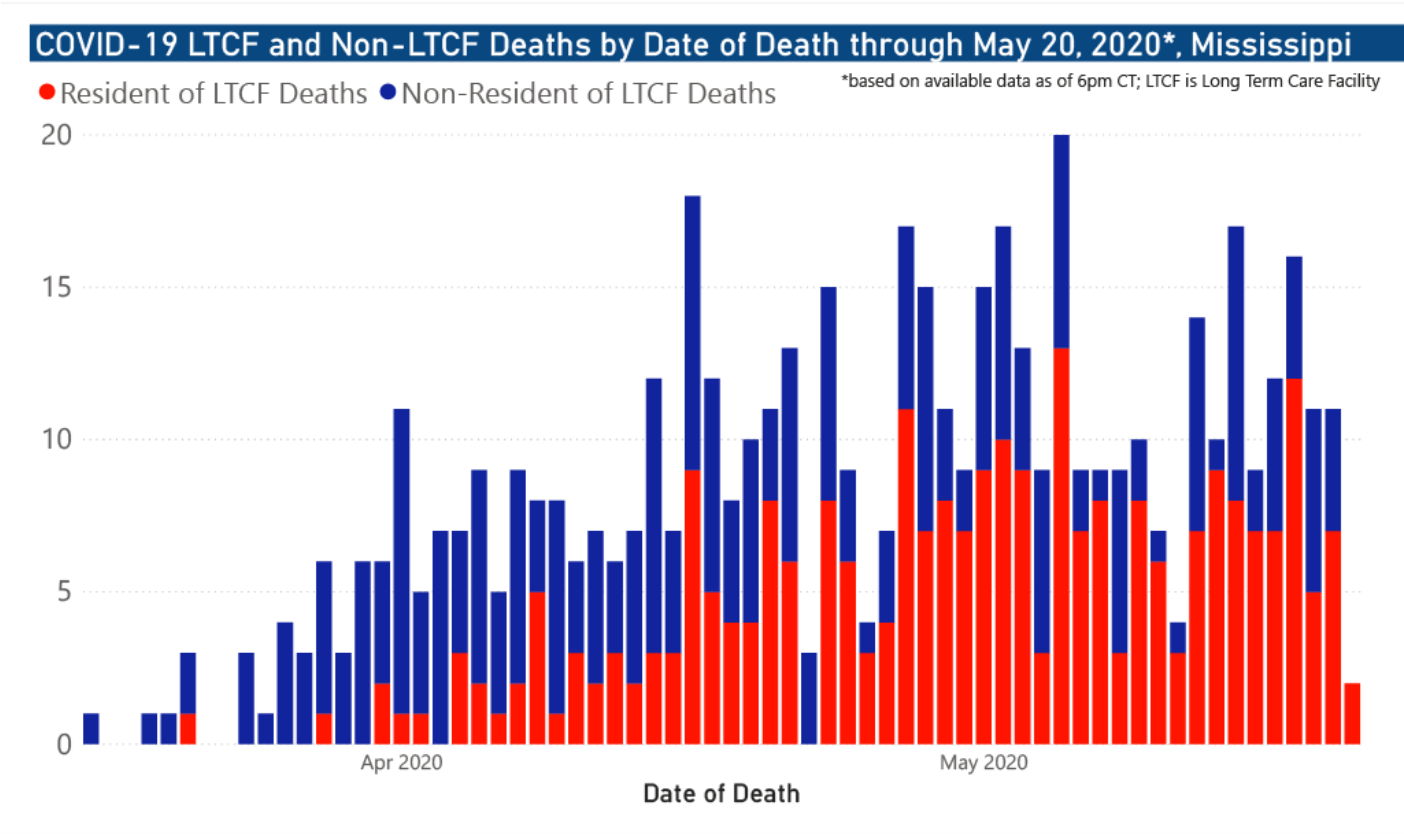|	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	15	0	297	245	0	0
Hispanic	1	0	0	3	4	0
Unknown Ethnicity	1	0	4	9	1	0

Note: In our charts by race, "Other" includes American Indian and Asian.

COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Date of Illness Onset through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

