



Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Updated September 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**

General Information

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- ▶ COVID-19 overview, questions and answers
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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 \(extended until September 30\)](#) »

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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New Cases and Deaths as of September 21

NEW CASES

465

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

NEW DEATHS

36

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

County	Total
Benton	1
Choctaw	1
Clarke	2
DeSoto	4
Harrison	1
Hinds	1
Jackson	2
Leake	1
Lee	1
Leflore	1
Neshoba	1
Pearl River	2
Pike	1
Rankin	1
Simpson	1
Stone	1
Sunflower	1
Tallahatchie	3
Wilkinson	1

9 COVID-19 related deaths occurred between August 29 and September 5, identified from death certificate reports.

County	Total
Clarke	1
Forrest	1
Hinds	1
Marion	1
Monroe	1
Montgomery	1

County	Total
Sharkey	1
Tippah	1
Yazoo	1

LTC OUTBREAKS

127

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	922	36	48	13
Alcorn	776	11	18	2
Amite	314	10	14	2
Attala	643	25	90	20
Total	94,021	2,846	5,862	1,175

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Benton	223	2	4	0
Bolivar	1797	65	198	26
Calhoun	507	12	25	4
Carroll	314	12	45	9
Chickasaw	662	24	44	13
Choctaw	180	6	1	0
Claiborne	456	16	43	9
Clarke	563	42	66	18
Clay	582	17	17	2
Coahoma	1136	27	79	2
Copiah	1164	33	51	4
Covington	808	22	31	7
De Soto	5448	59	63	13
Forrest	2409	71	172	40
Franklin	191	3	3	1
George	755	13	34	6
Greene	354	17	37	6
Grenada	1068	35	105	20
Hancock	569	21	9	4
Harrison	3780	73	239	31
Hinds	7017	157	417	63
Holmes	1094	58	100	20
Humphreys	374	15	21	6
Issaquena	103	3	0	0
Itawamba	780	21	81	16
Jackson	3418	69	77	7
Jasper	559	15	1	0
Jefferson	243	9	12	3
Jefferson Davis	329	11	3	1
Jones	2438	78	180	37
Kemper	286	15	39	9
Lafayette	2116	39	122	28
Lamar	1639	34	27	11
Total	94,021	2,846	5,862	1,175

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Lauderdale	2015	124	260	73
Lawrence	427	12	26	2
Leake	941	38	24	5
Lee	2633	68	155	30
Leflore	1377	81	189	45
Lincoln	1073	53	142	32
Lowndes	1412	57	98	33
Madison	3218	86	238	45
Marion	842	34	74	9
Marshall	1080	15	31	6
Monroe	1199	66	163	51
Montgomery	458	21	49	9
Neshoba	1548	104	115	37
Newton	761	23	38	8
Noxubee	545	15	19	4
Oktibbeha	1759	50	193	31
Panola	1449	27	13	2
Pearl River	869	52	72	20
Perry	413	18	18	5
Pike	1217	49	81	22
Pontotoc	1241	16	17	1
Prentiss	826	17	48	3
Quitman	375	5	0	0
Rankin	3202	76	156	18
Scott	1168	25	20	3
Sharkey	263	13	43	8
Simpson	1015	44	106	19
Smith	526	14	54	8
Stone	360	12	52	8
Sunflower	1429	45	71	11
Tallahatchie	762	21	29	6
Tate	958	37	32	13
Tippah	650	17	6	0
Total	94,021	2,846	5,862	1,175

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total LTC Facility Cases	Total LTC Facility Deaths
Tishomingo	665	37	96	26
Tunica	481	13	12	2
Union	983	24	46	11
Walthall	595	25	67	13
Warren	1382	50	119	24
Washington	2186	71	111	23
Wayne	877	21	59	10
Webster	332	13	52	11
Wilkinson	301	18	20	5
Winston	731	19	40	11
Yalobusha	419	14	35	7
Yazoo	1041	30	57	12
Total	94,021	2,846	5,862	1,175

Case Classifications

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

	Confirmed	Probable	Total
Cases	87,529	6,492	94,021
Deaths	2,625	221	2,846

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 Deaths Counts by Week](#)
Updated weekly

K-12 School Report by County

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. These reports are then summarized by county.
Note: 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.

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 school cases, outbreaks and exposure totals by county](#)
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

This weekly table of ongoing outbreaks lists all facilities that have reported a current, active outbreak of COVID-19. The reported totals are for cases and deaths associated with the current outbreak only.

Note: The cases and deaths in this document have been reported to us directly by the facilities, and may not have appeared yet in our county totals, which are based on reports from testing laboratories.

- [Mississippi long-term care facilities with active COVID-19 outbreaks](#)
Current and past listings

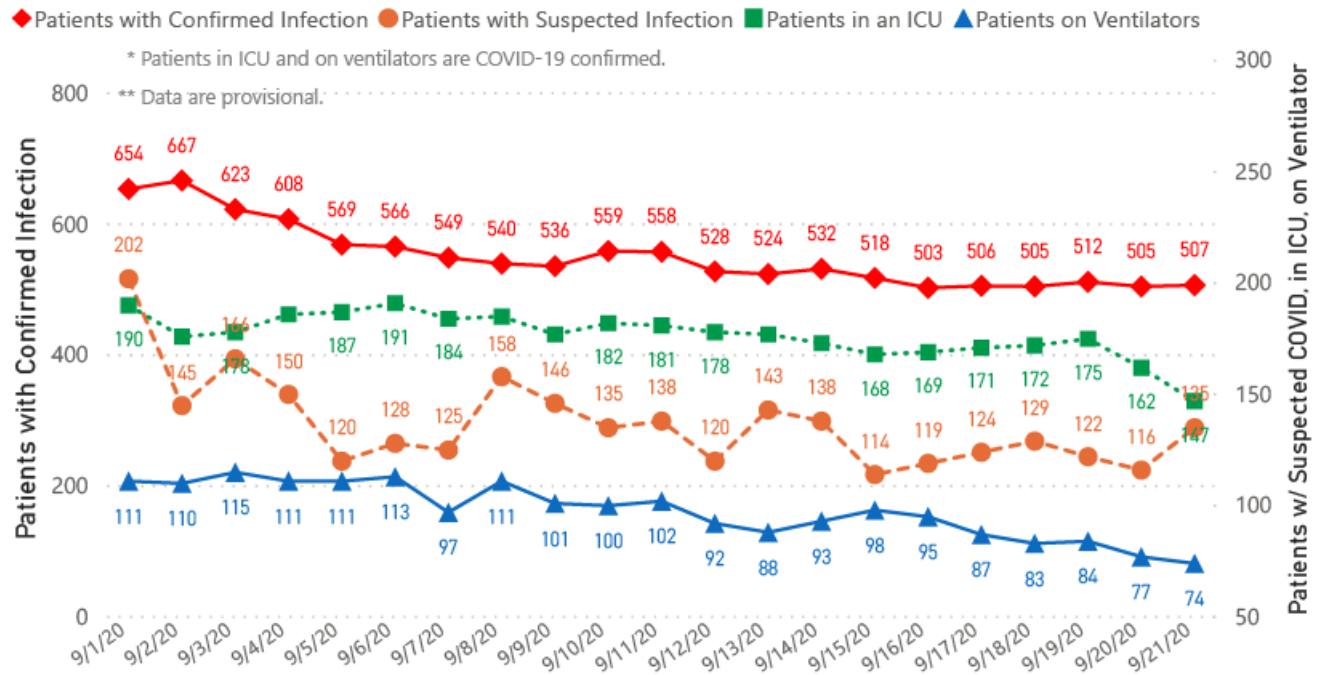
Mississippi COVID-19 Data Charts and Map

All data reports below are updated as they become available.

