



Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Updated May 26, 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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COVID-19 in Mississippi

New Cases and Deaths as of May 25

NEW CASES

273

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

NEW DEATHS

17

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

Forrest	1
Holmes	1
Jones	3
Leflore	1
Lincoln	1
Neshoba	1

Pearl River	1
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* **8** confirmed COVID-19 related deaths between May 13 and May 18 were identified through death certificate reports. The additional deaths are reported in the following counties:

Clarke	1
Forrest	1
Lafayette	1
Marion	1
Neshoba	1
Newton	1
Pearl River	2

LTC OUTBREAKS

121

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	189	15	40	8
Alcorn	14	1	0	0
Amite	53	1	8	1
Attala	277	14	79	13
Benton	15	0	1	0
Bolivar	142	11	17	4
Calhoun	60	4	23	4
Carroll	114	10	45	8
Chickasaw	127	12	34	8
Choctaw	33	2	0	0
Claiborne	58	2	2	1
Clarke	135	17	17	7

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Clay	101	3	0	0
Coahoma	108	3	0	0
Copiah	284	4	0	0
Covington	140	1	1	0
Desoto	485	6	15	2
Forrest	503	37	86	26
Franklin	27	2	2	1
George	20	1	0	0
Greene	8	1	0	0
Grenada	78	2	14	2
Hancock	88	11	9	3
Harrison	237	6	3	1
Hinds	904	24	78	13
Holmes	370	24	77	12
Humphreys	52	7	16	5
Itawamba	86	7	35	6
Jackson	296	13	40	4
Jasper	146	3	1	0
Jefferson	41	0	0	0
Jefferson Davis	74	2	3	1
Jones	506	18	56	9
Kemper	132	10	28	6
Lafayette	126	4	38	1
Lamar	222	5	5	2
Lauderdale	689	56	181	37
Lawrence	97	1	1	0
Leake	389	10	1	0
Lee	113	5	14	1
Leflore	246	27	80	15
Lincoln	248	21	81	16
Lowndes	166	7	18	4
Madison	675	21	95	12
Marion	110	9	14	2
Marshall	71	3	2	0

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Monroe	249	24	92	21
Montgomery	80	1	0	0
Neshoba	539	33	66	18
Newton	231	4	3	0
Noxubee	166	6	14	3
Oktibbeha	144	10	36	7
Panola	64	2	0	0
Pearl River	205	30	45	10
Perry	49	2	0	0
Pike	201	11	14	6
Pontotoc	26	3	3	1
Prentiss	40	3	22	3
Quitman	24	0	0	0
Rankin	358	6	5	0
Scott	597	10	13	2
Sharkey	7	0	0	0
Simpson	91	0	4	0
Smith	131	10	30	7
Stone	30	0	0	0
Sunflower	78	3	0	0
Tallahatchie	24	1	0	0
Tate	66	1	2	0
Tippah	71	11	0	0
Tishomingo	26	0	1	0
Tunica	50	3	12	2
Union	74	5	20	4
Walthall	50	0	0	0
Warren	158	7	36	5
Washington	159	5	7	1
Wayne	133	0	2	0
Webster	63	1	0	0
Wilkinson	85	9	5	2
Winston	102	1	0	0
Yalobusha	84	5	25	5

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Yazoo	221	2	10	0
Total	13,731	652	1,727	332

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

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Mississippi COVID-19 Map and Charts

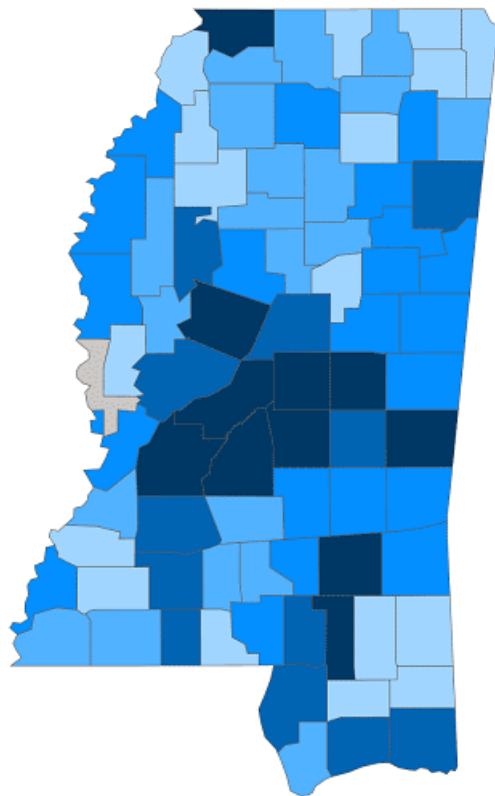
Data Overviews as of May 25

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

- [View interactive map](#)
- [View interactive epidemiological trend and syndromic surveillance](#)
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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 25, 2020