● Deaths ● Cases

Illnesses that began during this time may not yet be reported

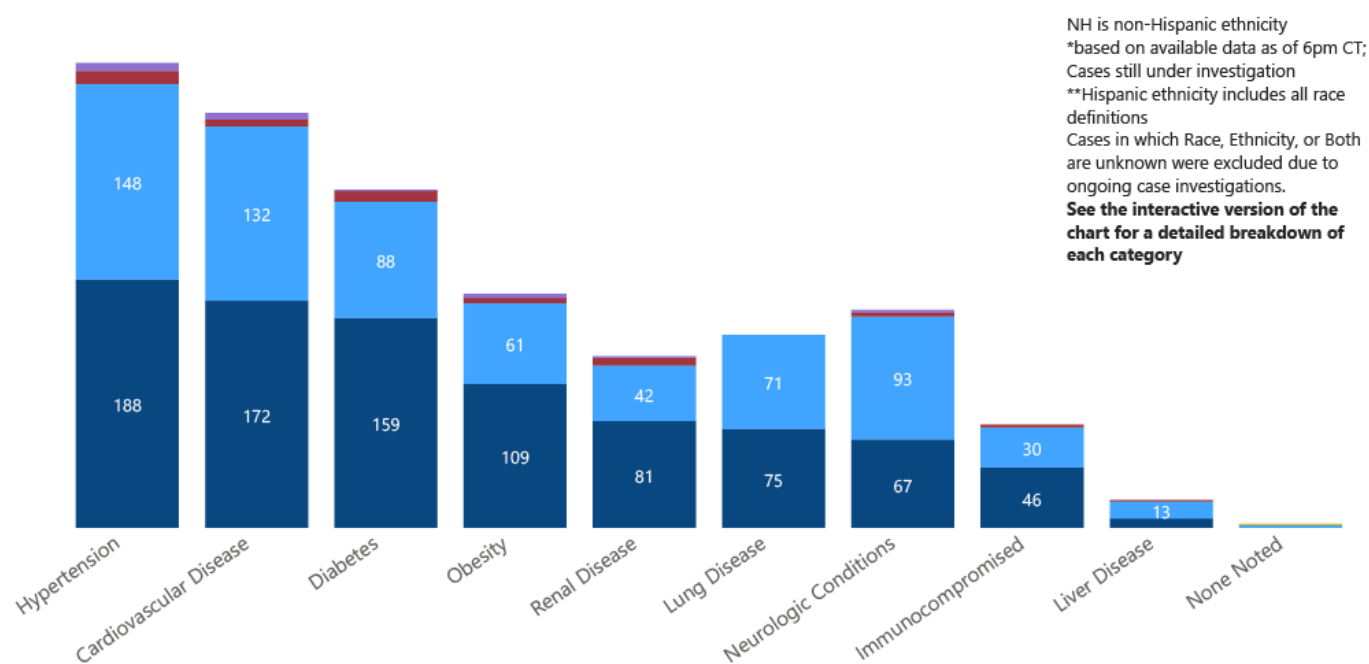*Based on available data as of 6pm CT
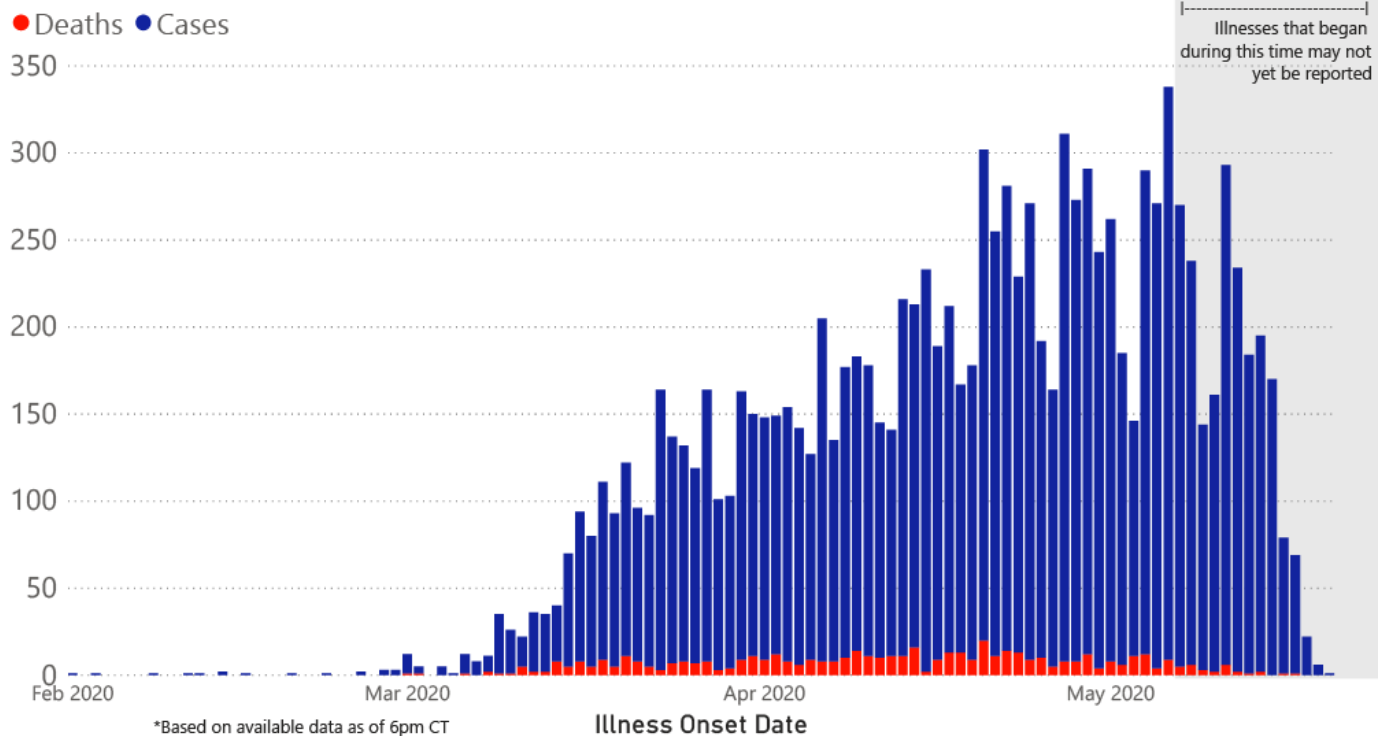
Illness Onset Date

