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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. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are 25 new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 1,390. There were also four new deaths reported. Now, a total of 64 residents have died from coronavirus. In Fairfield County, the number of new positive cases went from 10,008 to 10,227.
- Governor Lamont announced yesterday the members from the health, business, workforce and education communities who will serve on the Reopen Connecticut Advisory Group. This panel will consult with the Lamont administration and legislative leadership on the reopening of Connecticut's economy and education system as the nation emerges from the unprecedented public health emergency caused by COVID-19. More details [here](#).
- Spring Waste Collection continues the week of April 27 for residents with Thursday and Friday City garbage collection. All yard waste must be curbside by 6 a.m. on Monday, April 27, as the truck only passes by once. Collection guidelines and future dates can be found [here](#).
- Mayor Rilling announced that the Fourth of July Fireworks in Norwalk at Calf Pasture Beach have been canceled. This annual event generally attracts more than 20,000 people from Fairfield County and New York to Norwalk, and officials want to limit the size of crowds. This decision follows the cancelation of the City's annual Memorial Day Parade. Future scheduled summer events remain subject to change.

"I am sorry to share the news that four more of our residents have died from coronavirus. This is a horrible virus that is robbing our friends and neighbors of more years with their loved ones. I pray for these families and all who have been impacted by COVID-19," Mayor Rilling said. "I know people are eager to try and get back to normal, but we must listen to the experts who are studying COVID-19 on when it will be safe to gradually reopen. I know I won't be the only one closely watching for updates from the Reopen Connecticut Advisory Group, but right now, the best thing we can do to help save lives and slow the spread of this virus is to continue practicing physical distancing and stay home unless absolutely necessary."

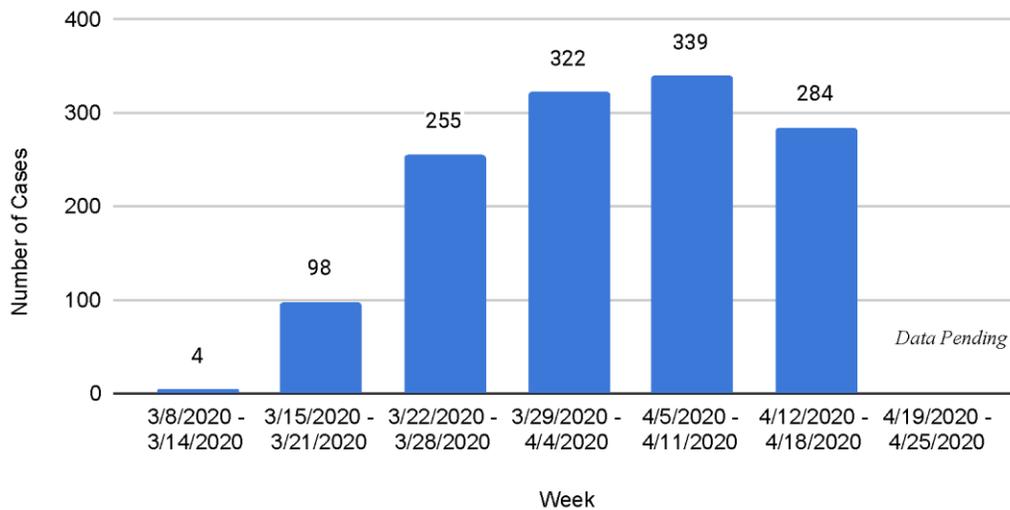
Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City's CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at norwalkct.org/codered.

Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at norwalkct.org/citynews. The latest health updates can be found at norwalkct.org/coronavirus.

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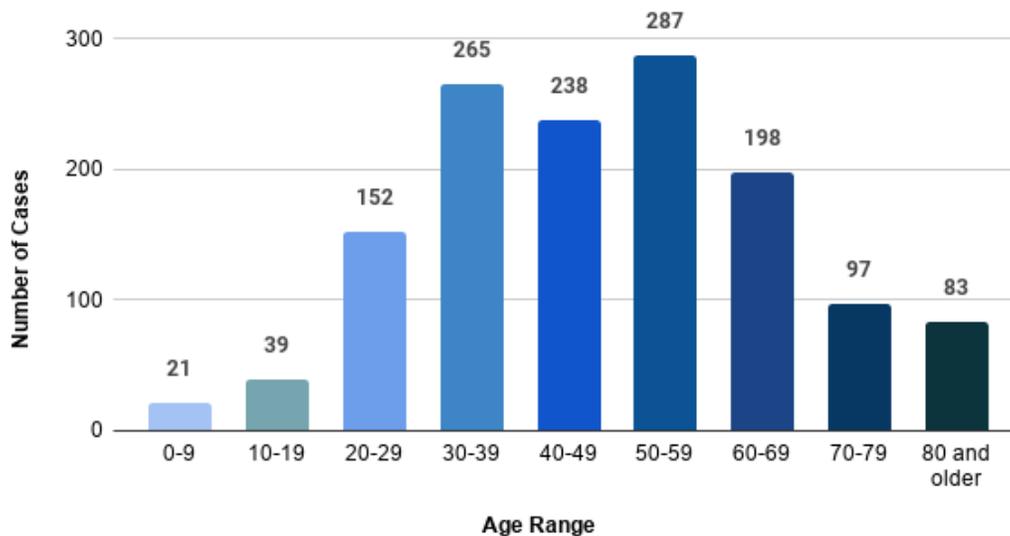
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

Test results may be reported several days after collection. Data from previous dates are routinely updated.



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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