Hospitalizations and Bed Availability

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

COVID-19 Hospitalizations Reported by MS Hospitals, 9/1/20-9/21/20 *,**



Daily Statewide Data Charts

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

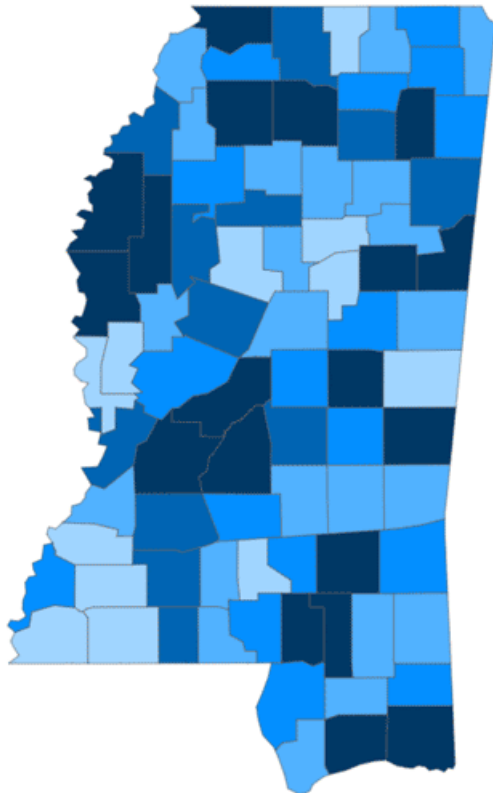
- [View interactive map](#)
- [View interactive epidemiological trend and syndromic surveillance](#)

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, September 21, 2020

Total Cases

94,021



1 to 350 351 to 700 701 to 1050 1051 to 1400 >1400

American
Indian or
Alaska Native Asian Black White Other Unknown

Non Hispanic 489 262 29,744 25,604 1,027 424

Hispanic 17 11 119 819 1,668 119

Unknown
Ethnicity 782 74 7,409 7,342 4,571 13,540

Total Deaths

2,846

American
Indian or
Alaska Native Asian Black White Other Unknown

Non Hispanic 65 3 1,184 1,143 15 2

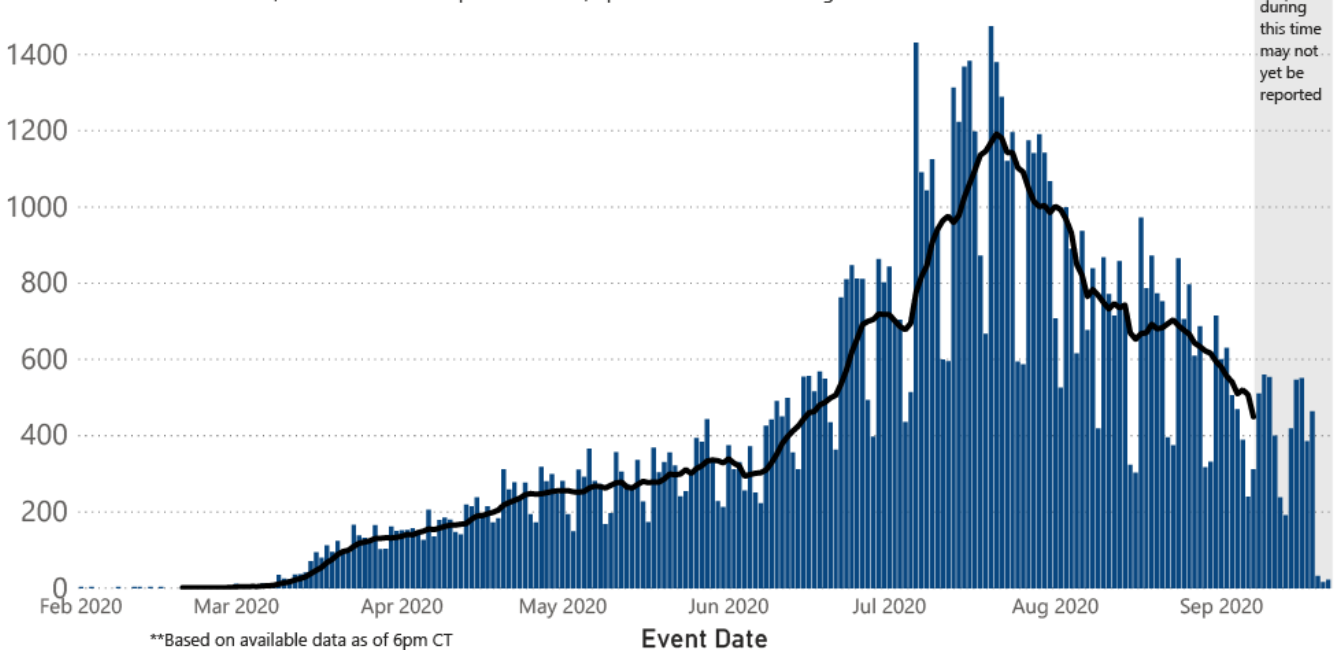
Hispanic 1 0 4 19 13 1

Unknown
Ethnicity 19 3 134 161 22 57

COVID-19 Cases by Date* through September 21, 2020**, Mississippi

● Cases — 7 Day Average

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



**Based on available data as of 6pm CT

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.