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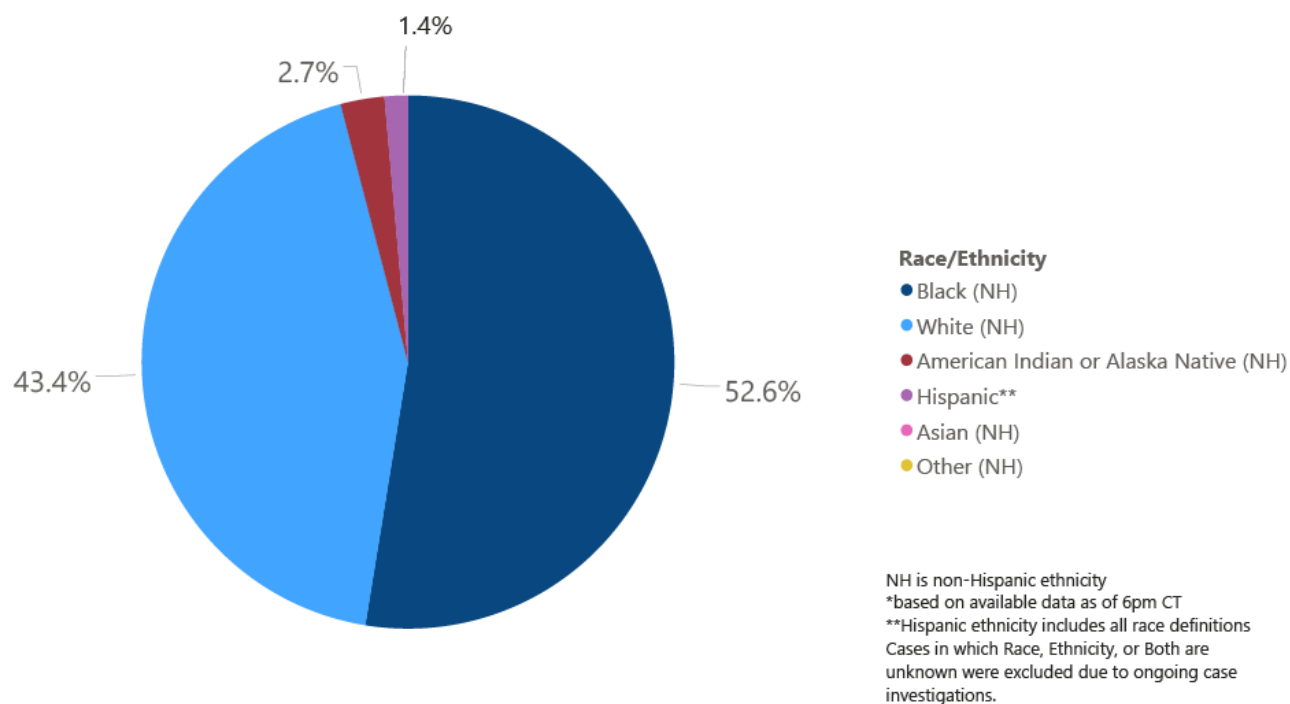
information from disease investigation.

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

● Resident of LTCF Deaths ● Non-Resident of LTCF Deaths   *based on available data as of 6pm CT; LTCF is Long Term Care Facility

Date of Death

COVID-19 Hospitalizations Reported by Mississippi Hospitals*

━◆━ Patients with Confirmed Infection ━■━ Patients with Suspected Infection ┈◆┈ Patients in an ICU ━▲━ Patients on Ventilators

*Patients in ICU and on ventilators are COVID-19 confirmed.

