

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Updated August 13, 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.



Home isolation is mandatory if you have tested positive for COVID-19 by [order of the State Health Officer](#). If you have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19, quarantine is also important to protect others.

► **What you should do**

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.

Re-opening and visitation guidelines for nursing homes and selected other types of long-term care facilities [View documents »](#)

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

Mississippi's hospital system is overloaded by the additional burden of COVID-19 patients. If we don't start making changes now, we'll be forced to make cruel calculations later about who gets the medical care they need, and who does not.

MSDH Guidelines for K-12 Reopening During COVID-19: Assessing risk, preventive measures, responding to outbreaks. [Document and resources »](#)

Report a restaurant not following COVID-19 safety orders : E-mail the details to food@msdh.ms.gov

Guide to executive orders: A summary of the latest COVID-19 Executive Orders from the Governor, organized by

who and what they apply to. [View the guide »](#)

Face coverings are required by order of the Governor for all Mississippians in [schools](#), businesses and indoor public spaces, and in outdoor public spaces where consistent social distancing is not possible. [Details and exceptions »](#)

General Information

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COVID-19 in Mississippi

New Cases and Deaths as of August 12

NEW CASES

612

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

NEW DEATHS

22

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

County	Total
Bolivar	1
Copiah	1
Desoto	1
George	1
Hinds	3
Jackson	2
Lamar	1
Lauderdale	1
Marshall	1
Montgomery	1
Panola	1
Sharkey	2
Stone	1

County	Total
Sunflower	1
Walthall	1
Warren	1
Washington	1
Wilkinson	1

LTC OUTBREAKS

178

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

Trends and Data for Individual Counties

- ▶ [Weekly COVID-19 summaries 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.

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	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Adams	647	26	46	12
Alcorn	445	5	10	1
Amite	242	6	14	2
Total	69,986	2,011	4,186	864

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Attala	539	25	89	20
Benton	157	1	2	0
Bolivar	1167	37	50	10
Calhoun	428	9	23	4
Carroll	263	11	45	9
Chickasaw	491	19	35	11
Choctaw	138	4	0	0
Claiborne	410	14	43	9
Clarke	355	28	27	9
Clay	406	14	2	1
Coahoma	798	13	43	2
Copiah	973	29	30	4
Covington	641	15	5	1
De Soto	3796	32	45	7
Forrest	1865	57	102	32
Franklin	137	2	3	1
George	605	9	5	2
Greene	262	13	35	6
Grenada	861	26	76	15
Hancock	414	15	8	4
Harrison	2663	36	148	15
Hinds	5803	124	278	55
Holmes	928	49	97	20
Humphreys	303	12	20	6
Issaquena	27	2	0	0
Itawamba	404	10	40	7
Jackson	2411	47	68	7
Jasper	412	9	1	0
Jefferson	197	7	8	2
Jefferson Davis	243	6	3	1
Jones	1945	62	172	35
Kemper	241	14	38	9
Lafayette	1025	20	90	15
Total	69,986	2,011	4,186	864

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Lamar	1246	16	8	3
Lauderdale	1458	94	210	56
Lawrence	332	8	13	1
Leake	804	27	4	0
Lee	1610	42	86	16
Leflore	963	68	184	44
Lincoln	849	43	124	28
Lowndes	1114	40	84	24
Madison	2503	72	206	37
Marion	692	21	47	6
Marshall	740	10	17	2
Monroe	839	55	146	44
Montgomery	346	7	1	1
Neshoba	1309	94	108	35
Newton	567	11	7	1
Noxubee	466	12	17	4
Oktibbeha	1145	39	177	26
Panola	1096	18	8	1
Pearl River	571	40	57	16
Perry	249	8	0	0
Pike	960	37	73	18
Pontotoc	866	9	5	1
Prentiss	462	10	28	3
Quitman	275	1	0	0
Rankin	2337	38	101	10
Scott	1017	20	15	3
Sharkey	209	7	42	6
Simpson	822	31	62	15
Smith	415	13	54	8
Stone	225	6	23	2
Sunflower	1086	28	16	4
Tallahatchie	550	11	7	2
Tate	753	30	33	12
Total	69,986	2,011	4,186	864

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Tippah	411	14	1	0
Tishomingo	453	9	34	2
Tunica	367	7	12	2
Union	732	17	35	8
Walthall	519	22	65	11
Warren	1151	36	95	18
Washington	1739	45	59	14
Wayne	790	21	58	10
Webster	250	13	52	11
Wilkinson	227	14	8	4
Winston	637	16	40	11
Yalobusha	318	10	35	7
Yazoo	874	13	28	3
Total	69,986	2,011	4,186	864

Case Classifications

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

	Confirmed	Probable	Total
Cases	68,430	1,556	69,986
Deaths	1,942	69	2,011

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.

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.

► [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.

Active Outbreaks

The table of active outbreaks lists all facilities that have reported a current COVID-19 outbreak. Resident and employee totals are for those cases associated with the current outbreak **only**. The reported deaths are those which have occurred only among the cases in the current outbreak.