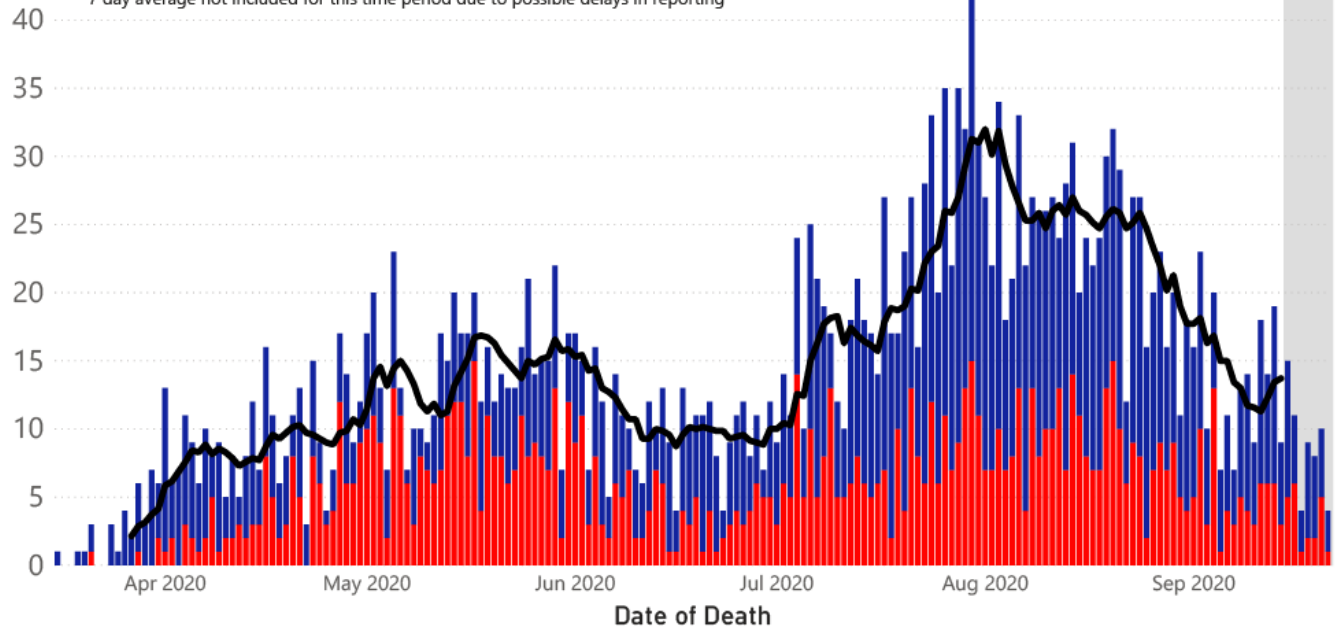
COVID-19 LTCF* and Non-LTCF Deaths by Date of Death through September 21, 2020**, Mississippi

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

*LTCF is Long Term Care Facility and includes Nursing Homes, ICF-IID, Assisted Living, and Personal Care Homes

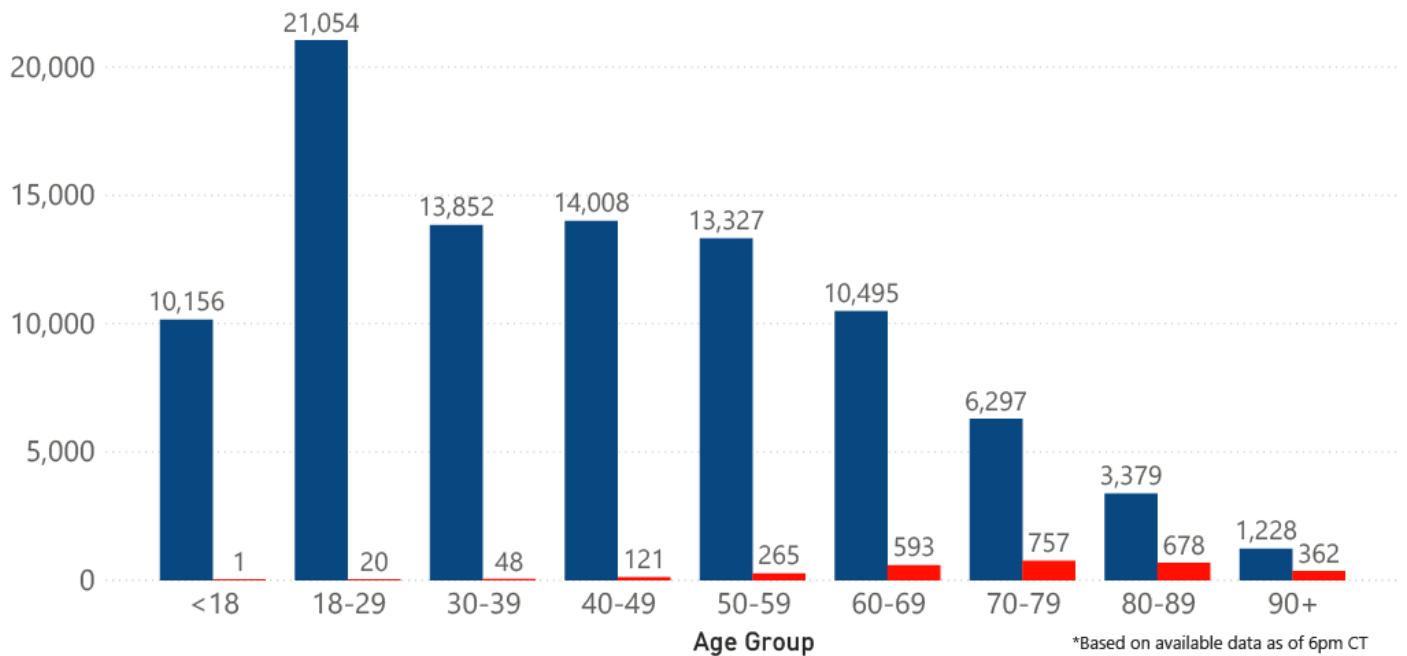
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***7 day average not included for this time period due to possible delays in reporting



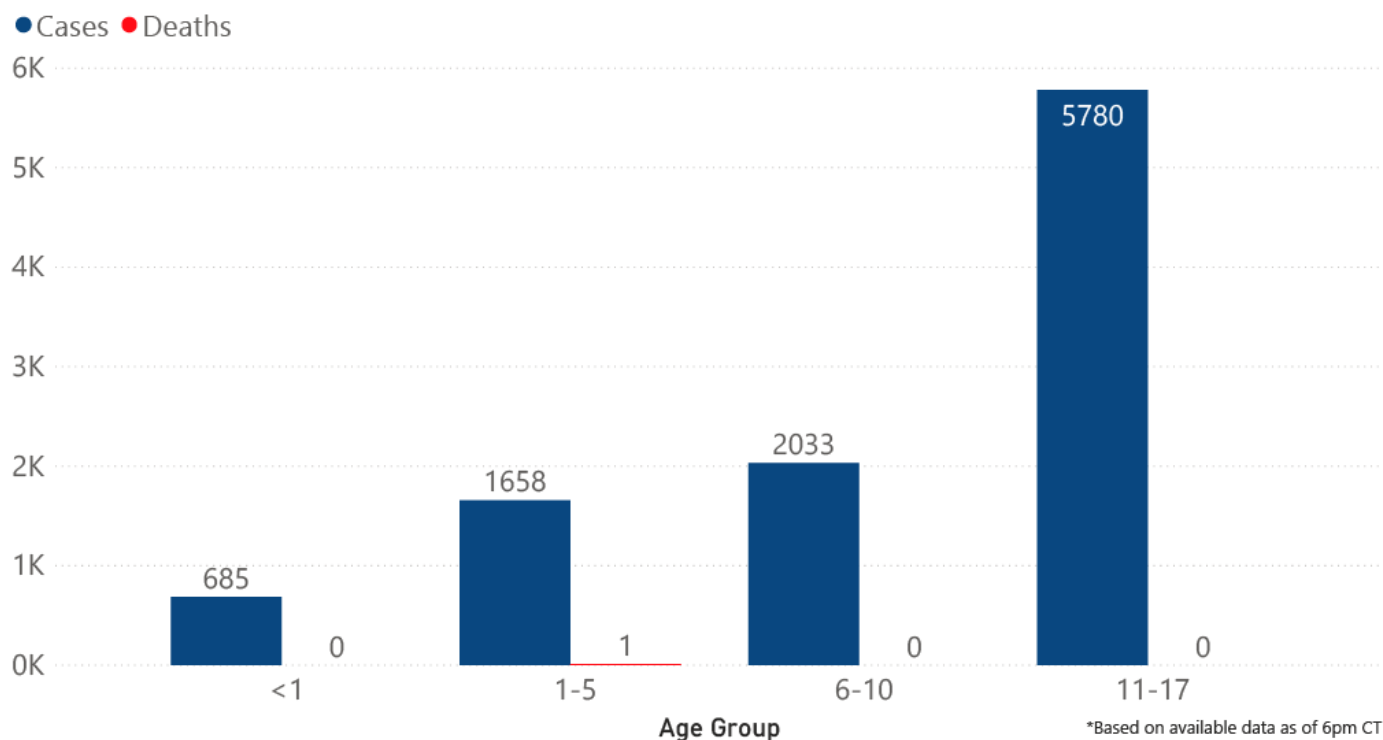
COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Age Group through September 21, 2020*, Mississippi