COVID-19 Underlying Conditions in Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

Race/Ethnicity ● Black (NH) ● White (NH) ● American Indian or Alaska Native (NH) ● Hispanic** ● Other (NH) ● Asian (NH)
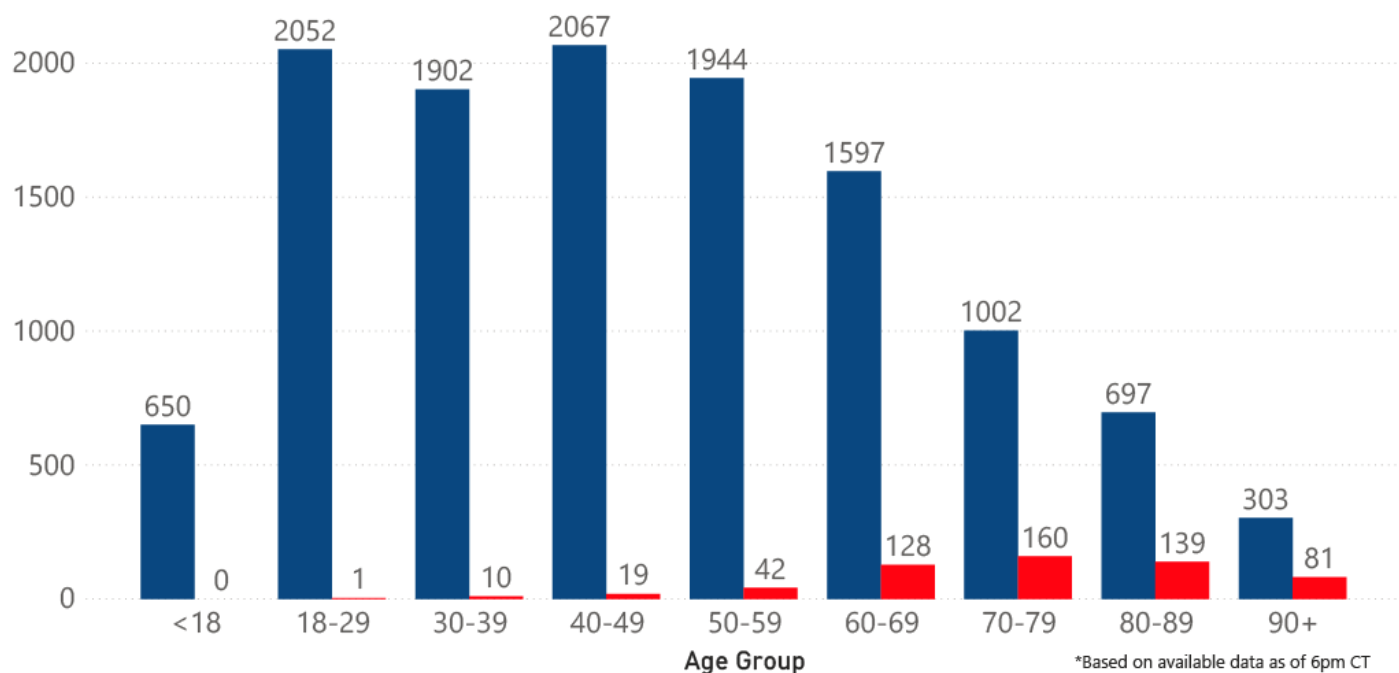
NH is non-Hispanic ethnicity
*based on available data as of 6pm CT;
Cases still under investigation
**Hispanic ethnicity includes all race definitions
Cases in which Race, Ethnicity, or Both are unknown were excluded due to ongoing case investigations.
See the interactive version of the chart for a detailed breakdown of each category

Condition	Black (NH)	White (NH)
Hypertension	188	148
Cardiovascular Disease	172	132
Diabetes	159	88
Obesity	109	61
Renal Disease	81	42
Lung Disease	75	71
Neurologic Conditions	67	93
Immunocompromised	46	30
Liver Disease		13
None Noted		

COVID-19 Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

1.4%

2.7%

52.6%

43.4%

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

NH is non-Hispanic ethnicity
*based on available data as of 6pm CT
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COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Age Group through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

● Cases ● Deaths

Age Group	Cases	Deaths
<18	650	0
18-29	2052	1
30-39	1902	10
40-49	2067	19
50-59	1944	42
60-69	1597	128
70-79	1002	160
80-89	697	139
90+	303	81

*Based on available data as of 6pm CT

COVID-19 Pediatric Cases by Age Group through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