Total Cases
13,731

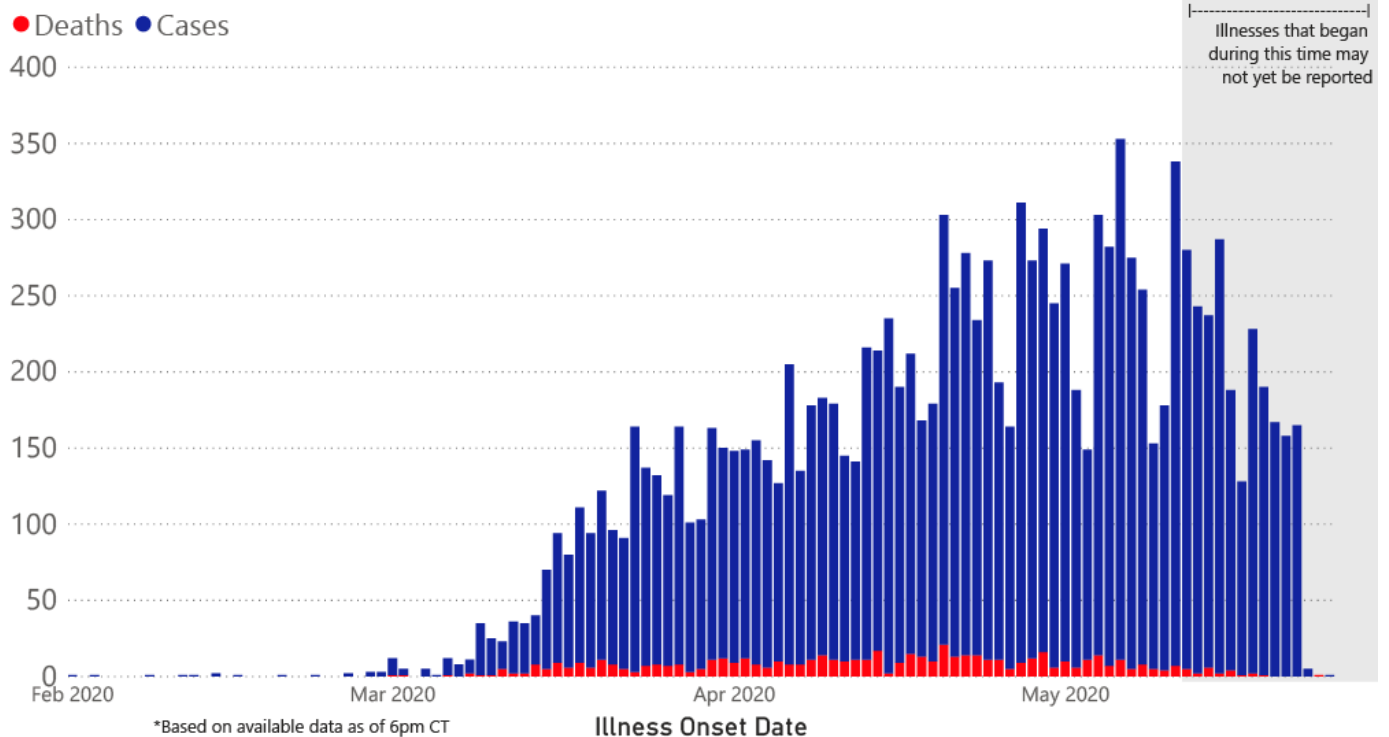
	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	162	47	6879	3588	153	20
Hispanic	4	1	24	174	534	14
Unknown Ethnicity	354	5	536	389	335	512

Total Deaths
652

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	20	0	333	269	0	0
Hispanic	1	0	0	3	5	0
Unknown Ethnicity	3	0	6	10	2	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 25, 2020*, Mississippi



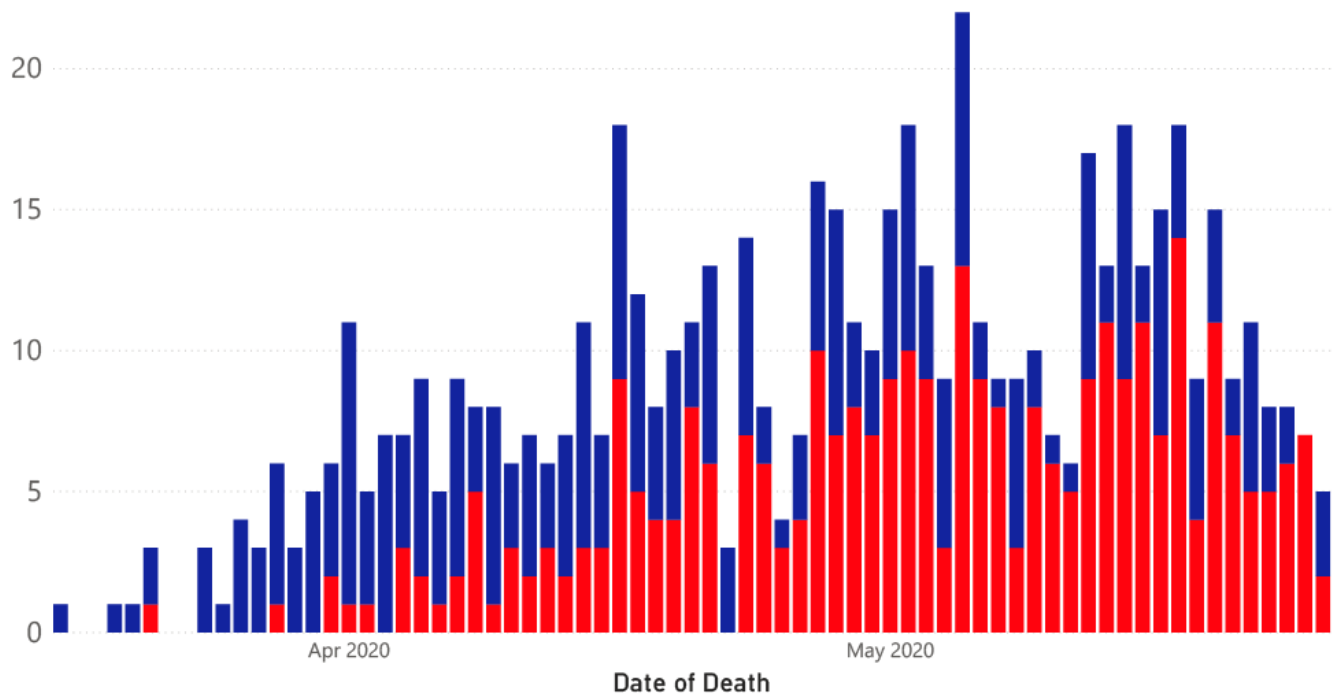
Note: Values up to two weeks in the past on the Date of Illness Onset chart above can change as we update it with new

COVID-19 LTCF and Non-LTCF Deaths by Date of Death through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi



● Resident of LTCF Deaths ● Non-Resident of LTCF Deaths

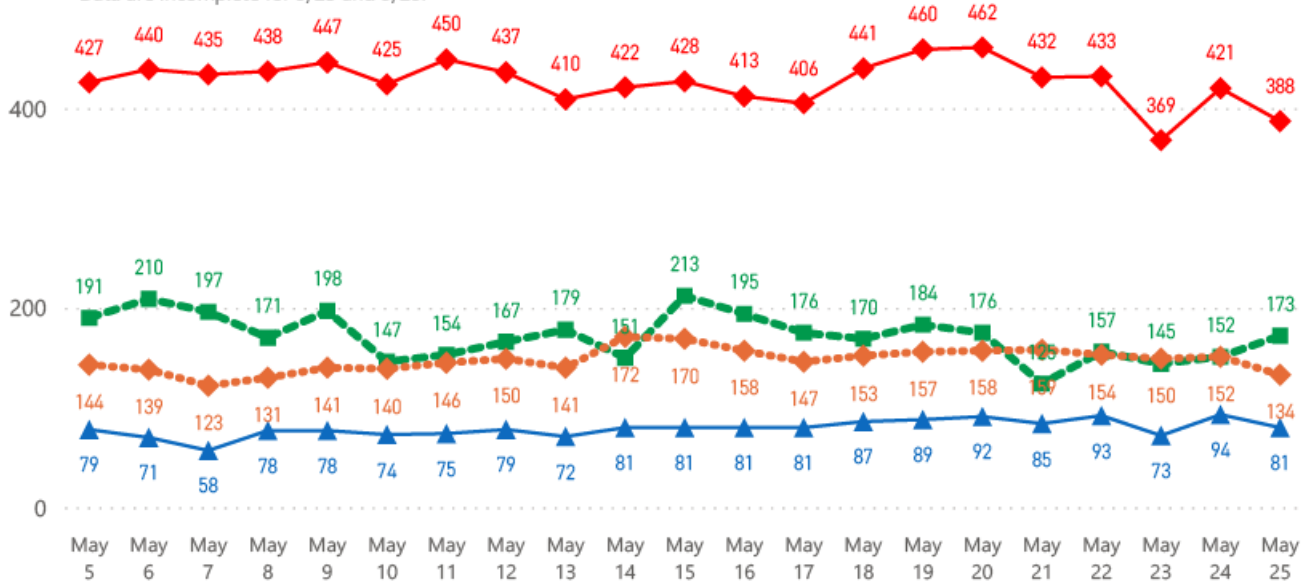
*based on available data as of 6pm CT; LTCF is Long Term Care Facility



—◆— Patients with Confirmed Infection —■— Patients with Suspected Infection ...◆... Patients in an ICU —▲— Patients on Ventilators

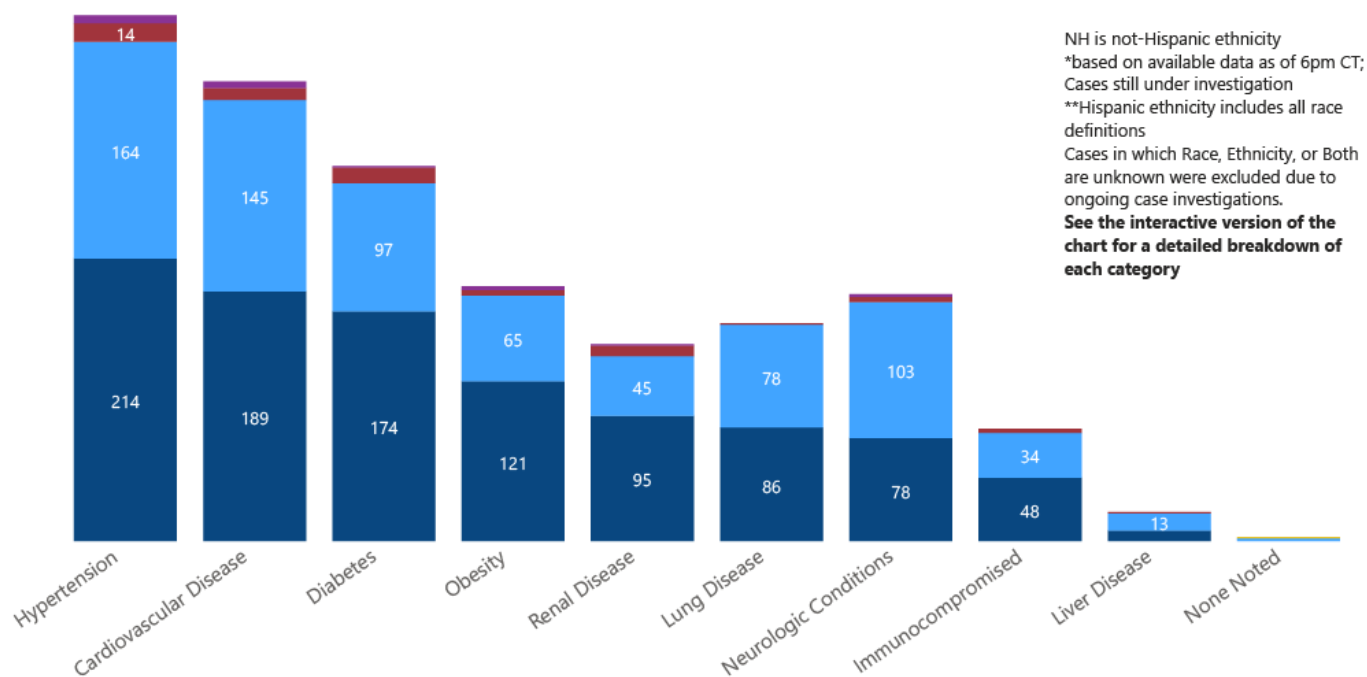
*Patients in ICU and on ventilators are COVID-19 confirmed.