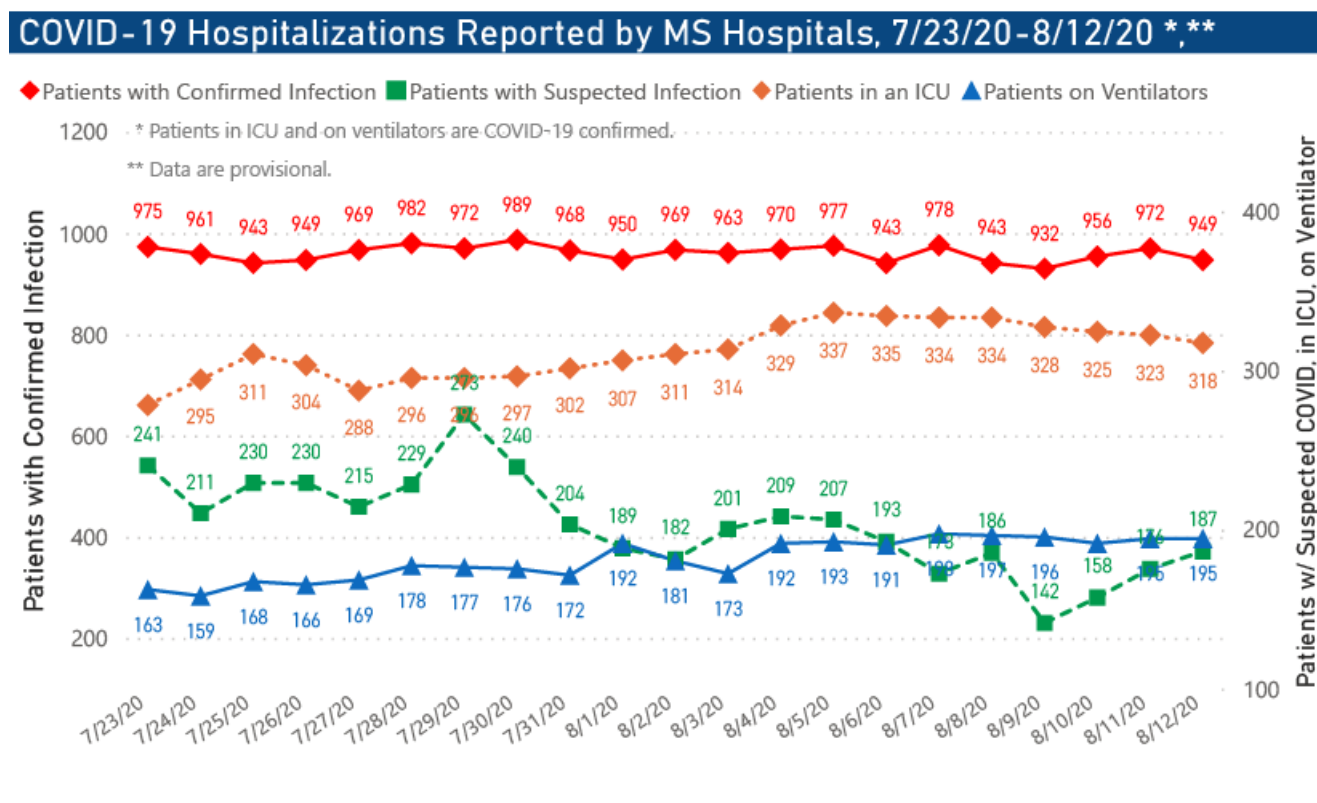
- ▶ [Mississippi long-term care facilities with active COVID-19 outbreaks](#) PDF
- As of August 7, 2020

Mississippi COVID-19 Data Charts and Map

All data reports below are updated as they become available. Updates are made daily except where noted.

Hospitalizations and Bed Availability

- ▶ [Interactive chart of hospitalizations by date](#)
- ▶ **NEW:** [Interactive chart of local and state hospital bed availability](#)



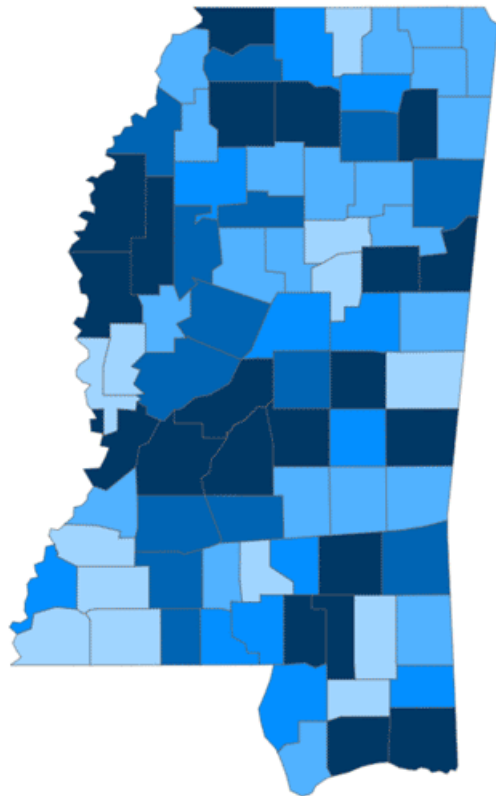
Cases and Deaths Data Charts

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, August 12, 2020



1 to 250 251 to 500 501 to 750 751 to 1000 >1000

Total Cases

69,986

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	451	189	23,481	17,525	784	288
Hispanic	14	9	87	591	1,453	85
Unknown Ethnicity	770	53	5,844	4,696	4,411	9,255

Total Deaths

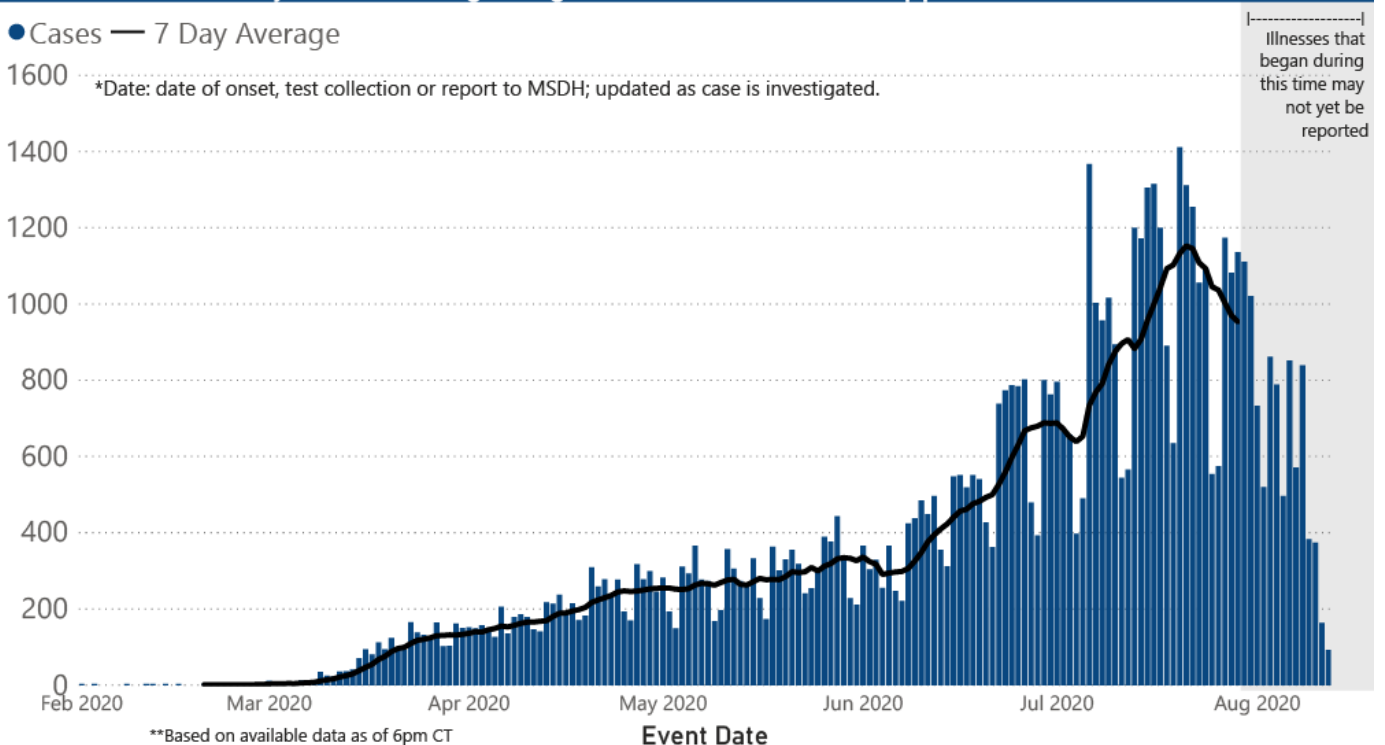
2,011

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black	White	Other	Unknown
Non Hispanic	62	0	897	779	10	1
Hispanic	1	0	2	14	10	2
Unknown Ethnicity	19	1	80	88	17	28