Age Group	Cases
<1	48
1-5	128
6-10	142
11-17	332

*Based on available data as of 6pm CT
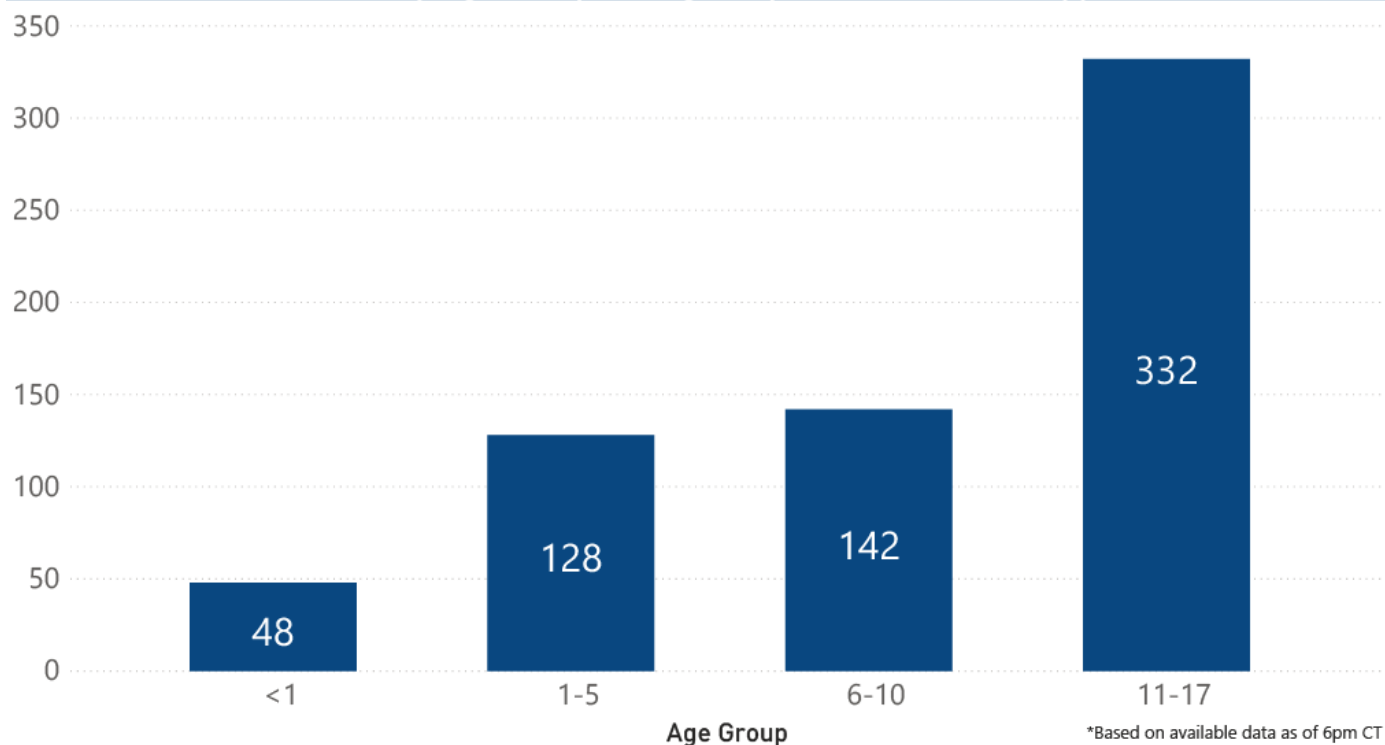
COVID-19 Hospitalized Cases by Age through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

Age distribution of hospitalized cases:
- <18: 18
- 18-29: 71
- 30-39: 116
- 40-49: 225
- 50-59: 308
- 60-69: 453
- 70-79: 389
- 80-89: 244
- 90+: 108