**Data are incomplete for 5/23 and 5/25.

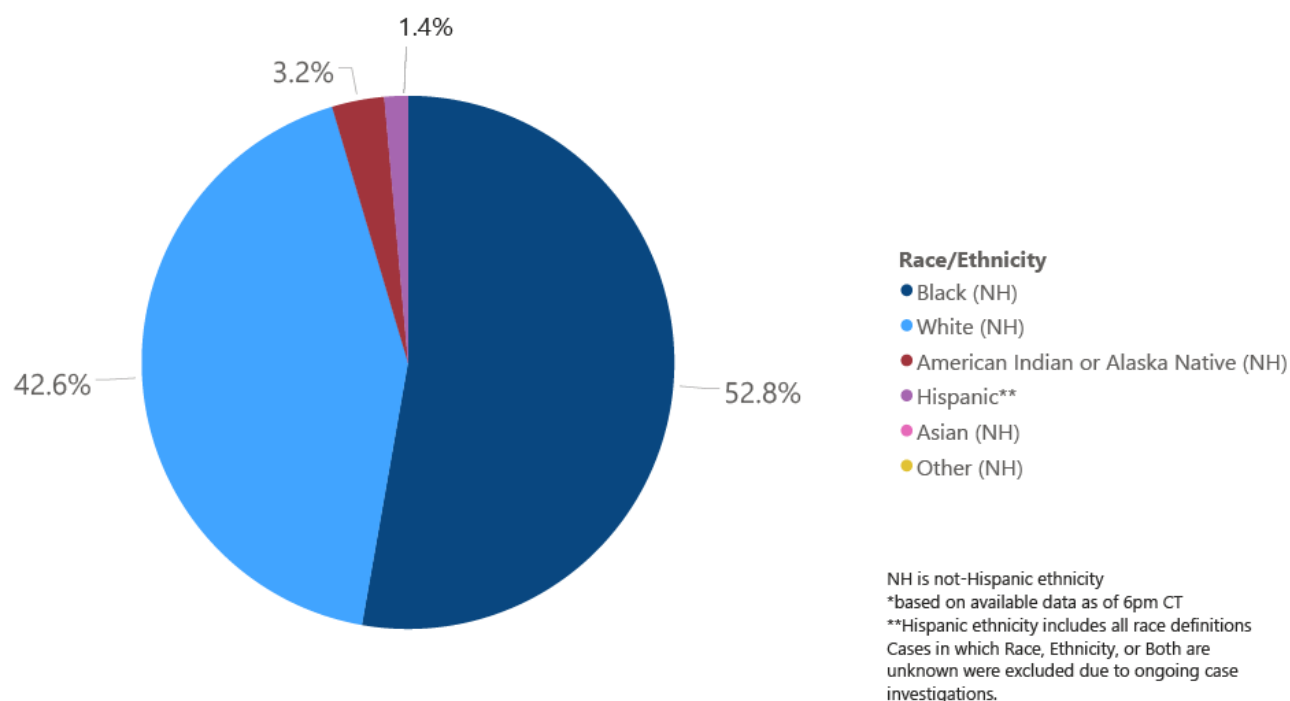


COVID-19 Underlying Conditions in Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi

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

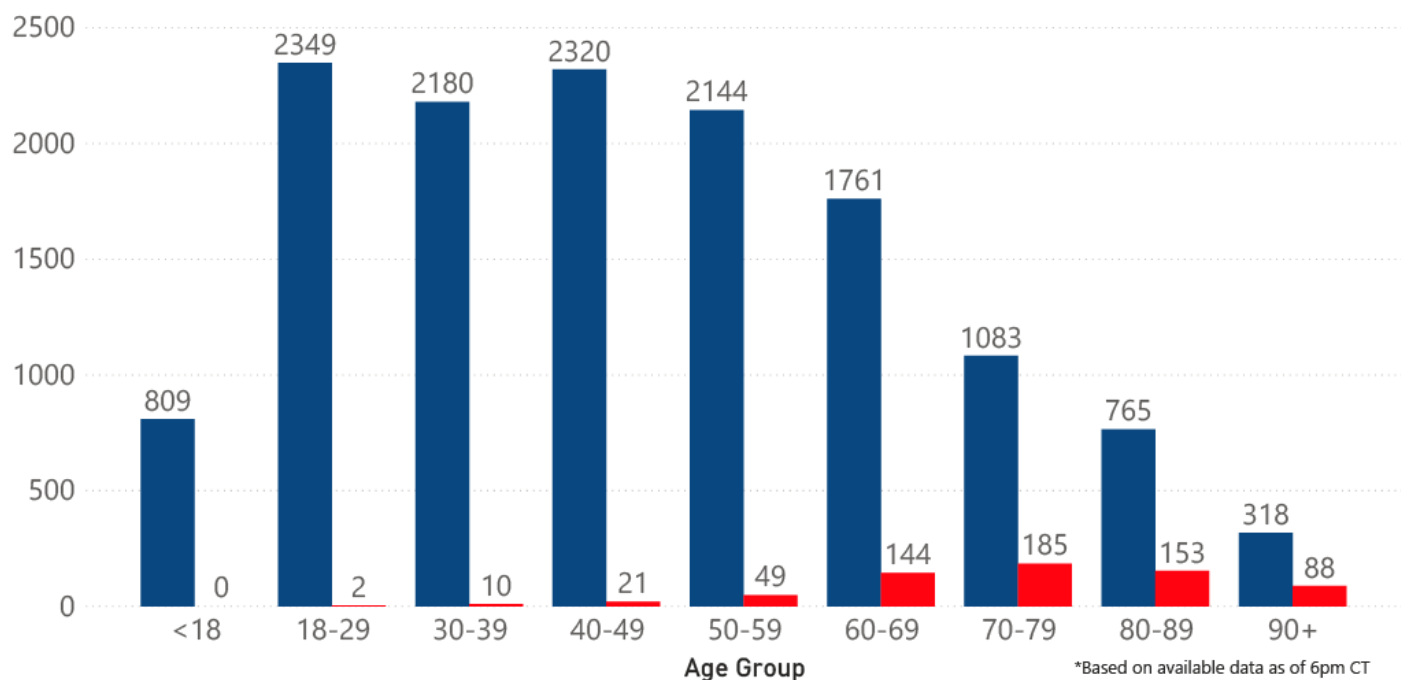


COVID-19 Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi

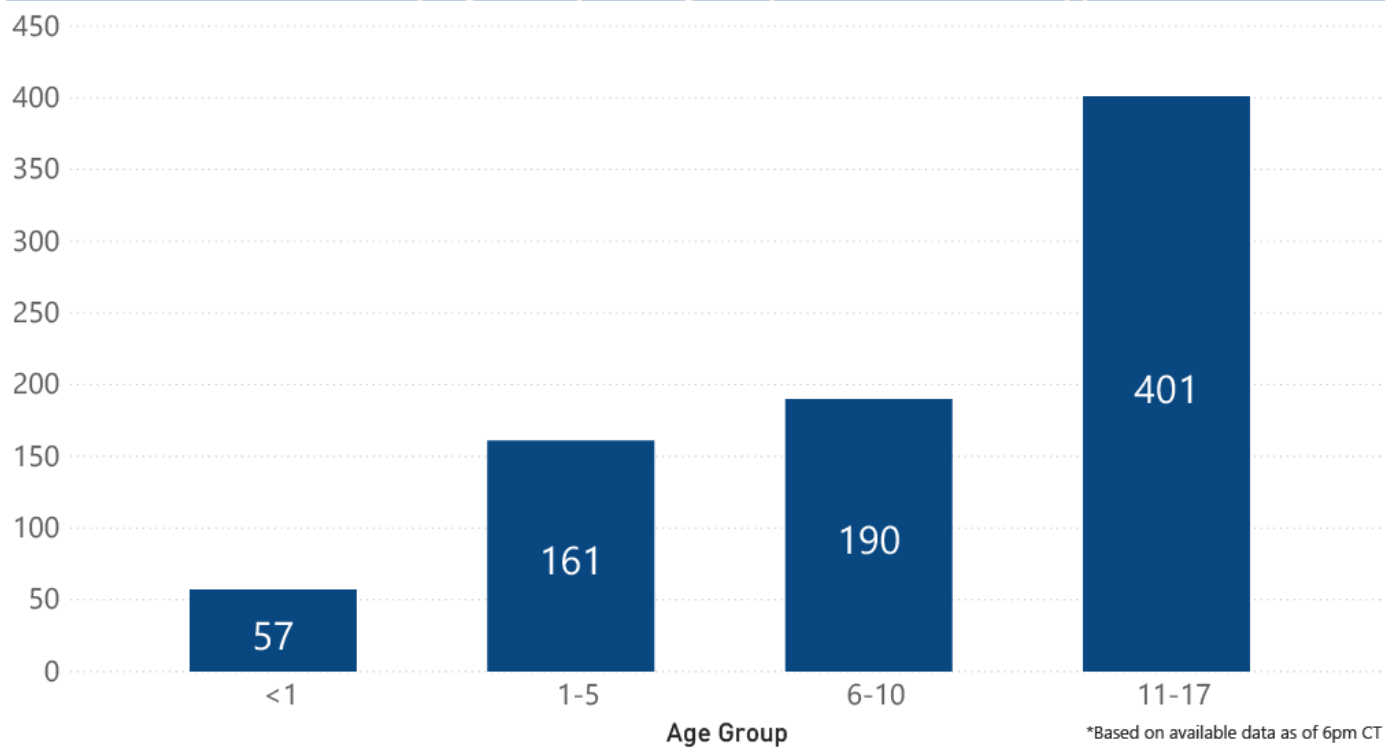


COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Age Group through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi

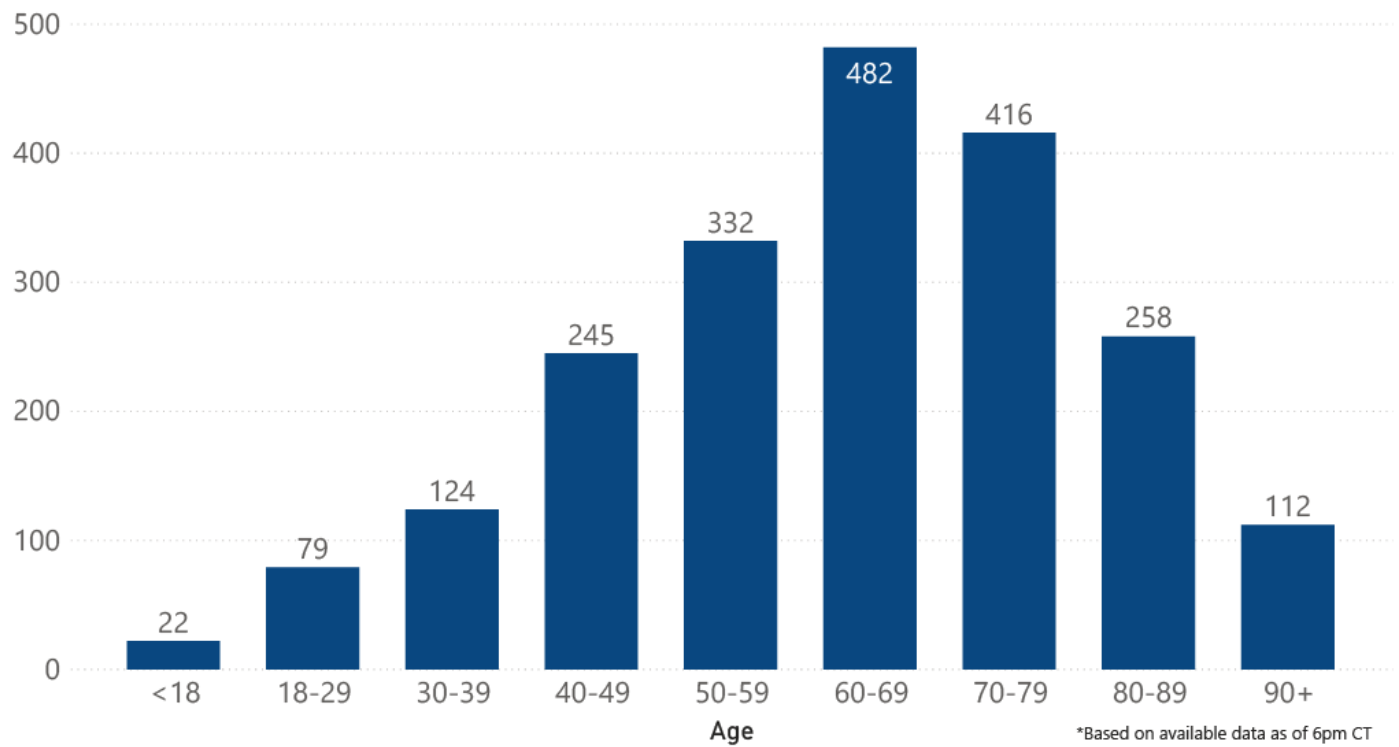
● Cases ● Deaths



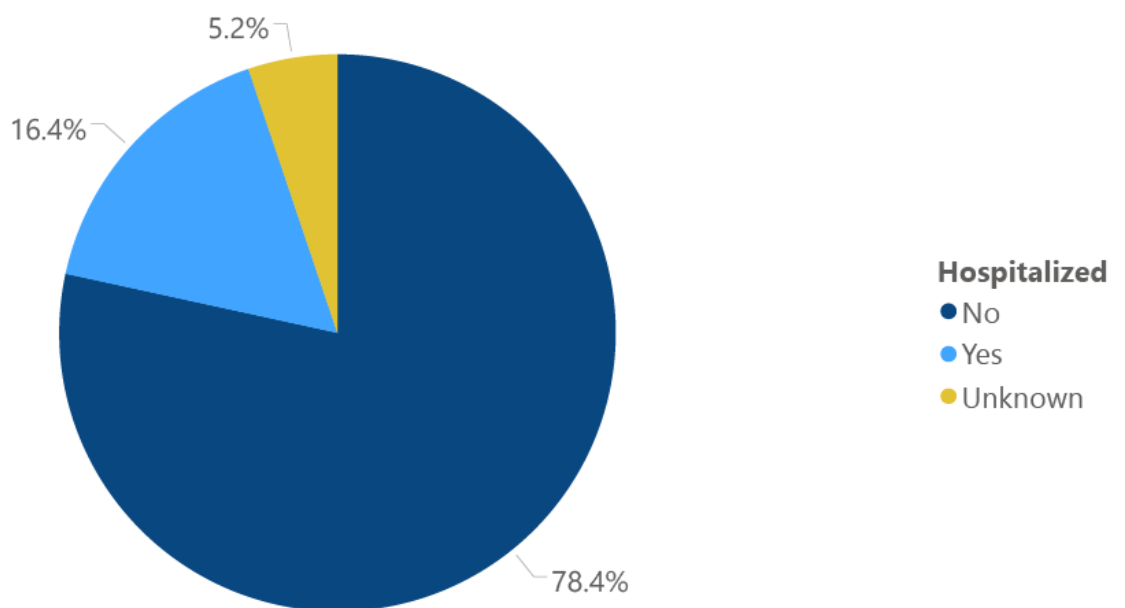
COVID-19 Pediatric Cases by Age Group through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi



COVID-19 Hospitalized Cases by Age through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi



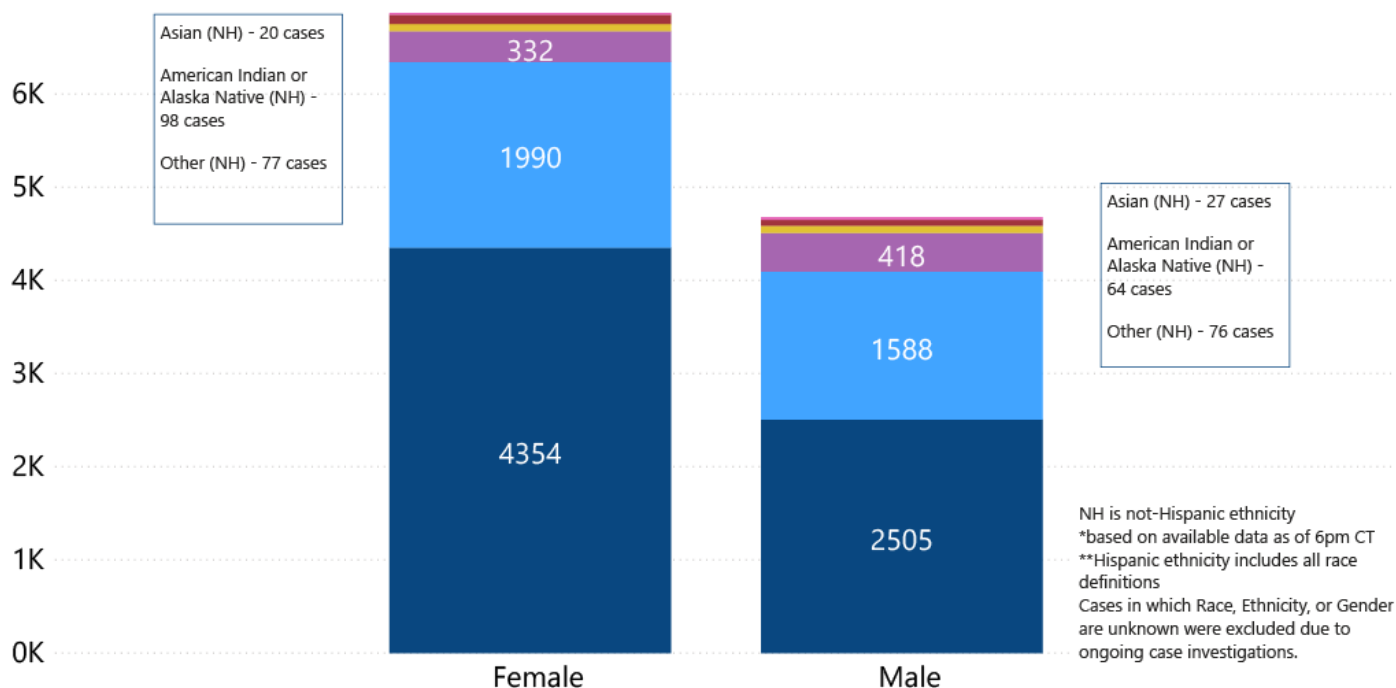
COVID-19 Cumulative Hospitalizations-Investigated Cases May 25, 2020 *



* N=12,618, 1,113 cases excluded due to ongoing investigations, based on available data as of 6 pm CT

