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Mayor Rilling Provides Local Update on Coronavirus

(Norwalk, Conn.) - City officials are working closely with partners at the state and federal levels, as well as partners in Norwalk, to monitor and respond to COVID-19, the 2019 novel Coronavirus. Statewide updates can be found online at [ct.gov/coronavirus](https://www.ct.gov/coronavirus). Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are 19 new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases in Norwalk to 860. There were also five new deaths reported. Now, a total of 46 residents have died as a result of coronavirus. In Fairfield County, the number of new positive cases went from 6,480 to 6,816.
- Mayor Rilling joined the Norwalk Police and Fire Departments earlier today in a lights and sirens tribute procession outside of Norwalk Hospital. Norwalk's first responders put this together as a small way to say thank you to hospital employees. Members of the public can continue to offer thanks and show community solidarity by ringing bells at 7 p.m. every day.
- With graduation dates currently up in the air due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many are taking to social media to post their senior class photo in support of the Class of 2020. The Better Business Bureau warns that sharing this information could be providing hackers and scammers with common online security questions. More information can be found [here](#).
- Attorney General William Tong said his office has received over 100 complaints from consumers seeking assistance obtaining refunds for travel cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Complaints include consumers unable to get refunds from airlines, challenges cancelling and postponing cruises, and difficulties cancelling or changing hotel reservations. The Attorney General's full announcement, and travel guidance, can be found [here](#).

"Too many in our community are being taken from us too soon. These five individuals who recently died from coronavirus should still be with us today. I offer my deepest condolences to their families and loved ones," said Mayor Rilling. "I know people are hopeful this pandemic will be over soon, and we can return to normal. I wish that were true. The biggest danger we have is a false sense of complacency. Please continue taking care of yourselves and loved ones by limiting unnecessary shopping and travel. Please also use a cloth face covering, even an old t-shirt, if you must go out. That's the only way we'll slow the spread of this virus."

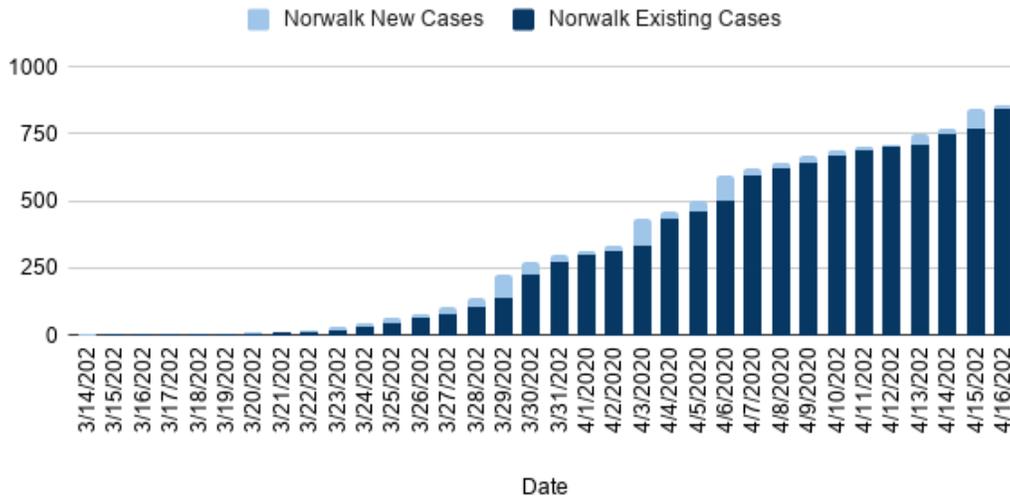
Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City's CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at [norwalkct.org/codered](https://www.norwalkct.org/codered).

Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at [norwalkct.org/citynews](https://www.norwalkct.org/citynews). The latest health updates can be found at [norwalkct.org/coronavirus](https://www.norwalkct.org/coronavirus).

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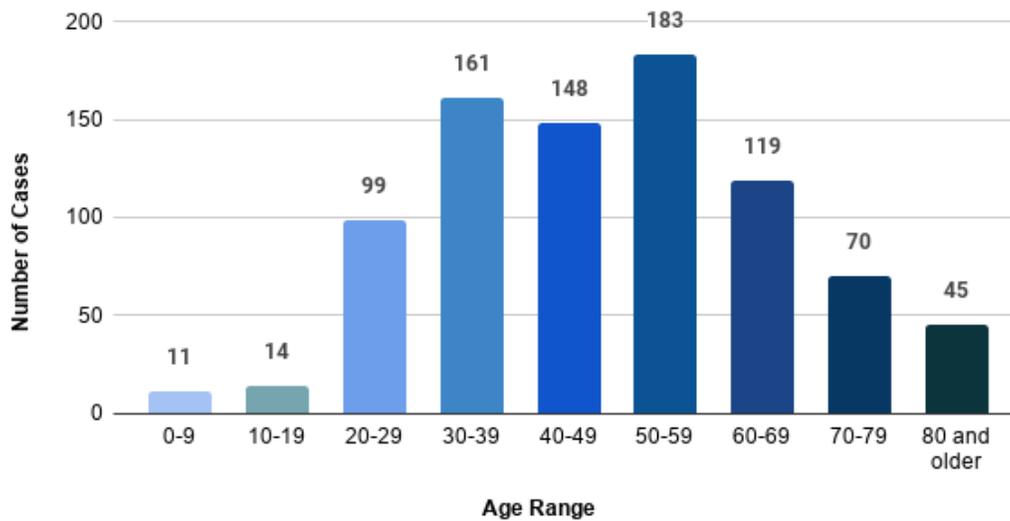
Number of COVID-19 Norwalk Cases and New Cases

Data are preliminary and subject to change



Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Norwalk Cases per Age Group

Data are preliminary & subject to change. May not add up to total case count as demographic data may be missing.



Number of COVID-19 Norwalk Deaths per Age Group

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