● Cases ● Deaths



*Based on available data as of 6pm CT

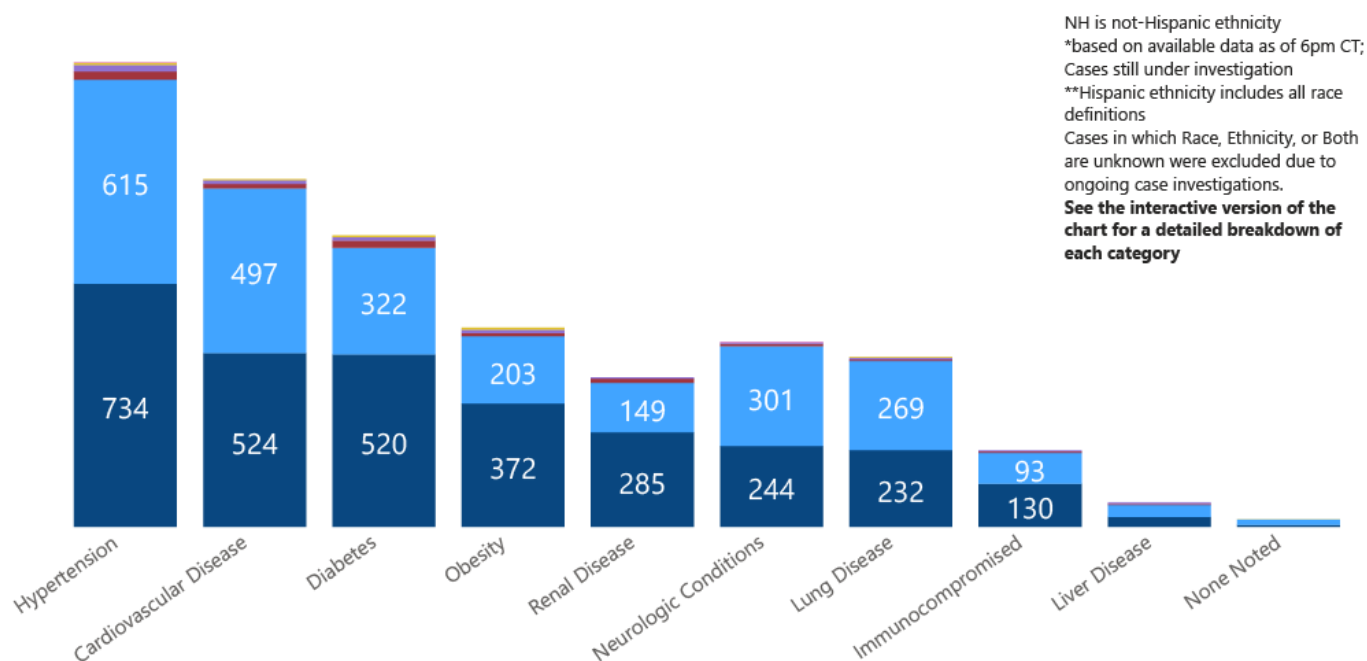
COVID-19 Pediatric Cases and Deaths by Age Group through September 21, 2020*, Mississippi