COVID-19 Cases by Date* through August 12, 2020**, Mississippi

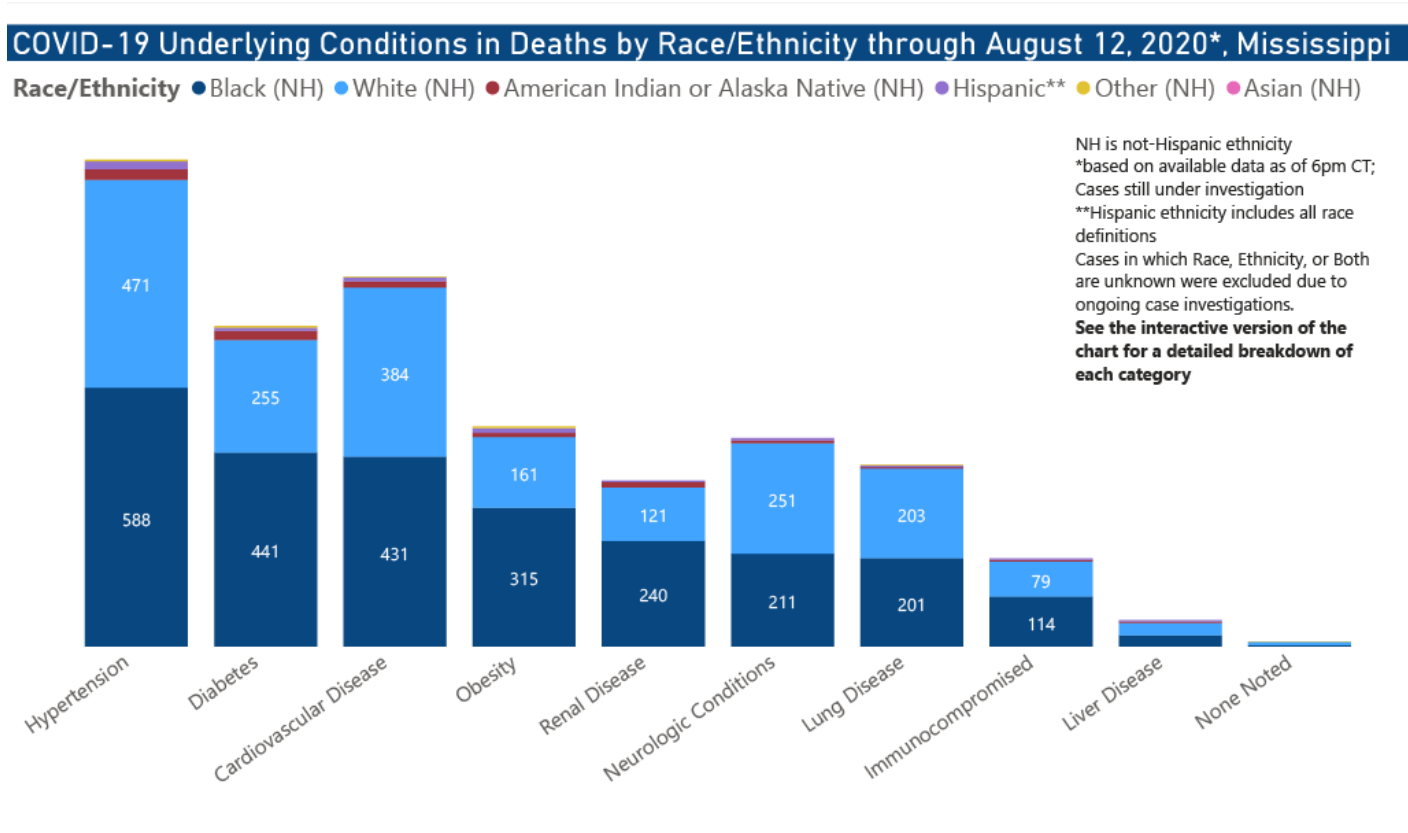
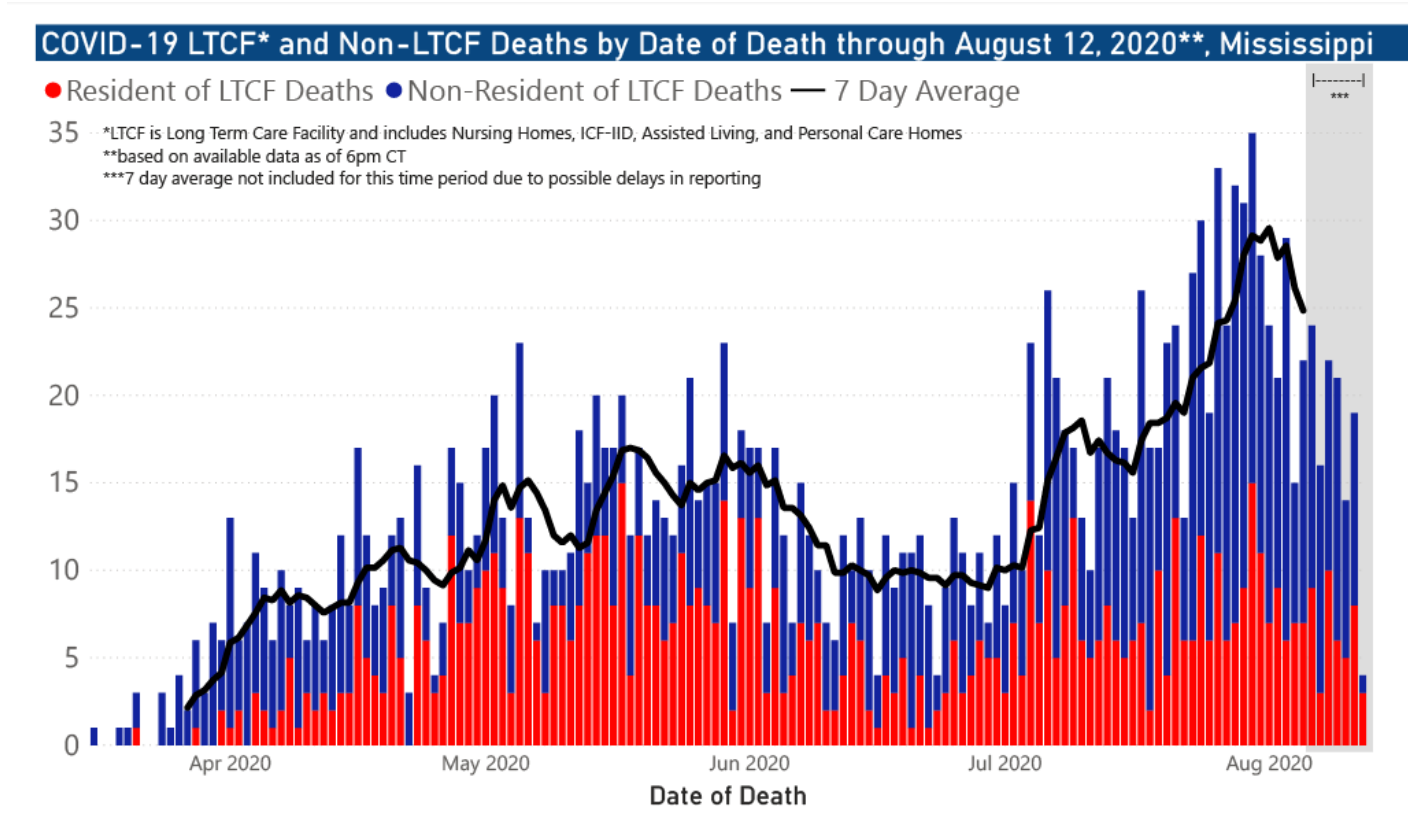
● Cases — 7 Day Average

