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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 www.ct.gov/coronavirus. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are 3 new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,090. There were no new deaths reported.
- The deadline to file state and federal taxes is July 15, 2020. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free online tax preparation services to individuals and families with a total household income at or below \$56,000 in 2019. For more information, visit www.211ct.org/taxhelp.
- Most Norwalk taxpayers have until October 1, 2020 to pay local taxes without interest. They may pay with a credit, debit, or ATM card, or by E Check online at www.norwalkct.org/taxcollector or over the phone by calling (203) 318-9523. They may also pay by mail (Tax Collector, 125 East Ave., Norwalk, 06851). In addition, the Tax Collector's office has an outdoor walk-up window (to the left of the City Hall main entrance) if taxpayers prefer to pay in person. The window is open Monday through Friday from 9 am - 4:30 pm. Cash is not accepted at the window.
- In person summer classes began this week at Norwalk Public Schools with strict safety protocols in place. Unfortunately, a member of the Norwalk High School community has tested positive for COVID-19. In response, the Norwalk High School building will be closed until July 13, and summer classes will shift to distance learning during that time. Anyone who may have been exposed has been notified and asked to self-quarantine for 14 days.

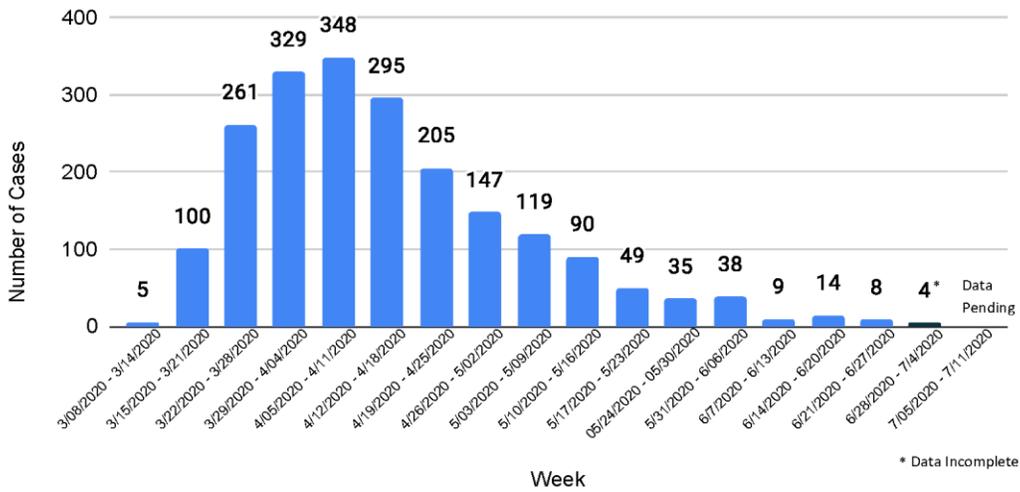
“Thankfully, we’ve seen fewer cases in Norwalk in recent weeks,” Mayor Rilling said. “However, we know COVID-19 is not gone. Cases will inevitably continue in Norwalk, as we have seen this week in our school community. Recent cases remind us to remain vigilant and follow all recommended precautions: wash your hands, maintain physical distance, wear a face covering in public, and stay home when you’re feeling sick.”

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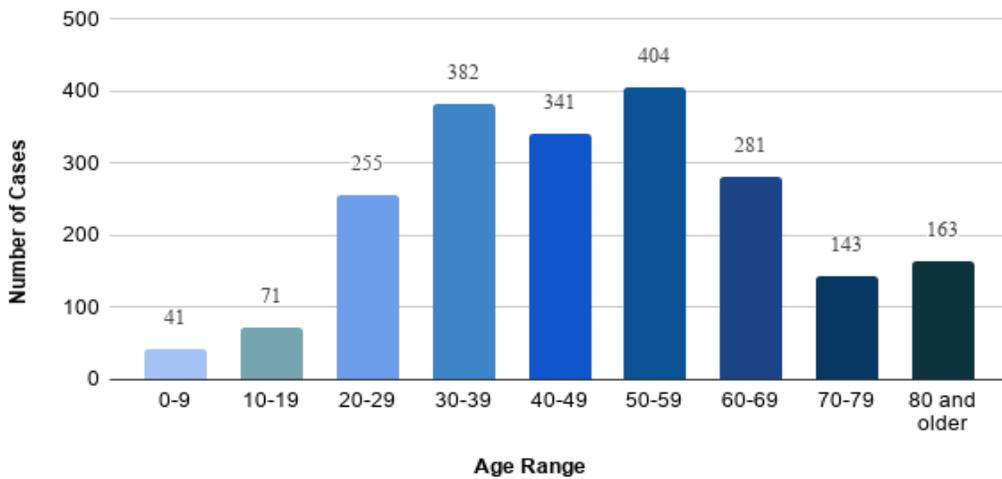
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

Test results may be reported several days after collection. Does not include cases with missing specimen collection



Number of Positive 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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