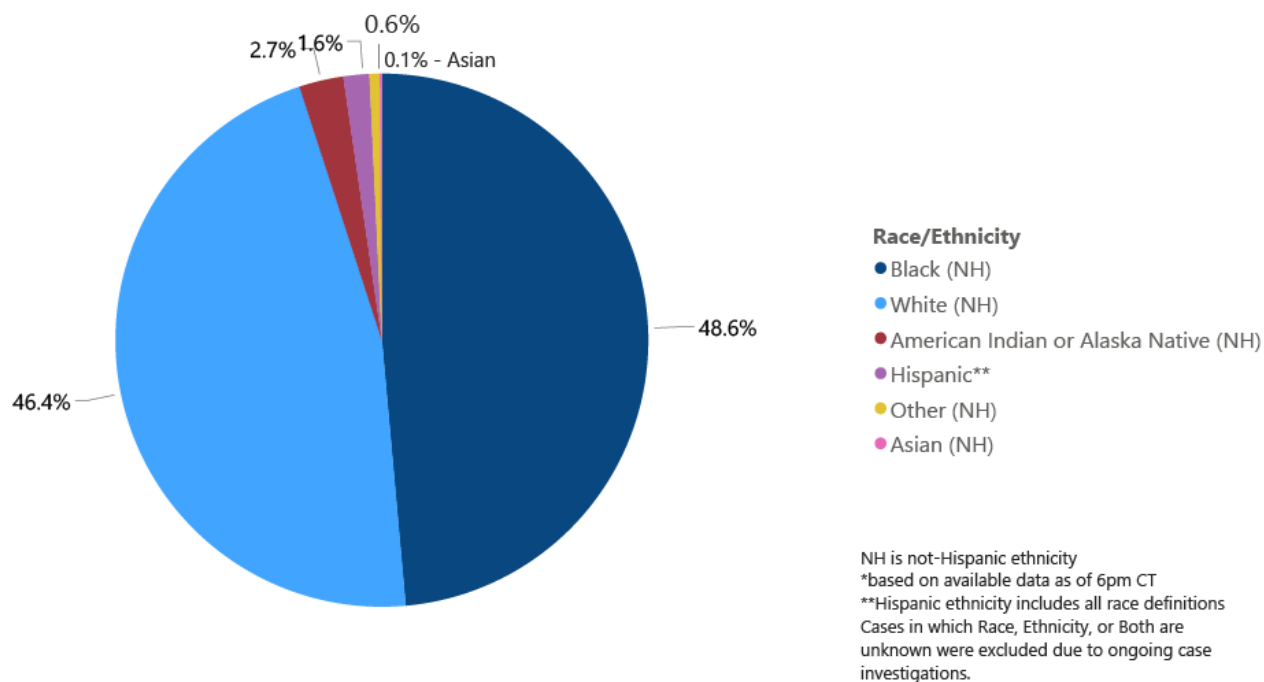
Weekly Statewide Data Summaries

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

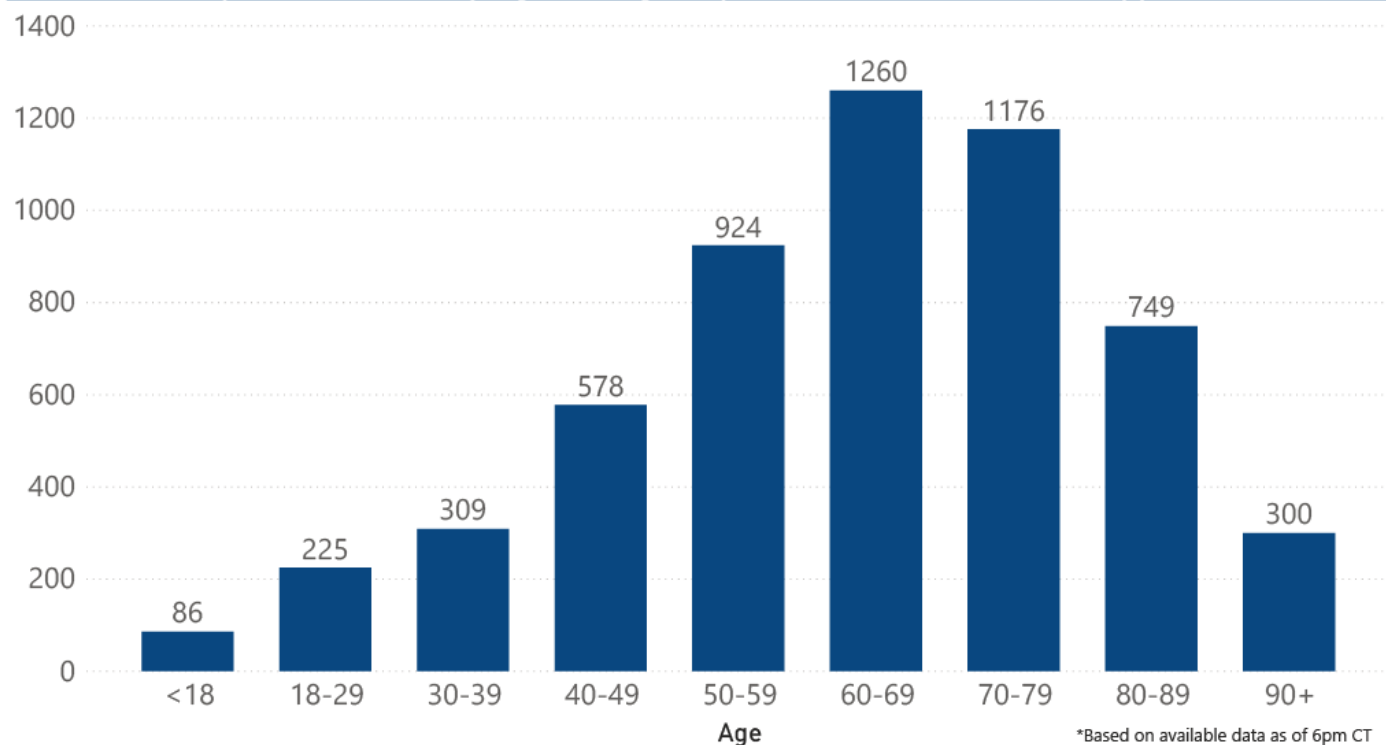
Race/Ethnicity ● Black (NH) ● White (NH) ● American Indian or Alaska Native (NH) ● Hispanic** ● Other (NH) ● Asian (NH)



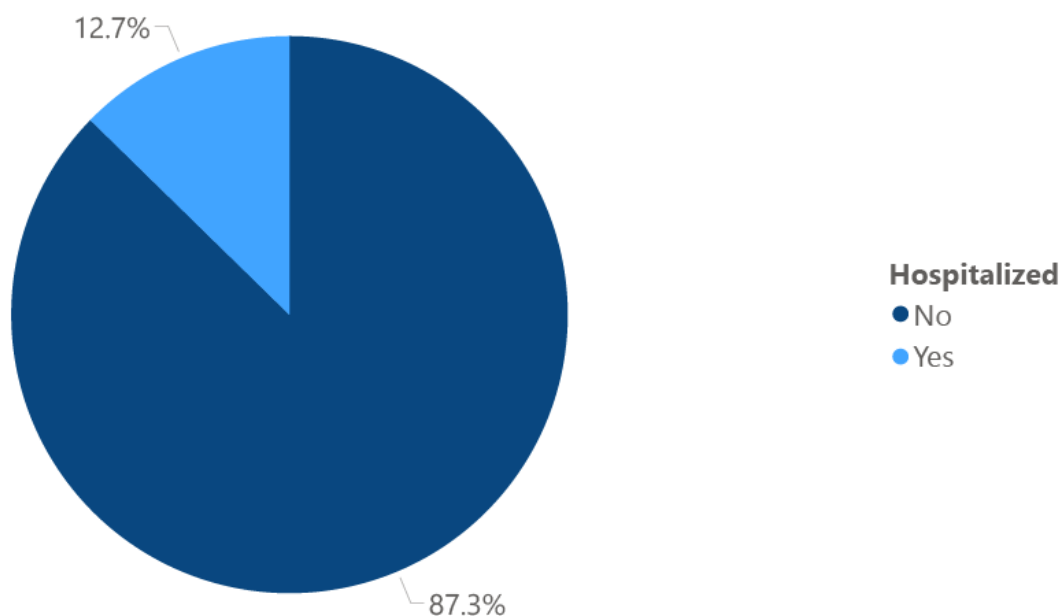
COVID-19 Deaths by Race/Ethnicity through September 20, 2020*, Mississippi