*Date: date of onset, test collection or report to MSDH; updated as case is investigated.

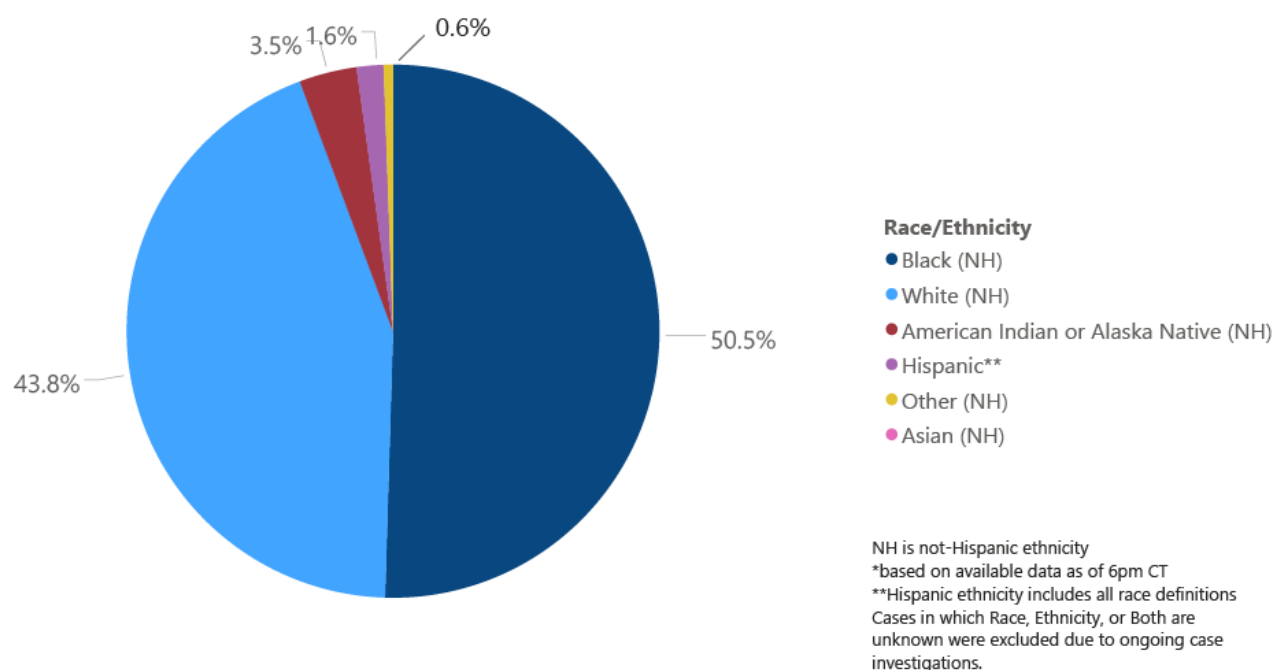


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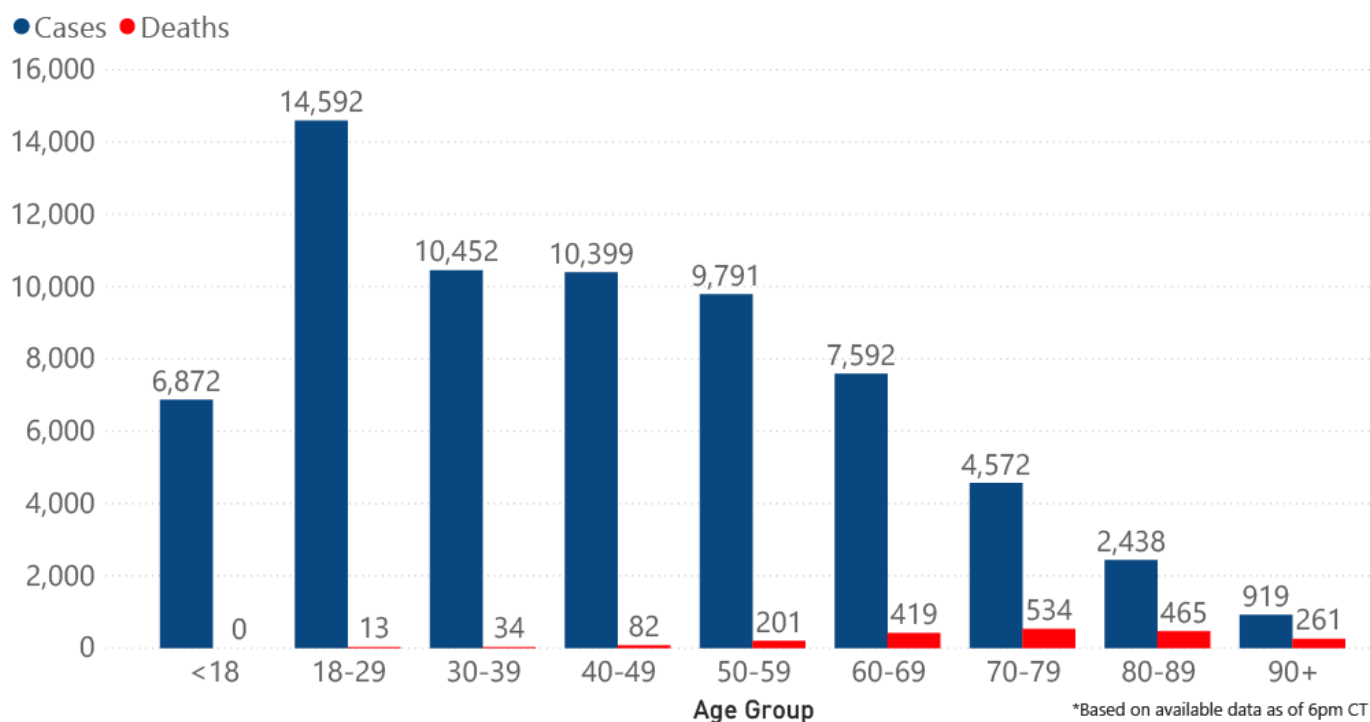