*Based on available data as of 6pm CT
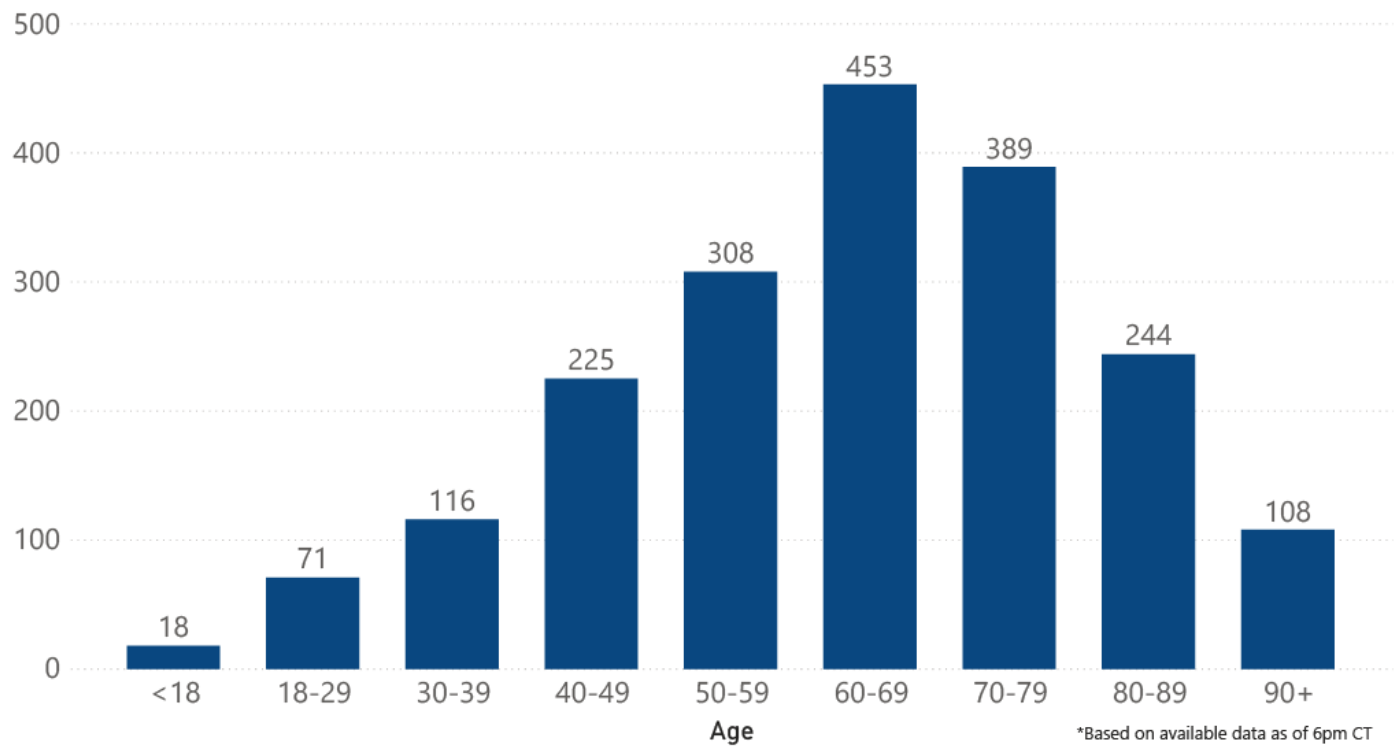
COVID-19 Cumulative Hospitalizations-Investigated Cases May 20, 2020 *

Hospitalized
- No: 78.3%
- Yes: 16.9%
- Unknown: 4.8%
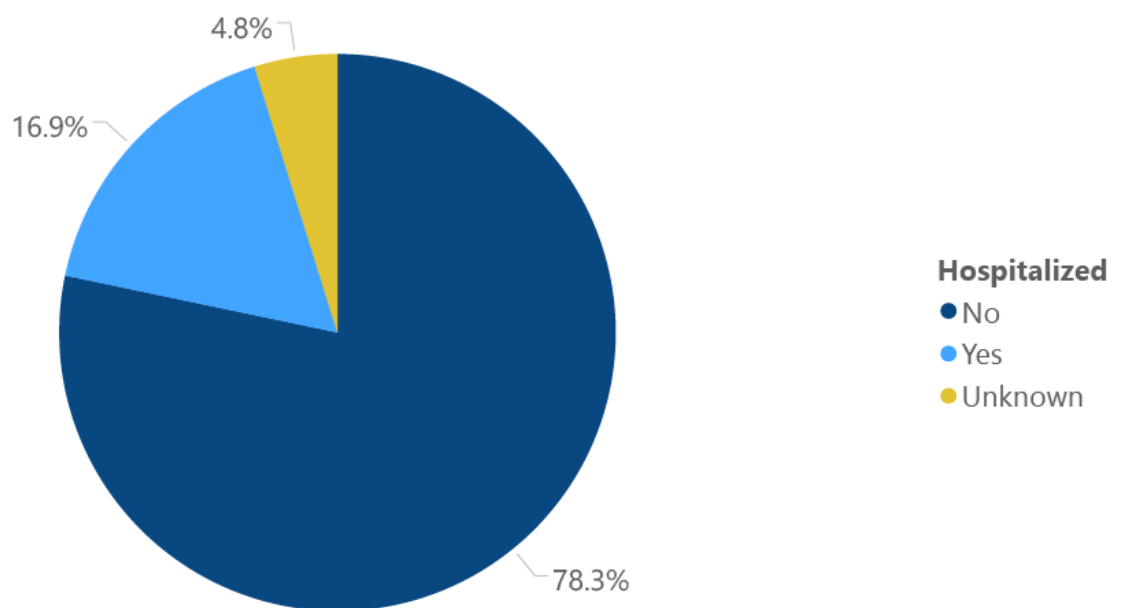
* N=11,433, 789 cases excluded due to ongoing investigations, based on available data as of 6 pm CT

COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity and Gender through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

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

Asian (NH) - 19 cases

American Indian or Alaska Native (NH) - 84 cases

Other (NH) - 57 cases

Asian (NH) - 25 cases

American Indian or Alaska Native (NH) - 54 cases

Other (NH) - 64 cases

Female
- 308
- 1843
- 3900

Male
- 375
- 1462
- 2223

NH is not-Hispanic ethnicity
*based on available data as of 6pm CT
**Hispanic ethnicity includes all race definitions
Cases in which Race, Ethnicity, or Gender are unknown were excluded due to ongoing case investigations.