COVID-19 Hospitalized Cases by Age through September 20, 2020*, Mississippi



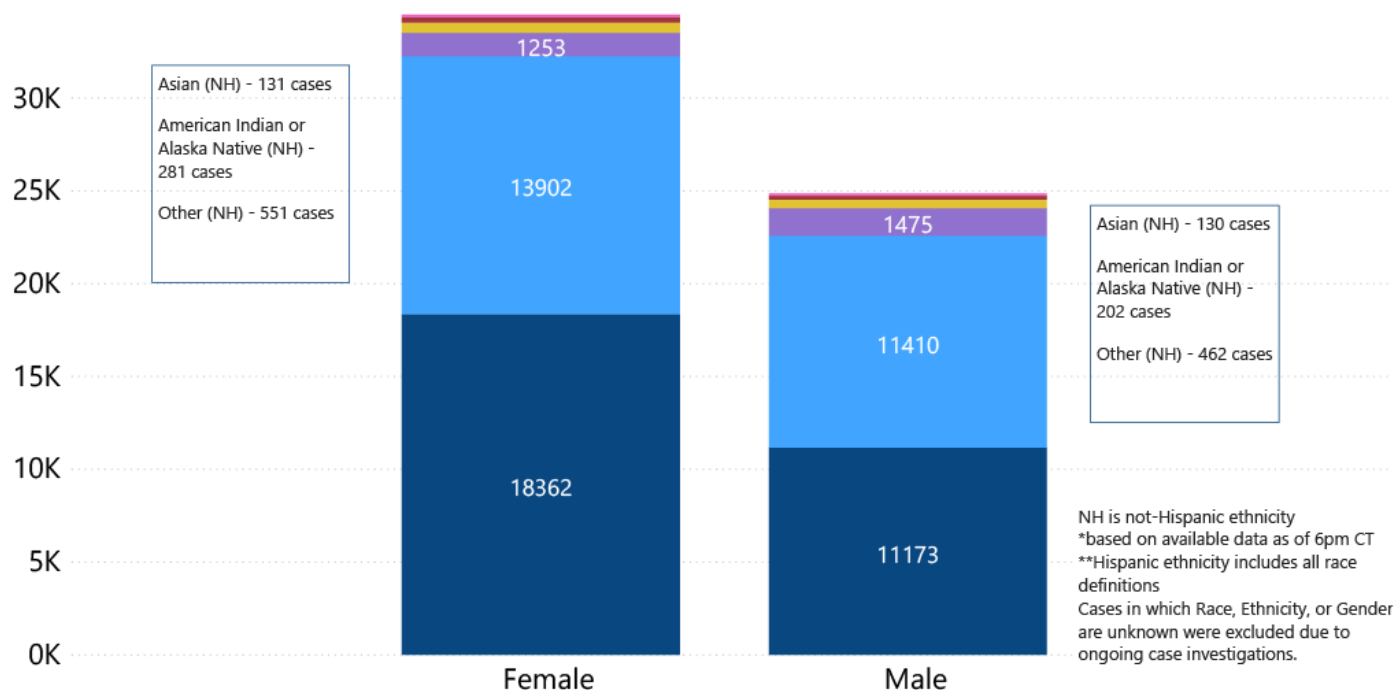
COVID-19 Cumulative Hospitalizations-Investigated Cases September 20, 2020 *



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

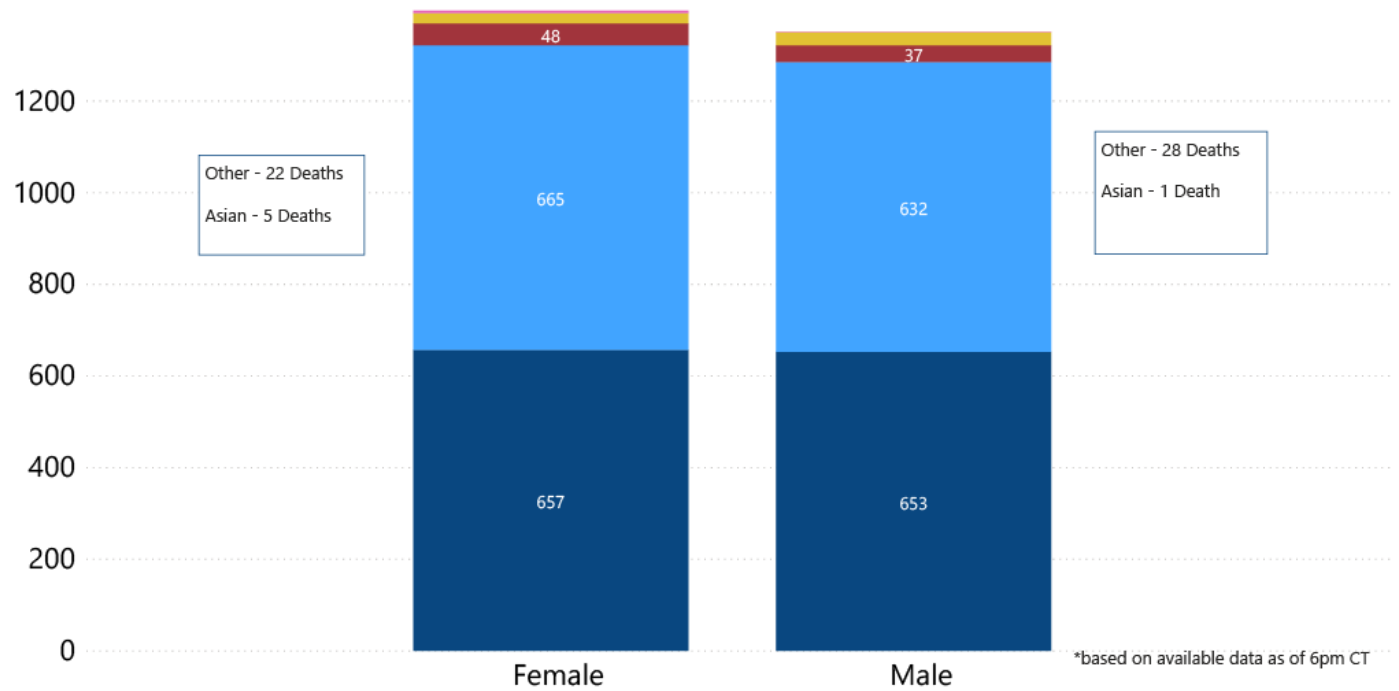
COVID-19 Cases by Race/Ethnicity and Gender through September 20, 2020*, Mississippi