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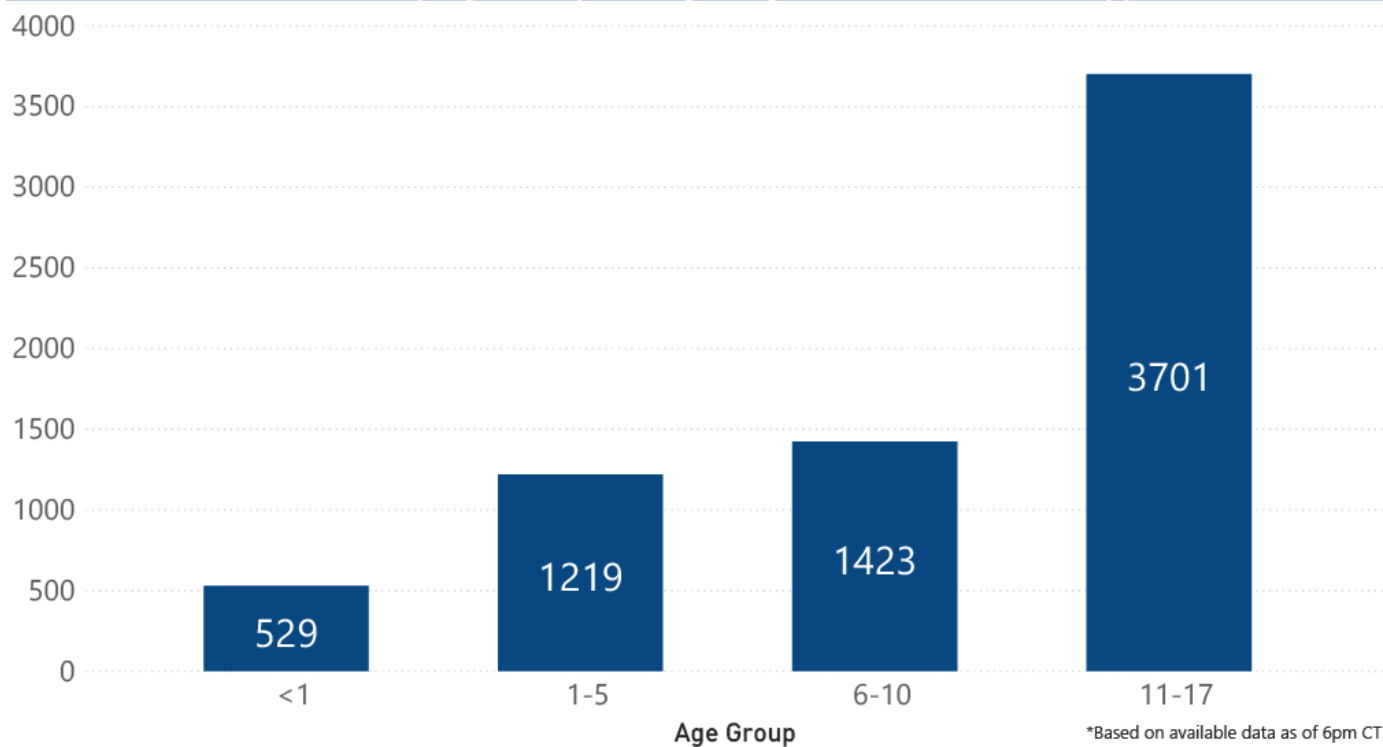
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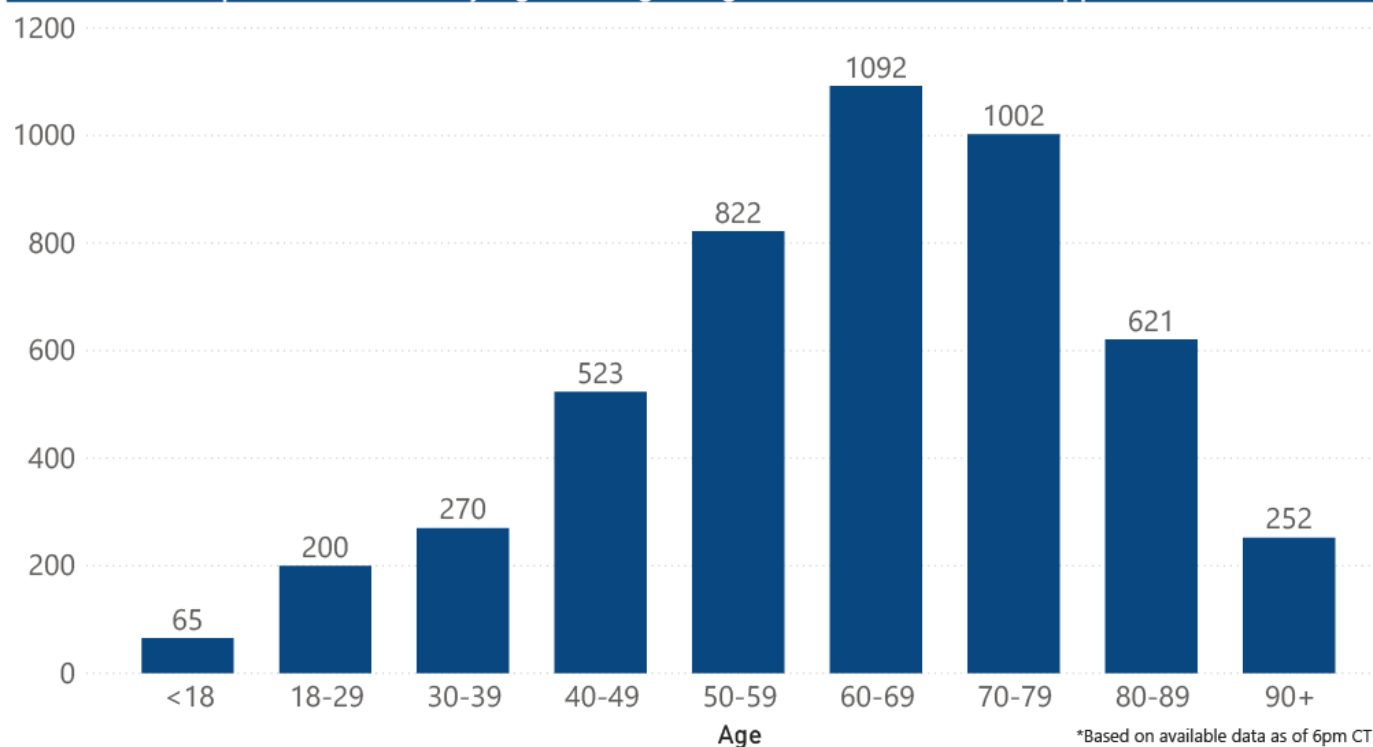
COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Age Group through August 12, 2020*, Mississippi