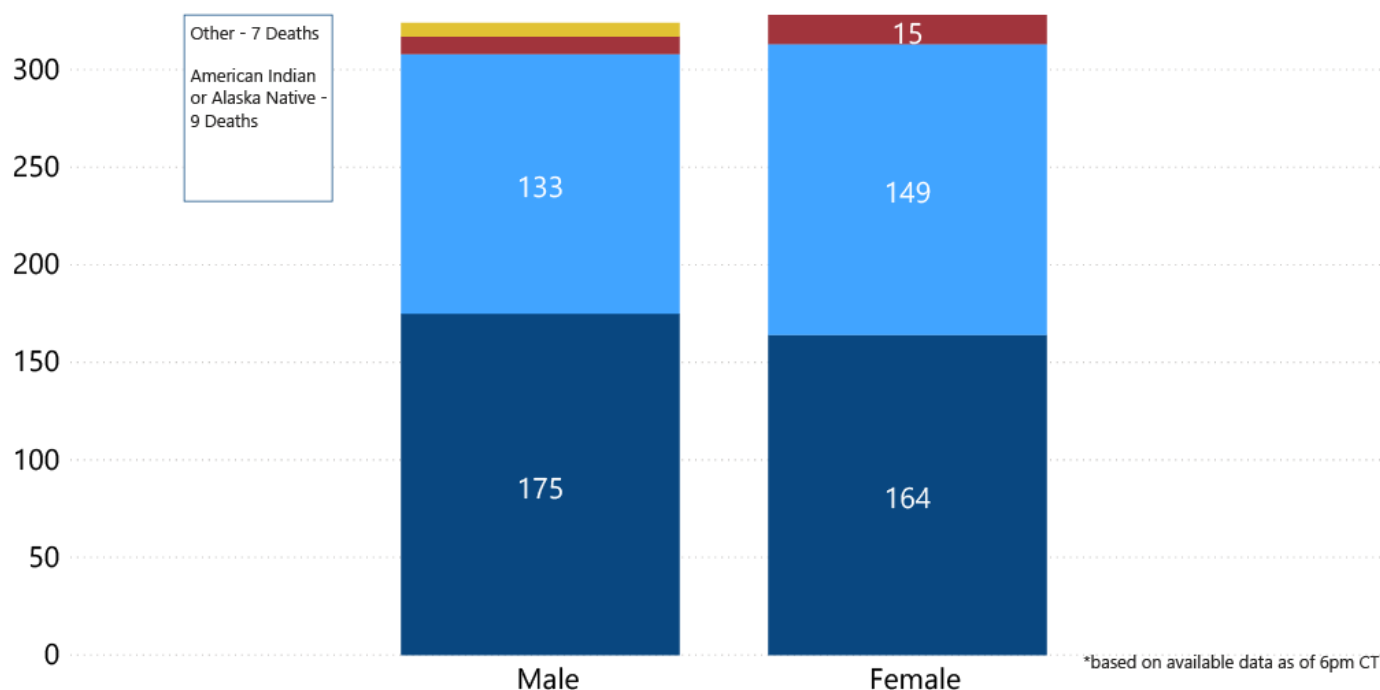
COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity and Gender through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi

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

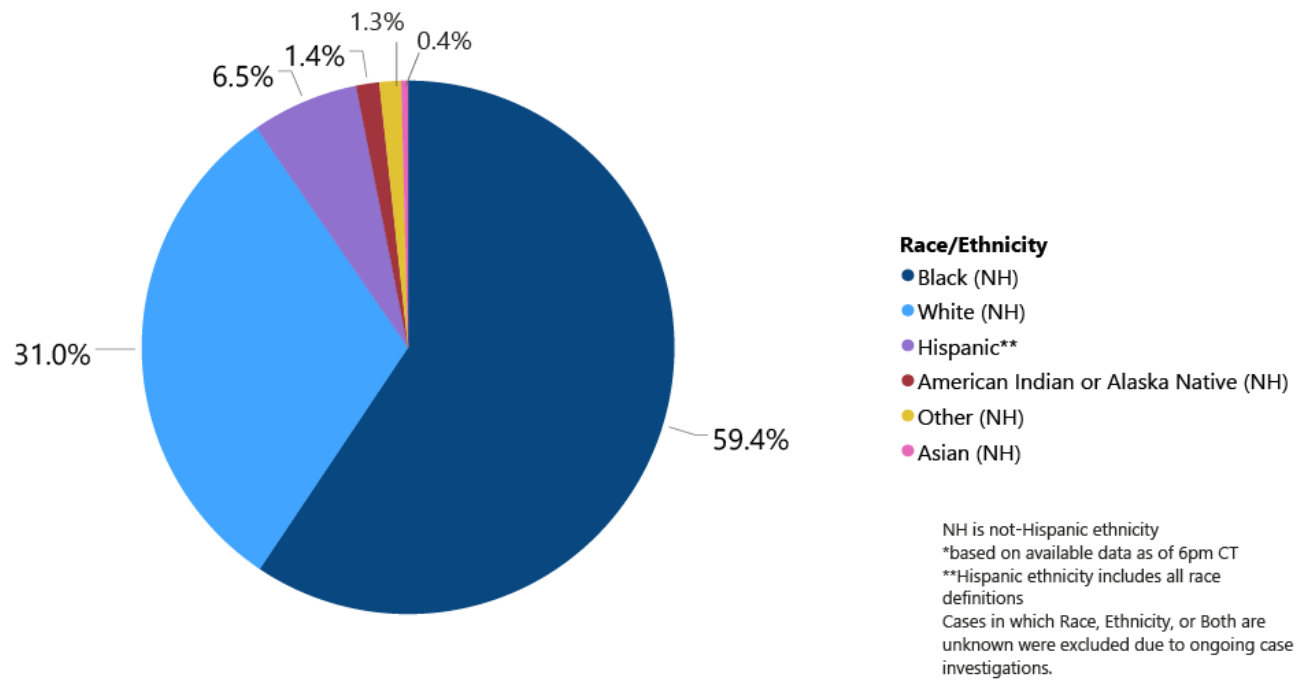


COVID-19 Deaths by Race and Gender through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi

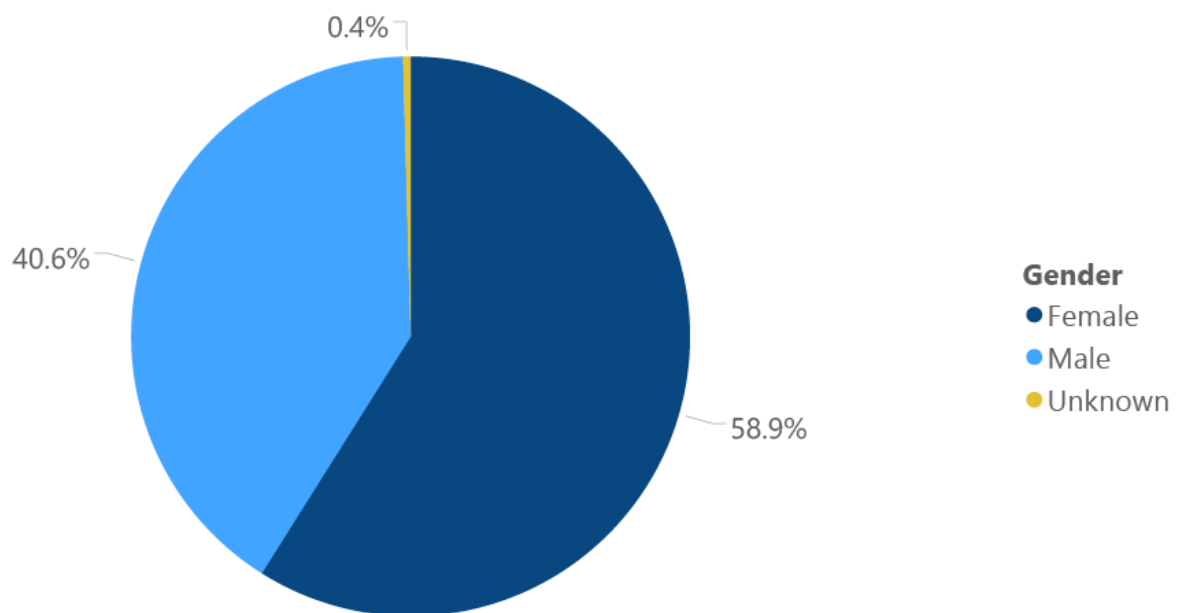
Race ● Black ● White ● American Indian or Alaska Native ● Other ● Asian



COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi



COVID-19 Cases by Gender through May 25, 2020*, Mississippi



*Based on available data as of 6pm CT

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 18- May 24, 2020*)

County	Cases (May 18-May 24)	Cases per 100,000 (May 18-May 24)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
JONES	89	130.0	492	718.7	22%
HINDS	85	35.9	898	378.8	10%
WAYNE	59	290.7	125	615.8	89%
MADISON	49	46.4	653	618.2	8%
NESHOBA	46	157.9	514	1764.8	10%
LAUDERDALE	45	59.7	680	902.9	7%
RANKIN	45	29.2	356	231.3	14%
HOLMES	43	244.0	369	2094.0	13%
COPIAH	37	129.6	284	995.0	15%
FORREST	37	49.3	486	647.7	8%
DESOTO	36	19.8	474	260.4	8%
LEFLORE	34	117.6	241	833.4	16%

*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.

COVID-19 High Incidence MS Counties Over 1 Week Period (May 18-May 24, 2020*)

County	Cases (May 18-May 24)	Cases per 100,000 (May 18-May 24)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
WAYNE	59	290.7	125	615.8	89%
HOLMES	43	244.0	369	2094.0	13%
NOXUBEE	18	170.9	165	1566.2	12%
NESHOBA	46	157.9	514	1764.8	10%
JONES	89	130.0	492	718.7	22%
COPIAH	37	129.6	284	995.0	15%
KEMPER	12	119.7	127	1266.6	10%
LEFLORE	34	117.6	241	833.4	16%
LAWRENCE	14	112.4	94	754.7	18%
JASPER	18	109.6	145	882.6	14%
PERRY	11	92.2	49	410.7	29%
COAHOMA	16	70.7	106	468.4	18%

*based on available data as of 6pm CT

Cases based on test date. Cases without test date excluded due to ongoing investigations.

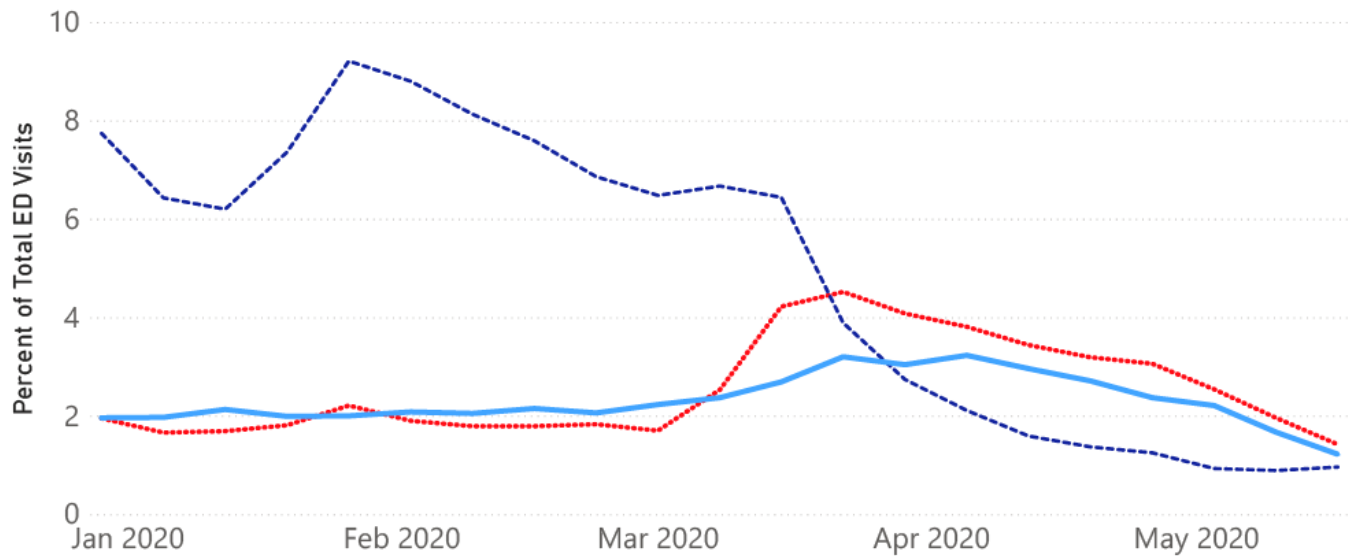
Table will be updated weekly.

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

..... COVID-19-Like Illness (CLI) - - - Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) — Pneumonia



*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 24, 2020, Mississippi

9,401
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

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COVID-19 Testing

Statewide Combined Testing as of May 25

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.

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.

	Total tests	PCR	Antibody
MSDH Public Health Laboratory	25,103	25,103	0
Other providers	129,521	122,716	6,805
Total tests for COVID-19 statewide	154,624	147,819	6,805

Note: MSDH has revised its method of counting antibody tests to better reflect total serology panel tests rather than separate antibody component tests. This produces a lower total of antibody testing than yesterday's, but one which better represents antibody testing in the state..

MSDH Individuals Tested as of May 25

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: **23,774**
- Total positive individuals from MPHL tests: **2,453**

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

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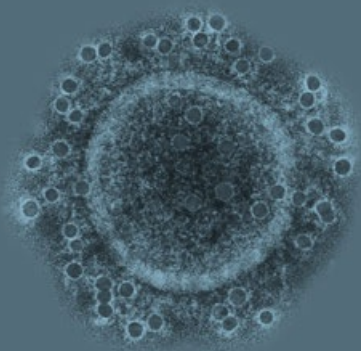
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