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

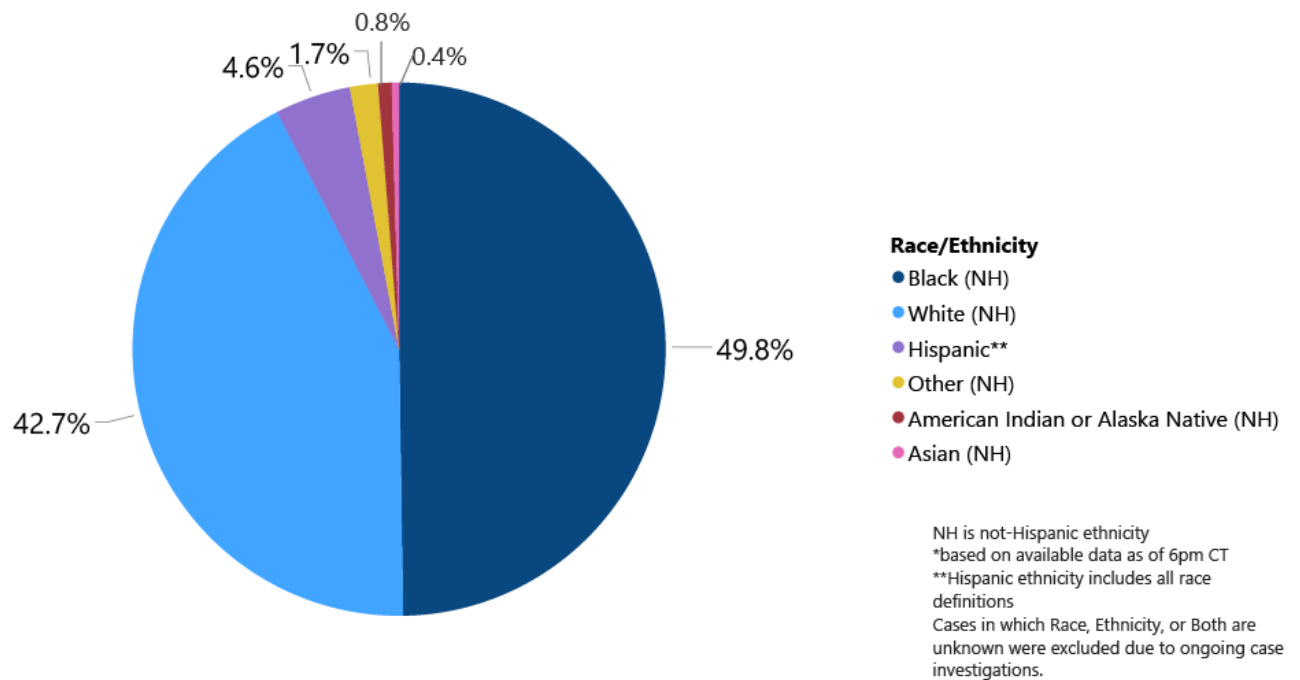


COVID-19 Deaths by Race and Gender through September 20, 2020*, Mississippi

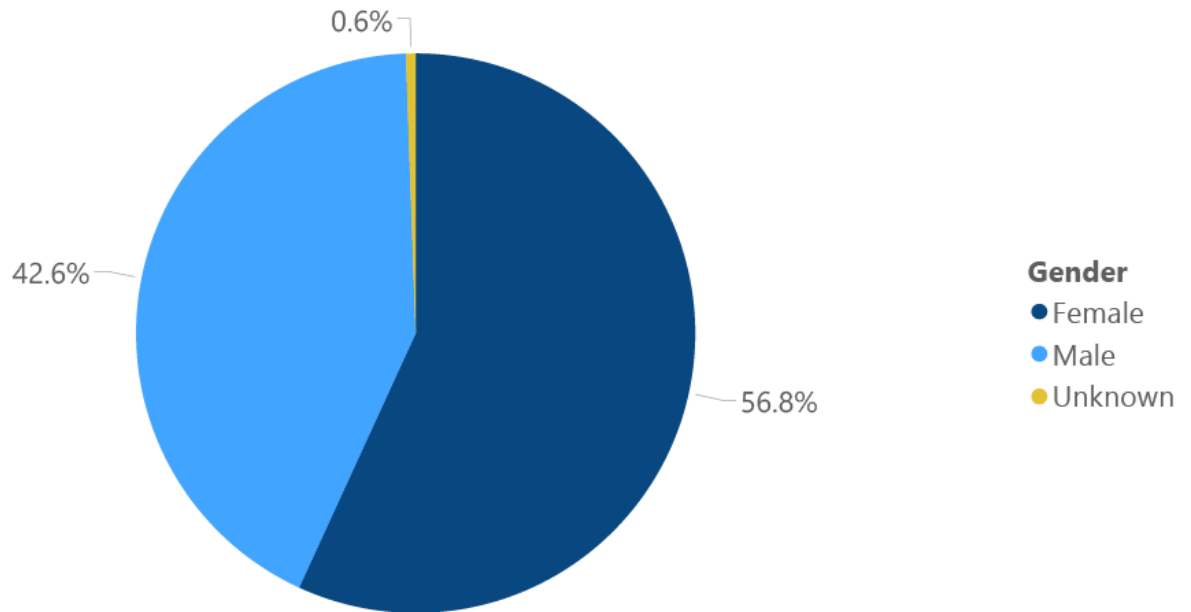
Race ● Black ● White ● American Indian or Alaska Native ● Other ● Asian