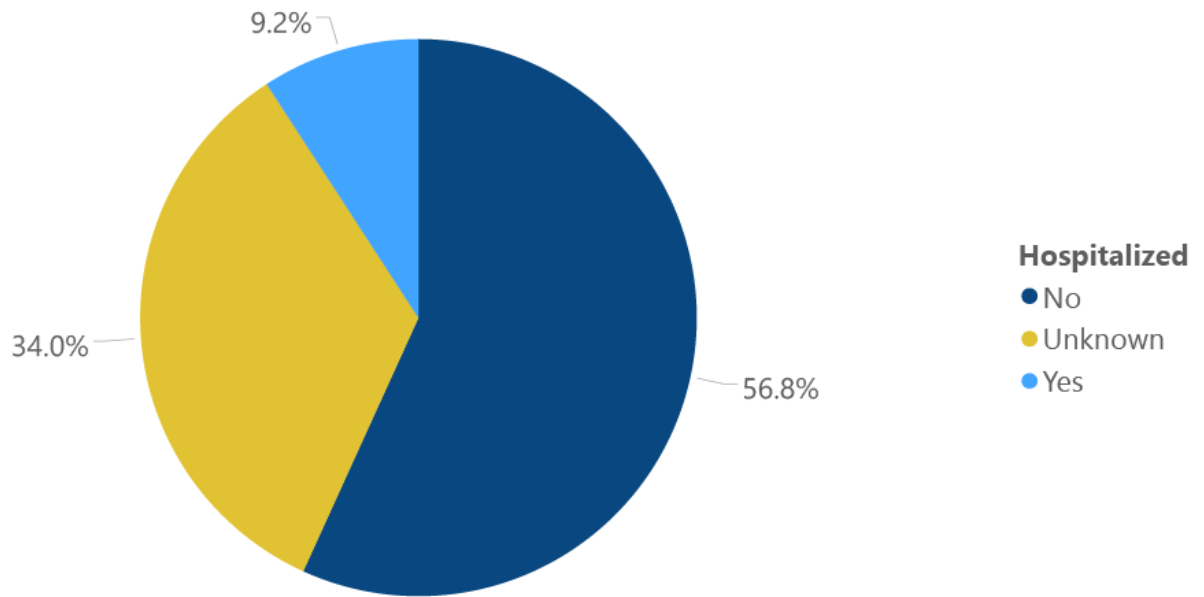
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COVID-19 Hospitalized Cases by Age through August 12, 2020*, Mississippi



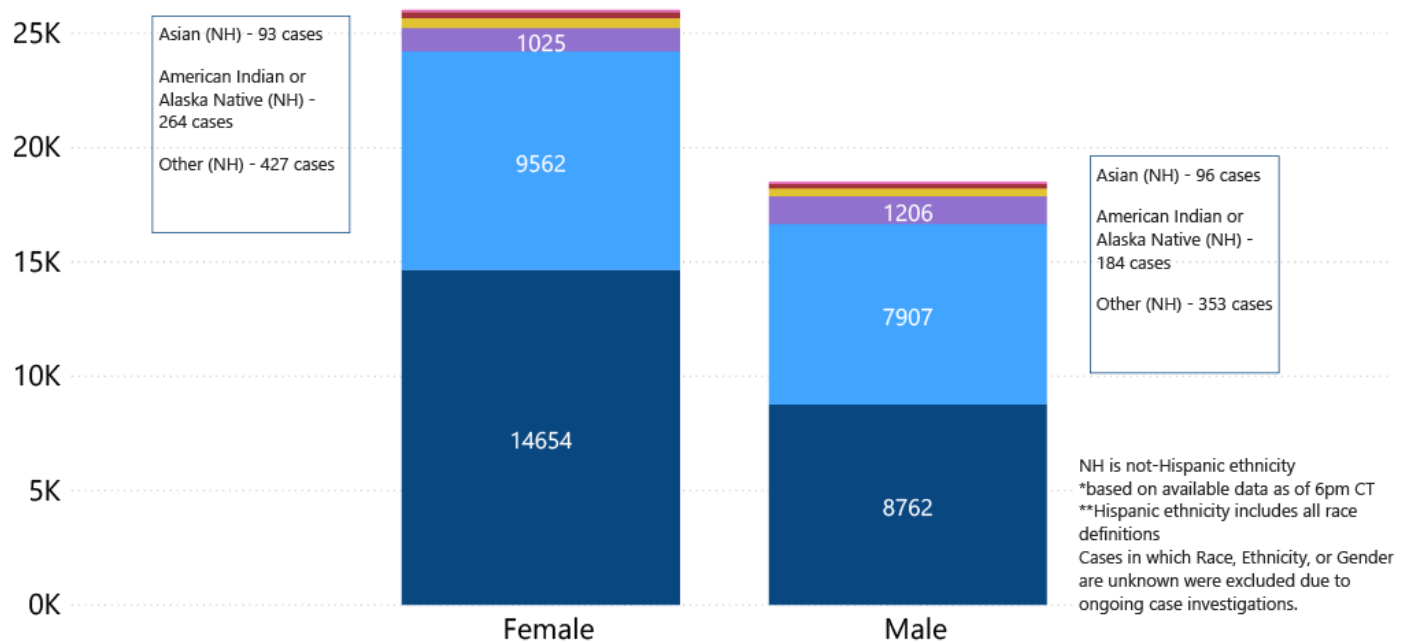
COVID-19 Cumulative Hospitalizations-Investigated Cases August 12, 2020 *



* N=52,843; 17,144 cases excluded due to ongoing investigations, based on available data as of 6 pm CT