COVID-19 Deaths by Race and Gender through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

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

Other - 5 Deaths

American Indian or Alaska Native - 6 Deaths

American Indian or Alaska Native - 11 deaths

Male
- 119
- 157

Female
- 138
- 144

*based on available data as of 6pm CT

COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

1.2%
6.5%
1.3%
0.4%
58.8%
31.7%

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

NH is non-Hispanic ethnicity
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COVID-19 Cases by Gender through May 20, 2020*, Mississippi

0.5%
40.7%
58.9%

Gender
- Female
- Male
- Unknown
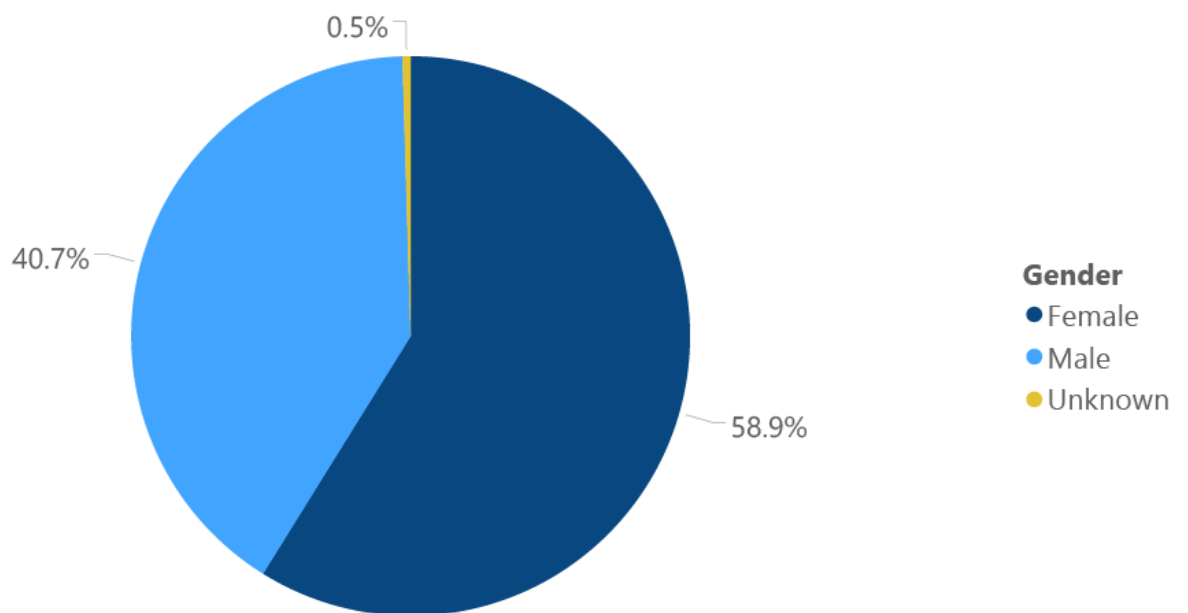
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Weekly High Case and High Incidence Counties

These weekly tables count cases based on the date of testing, not the date the test result was reported, and count only those cases where the date of testing is known.

They rank counties by weekly cases, and by incidence (cases proportional to population). A separate table ranking all counties is also available. **All tables updated weekly.**

COVID-19 High Case MS Counties Over 1 Week Period (May 11– May 17, 2020*)

County	Cases (May 11-May 17)	Cases per 100,000 (May 11-May 17)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
FORREST	93	123.9	442	589.1	27%
NESHOBA	73	250.6	424	1455.8	21%
HINDS	67	28.3	772	325.6	10%
HOLMES	64	363.2	298	1691.1	27%
LAUDERDALE	62	82.3	589	782.0	12%
JONES	58	84.7	342	499.6	20%
MADISON	44	41.7	543	514.1	9%
ATTALA	34	185.1	248	1350.4	16%
DESOTO	33	18.1	391	214.8	9%
LOWNDES	32	54.3	126	213.8	34%
YALOBUSHA	31	250.2	73	589.1	74%
NEWTON	29	135.2	192	895.4	18%

*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.

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FORREST	93	123.9	442	589.1	27%
LEAKE	25	109.8	361	1585.9	7%
CHICKASAW	16	93.2	116	675.6	16%
SCOTT	25	88.4	532	1880.7	5%
JONES	58	84.7	342	499.6	20%
LAUDERDALE	62	82.3	589	782.0	12%

*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.