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



COVID-19 Cases by Gender through September 20, 2020*, Mississippi

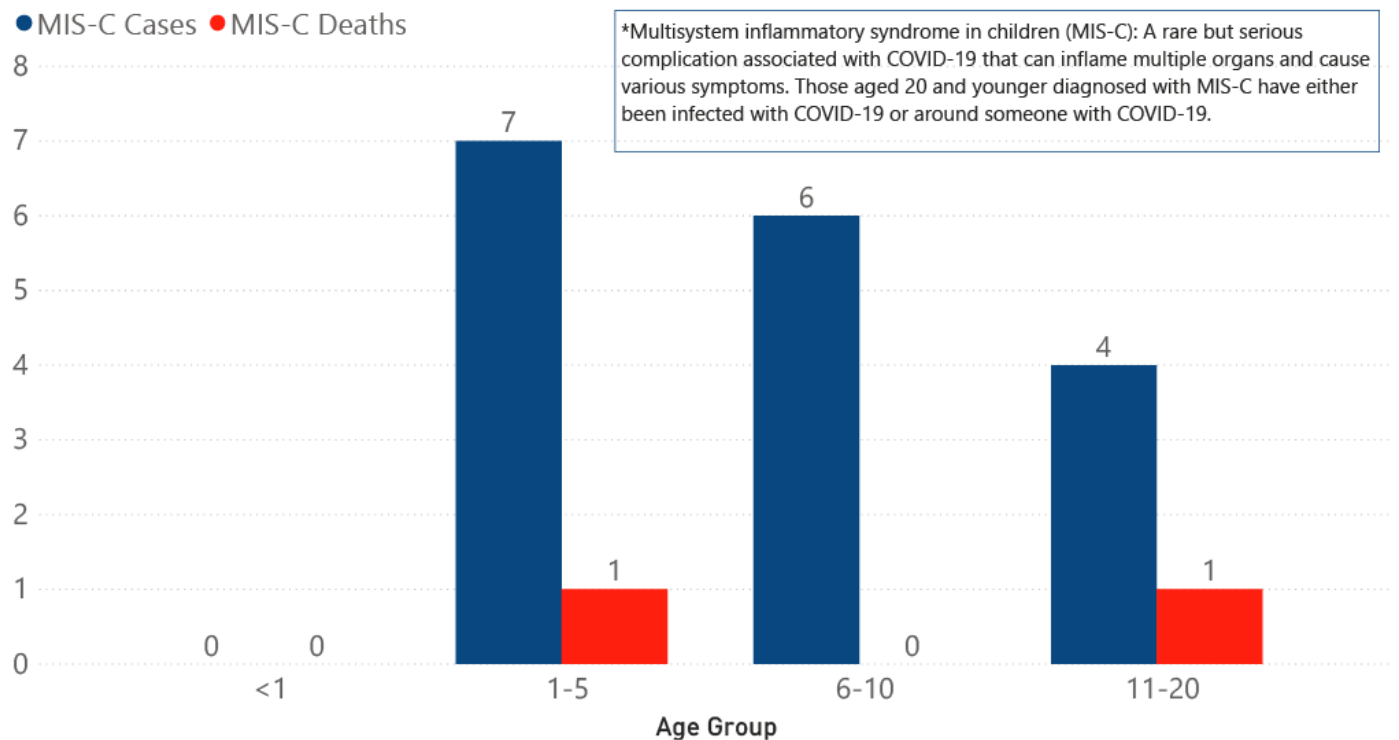


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Weekly Pediatric MIS-C Cases and Deaths

[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 September 20, 2020, Mississippi



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 1 Week Period (September 7- September 13, 2020*)					
County	Cases (September 7-September 13)	Cases per 100,000 (September 7-September 13)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
LAFAYETTE	130	240.7	2092	3872.7	7%
TALLAHATCHIE	33	239.0	757	5481.9	5%
PRENTISS	57	226.9	815	3243.7	8%
CLAY	42	217.4	581	3007.9	8%
ITAWAMBA	50	213.8	770	3292.0	7%
QUITMAN	14	206.1	375	5521.2	4%
COVINGTON	35	187.8	809	4341.1	5%
COAHOMA	40	180.8	1128	5098.5	4%
TISHOMINGO	34	175.4	661	3410.2	5%
MONTGOMERY	17	173.9	455	4654.7	4%
SUNFLOWER	38	151.3	1421	5659.1	3%
GRENADA	31	149.3	1062	5116.1	3%

*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 Case MS Counties Over 1 Week Period (September 7-September 13, 2020*)

County	Cases (September 7-September 13)	Cases per 100,000 (September 7-September 13)	Cases to Date	Cases per 100,000 Total	Percent Change
DESOTO	261	141.1	5425	2933.3	5%
HINDS	135	58.2	6979	3010.3	2%
LAFAYETTE	130	240.7	2092	3872.7	7%
JACKSON	123	85.6	3399	2366.7	4%
LEE	110	128.8	2610	3054.9	4%
HARRISON	100	48.1	3743	1798.8	3%
LAUDERDALE	81	109.3	2007	2707.6	4%
RANKIN	77	49.6	3193	2056.4	2%
JONES	76	111.6	2427	3564.0	3%
MADISON	67	63.0	3212	3022.4	2%
OKTIBBEHA	67	135.1	1754	3537.2	4%
PRENTISS	57	226.9	815	3243.7	8%

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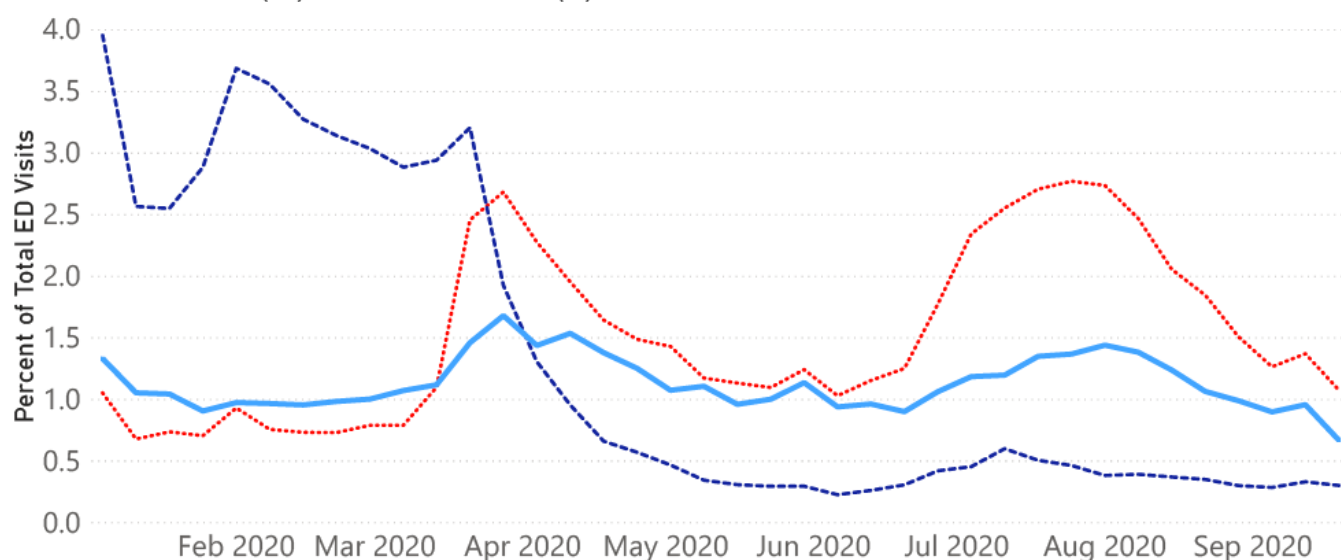
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Syndromic Surveillance

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 - September 19, 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

COVID-19 Presumed Recovered Cases through September 20, 2020, Mississippi

85,327

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 \(Johns Hopkins University\)](#)

COVID-19 Testing

Statewide Combined Testing as of September 21

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.

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

	Total tests	PCR	Antibody	Antigen
MSDH Public Health Laboratory	108,560	107,320	1,240	0
Other testing providers	685,273	598,689	36,199	50,385

Total tests for COVID-19 statewide	793,833	706,009	37,439	50,385
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MSDH Individuals Tested as of September 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: **79,913**
- Total positive individuals from MPHL tests: **8,664**

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](#)

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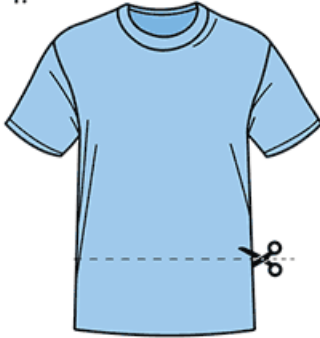
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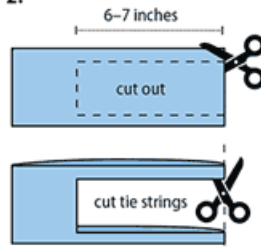
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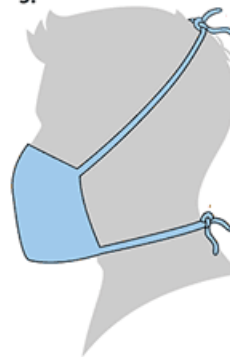


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