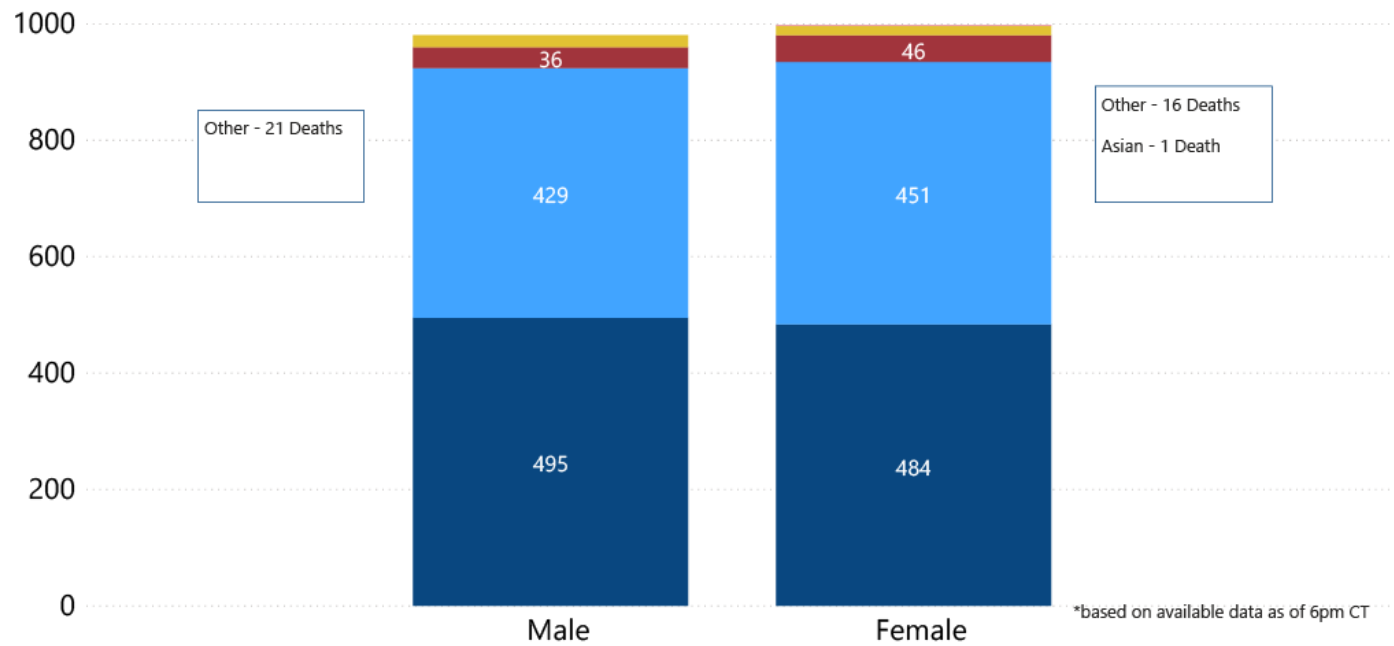
COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity and Gender through August 12, 2020*, Mississippi

