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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, July 17, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there is one new positive case in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,107. There were no new deaths reported.
- The Norwalk Public Schools Re-Opening Task Force is planning a return of students to school this fall. A survey asking for feedback has been sent to all families. Families are asked to fill out one survey for each child.
- There is an excessive heat threat for this weekend and early into next week, with heat indices between 95-104 degrees. Mayor Rilling has opened the Community Room at the Norwalk Police Department as a cooling center. Anyone entering the building must wear a face covering, and those in the Community Room must socially distance from those outside of their household. For heat safety tips, please visit norwalkct.org.
- With hot and sunny weather in the forecast this weekend, beaches in Norwalk and across the region are expected to reach parking capacity early in the day. The City will post on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CityofNorwalk) (@CityofNorwalk) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/norwalk_ct) (@norwalk_ct) if parks and beaches in Norwalk reach capacity and are closed. The public can also call a new beach hotline at 203-854-7938 for updates.

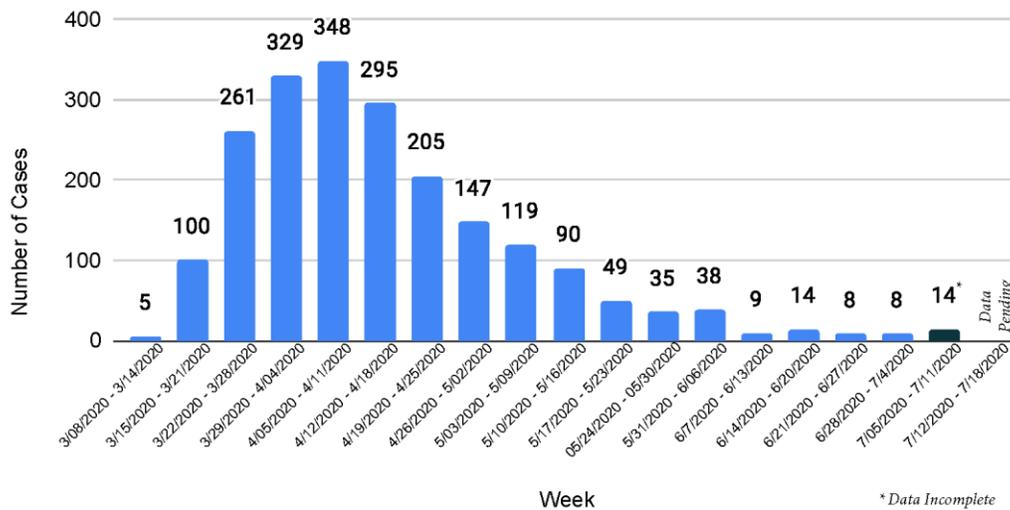
“The next few days are going to very hot, and while it may be uncomfortable, it is so important that everyone continue to wear a face covering when social distance cannot be achieved. Please be mindful of the weather, continue to hydrate, and try to limit time in the sun,” Mayor Rilling said. “I expect our beautiful beach to be a popular destination this weekend. I encourage residents to arrive early, check online or call for the latest updates, and to have alternate plans in place in case we reach capacity. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable weekend.”

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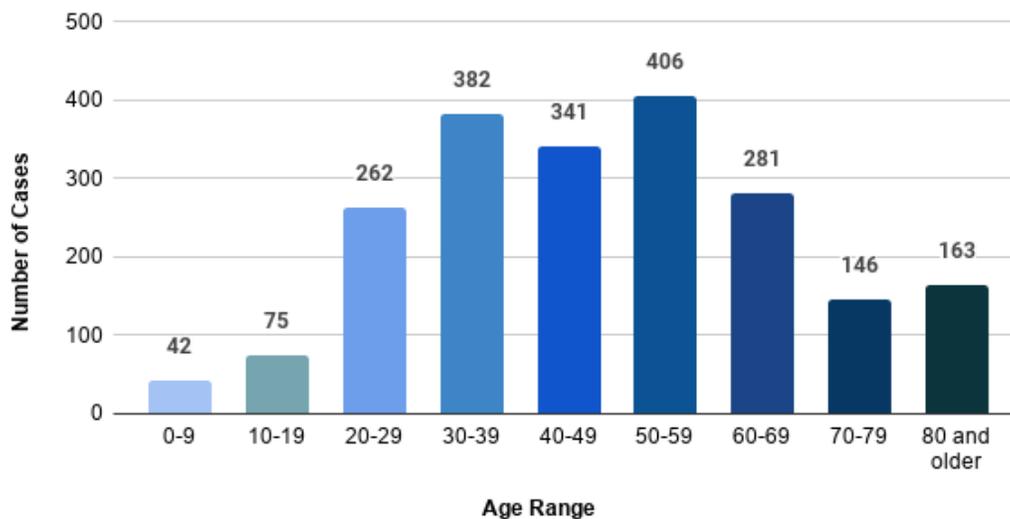
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

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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