Syndromic Surveillance

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

Percentage of Emergency Department visits for CLI, ILI, and Pneumonia Cases Weekly Statewide Summary, December 29, 2019 – May 17, 2020

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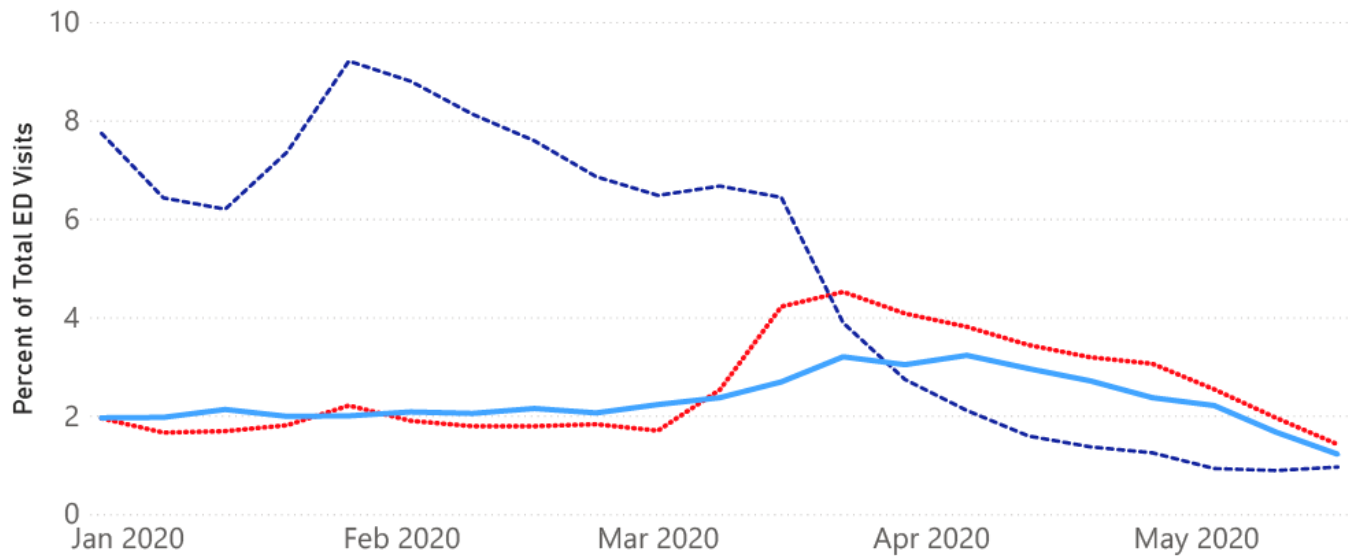
*The graph represents syndromic surveillance data from emergency department visits, reported electronically by hospitals throughout the state, that are consistent with COVID-19-Like Illness (CLI), Influenza-Like Illness (ILI), and Pneumonia.
Based on available data as of 6pm CT. Graph will be updated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

Estimated Recoveries

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

COVID-19 Presumed Recovered Cases through May 17, 2020, Mississippi

7,681
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.

U.S. and World Cases

COVID-19 Testing

Statewide Combined Testing as of May 20

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. We will update these figures as data becomes available.

Total tests by the MSDH Public Health Laboratory	20,072
Total tests by other providers	105,898
Total tests for COVID-19 statewide	**125,970**

MSDH Individuals Tested as of May 20

MSDH Public Health Laboratory (MPHL) testing totals as of 6 p.m. These totals are for tests performed at the MPHL only.

- Total individuals tested by the MPHL: **18,952**
- Total positive individuals from MPHL tests: **2,302**

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

  ▸ Video: A tour through COVID-19 testing at the MSDH Public Health Lab

What MSDH Is Doing

The Mississippi State Department of Health is aggressively responding to the rapidly evolving COVID-19 situation. With other

state agencies, it has activated emergency operations in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Mississippi.

Other steps that MSDH is taking include:

- **Surveillance:** Increasing surveillance (monitoring) activities to identify cases of COVID-19 as quickly as possible and to limit person-to-person transmission.
- **Testing:** Making COVID-19 testing available for healthcare providers through the MSDH Public Health Laboratory.
- **Planning:** Working directly with hospitals and healthcare providers across the state to plan for possible cases of COVID-19, preparing them to identify and safely treat cases.
- **Readiness:** Assessing statewide hospital capacities, ensuring the capacity of the MSDH Public Health Laboratory for COVID-19 testing, and informing all Mississippi healthcare providers about procedures for identifying and testing for coronavirus cases.
- **Information:** Providing guidance to business, education and other entities on how to respond to the possible spread of COVID-19 in the community.

Prevention and Preparation for Individuals and the Community

▸ Preventive steps to take, recommendations, guidances and general information on COVID-19

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▸ **COVID-19 Guidance and Prevention for Individuals and the Community**
Updated May 19, 2020

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Keep your distance

Stay at least six feet apart from others in large groups.

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