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

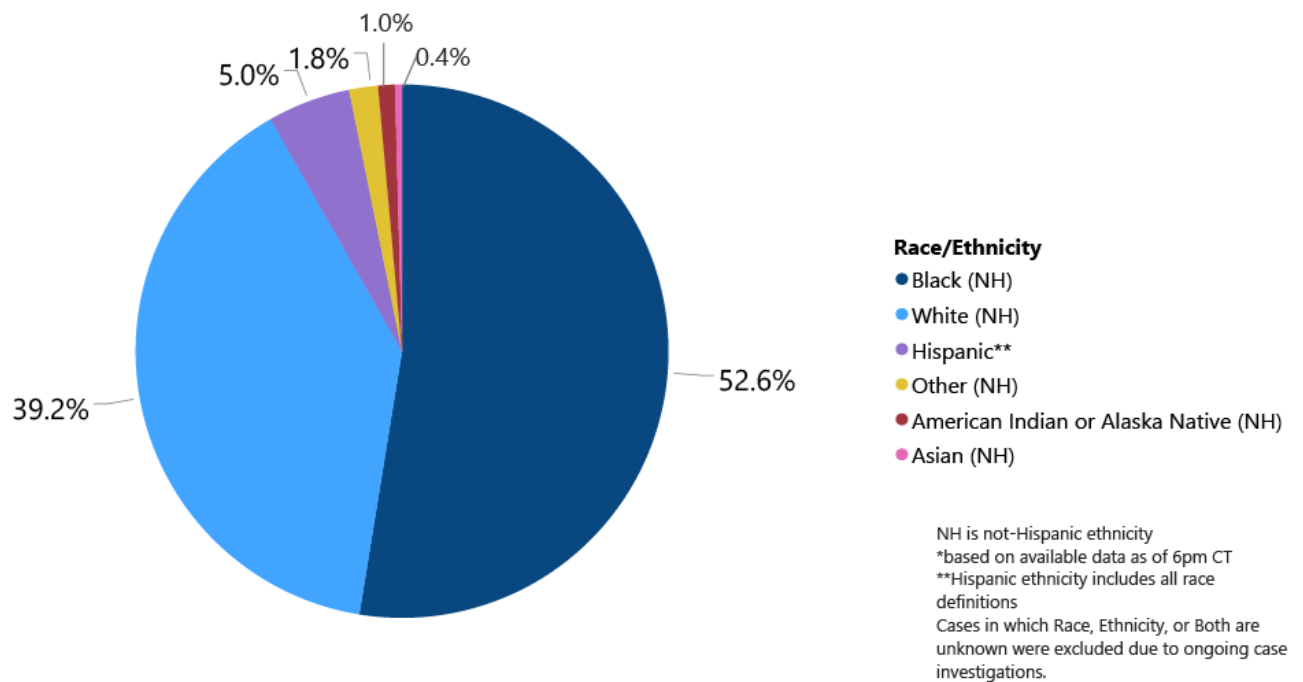


COVID-19 Deaths by Race and Gender through August 12, 2020*, Mississippi

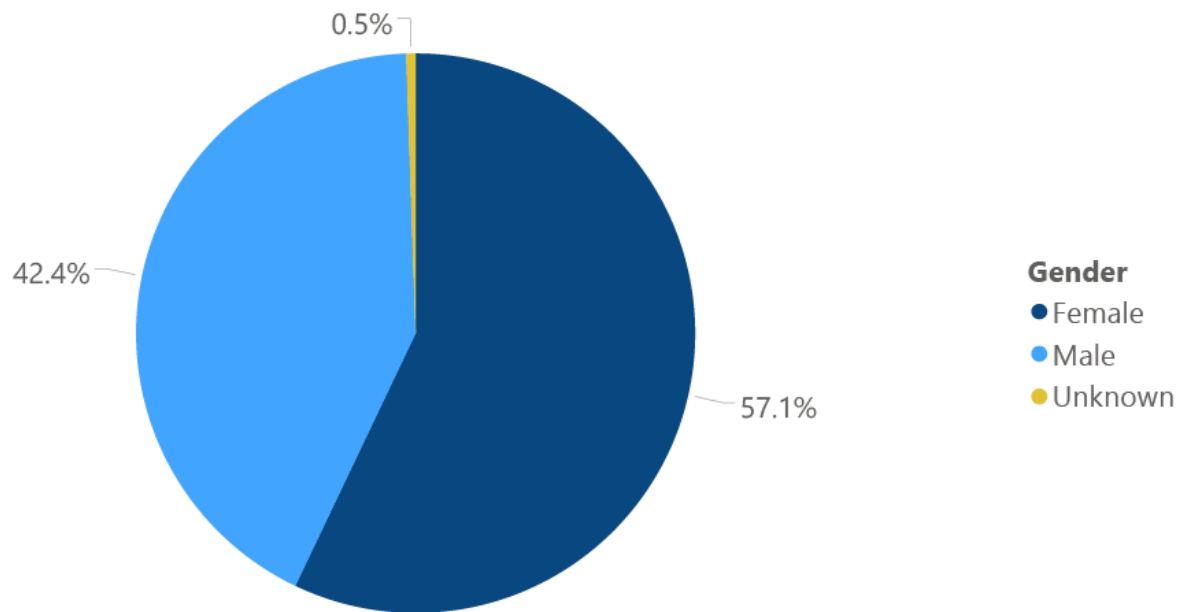
Race ● Black ● White ● American Indian or Alaska Native ● Other ● Asian



COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity through August 12, 2020*, Mississippi



COVID-19 Cases by Gender through August 12, 2020*, Mississippi



*Based on available data as of 6pm CT

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 testing, not the date the test result was reported, and include 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.**

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

COVID-19 High Case MS Counties Over 1 Week Period (July 27-August 2, 2020*)

County	Cases (July 27-August 2)	Cases per 100,000 (July 27-August 2)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
HINDS	379	163.5	5700	2458.6	7%
DESOTO	240	129.8	3710	2006.0	7%
HARRISON	235	112.9	2601	1250.0	10%
LEE	186	217.7	1521	1780.3	14%
JACKSON	183	127.4	2314	1611.2	9%
JONES	170	249.6	1931	2835.6	10%
RANKIN	155	99.8	2307	1485.8	7%
MADISON	146	137.4	2455	2310.1	6%
PANOLA	142	415.3	1068	3123.5	15%
BOLIVAR	141	460.4	1136	3709.0	14%
FORREST	126	168.2	1826	2438.0	7%
TALLAHATCHIE	118	854.5	541	3917.7	28%

*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.

COVID-19 High Incidence MS Counties Over 1 Week Period (July 27-August 2, 2020*)

County	Cases (July 27-August 2)	Cases per 100,000 (July 27-August 2)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
SHARKEY	61	1411.7	204	4721.1	43%
TALLAHATCHIE	118	854.5	541	3917.7	28%
QUITMAN	41	603.7	269	3960.5	18%
TUNICA	50	519.1	358	3716.8	16%
MONTGOMERY	46	470.6	329	3365.7	16%
BOLIVAR	141	460.4	1136	3709.0	14%
WINSTON	79	440.0	629	3503.2	14%
PANOLA	142	415.3	1068	3123.5	15%
COAHOMA	85	384.2	781	3530.1	12%
TISHOMINGO	74	381.8	437	2254.6	20%
ISSAQUENA	5	376.8	27	2034.7	23%
NOXUBEE	39	374.4	461	4425.5	9%

*based on available data as of 6pm CT

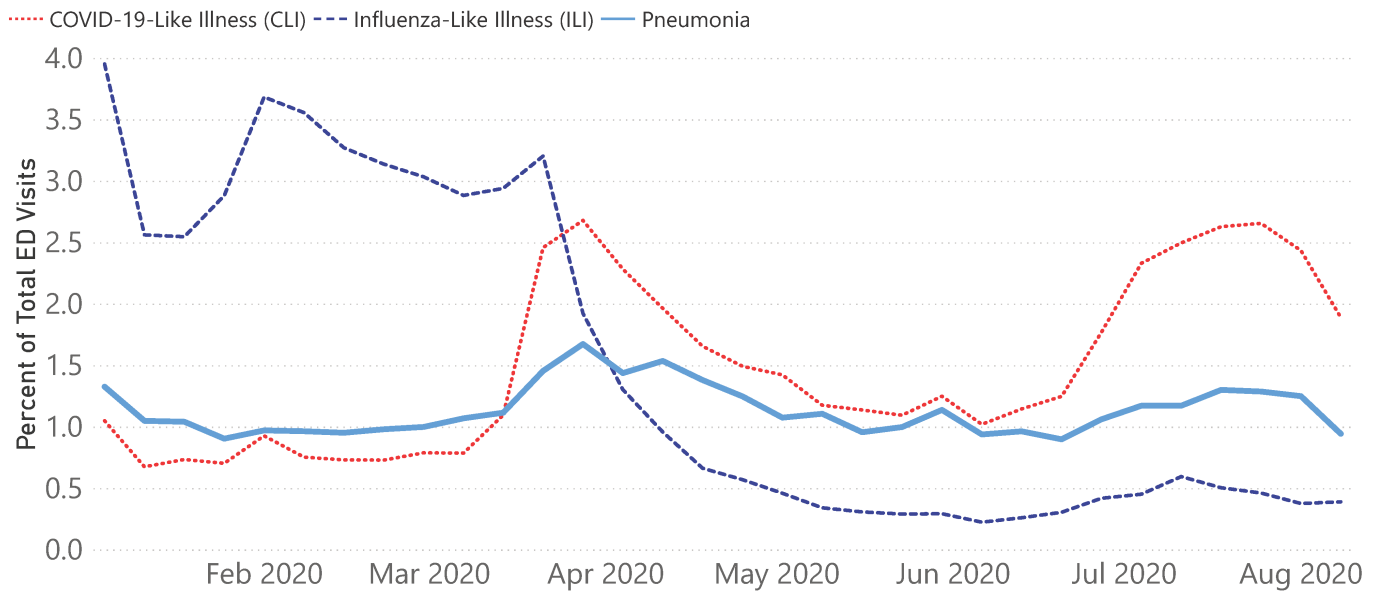
Cases based on test date. Cases without test date excluded due to ongoing investigations.

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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 - August 8, 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 August 9, 2020, Mississippi

49,836
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 cases in the United States \(CDC\)](#)
 - ▶ [U.S. COVID-19 Tracker \(CDC\)](#)
 - ▶ [COVID-19 Global Case Map \(Johns Hopkins University\)](#)
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COVID-19 Testing

Statewide Combined Testing as of August 11

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	87,850	87,850	0
Other testing providers	436,268	418,503	17,765
Total tests for COVID-19 statewide	524,118	506,353	17,765

MSDH Individuals Tested as of August 12

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: **69,572**
- Total positive individuals from MPHL tests: **7,788**

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](#)

Prevention and Guidance for Individuals and the Community

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

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