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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 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 12, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there is 1 new positive case in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,098. There were no new deaths reported.
- The National Institutes of Health launched a website for those interested in volunteering for Phase 3 efficacy trials for the prevention of COVID-19. Registration and participation are strictly voluntary. Learn more [here](#).
- Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Ned Lamont signed an executive order allowing all registered voters in Connecticut to vote absentee in the August 11, 2020 primary. Secretary of the State Denise Merrill mailed every registered Democrat and Republican in the state an application that they will need to fill out and return in order to obtain an absentee ballot. That application, which will be sent via U.S. Postal Service, will include a postage paid return envelope. Beginning July 21, 2020, all voters who requested an absentee ballot will receive the ballots in the mail, which will also include a postage paid return envelope. For those who would still like to appear in person to cast their vote, our polling locations will remain open, however, the ability to vote absentee will ensure that the democratic process continues safely and securely. You can check your voter registration status [here](#).
- The COVID Tracking Project continues to measure each state's progress towards controlling the spread of disease, ensuring hospital capacity, and increasing testing capacity. They expanded their scale to include a designation of "uncontrolled spread" due to so many states trending poorly. Today, Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey are the only states designated as meeting all the criteria set within the Reopening America Again guidelines.

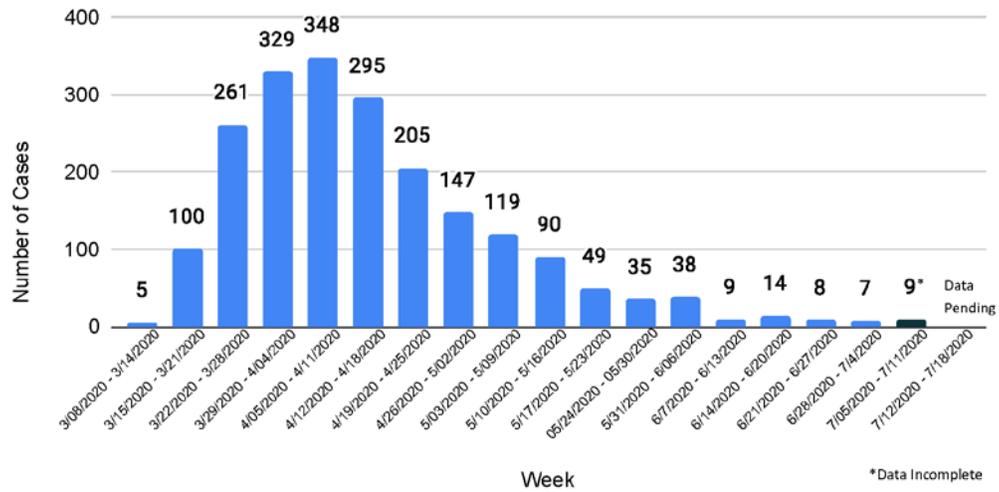
"One of the important tools to controlling the spread of COVID-19 in the community is a robust testing program," Mayor Rilling said. "If you need help finding a testing site, please visit the Norwalk Health Department's website or CT's 211 website. Even though cases numbers are low, there is still risk for COVID-19 infection."

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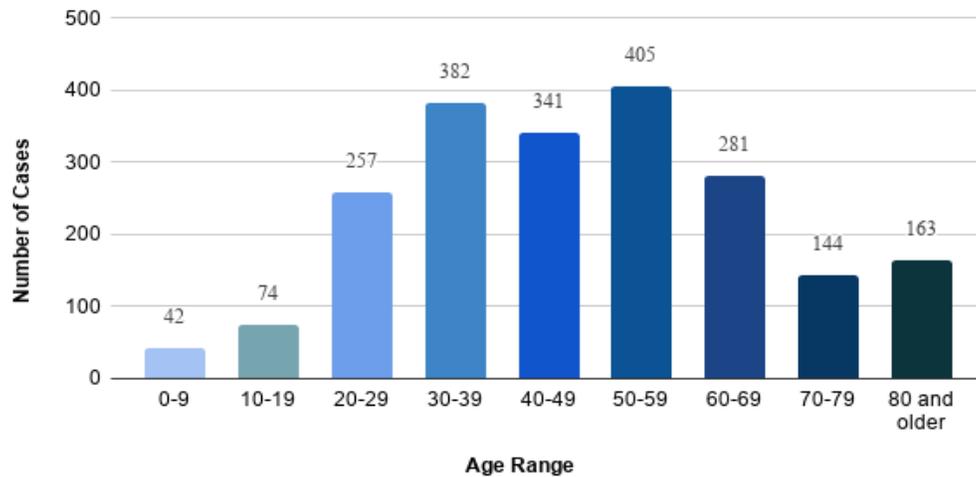
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

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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